



# Comparative Religions COURSE OUTLINE

YEAR & SEMESTER	COURSE CODE	PREREQUISITE
Year 1 Semester 01	HCR01	NONE
Year 1 Semester 02	HCR02	HCR01
Year 2 Semester 03	HCR03	HCR02
Year 2 Semester 04	HCR04	HCR03
Year 3 Semester 05	HCR05	HCR04
Year 3 Semester 06	HCR06	HCR05

#### **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

Beginning with a brief introduction to world religions and their effects on the social norms of today, this course will enable a realisation that the basis of all religions is the same but the cultural, environmental and social conditions through the religion's history has moulded the resulting religious identity. Students will learn the common features found in all religions and begin gaining the foundation for broader inquiries about similarities and differences among different religions of the world. Students will do a systematic comparison of doctrines, practices, themes and the impact of these religions. In Year 3, the main focus of study will be Christianity as this is the largest religion of the world and to convey the message of Islām, knowledge of Christianity is mandatory. They will read "The New Testament" and will critically study the true status of Jesus and the teachings of Christianity through the books and writings of the Promised Messiahas and Khulafa'-e-Ahmadiyyat.

Over the span of three years, students will be expected to learn, reflect, research and present their findings in a way that sends a positive message. This will bring them towards Allah the Exalted, make develop deeper understanding of the existence of God, develop realisation of the importance of religion, and draw their attention towards bringing an end to misconduct and misguidance that has spread in the society.

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Upon completion of this course, students should be able to:

- demonstrate deeper understand as to how world religions shape societal norms, acknowledging commonalities amid diverse contexts.
- analyse and compare religious doctrines, practices, and themes systematically.
- understand Christianity, focusing on "The New Testament" to convey Islām's message effectively.
- critically assess Jesus' status and Christian teachings using writings by the Promised Messiah<sup>as</sup> and Khulafā'-e-Ahmadiyyat.
- research and present findings positively to foster unity and deepen spiritual connection.
- recognize God's existence and religion's role in countering societal misconduct, guiding toward righteousness.

## **COURSE OVERVIEW**

Introduction to world Religions, how shariah evolved from Hazrat Adam<sup>as</sup> to the Holy Prophet<sup>saw</sup>, introduction & teachings of the Abrahamic & Non-Abrahamic Religions.

#### **LEARNING DELIVERY FORMAT & REQUIRED EQUIPMENT**

- Online Learning
- Laptop or desktop computer with functional microphone