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UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

## **CTRB55, Religious Studies and Theology: Children of Abraham, 7.5 credits**

*Religious Studies and Theology: Children of Abraham, 7,5  
högskolepoäng*  
First Cycle / Grundnivå

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### **Details of approval**

The syllabus was approved by The pro-dean for First-Cycle Studies at the Faculties of Humanities and Theology on 2015-02-04 to be valid from 2015-02-04, spring semester 2015.

### **General Information**

Subject: Theology of Religion The course is offered as a freestanding course. It can be included as an elective course in the Bachelor of Theology programme.

*Language of instruction:* English

*Main field of studies*

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*Depth of study relative to the degree requirements*

G1F, First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

### **Learning outcomes**

On completion of the course the student shall

#### **Knowledge and understanding**

- be able to describe and analyse the relationships between the Jewish, Muslim and Christian religions from the perspective of the current socio-political situation and various historical contexts
- be able to explain the complex interplay between the theological, social and societal factors which characterise the Middle East
- be able to express Abrahamic ecumenism, in particular with regard to conflict resolution

### **Competence and skills**

- be able to apply perspectives of the theology of religion to the relationship between the three religions
- be able to adopt a theological approach in a critical discussion of the positions of both parties in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

### **Judgement and approach**

- be able to separate religion and politics in the positions of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and make objective political assessments on the basis of theological standpoints
- be able to identify the feasibility of concord and cooperation between the Jewish, Muslim and Christian religions.

### **Course content**

The course deals with the three so-called Abrahamic religions, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The relationships between them are discussed from historical and present-day perspectives. Current relationships are analysed with particular attention being paid to Abrahamic ecumenism and its contribution to the resolution of conflicts. Various positions of the theology of religion are introduced as are theological perspectives on the present-day Israeli-Palestinian conflict. An emphasis is placed on Jerusalem as a holy city for all three religions.

### **Course design**

Teaching consists of lectures and seminars. Students are expected to complete independent written and/or oral assignments in connection with the seminars. Compulsory seminars may be scheduled. Absences are compensated for according to instructions given by the lecturer. The course includes a study visit to the Middle East or alternatively a case study conducted in Sweden.

### **Assessment**

Assessment is based on orally defended written assignments.

*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 students must have passed Christianity Level 1 (TEOA01, TEOA50), Religious Studies Level 1 (REVA01, REVA50), Jewish Studies Level 1 (JUDA01, JUDA50), Islamology Level 1 (ISLA01, ISLA50), History of Religions Level 1

(RHIA01, RHIA50), 60 higher education credits, or the equivalent.

### **Further information**

1. The number of students is limited for the study visit to Jerusalem.
2. The course replaces TEOB05.
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 CTRB55, Religious Studies and Theology: Children of Abraham

Applies from V15

1501 Children of Abraham, 7,5 hp  
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction