

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2016

Religion studies 220 (REL 220)

Qualification	Undergraduate
Faculty	Faculty of Theology
Module credits	20.00
Programmes	BEd Senior Phase and Further Education and Training Teaching
	BA Extended Programme
	BA Humanities
	BA Languages Languages
	BA Law
	BA Music Music
	BA Visual Studies
	BPolSci International Studies
	BPolSci Political Studies
Service modules	Faculty of Education
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	2 lectures per week
Language of tuition	Double Medium
Academic organisation	Theology Dean's Office
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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