World Religions, team-taught by Carleton’s program for the study of religion.

Description:
This course surveys major world religions, focusing on a different tradition each week. Different lecturers from Carleton’s Religion program will each speak to their own areas of expertise. The series begins with an introduction to the academic study of religion, followed by an overview of Indigenous traditions. Next we will move through the origins and historical developments of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, featuring faculty areas of specialization in each of these traditions. From here, the course will look at the origins of religion in India and China and focus on the development of Hinduism and various forms of Buddhism.

Day & Time: Fridays 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Nov 1
First hour - introduction to the study of religion (Shawna Dolansky)
Second hour - Indigenous traditions (Noel Salmond)

Nov 8
First hour - origins of Judaism (Shawna Dolansky)
Second hour - Judaism - faculty area of expertise (Deidre Butler)

Nov 15
First hour - origins of Christianity (Zeba Crook)
Second hour - Christianity - faculty area of expertise (Johannes Wolfart)

Nov 22
First hour - origins of Hinduism (Richard Mann)
Second hour - Hinduism - faculty area of expertise (Richard Mann)

Nov 29
First hour - origins of Islam (Aisha Geissinger)
Second hour - Islam - faculty area of expertise (Mourad Laabdi)

Dec 6
First hour - Buddhism (Angela Sumegi)
Second hour - Religions of China (Chris Jensen)