

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY
FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
DEPARTMENT OF CLASSICS & RELGION

COURSE OUTLINE – FALL 2014

Religious Studies 683.2
Specialized Studies in Eastern Religions (Hinduism & Colonialism)

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Required Textbooks: To be determined

Course Description:

This is a research-intensive course surveying secondary scholarship on the impact of Colonialism on the practice and understanding of Hinduism on the Indian sub-continent and in the west.

Course Goals:

- To develop advanced research skills
- To gain a mastery of seminal scholarship on the Hinduism, Colonialism, and Orientalism
- To develop and practice the writing skills necessary to create annotated bibliographies and reviews of scholarly literature

Course Requirements:

1. *Participation:*

The student should plan on reading approximately one book per week. The books to be read each week will be selected in consultation with the instructor, and may come from the students' work on the annotated bibliography projects. The instructor and student will meet once every other week to discuss the readings.

2. *Annotated Bibliographies:*

The student will conduct an exhaustive search for literature related to these topics utilizing library databases. Based on these searches and in consultation with the instructor, the student will create two annotated bibliographies of approximately 20-30 sources each. Deadlines will be determined in consultation with the student.

3. *Bibliographic Essay:*

The final paper for this course will be a 10-20 page bibliographic essay based on the annotated bibliographies the student has produced throughout the term. This essay should present the students' analysis and assessment of the state of scholarship in the field. Deadline will be determined in consultation with the student.

There will be no Registrar scheduled Final Exam for this course

Grading:

Annotated Bibliographies:	40% (20% each)
Bibliographic Essay:	50%
Participation:	10%

A letter grade will be assigned to each component of the course according to the University's Graduate Studies Calendar 2014-2015:

A+	4.0	Outstanding
A	4.0	Excellent – superior performance showing comprehensive understanding of the subject matter
A-	3.7	Very good performance
B+	3.3	Good performance
B	3.0	Satisfactory performance Note: The grade point value (3.0) associated with this grade is the minimum acceptable average that a graduate student must maintain throughout the program as computed at the end of each registration anniversary year of the program.
B-	2.7	Minimum pass for students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies Note: A student who receives a B- or lower in two or more courses will be required to withdraw regardless of their grade point average unless the program recommends otherwise. Individual programs may require a higher minimum passing grade.
C+	2.3	
C	2.0	
C-	1.7	
D+	1.3	
D	1.0	
F	0.0	All grades below B- are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. A student who receives a grade of F will normally be required to withdraw unless the program recommends otherwise.

N.B. All written assignments will be graded with regard to both form and content.

Academic Honesty

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

Academic Accommodation

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations. If you are a student with a documented disability who may require academic accommodation and have not registered with Student Accessibility Services, please contact their office at 403-220-8237. Students who have not registered with Student Accessibility Services are not eligible for formal academic accommodation. You are also required to discuss your needs with your instructor no later than **fourteen (14) days** after the start of the course.

Desire 2 Learn (D2L) Help

Go to <http://elearn.ucalgary.ca/desire2learn/home/students> for Student Help and FAQ's about D2L. Troubleshooting tips and a tutorial are also available on this website.

Faculty of Arts Program Advising and Student Information Resources

- Have a question, but not sure where to start? The Faculty of Arts Students' Centre (ASC) is your information resource for everything in Arts! Drop in at SS102, call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at picarts@ucalgary.ca. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
- For program planning and advice, contact the Student Success Centre at (403) 220-5881 or visit them on the 3rd floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library.
- 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.

Student Ombudsperson and Students' Union Representative

The Student Ombuds Office provides independent, impartial and confidential support for students who require assistance and advice in addressing issues and concerns related to their academic careers. See www.ucalgary.ca/provost/students/ombuds for more information.

The Students' Union Faculty of Arts representative can be reached at arts1@ucalgary.ca.

Emergency Evacuation Assembly Point

In case of an emergency evacuation during class, students must gather at the designated assembly point nearest to the classroom. The list of assembly points is found at www.ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints. Please check this website and not the nearest assembly point for this course.

Safewalk

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