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Religion studies 220 (REL 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Theology and Religion
Module credits	20.00
Programmes	BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching BA BA Languages BA Visual Studies BPolSci International Studies BPolSci Political Studies
Service modules	Faculty of Education Faculty of Humanities
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Afrikaans and English are used in one class
Department	Religious Studies
Period of presentation	Semester 2

Module content

Part 1: Myth, symbols and other phenomena

Religion in diachronic and phenomenological perspective; Cosmologies and theologies; Myth and narrative; Ritual; Spirituality; Offices; Symbolism and communication. The module will focus primarily on mythical motives and thought patterns in the Old and New Testaments. By means of a capita selecta the chosen texts are analysed within the timeframe and world view of their own origin.

Part 2: Ancient religions

The content, characteristics and influence of religions in the Ancient Near Eastern and Mediterranean worlds will be studied: e.g. Egypt, Canaan, Mesopotamia, Greece etc. (A selection will be made every year.)

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