

Subject Code ⓘ

PHIL

Number ⓘ

237

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Intro Philosophy of Religion

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

A critical discussion of basic religious concepts. Among the topics covered will be faith, miracles, religious experience, immortality, arguments for the existence of God, and challenges to religious belief.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ**Components** ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

RCS 261 - Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ**Notes** ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

There are no dependencies

RCS 237

Insiders and Outsiders in the Bible

Under Review | Fall 2026





Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> participants Effective Term and Year

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		12724
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	1
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type 		Academic Unit Approval
Retire		01/31/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact 	Retired Impact Details
2013	Yes	The Jewish Studies minor lists all specific JS courses and therefore this course will be removed from a list of options. There are still many other JS courses to meet the needs for the minor.
Rationale for Change 		
Course has not been offered since 2013 and there are no plans to offer it.		
Consultations 		
Supporting Documentation		

Course Information

Faculty ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Academic Unit ⓘ

Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

237

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

Insiders and Outsiders in the Bible

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Bible: Insiders & Outsiders

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

This course explores the tension between insiders and outsiders in the Bible, examining the rationale for and implications of issues such as purity, holy war, the chosen people, and the Gentiles.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ

Components ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

JS 237 - Insiders and Outsiders in the Bible (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ

Notes ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

COURSE REQUIREMENTS (NO UNITS)

▼ Jewish Studies Minor - Jewish Studies Minor

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RCS 244

Religion in Canada

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Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> participants Effective Term and Year

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		11607
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	1
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type	Academic Unit Approval
Retire	03/14/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact
2015	No
Rationale for Change This course has never been offered at the 200-level and there are no plans to offer it. A predecessor course, RS319 Religion in Canada, was last offered in 2015. Some content is being integrated into a revised course on Religion, Culture, and Spirituality in North America (RCS219).	
Consultations Since this is a cross-listed course, we have consulted with Canadian Studies, which supports the retirement.	
Supporting Documentation	

Course Information

Faculty	Academic Unit
Faculty of Arts	Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

244

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

Religion in Canada

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Religion in Canada

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

Canada is a multicultural and a multi-faith society. While Christians remain the majority, Canada is home to increasing numbers of Buddhists, Hindus, Sikhs, Jews, Muslims, and people with no religion. This course examines religious diversity in Canada, including topics such as religion and multiculturalism, human rights, and selected controversies.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ**Components** ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

CDNST 244 - Religion in Canada (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

- Students must be in level 2A or higher

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

- Not completed nor concurrently enrolled in: RS319

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ**Notes** ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

There are no dependencies

RCS 245

The Catholic Church in Canada

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Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective Term and Year participants

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		8323
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	1
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type ⓘ		Academic Unit Approval
Retire		01/31/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact ⓘ	Retired Impact Details
2016	Yes	The course is an option in a number of programs (History, Catholic Studies, Cultural Studies) but these programs have obviously been operating without this course for nearly a decade. We have informed each of these programs of the retirement.
Rationale for Change ⓘ		
This course has not been offered since 2016. There are no plans to offer it as it would unlikely reach enrollment threshold.		
Consultations ⓘ		
The course is cross-listed with HIST, and we have consulted with the History department. They are supportive of retiring the course. Catholic Studies and Cultural Identities, which list this course as an option, have been notified of our plans and did not express concerns.		
Supporting Documentation		

Course Information

Faculty ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Academic Unit ⓘ

Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

245

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

The Catholic Church in Canada

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

The Catholic Church in Canada

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

Using a variety of methods this course critically examines the role played by the Catholic Church in the social, political, and economic life of Canada from 1608 to the present.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ

Components ⓘ

DiscussionLecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

HIST 234 - The Catholic Church in Canada (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ

Notes ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

COURSE REQUIREMENTS (NO UNITS)

- ✓ Catholic Studies Minor - Catholic Studies Minor
- ✓ Cultural Identities Minor - Cultural Identities Minor
- ✓ 3G-History - History (Bachelor of Arts - Three-Year General)
- ✓ 4G-History - History (Bachelor of Arts - Four-Year General)
- ✓ H-History - History (Bachelor of Arts - Honours)

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RCS 250

History of Christian Thought

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Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Kuali - Eng
	Kuali - Hlth
	Ashley Day
	Kuali - Science
	Changes
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Effective Date & Career

Career ⓘ	Important! ⓘ	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		8319
	Proposed	
	Effective Term and Year ⓘ	Offering Number
	Fall 2026	1
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year ⓘ	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type ⓘ		Academic Unit Approval
Retire		01/31/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact ⓘ	Retired Impact Details
2016	Yes	<p>Since this course has not been offered in nearly a decade, we assume that it has not been necessary for the programs for which it is an elective. We have informed the programs which list the course of the retirement. It has already been removed as a requirement in revised Church Music and Worship plans which will take effect Fall 2026.</p> <p>This course is a prerequisite for RCS354 Shapers of Roman Catholicism, but that course is being retired as well.</p>
Rationale for Change ⓘ		
This course has not been offered since 2016. There are no plans to offer it as it is unlikely to meet the enrollment threshold.		
Consultations ⓘ		
Programs which list this course as an elective (Music/Church Music and Worship, Medieval Studies, Mennonite Studies) have been informed of the retirement.		
Supporting Documentation		

Course Information

Faculty ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Academic Unit ⓘ

Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

250

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

History of Christian Thought

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

History of Christian Thought

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

An analysis of the major theological developments in the Christian traditions from the apostolic era to the present.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ

Components ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

No

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ

Notes ?

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ?

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ?

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

COURSE LISTS

- ✓ H-Medieval Studies - Medieval Studies (Bachelor of Arts - Honours)
- ✓ Medieval Studies Minor - Medieval Studies Minor
- ✓ 4G-Medieval Studies - Medieval Studies (Bachelor of Arts - Four-Year General)
- ✓ 3G-Medieval Studies - Medieval Studies (Bachelor of Arts - Three-Year General)

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COURSE REQUIREMENTS (NO UNITS)

- ✓ Mennonite Studies Minor - Mennonite Studies Minor
- ✓ Church Music & Worship Specialization - Church Music and Worship Specialization

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PREREQUISITES

- ✓ RCS 354 - Shapers of Roman Catholicism

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RCS 261

Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion

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Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Kuali - Hlth
	Ashley Day
	Kuali - Science
	Changes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> participants Effective Term and Year

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		7281
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	2
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type	Academic Unit Approval
Retire	01/31/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact
2015	No
Rationale for Change	
This course has not been offered since 2015. Neither Religion, Culture, and Spirituality, nor the Philosophy departments at main campus or St. Jerome's have any plans to offer this course.	
Consultations	
We have consulted with the Philosophy departments at main campus and at St. Jerome's, and both are supportive of the decision to retire the course.	
Supporting Documentation	

Course Information

Faculty	Academic Unit
Faculty of Arts	Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

261

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Intro Philosophy of Religion

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

A critical discussion of basic religious concepts. Among the topics covered will be faith, miracles, religious experience, immortality, arguments for the existence of God, and challenges to religious belief.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ**Components** ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

PHIL 237 - Introduction to the Philosophy of Religion (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ**Notes** ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

There are no dependencies

RCS 271

Special Topics in Religion and Film

Under Review | Fall 2026

Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
Warning: All versions that start after the retired version will be deleted.	Waiting for Approval Approval Delegate(s)
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	Kuali - Math
	Kuali - Eng
	Kuali - Hlth
	Ashley Day
	Kuali - Science
	Changes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> participants Effective Term and Year

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		5469
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	1
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type	Academic Unit Approval
Retire	01/31/2025
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact
2018	No
Rationale for Change This course has not been offered since 2018. In general, "Special Topics" courses do not attract students. We already have an number of specific Religion and Film courses ("Religion and Popular Film," "The Holocaust and Film," and "Religion and Japanese Film"), and if we did want to offer a new topic, we would proposal an entirely new course rather than use a "Special Topics" course.	
Consultations Course is cross-listed with FINE. We consulted with Fine Arts and they were supportive of retiring this course.	
Supporting Documentation	

Course Information

Faculty ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Academic Unit ⓘ

Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

271

Course Level

200

Title ⓘ

Special Topics in Religion and Film

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Topics: Religion & Film

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

This course focuses on a specific genre or theme to explore the complex relationship between cinema and religion.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ

Components ⓘ

Lecture

Primary Component

Lecture

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

FINE 253 - Special Topics in Religion and Film (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

Yes

Total Completions Allowed

05

Allow Multiple Enrol in a Term

Yes

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

- Not completed nor concurrently enrolled in: RS271R

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ

Notes ⓘ

- Film studies course.

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

There are no dependencies

RCS 325

Sex and the World Religions

Under Review | Fall 2026

Proposal Information

Status	Workflow Status
Changes	In Progress
ActiveRetired	SUC Subcommittee, SUC Curricular Subcommittee
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	Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> participants Effective Term and Year

Effective Date & Career

Career	Important!	Quest Course ID
Undergraduate		12739
	Proposed	Offering Number
	Effective Term and Year	1
	Fall 2026	
	Existing	
	Effective Term and Year	
	Fall 2025	

Proposal Details

Proposal Type ⓘ	Academic Unit Approval	
Retire	01/31/2025	
Last Offering of Course	Retired Impact ⓘ	Retired Impact Details
2015	Yes	This course is listed as an option in several plans - Sexualities, Relationships, and Families; Peace and Conflict Studies, Studies in Islamic and Arab Cultures. Since the course has not been offered in over 10 years, we assume it has not been essential to these plans. We have informed these programs of our plans to retire the course.

Rationale for Change
 This course has not been offered since 2015. With retirements that are not being replaced, there is no current plan to offer this course in the future. We are retaining RCS284/GSJ261 Gender and the Great Religions.

Consultations
 As this course is cross-listed with GSJ, we have consulted with Gender and Social Justice and they are supportive of our plans to retire it.

Supporting Documentation

Course Information

Faculty ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Academic Unit ⓘ

Department of Religious Studies

Subject Code ⓘ

RCS

Number ⓘ

325

Course Level

300

Title ⓘ

Sex and the World Religions

Abbreviated Title ⓘ

Sex & the World Religions

Undergraduate Communication Requirement Identifier

No

Description ⓘ

In this course students critically examine sexual practices, gender, attitudes, and identities in relation to various religions. By analyzing sacred scriptures and codes of conduct from world religions, as well as fictional writings and films, students will understand how religion influences sexuality, as well as how sex impacts religious traditions.

Units ⓘ

0.50

Exceptions to fees or academic progress units ⓘ**Components** ⓘ

Seminar

Primary Component

Seminar

Grading Information

Standard Course Grading ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listing Information

Is this course cross-listed? ⓘ

Yes

Cross-Listed Courses ⓘ

GSJ 320 - Sex and the World Religions (0.50)

Repeatable Courses

Can this course be repeated for credit? ⓘ

No

Enrolment Rules

Consent to Add ⓘ

No consent required

Consent to Drop ⓘ

No consent required

Prerequisites ⓘ

- Students must be in level 2A or higher

Corequisites ⓘ

No Rules

Antirequisites ⓘ

- Not completed nor concurrently enrolled in: WS320

Course Notes

Fee Statement ⓘ

Notes ⓘ

Workflow Information

Workflow Path ⓘ

Committee approvals

Faculty/AFIW Path(s) for Workflow ⓘ

Faculty of Arts

Dependencies

Dependent Courses and Programs/Plans

COURSE LISTS

✓ Studies in Islamic & Arab Cultures Minor - Studies in Islamic and Arab Cultures Minor	View Programs >
✓ Sexuality, Marriage, & Family Studies Minor - Sexualities, Relationships, and Families Minor	View Programs >
✓ H-Sexualities, Relationships, & Families - Sexualities, Relationships, and Families (Bachelor of Arts - Honours)	View Programs >
✓ 4G-Sexualities, Relationships, & Families - Sexualities, Relationships, and Families (Bachelor of Arts - Four-Year General)	View Programs >
✓ Sexualities, Relationships, & Families Diploma - Diploma in Sexualities, Relationships, and Families	View Programs >
✓ 3G-Peace & Conflict Studies - Peace and Conflict Studies (Bachelor of Arts - Three-Year General)	View Programs >