

Course Name: Religion, Society, and the Individual

Course Number: SOC\* 271

Credits: 3 credit hours

**Catalog description:** A survey of the insights of sociology, this course explores the role of religion in the social construction of meaning, values, and behavior patterns. Historical patterns as well as modern trends in religion are examined. The nature of religion and its effect upon the individual and society are examined by using examples drawn from a variety of religions from all over the world. Particular attention is paid to Hinduism, Buddhism, and Judaism.

Prerequisite: SOC 101 or permission of instructor

# **General Education Competencies Satisfied:**

HCC General Education Requirement Designated Competency Attribute Code(s):

none

**Discipline-Specific Attribute Code(s):** 

☑ BHEL Behavioral Science elective

## **Course objectives**:

### **General Education Goals and Outcomes:**

none

### **Course Specific Objectives:**

Demonstrate a knowledge of the role of the world's major religions in the social construction of meaning, values, and behavior patterns in the United States and in other societies.

### **Course Content:**

1. Introduction The sociological approach to religion



- 2. Hinduism
- 3. Buddhism
- 4. Judaism
- 5. Christianity
- 6. Islam
- 7. Cull, sect, denomination, and church

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