

## **BCRE34 Current Expressions & Movements in Christianity, Hinduism & Islam**

**Semester: B**

**ECTS Credits: 5**

**Duration: 11 weeks**

**Contact Hours: 22**

**Quota: None**

**Prerequisite subjects: None**

This module compares developments within these three religions in the context of modernity, such as revivals, political expressions, and fundamentalism.

### **Learning Outcomes:**

On successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

Learn to approach religion from a theoretical perspective that is other than theological and exclusively Eurocentric.

Develop an understanding of the discipline of the study of religion from contemporary manifestations of religious traditions.

Develop an awareness and understanding of the diverse manifestations of the religious imaginary across the spectrum of particular historical religions in the modern world.

Learn to use key concepts in the study of religious revival and renewal movements.

Assess the concept of inter-religious dialogue on the basis of examples and comparisons.

### **Indicative Reading:**

Armajani, Jon, *Modern Islamist Movements: History, Religion and Politics* (Malden: Wiley-Blackwell, 2012)

Bevans, Stephen & Schroeder, Roger, *Constants in Context: A Theology for Mission Today* (New York: Orbis, 2004)

Esposito, John and Donohue, John J. (eds), *Islam in Transition: Muslim Perspectives* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition).

Casanova, Jose, *Public Religions in the Modern World* (Chicago and London: University of Chicago Press, 1994)

Kepel, Gilles, *The Revenge of God: The Resurgence of Islam, Christianity and Judaism in the Modern World* (London: Polity Press, 1994)

-, *The War for Muslim Minds* (Harvard: Belnap, 2004)

Narayan, Badri, *Fascinating Hindutva: Saffron Politics and Dalit Mobilisation* (Delhi and London: SAGE, 2009)

Huntington, Samuel, *The Clash of Civilisations and the Remaking of the World Order* (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1996)

Iftikhar H. Malik, *Jihad, Hindutva and the Taliban: South Asia at the Crossroads* (Karachi and Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005)

Jenkins, Philip, *The New Faces of Christianity: believing the Bible in the Global South* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2006)

-, *The Next Christendom: the Coming of Global Christianity* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2007).

**Assessment:** One 3,000 word essay

**Name of lecturer**

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