

University of Manitoba
Department of Sociology
SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION
SOC 7110
Section A01 (Thursday 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.)
Fall 2009

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Class Location : 335 Isbister Building
Credit hours: 3

READINGS:

1. Max Weber, The Sociology of Religion.
2. Emile Durkheim, The Elementary Forms of the Religious Life.
3. Homer, The Iliad, Translated by Richard Lattimore, University of Chicago Press.
4. Other reading material will be assigned during the term.

COURSE OBJECTIVE

To develop perspective on the field of study Sociology of Religion.

ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Three short essays (600-900 words) given out during the term as a response to the readings for the week. Each is worth 10% of the final grade.
2. One 10 page essay dealing with material covered in the first half of the course, due October 27th, 2009. The exact subject of the essay will be given out two weeks before it is due. This will count for 30% of the final grade.
3. A final 15 page essay , the subject of which must be first discussed with and approved by the Professor, due on the last day of class, December 3rd, 2009. This will count for 40% of the final grade.
4. In addition, students will be called upon to lead the discussion during the first hour of the weekly seminar. Two students per week will be assigned this function, it will involve preparing questions dealing with the reading and subjects for discussion.

NOTE: Students should acquaint themselves with the University's policy on 'Examinations: Personations' (section 4.2.8) and 'Plagiarism and Cheating' (section 7.1) found in the University of Manitoba's Undergraduate Calendar. (for Graduate level courses see (Sections 7.1 and 7.2) in the Graduate Calendar.) The Faculty of Arts also reserves the right to submit student work that is suspected of being plagiarized to Internet sites designed to detect plagiarism.

Voluntary withdrawal deadline is **November 18, 2009**.