

Global Religion (Current Global and Development Challenges and Solutions)

Title	Global Religion (Current Global and Development Challenges and Solutions)
Semester	E2023
Master programme in	Global Studies / Internationale udviklingsstudier / International Public Administration and Politics / Global and Development Studies / International Politics and Governance
Type of activity	Course
Teaching language	English
Study regulation	Read about the Master Programme and find the Study Regulations at ruc.dk

REGISTRATION AND STUDY ADMINISTRATIVE

Registration	<p>You register for activities through stads selvbetjening during the announced registration period, which you can see on the Study administration homepage.</p> <p>When registering for courses, please be aware of the potential conflicts and overlaps between course and exam time and dates. The planning of course activities at Roskilde University is based on the recommended study programmes, which should not overlap. However, if you choose optional courses and/or study plans that goes beyond the recommended study programmes, an overlap of lectures or exam dates may occur depending on which courses you choose.</p>
Number of participants	
ECTS	10
Responsible for the activity	Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)
Head of study	(NONE@ruc.dk)
Teachers	
Study administration	ISE Registration & Exams (ise-exams@ruc.dk)
Exam code(s)	U60604

ACADEMIC CONTENT

Overall objective	<p>A specialisation course aims to allow students to immerse themselves in the theories/theory lines and empirical issues pertaining to a particular subject area. The course equips students to competently select and argue for the applicability and relevance of a theory/theory line to given issues. The courses offered are based on the Institute's research in the field and knowledge of the highest international standard. The specific subject area of the courses will be described in the activity description.</p> <p>Current Global and Development Challenges and Solutions addresses various global and development challenges, such as conflicts, questions of justice, inequality, sustainability, and effects for instance on states, markets and civil society.</p>
Detailed description of content	<p>This course examines the growing of the religious factor in the wider globalization processes, with a specific view toward social and political mobilization, international relations, and cultural identities. Case studies will engage the role of specific (world) religions in various parts of the world, also as seen in relation to secular forces. The course will also examine and compare how religion can be considered a (sometimes hidden) "moving force" for long-term social and political processes, and in this sense a precondition (rather than an opposite) to secularization. Finally, the course will consider where, whether and how religion is increasingly becoming a cause of political conflict or whether comparative aspects of increasingly "global religions" (global Islam, global Catholicism, global Hinduism, etc.) might not also function as bridges for peaceful global relations.</p>
Course material and Reading list	See Moodle
Overall plan and expected work effort	<p>26 hours lectures</p> <p>26 hours student presentations + peer feedback exercises</p> <p>70 hours for course assignment Reading assigned texts = approximately</p> <p>78 hours (on average 6 hours preparation per week)</p> <p>30 hours Preparation of exam + 40 hours Exam</p> <p>Total 270 hours</p>
Format	
Evaluation and feedback	<p>The activity are evaluated regularly regarding the study board evaluation procedure. The activity responsible will be orientated about a potential evaluation of the activity at semesterstart. Se link to the study board evaluation praxis here https://intra.ruc.dk/nc/for-ansatte/organisering/raadnaevn-og-udvalg/oversigt-over-studienaevn/studienaevn-for-internationale-studier/arbejdet-medkvalitet-i-uddannelserne/</p>
Programme	<p>The objective of the advanced study course is to provide the students with advanced knowledge and understanding within a specific research area covered by one of the three pillars in Global Studies: Global Politics, Global Sociology and Global Political Economy. At least two advanced study courses will be offered per semester. The courses offered will change every semester within the following subjects:</p>

Global Politics:

International public sector organisations and global governance
Regionalisation and regional integration in international politics
International security International law and human rights Global
Sociology:

International Mobility and information flow International political
movements and social change International civil society, law and defence
Contentious identities and new global actors Global Political Economy:

Work and globalization Natural resources and geopolitics Trade,
investment and global production networks International Financial
Economics

ASSESSMENT

Overall
learning
outcomes

- Be able to explain and evaluate, using relevant terminology, the advantages and disadvantages of various theories/theory lines within the aspect of a subject area that is dealt with in the specialisation course
- Be able to confidently and independently evaluate, select and apply relevant theories in relation to an issue
- Be able to reflect critically on the relevance of the topic to the subject matter of the course
- Carry out analyses on a scientific basis and deal in a creative and solution-oriented manner with central issues within the course theme
- Communicate knowledge in language that is technically precise, well-structured and well-argued.

Form of
examination

Individual written take-home assignment.

The character limit of the assignment is: 16,800-24,000 characters, including spaces.
The character limit includes the cover, table of contents, bibliography, figures and other illustrations, but exclude any appendices.

The duration of the take-home assignment is 7 days and may include weekends and public holidays.

Assessment: 7-point grading scale.

Form of Re-
examination

Samme som ordinær eksamen / same form as ordinary exam

Type of
examination in
special cases

Examination
and
assessment
criteria

Specialised knowledge and understanding of a particular topic within one of the three pillars in Global Studies

Advanced knowledge of academic and methodological debates related to the subject

Skills in selecting and critically applying relevant theories and methods

Skills in choosing relevant theories in order to investigate a problem area

Skills in communicating and discussing theories and empirical results

Competences in assuming responsibility for and reflecting on own learning and that of fellow students by actively participating in group work, presentations and discussions

Competences in critically, independently and creatively selecting and utilising academic literature relevant to a specific research question

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Course days:

Hold: 1

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 13-09-2023 14:15 til
 13-09-2023 16:00

location 03.1-w01 - klyngerum 1 (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 20-09-2023 14:15 til
 20-09-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 27-09-2023 14:15 til
 27-09-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 04-10-2023 14:15 til
04-10-2023 16:00

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location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Ole Bruun (obruun@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 11-10-2023 14:15 til
11-10-2023 16:00

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location 03.1-w01 - klyngerum 1 (30)

Teacher Michael Johan Brixtofte Petersen (michaelj@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 18-10-2023 14:15 til
18-10-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 25-10-2023 14:15 til
25-10-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 01-11-2023 14:15 til
01-11-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 08-11-2023 14:15 til
08-11-2023 16:00

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location 03.1-w01 - klyngerum 1 (30)

Teacher Laust Schouenborg (lausts@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 15-11-2023 14:15 til
15-11-2023 16:00

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location 03.1-w01 - klyngerum 1 (30)

Teacher Somdeep Sen (sens@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 29-11-2023 14:15 til
29-11-2023 16:00

location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 06-12-2023 14:15 til
06-12-2023 16:00

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location 07.1-021 - undervisningslokale (30)

Teacher Maja Balle (mballe@ruc.dk)

Global Religion (GDS, IPG)

time 13-12-2023 14:15 til
13-12-2023 16:00

location 28b.0-01 - store teorirum (30)

Teacher Bjørn Thomassen (bthomas@ruc.dk)

Global Religion - exam

time 09-01-2024 10:00 til
16-01-2024 10:00

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Global Religion - reexam

time 22-02-2024 10:00 til
29-02-2024 10:00

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