

**Multi Faith Leadership: Fall 2017 Syllabus**

**Meeting Time: Mondays 4:55pm – 7:25pm**

**60 5th Ave, Rm 125 Loc: Washington Square**

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Course Description

What drives leaders and change makers? This course seeks to prepare students to become aware of faith traditions other than their own, with a strong emphasis on learning techniques and theories of how to engage others. We will look at different theories of religions, current examples of leadership and communities based in NYC, influence of media, and movements around social justice and service, in hopes of laying a foundation for solid connections across religious communities.

Required Reading

Albert J Raboteau, *American Prophets: Seven Religious Radicals & Their Struggle for Social and Political Justice*. Princeton University Press.

Susanne C. Monahan, William A Mirola, Michael O. Emerson. *Sociology of Religion: A Reader*

Eboo Patel, *Interfaith Leadership*. Beacon Press.

Diana Eck, *A New Religious America*. HarperSanFrancisco; 2nd ed. Edition.

Samuel P. Huntington, *The Clash of Civilizations* (Article)

Robert Wuthnow, *America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity*. Princeton University Press.

<b>2 Credit Class</b>		<u>Point Count</u>	<u>Percent of Grade</u>	<u>Total</u>
Attendance and Participation***	Mandatory		10%	10
Quizzes	5 quizzes	2 points each	10%	10
Responses	5 response	2 points each	20%	10
Midterm Exam (2 credit)			30%	30
Final paper (2 credit)			30%	30
Total			100%	100

4 Credit Class		Point Count	Percent of Grade	Total
Attendance and Participation***	Mandatory		10%	10
Quizzes	5 quizzes	2 points each	10%	10
Responses	5 response	2 points each	20%	10
Midterm Exam Mid Term Paper (WI/4 Credit)			15% 15%	30
Final Exam Final Paper (WI/4 credit)			15% 15%	30
Total			100 %	100

\*\*\*Students are permitted one absence (without a Dr. note). 3 late arrivals are equal to an absence. More than 3 absences results in an automatic letter grade drop.

Date	Lecture Lead	Theme	Read in advance	Prepare in Advance
9/11	YEHUDA	Course Intro and World Religions		
9/18	YASMINE	Sociology of American Religion	The Sociological Perspective on Religion by Meredith McGuire  Sociology of Religion: A Reader, 1-14	Sociology of Religion: A Reader, 77-84
9/25	YASMINE	History of American Religion	<a href="#">"Visions of the Good Society and the Religious Roots of American Political Culture" by Rhys Williams</a>  <a href="#">"Producing White Hegemony" by Korie Edwards</a>	<a href="#">Findings from the Pew Forum's American and Global Religious Landscape Surveys</a>
10/2	KHALID	American Religion in a Global Context	Robert Wuthnow: America and the Challenges of Religious Diversity  Samuel P. Huntington: Clash of Civilizations'	

10/9/2017 No Class Fall Break				
10/16	ARIEL	Religious Literacy/Faith Zone		
10/23	YASMINE	Exceptionalism	<i>The New Jim Crow- Available on classes</i>	Watch part of 13 for next class (In class viewing)
10/30	KHALID	Racial stereotyping		
11/6	YEHUDA	Immigration Policies		
11/13	Mid term	Mid term		Midterm papers due by midnight
11/20	KHALID	Find Your Story	Ted talk on storytelling	Watch Khalid's commencement speech
11/27	YEHUDA	Theories/Styles of Leadership	Read American Prophets	
12/4	KHALID	Roles of Religious Leaders of Society	Read Eboo Patel: Interfaith Leadership	
12/11	YEHUDA	Power, Influence and Theories of Change		
12/12/2017 (Monday Class Schedule)	KHALID	Combatting Discrimination Together		
(EXAM) 12/18/2017	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY	Papers due by midnight

**Academic Honesty and Grading Policy:**

*This course will abide by the NYU School general policy guidelines on academic honesty and grading. Each student should become familiar with these policies. All students are expected to pursue and meet the highest standards of academic excellence and integrity.*

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Grading: <http://wagner.nyu.edu/students/policies/grading>

Incomplete Grades: <http://wagner.nyu.edu/students/policies/incompletes>

Students are expected to turn in assignments on time. There are acceptable reasons for submitting an assignment late, and all that is required is some communication from the student to us to inform me that such a situation has arisen.