

# University of Pretoria Yearbook 2018

## Religion studies 220 (REL 220)

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