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Teaching Assistant: TBA

Course Description
This course surveys religion in China, Japan, and Korea in a range of ancient traditions and contemporary movements including Ancestor Worship, Confucianism, Daoism, Shamanism, Zen Buddhism, Pure Land Buddhism, Christianity, Feminism, and New Religions.

Course Goals
Students will become familiar with historical and contemporary contexts of East Asian religion and interpret the meaning of religious texts within that context.

Course Assessment
a) Group Presentations in Lecture 15%
Participate in a group of 4 or 5 students to present your collective interpretation of a selected passage from the day’s assigned reading. Selected passages, presentation structure, and group sign-up will be posted in CULearn.

b) Unit 1 Test 15%
Answer multiple choice questions about Chinese history and analyze passages from Confucius’ Analects and Zhuangzi’s Basic Writings. The test will be held in the regular lecture hall and hours.

c) Unit 2 Paper 40%
Respond to a question posted by the instructor on CULearn with reference to Dōgen’s Bendōwa and Shinran’s Tannishō in a 1000 word essay. Papers are to be submitted electronically with CULearn.

d) Final Exam 30%
Answer multiple choice questions and analyze passages from materials in Units 3 and 4.

Required Reading
On sale at Haven Books at 43 Seneca St Ottawa, ON K1S 4X2, T: (613) 730-9888
All other required readings (see schedule below) are available for download via CULearn.
### Recommended Reading


### Schedule

| UNIT 1 | Sept 5 | Ancient Chinese History/Myth  
|Sept 10 | Ancient Chinese Religious Practices  
|Sept 12 & 17 | Confucianism  
|Sept 19 & 24 | Daoism  
| Sept 26 | **Unit 1 Test** |
| Sept 30 | (Last day to withdraw without financial penalty) |
| UNIT 2 | Oct 1 | Early Japanese History/Myth  
| Oct 3 | Introduction to Buddhism  
| Oct 8 | **Workshop 1**  
Discussion and practice of paper writing skills in preparation for the Unit 2 Paper.  
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| Oct 10 | Buddhist Japan  
| Oct 15 & 17 | Zen Buddhism  
| Oct 22 & 24 | Pure Land Buddhism  
<p>| Oct 28-Nov 1 | <em>(Fall Semester Break)</em> |</p>
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Instructor’s Policies

(1) **Attendance.** Students are advised to attend all lectures and workshops, since doing so will contribute to success in this course, but attendance is the responsibility of the student and will not be monitored.

(2) **Lateness.** The final grade of late papers will be reduced at a rate of one grade point (e.g. A to A-, A- to B+, and so on) per 24-hour period, beginning at midnight of the due date. If there are extraordinary circumstances which a student expects may have an impact on timely submission, then the instructor must be informed at least 48 hours before the due date in order for any extension of the deadline to be considered. In the case of sudden illness or the loss of a loved one, proof by documentation is required.

(3) **Appeals.** If a student judges any of his or her marks to be unfair, then appeals must be made within two weeks after the distribution of the mark and (unless it is regarding a simple mistake in calculation) the appeal must include a paragraph written by the student to explain why a better mark is justified.

(4) **E-mail.** The instructor will respond to e-mails within 24 hours, but not in the period between 5 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m. Monday.
REGULATIONS COMMON TO ALL HUMANITIES COURSES

COPIES OF WRITTEN WORK SUBMITTED
Always retain for yourself a copy of all essays, term papers, written assignments or take-home tests submitted in your courses.

PLAGIARISM
The University Senate defines plagiarism as “presenting, whether intentional or not, the ideas, expression of ideas or work of others as one’s own.” This can include:

- reproducing or paraphrasing portions of someone else’s published or unpublished material, regardless of the source, and presenting these as one’s own without proper citation or reference to the original source;
- submitting a take-home examination, essay, laboratory report or other assignment written, in whole or in part, by someone else;
- using ideas or direct, verbatim quotations, or paraphrased material, concepts, or ideas without appropriate acknowledgment in any academic assignment;
- using another’s data or research findings;
- failing to acknowledge sources through the use of proper citations when using another’s works and/or failing to use quotation marks;
- handing in “substantially the same piece of work for academic credit more than once without prior written permission of the course instructor in which the submission occurs.”

Plagiarism is a serious offence which cannot be resolved directly with the course’s instructor. The Associate Deans of the Faculty conduct a rigorous investigation, including an interview with the student, when an instructor suspects a piece of work has been plagiarized. Penalties are not trivial. They can include a final grade of “F” for the course.

GRADING SYSTEM
Letter grades assigned in this course will have the following percentage equivalents:

A+ = 90-100 (12)  B+ = 73-76 (8)  C+ = 67-69 (6)  D- = 50-52 (1)
A  = 85-89 (11)  B  = 70-72 (7)  C  = 63-66 (5)  D  = 53-56 (2)
A- = 80-84 (10)  B- = 70-72 (7)  D+ = 57-59 (3)
B+ = 77-79 (9)  C+ = 67-69 (6)  D+ = 57-59 (3)

F  Failure. Assigned 0.0 grade points
ABS  Absent from final examination, equivalent to F
DEF  Official deferral (see "Petitions to Defer")
FND  Failure with no deferred exam allowed -- assigned only when the student has failed the course on the basis of inadequate term work as specified in the course outline.

Standing in a course is determined by the course instructor subject to the approval of the Faculty Dean.

WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT ACADEMIC PENALTY
The last date to withdraw from FALL TERM courses is DEC. 9, 2013. The last day to withdraw from FALL/WINTER (Full Term) and WINTER term courses is APRIL 8, 2014.

REQUESTS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATION
You may need special arrangements to meet your academic obligations during the term because of disability, pregnancy or religious obligations. Please review the course outline promptly and write to me with any requests for academic accommodation during the first two weeks of class, or as soon as possible after the need for accommodation is known to exist. You can visit the Equity Services website to view the policies and to obtain more detailed information on academic accommodation at: carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/

Students with disabilities requiring academic accommodations in this course must register with the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities (PMC) for a formal evaluation of disability-related needs. Documented disabilities could include but not limited to mobility/physical impairments, specific Learning Disabilities (LD), psychiatric/psychological disabilities, sensory disabilities, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), and chronic medical conditions. Registered PMC students are required to contact the PMC, 613-520-6608, every term to ensure that you receive your Letter of Accommodation, no later than two weeks before the first assignment is due or the first in-class test/midterm requiring accommodations. If you only require accommodations for your formally scheduled exam(s) in this course, please submit your request for accommodations to PMC by Nov. 8, 2013 for the Fall term and March 7, 2014 for the Winter term. For more details visit the Equity Services website: carleton.ca/equity/accommodation/

PETITIONS TO DEFER
If you miss a final examination and/or fail to submit a FINAL assignment by the due date because of circumstances beyond your control, you may apply for a deferral of examination/assignment. If you are applying for a deferral due to illness you will be required to see a physician in order to confirm illness and obtain a medical certificate dated no later than one working day after the examination or assignment deadline. This supporting documentation must specify the date of onset of the illness, the degree of incapacitation, and the expected date of recovery.

If you are applying for a deferral due to illness, please contact the Registrar’s Office directly for information on other forms of documentation that we accept. Deferrals of assignments must be supported by confirmation of the assignment due date, for example a copy of the course outline specifying the due date and any documented extensions from the course instructor.

Deferral applications for examination or assignments must be submitted within 5 working days of the original final exam.

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Religion Office 520-2100  2A39 Paterson
Registrar's Office 520-3500  300 Tory
Student Academic Success Centre 520-7850 302 Tory
Paul Menton Centre 520-6608/TTY 520-3937 501 Uni-Centre
Writing Tutorial Service 520-2600 Ext. 1125
Learning Support Service 520-2600 Ext 1125

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