

COURSE SYLLABUS

RS 110 World Religions

3 credits

no prerequisites

I. CATALOG DESCRIPTION

A comparative study of ^{the} history, teaching, ^{and} rituals of the major religions

Supplemental readings:

Hermann Hesse, Siddhartha

Benjamin Hoff, The Way of Zen, Penguin Books

In addition to the textbook, students will read at least one primary source book from the supplemental reading list.

LIBERAL STUDIES COURSE APPROVAL FORM

About this form: Use this form only if you wish to have a course included for Liberal Studies
This form is designed to assist you in developing your course to meet the university's

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E. The Liberal Studies Criteria indicate six ways in which all courses should contribute to students' abilities.

These additional Non-Western Cultures guidelines indicate the various

Although a course may deal with a single culture...



encouraged

A course may present one or more cultures by emphasizing a single

Knowledge Area Criteria which the course must meet:

appreciate the complexity, history, and current implications of what is being

studied; and not to provide current coverage of lines of topics

RS 110: WORLD RELIGIONS

Part One: Basic Information

Please refer to items checked.

Part Two: Liberal Studies Goals

... to the variety of religious beliefs.

E 1 Religion entails commitment. Many important ethical issues will be raised

and the students will see how each religion approaches these issues.

ethical choices, i.e., abortion, prayer in public school, etc..

E 2. What is the meaning of life? Why do people suffer? All religions offer some answers to these questions. The students will learn to evaluate the solutions offered by each religion so that they

could make rational choices for themselves.