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# **Religious Studies (RS)**

See also American Indian Studies, Anthropology, History, Judaic Studies, Philosophy

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#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

#### RS 101 World Religions

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

A comparative study of the practices, beliefs, institutions, and core characteristics of the major religions of the world: Western, Asian, and indigenous.

#### RS 102 Religion in American History (3)

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

Examines the role of religion and religious groups in key events, time periods, regions, and institutions of the United States. The course concentrates on the interaction of religious groups with each other and with the larger society, particularly in relation to political, economic, geographical, and cultural life of the nation. Topics include colonialism, the Revolution, anti-slavery, the expansion west, the Civil War, immigration, the World Wars, the Great Depression, the Civil Rights Movement, and the 1960s.

#### RS 104 Introduction to Buddhism (3)

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

Introduction to the core practices, beliefs, institutions, and characteristics of Buddhist communities.

#### RS 105 Ritual/Symbol/Myth:

Ways of Understanding Religion (3)

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

The course introduces students to the religious dimensions of ritual, symbol, and myth in order to explore the nature of religion in traditional settings and in the popular cultures of the present.

#### RS 106 Introduction to Judaism I (3)

3 hours lecture

**Note:** Cross listed as JS 106

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

The philosophy, religion and ethnic culture of the Jewish people from the Patriarchs and Prophets through the modern branches of Judaism. Topics covered include Torah, Talmud, various commentaries and movements affecting Judaism; ceremonies, artifacts, and language.

#### RS 107 Introduction to Judaism II – Culture (3)

3 hours lecture

**Note:** Cross listed as JS 107

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

A survey of the cultural and historical roots of the Jewish people from 2000 B.C. to the present; their role in the ancient Near East; relationships in the Western World from the Greco Roman period to the post World War II era; creation and development of the state of Israel; cultural, religious, and political impact on America and the world community.

#### RS 108 History of Christianity (3)

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

A survey of movements, institutions, and communities in the history of Christianity from the first century to the twentieth century. Concentrates on sociopolitical influences, contexts, and consequences related to Christian history.

#### RS 110 Religion in America

3 hours lecture

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

Introduces students to core practices, beliefs, and institutions of religions in the United States. The course also focuses on the interactions of religious communities with national culture of the United States, particularly in regards to social factors of race, ethnicity, class, age, and gender. Study concentrates on "religion" associated with Native Americans, Asian Americans, Latinos, African Americans, Jewish communities, Roman Catholics, Protestants, Muslims, Buddhists, and a variety of others.

#### RS 124 Islamic Cultures and Traditions

3 hours lecture

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Note: Cross listed as MCS 124

Transfer acceptability: CSU; UC

An introductory course designed for students with a general interest in the Islamic world, including its history and cultural traditions. Examines the main social, traditional and legal institutions of Islam.

#### RS 197 Religious Studies Topics (1-3)

Units awarded in topics courses are dependent upon the number of lecture hours required of the student. Refer to Class Schedule.

**Transfer acceptability:** CSU; UC - Credit determined by UC upon review of course syllabus.

Topics in Religious Studies. See Class Schedule for specific topic offered. Course title will designate subject covered.

### **Secretarial**

See Business (BUS)

## Sign Language

See American Sign Language

# Sociology (SOC)

See also American Indian Studies, Africana Studies, Chicano Studies

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For transfer information, consult a Palomar College Counselor.

#### Associate in Arts for Transfer -

AA-T, IGETC, and CSUGE requirements are listed in Section 6 (green pages). • Sociology

## Sociology

Sociology is the study of social behavior and human groups and focuses on social relationships, how those relationships influence people's behavior and beliefs, and how societies develop and change. Students will learn the main theoretical approaches in sociology that explain society on both a micro level through the study of social interaction, and on a macro scale through the study of large social institutions. The curriculum for the Associate in Arts in Sociology for Transfer is intended to develop critical thinking skills, to explore the diversity of our social world, and to adequately prepare students for transfer to an upper division program in Sociology. This degree allows students the opportunity to meet the lower division transfer requirements for a major in Sociology.

Pursuant to SB1440, the following completion requirements must be met:

- "(1) Completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
  - (A) The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education -Breadth Requirements.
  - (B) A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
  - (2) Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0."