

RELG 444. INDIAN OCEAN RELIGIOUS NETWORKS.

Credits: 3

Offered by: Religious Studies (Faculty of Arts)

This course is not offered this catalogue year.

Description

This seminar class explores cultural exchanges among maritime networks of Hindus, Buddhists, and Muslims in South Asia and Southeast Asia, in classical, pre-modern, and contemporary terms. Key themes to be considered include: sovereignty, society, and religion, within the context of historically evolving cultural relations around the Bay of Bengal. Taking an inter-religious approach to understanding maritime cultural interactions, class readings and discussion include: foundational theories of "Indianization," reflection on "localization," the "Sanskrit cosmpolis," and emerging theoretical contributions based on current archaeological, epigraphic, and art historical discoveries in India, Malaysia, Singapore, and Indonesia. Deptl. approval: Nov.17, 2015.

- Prerequisite(s): RELG 252 or permission of instructor

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