



AYDIN ADNAN MENDERES UNIVERSITY COURSE INFORMATION FORM

Course Title		History of Religions							
Course Code		TTS252		Course Level		Short Cycle (Associate's Degree)			
ECTS Credit	4	Workload	99 (Hours)	Theory	2	Practice	0	Laboratory	0
Objectives of the Course		This course aims to teach the basic terms and concepts related to belief systems and religious themed decorations and liturgical objects to the students of the Department of Tourism and Travel Services who will work in the service sector for domestic and foreign tourists.							
Course Content		The concept of religion and the nature of religion / religions; definition and classification of religion; primitive national and universal belief systems.							
Work Placement		N/A							
Planned Learning Activities and Teaching Methods				Explanation (Presentation), Discussion, Individual Study					
Name of Lecturer(s)		Ins. Aytekin KALKAN							

Assessment Methods and Criteria

Method	Quantity	Percentage (%)
Midterm Examination	1	40
Final Examination	1	70

Recommended or Required Reading

1	Gündüz, Ş. (2007) Yaşayan Dünya Dinler, Diyanet Yayınları, Ankara
2	Sarıkoçlu, E. (1999) Başlangıçtan Günümüze Dinler Tarihi, Isparta

Week	Weekly Detailed Course Contents	
1	Theoretical	Religion word, origin, definition; religions and classifications
2	Theoretical	History of religions, basic features, methodological approaches, relationship and difference with other sciences
3	Theoretical	Polytheist and monotheist approaches to the origin of religion
4	Theoretical	Prehistoric belief systems
5	Theoretical	The first religions and cultures of Anatolia
6	Theoretical	Religions of Mesopotamia
7	Theoretical	Zoroastrianism principles of faith, worship and practices
8	Intermediate Exam	Midterm Exam
9	Theoretical	Religions of India
10	Theoretical	Religions of Far Eastern cultures
11	Theoretical	The belief systems of ancient Turks
12	Theoretical	Judaism
13	Theoretical	Christianity
14	Theoretical	İslam
15	Final Exam	Final Exam

Workload Calculation

Activity	Quantity	Preparation	Duration	Total Workload
Lecture - Theory	14	2	2	56
Assignment	1	10	1	11
Midterm Examination	1	15	1	16



Final Examination	1	15	1	16
Total Workload (Hours)				99
[Total Workload (Hours) / 25*] = ECTS				4
*25 hour workload is accepted as 1 ECTS				

Learning Outcomes

1	To learn the words used to express religion and their common meanings
2	To have knowledge about belief systems of different cultures
3	To comprehend the cultural assets, architectural spaces and elements of the religions of domestic and foreign tourists and related elements
4	To recognize and understand the religions that exist or disappear in the world
5	To understand the place and importance of the concept of religion in terms of culture

