

**DEPARTMENT OF RELIGION GRADUATE COURSE OFFERINGS**  
**SPRING 2015**  
**As of: October 17, 2014**  
**(Subject to change)**

<b>Course</b>	<b>Course Description</b>	<b>Instructor</b>
16:840:552:01 Index: 19087	<p><b>CONTEMPLATION AND MEDITATION IN BUDDHISM AND CHRISTIANITY (3)</b>            Seminar covers major mediational and contemplative practices in Christianity and Buddhism, their historical contexts, the philosophical/theological discussions surrounding them, and a critical perspective on their use in the West. (Cross listed with 01:840:327:01.)</p> <p>Tuesday, 1/2 (double period, 9:15-12:15), <a href="#">RAB 207, DC</a></p>	<a href="#">James W. Jones</a>
16:840:558:01 Index: 19089	<p><b>BHAGAVAD GITA (3)</b>            This course will study the Bhagavad Gita in its entirety along with its primary traditional interpreters. Readings will discuss the Gita's reception in the Western world, and its adoption by prominent modern Hindu spokespersons. (Cross listed with 01:840:358:01.)</p> <p>Tuesday/Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> Period (2:15-3:35), <a href="#">BT 123, DC</a></p>	<a href="#">Edwin F. Bryant</a>
16:840:593:01 Index: 19084	<p><b>TOPICS IN THE STUDY OF RELIGION: WOMEN AND ISLAM (3)</b>            An examination of women's role in Islam through analysis of the primary Islamic texts: the Qur'an, the Hadith, and Tafsir; and the narratives about the historical figures of the Prophet's wives and female relatives. The relevance of this tradition for Muslim women in the 21<sup>st</sup> century is addressed throughout the course. (Cross listed with 01:685:396:04, 01:988:396:03.)</p> <p>Tuesday/Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> Period (5:00-6:20): <a href="#">TIL 252, LC</a></p>	<a href="#">Sandy Russell Jones</a>
16:840:595:01 Index: 19083	<p><b>INDEPENDENT STUDY (3)</b>            For distribution of specific Independent Studies courses, consult the Director of the Graduate Program.</p>	By Arrangement
16:840:596:01 Index: 19085	<p><b>INDEPENDENT STUDY (3)</b>            For distribution of specific Independent Studies courses, consult the Director of the Graduate Program.</p>	By Arrangement
16:840:702:01 Index: 19086	<p><b>RESERCH IN RELIGION (3)</b>            16:840:701 and 16:840:702 must be taken in combination for the 6-credit M.A. thesis option. Contact Department Staff for special permission number.</p>	By Arrangement

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