

Links To Readings: Reli 106 2013, Trimester 2

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RELI 106 COURSES READINGS

- Week 1 July 16 Methods appropriate to understanding religious experience: perspectives and debates.
 1. Durkheim (1995): pp.1–20. [PDF HERE](#)
 2. Durkheim (1995): ‘Definition of Religious Phenomena and of Religion’. [PDF HERE](#)
(NOTE: These readings are TOUGH. Just do your best. Don’t worry if you don’t get everything. We’ll come back to the reading repeatedly throughout the term.) pp.23–47.
- Week 2 July 23 Healing Dance/Empathetic Social Science
 1. Katz (1984): ‘Kung Hunter-Gatherers’ & ‘The Kung Approach to Healing’. [PDF HERE](#) pp.13–57
 2. Renfrew (2008)(*Extra*): pp.2041–2047. [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 3 July 30 Meditation/History
 1. Gómez (1995) [PDF HERE](#)
 2. Bhi (1995) [1] [PDF HERE](#)
 3. Bhi (1995) [2] [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 4 August 6 Psychedelics/Psychology
 1. Pahnke and Richards (1966) pp.175–208. [PDF HERE](#)
 2. Phillips and Lawton (2004) pp.32–41 [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 5 August 13 Sacrifice/Scapegoat Theory
 1. Girard (1997): pp.73–105 [PDF HERE](#)
 2. Carrasco (2000): pp.58–91. [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 6 Postures/Embodied Mind
 1. Goodman (1990): pp.9-26; pp.42-50; pp.215–223. [PDF HERE](#)
 2. Blanke and Metzinger (2009): pp.7–13. [PDF HERE](#)
- **Mid trimester break 26 August – 8 September 2013**
- Week 7 September 10 Yoga/ Phenomenology
 1. Eliade (1969): pp.xii–xxii. [PDF HERE](#)

- 2. [Stoler-Miller \(1996\)](#): pp.ix–35. [PDF HERE](#)
- 3. [Geertz \(1973\)](#): pp.3–30. [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 8 September 17 Tantra/ Orientalism
 - 1. [Fields \(2001\)](#) [PDF HERE](#)
 - 2. [Said \(1979\)](#) [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 9 September 24 Christian Song /Political History
 - 1. [Kirk-Duggan \(2007\)](#): pp.317–342. [PDF HERE](#)
 - 2. [Sacks \(2008\)](#): ‘A Bolt From The Blue. Musicophilia’. pp. 3–20. [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 10 October 1 Prayer/The Neuroscience of Religion
 - 1. [Bulbulia and Schjoedt \(2012\)](#)(Bulbulia, Schjoedt, 2012) pp.169-190 [PDF HERE](#)
 - 2. [Haidt et al. \(2008\)](#)(* extra) [PDF HERE](#)
- Week 11 October 8 Technology/Philosophy
 - 1. Transhumanism FAQ <http://humanityplus.org/learn/transhumanist-faq/>
 - 2. Debate: http://www.slate.com/articles/technology/future_tense/features/2011/debating_extreme_human_enhancement/why_i_dont_want_to_be_a_cyborg.html
- Week 12. October 15 **TEST**

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