RELIGION: ANALYSIS AND INTERPRETATION

REL 2011 – U04 (12290)
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COURSE OUTLINE

Week One: Introduction

Week Two: What is Religion / Ways of Studying Religion

Week Three: The Sacred and the Holy / Sacred Symbol, Myth, and Doctrine

Week Four: Sacred Ritual / Sacred Scripture

Week Five: Society and the Sacred

Week Six: Revision and Midterm Exam

Week Seven: Deity: Concepts of the Divine and Ultimate Reality / Cosmogony: Origins of the Natural and Social Order

Week Eight: Views of the Human Problem / Theodicy: Encountering Evil

Week Nine: Ethics: Patterns of Moral Action / Soteriology: Ways and Goals of Salvation

Week Ten: Secularization: New Religious Revitalization Movements / Contemporary Religious Fundamentalism / Contemporary Challenges to Traditional Religion

Week Eleven: Spring Break

Week Twelve: Presentations

Week Thirteen: Presentations

Week Fourteen: Presentations and Review

Week Fifteen: Final Exam