

**UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF ARTS
DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

RELS 201 L02
World Religions - Western

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2011

Logistics	Time	Tuesday and Thursday, 2:00-3:15pm		
	Location	MFH 160		
	Instructor	Dr. David A. Bergen dabergen@ucalgary.ca 403-220-7063		
	Office Hours (SS 1308)	Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00-11:00am		
	Textbooks	<i>Religions of the West Today</i> (Oxford University Press). Assigned readings (and any additional PDF-articles) will be posted in Blackboard (“Course Documents”).		
Course Description	This course will explore Jewish, Christian, and Muslim thought and behaviour in two modes. One mode, emphasizing knowledge and description, will rely on the textbook’s presentation. The other mode, focusing on critical analysis, will academically evaluate “western religion” and its study.			
Learning Assessment	Three equally-weighted midterm exams (February 3, March 8, March 31)	90%		
	In-class Essay Exam (April 14)	10%		
	<i>There will be no Registrar scheduled final exam for this course.</i>			
Grading Scale	A numerical grade is assigned for each course requirement. Following the final graded component, a letter grade is assigned, using the department-approved table of equivalencies:			
	A+ 100-96	B+ 84.9-80	C+ 69.9-65	D+ 54.9-53
	A 95.9-90	B 79.9-75	C 64.9-60	D 52.9-50
	A- 89.9-85	B- 74.9-70	C- 59.9-55	F under 50
	N.B. All written assignments will be graded with regard to both form and content.			
Academic Honesty	<i>Plagiarism is not tolerated at the University of Calgary and has serious consequences. Your essays/presentations must be your own work and inadequate referencing may be seen as plagiarism. Please see the relevant sections on Academic Misconduct in the</i>			

current University Calendar. If you have questions about correct referencing, please consult your instructor.

Important Dates	Please note the information regarding withdrawals and fee refunds in the current University Calendar.
Academic Accommodation	If you are a student with a disability who requires academic accommodation and you have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre, please contact their office at 403-220-8237. Students who have not registered with the Disability Resource Centre are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. Once registered, please discuss any upcoming tests/examinations with the instructor two weeks before the scheduled date.
Course Withdrawal	Please note the information regarding withdrawals and fee refunds in the Academic Schedule of the current University Calendar.
Lecture Recording	Recording any part of any lectures in any form must be first approved by the instructor in writing and is for individual private study only. See current Calendar, Tape recording of Lectures.
Safewalk Program	"You don't have to walk alone...." Call 403-220-5333 and a member of the Safewalk Team will walk you to your car, the LRT, or any destination on campus. Safewalk is available to all students, staff and faculty any time of the day or night. Look for the Campus Security Help Phones located throughout the University. Please don't hesitate to call!
Gnosis	Gnosis is the Religious Studies Student Club. For membership or more information please email: gnosis@ucalgary.ca or visit http://www.ucalgary.ca/~gnosis .

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- For program planning and advice, contact the Student Success Centre (formerly the Undergraduate programs Office) at (403) 220-5881 or visit them on the 4th Floor of MacEwan Student Centre.
- For registration (add/drop/swap), paying fees and assistance with your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at (403) 210-ROCK [7625] or visit them at the MacKimmie Library Block.