

# PHL 121 - WESTERN RELIGIONS

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## Course Description

Western Religions is a study of the historical development, main religious teachings, leading personalities, ethical values, and worship practices of the major religious traditions of the western world: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. We will also consider indigenous religious systems, new religious movements, and religion in the public sphere. Group 1 course.

## Credit Hours

4

## Contact Hours

4

## Lecture Hours

4

## Recommended Prerequisites or Skills Competencies

Completion of ENG 11/111 or placement into ENG 111

## General Education Outcomes supported by this course

Communications - Direct, Critical Thinking - Direct

## Other college designations supported by this course

Degree Req: Cultural Persp/Div, Infused: Writing Intensive

## Course Learning Outcomes

### Knowledge:

- Demonstrate historical and conceptual knowledge of Western Religions, including Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

### Application:

- Practice Philosophical Analysis and Religious Studies research to the area of Western Religions.
- Demonstrate effective communication skills.

### Integration:

- Recognize the worldviews and values of Judaism, Christianity, Islam and other Western Religions, and the ways in which those worldviews converge and differ in cultural and global contexts.
- Compare and contrast worldviews and values of Western Religions with differing cultural and global contexts.

### Human Dimension:

- Reflect on Western religious values and cultural diversity.

### Caring - Civic Learning:

- Demonstrate open-mindedness by considering alternative religious values and points of view.

### Learning How to Learn:

- Communicate their research findings as a religious scholar.