RHBB32, History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Science: Religion and Politics in History, 7.5 credits

Religionshistoria och religionsbeteendevetenskap: Religion och politik i historien, 7,5 högskolepoäng
First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2015-12-01 to be valid from 2016-01-18, spring semester 2016.

General Information

The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can be selected as a specialisation course in the Bachelor's programme in Religious Studies and Theology. It can be included in a first or second cycle degree.

Language of instruction: Swedish

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Learning outcomes

On completion of the course, students shall be able to

Knowledge and understanding

- account for and compare a selection of past and present religio-political expressions
• summarise and explain some models for understanding religio-political expressions from religious studies, political science and sociology

**Competence and skills**

• describe, analyse and interpret how religious texts and historical processes are used to sanction political and/or ideological positions and to legitimise what is a correct life style
• critically assimilate research about religion and politics in Swedish and English

**Judgement and approach**

• distinguish, compare and take a position on religious and scientific terminology
• critically assess the contents of religio-political statements

**Course content**

The course examines the close relationship between religion and politics throughout history and in several cultural contexts. Furthermore, it deals with modern religious uses of history and political/ideological interpretations of religious texts from a historical perspective.

**Course design**

The teaching consists of lectures and seminars.

**Assessment**

The assessment is based on a take-home exam.

_**Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.**_

**Grades**

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

**Entry requirements**

To be admitted to the course, the student must have passed Religious Studies and Theology: Level 1 (CTRA12/CTRD12/CTRA11/CTRD01) or History of Religions: Level 1 (RHIA12/RHIA11) or Islamic Studies: Level 1 (ISLA11) or Jewish Studies: Level 1 (JUDA11) or the equivalent.

**Further information**

This is a translation of the course syllabus approved in Swedish.
1. The course is offered at the Centre for Theology and Religious Studies, Lund University.
2. It is module 2 of the course History of Religions and Behavioural Science of Religion: Level 2 (RHBB03).
3. The credits allocated for course content that in whole or in part is commensurate with another course can only be credited once for a degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
Subcourses in RHBB32, History of Religions and Religious Behavioural Science: Religion and Politics in History

Applies from V16

1501 Religion and Politics in History, 7.5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction