



Statement of participation

Michael Frank

has completed the free course including any mandatory tests for:

Religion today: Themes and issues

This 15-hour free course introduced themes and issues in religion today, including the role of religion in shaping ideas, world-views and actions.

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Course summary

There is a widespread perception in the West that we live in a secular age, an age in which religion is at best an optional extra, if not a false delusion completely out of place. However, religion still arouses passion and causes controversy; it controls and transforms lives. An informed understanding of the contemporary world thus requires an appreciation of the role of religion in shaping ideas, world-views and actions that have an impact on the social as well as on the personal life of the individual. This free course, Religion today: Themes and issues, gives you a glimpse into this fascinating area.

Learning outcomes

By completing this course, the learner should be able to:

- show an awareness of the key themes and debates in the field of religious studies
- understand that religions have different, and sometimes contrasting, ways to present their beliefs and practices, and that the beliefs and practices of one religion are represented differently by others
- understand that different media are used to represent and present religions.

Completed study

The learner has completed the following:

Section 1

Considering the issues

Section 2

Engaging with the issues

Section 3

Conclusion