



**LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES**  
**CHANGE REQUEST REPORT**

**Change Request Tracking Number:** 2023-SOC-8366

**Title of Change Request:** Course-Modification-UG-Religious Studies-  
Change to Course Description-Dean of SS&H

**Status of Change Request:** In Workflow

**Change Request can't be split**

***CHANGE REQUEST CONTENTS***

<b>#</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Title</b>
1.	New Version of a Course	Introduction to World Religions

**CHANGE REQUEST HISTORY**

Workflow Stage	Action Type	Action Taken By	Change Made	Action Rationale	Date
Initiator	Approved	Susan Viitala	Yes	Change of course description only.	09/27/2023, 04:45 PM
End (Manager of Curriculum Development)	Relegated	Manager of Curriculum Development	No	Workflow needs to be changed to "courses"	09/28/2023, 10:06 AM
Initiator	Cancelled	Susan Viitala	Yes	Submitted to incorrect workflow.	09/28/2023, 02:07 PM
Initiator	Approved	Susan Viitala	Yes	Changed workflow to Courses as per instructions.	09/28/2023, 02:12 PM
Submission Review (Manager of Curriculum Development)	Approved	Submission Review	Yes	Okay to move forward in the workflow.	09/28/2023, 04:03 PM

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AUDIT TRAIL**

None.

**CHANGE REQUEST COMMENTS**

Date	User	Change Request Comment
09/27/2023, 04:02 PM	Susan Viitala	We are updating the course description to make it relevant for today's world.

<b>1.</b>	<b>New Version of a Course</b>	<b>Introduction to World Religions</b>
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**COURSE DETAILS**

**MODIFY COURSE FORM - The following is information that will be displayed in the University Calendar**

**Course Code:** Religious Studies 1100 The code is the 'subject' plus the course number (e.g. "Biology 1110").

**Title of Course:** Introduction to World Religions

**Course Description:** ~~An introduction~~ This online course includes current major religions from Indigenous Sacred Ways to the religions of the world, with special attention to Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, Confucianism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam. An enquiry into the history of religions and the manifestations and meaning of religion in relation to its cultural context. Abrahamic religions and more, offering a chance to enhance your skills in world citizenship, while earning a full credit and keeping your options open for a minor in Religious Studies. You'll become familiar with a kaleidoscope of deeply-held beliefs that link our species to the unseen but essential, even as they touch on current psychological and environmental issues, as well as social concerns such as gender equity, status, and conflict.

**Credit Weight of this Course:** 1.0 Example 0.25, 0.5, 1.0, 1.5 etc

**Offering (Hours of instruction):** 3-0; 3-0 Example 3-0

**List any prerequisites for this course here:**

**List any corequisites for this course here:**

**List any special notes or restrictions for this course here:** Will appear in the Calendar. For example: A course fee for field activities may be required.

**What is the Grade Scheme?:**

**Is this a Special Topics course?:**

**Is this course cross listed with another? If so, enter the other course code here:**

**Course Classification(s):**

- Type A: Humanities
- Type B: Social Sciences

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**The following is information for Committee Review**

**Faculty or Institution**

**Unit:**

- Lakehead University
- Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

**Calendar Start Term. When this change should be displayed in the Calendar:** 20182024-1925

**Calendar End Term. When is the last calendar year this should be displayed?:** No Specified End Date Use No Specified End date unless you are removing it from the calendar.

**Academic Level:** Undergraduate

**Is this a required course, or an elective?:** • Elective

**What is the pedagogical rationale for this request? Why are you submitting this request?:** Minor changes to reflect content, calendar clean-up, pedagogical concerns relating to year-level expectations, and department reporting. For example, is this change required for accreditation?

**Learning Outcomes:**

**Associated Changes - List all other requests that are associate with this change (enter request number or title):** None.

**REQUIRED FIELD – Course  
Experiential Learning  
Types:**

- Case Studies

**The following is information for Senate Budget Committee Consideration**

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NOTE: Complete each section and provide full explanations for both "yes" and "no" answers. This will not be displayed in the calendar but will be used by the Senate Budget Committee when considering approval of this proposal. The creator of this proposal may be asked to attend a committee meeting to discuss this proposal. Contact the Chair of the Senate Budget Committee if you wish to discuss any of the questions below.

Will this request impact student enrolment in another program within the same faculty/unit?: No

Will this request impact student enrolment in another program in a different faculty/unit?: No

Will additional resources be required (space, staff, equipment, etc)? : No

How will this impact existing teaching loads within this faculty/unit?: None

What is the impact on the demand for teaching support services (library, computers, staff, etc)? : None

Will this course require outside support? If yes, please outline the amount and timing of the funding: No