



Multi-Religious Intensive

LCTC-1401

Summer 2024

Required Texts:

All course readings will be available on Populi.

Please see the section on "Course Readings" for more information about required texts.

Supplemental Readings for Critical Reflection Journals:

You may select two readings and/or activities from the following list about which to write your critical reflection journals:

- *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Inter-Religious Dialogue*: any case studies or chapters not covered by our class
- Any source from the "Additional Resources" list below
- An interfaith/multi-religious online encounter experienced during the course of our class

Course Readings:

Course readings will be selected from:

Bidwell, Duane R. *When One Religion Isn't Enough: The Lives of Spiritually Fluid People*.

Boston: Beacon Press, 2018.

Cornille, Catherine, ed. *The Wiley-Blackwell Companion to Inter-Religious Dialogue*.
Chichester: Wiley-Blackwell, 2013.

Knitter, Paul F. *Without Buddha I Could not be a Christian*. London: Oneworld, 2009. Eck, Diana L.

Encountering God: A Spiritual Journey from Bozeman to Banaras. Boston: Beacon Press, 2003.

Komulainen, Jyri. "Theological reflections on multi-religious identity." *Approaching Religion* 1 (2011). 50-58.

Minister, Kevin. "Developing a Decolonial Approach to the Interreligious Studies Classroom: A Response to Jones and Meyer." *Journal of Interreligious Studies* 36 (2022): 35-42.

Nweke, Kizito Chinedu. "Multiple Religious Belonging (MRB): Addressing the Tension between African Spiritualities and Christianity." *Theology Today* 77, no. 1 (2020): 76-88.

Pourfarzaneh, Som. "Active Compassion: Reimagining Zen (Chan) and Martial Arts." *International Journal for the Study of New Religions* 12, no. 1 (2021): 77-95.

Pourfarzaneh, Som. "The Miracle of Compassion: An Essay on Multi-Religiosity by a Buddhist Muslim." *Journal of Interreligious Studies* 33 (August 2021): 53.

Sigalow, Emily. *American JewBu: Jews, Buddhists, and Religious Change*. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2019.

Additional Resources:

Berling, Judith A. *Understanding Other Religious Worlds: A Guide for Interreligious Education*.

Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2004.

Bowens-Wheatley, Marjorie. "Cornrows, Kwanzaa and Confusion: The Dilemma of Cultural Racism and Misappropriation." *Bridges to the Future: From Assimilation to Pluralism* (1995).

Cornille, Catherine, ed. *Many Mansions? Multiple Religious Belonging and Christian Identity*. Eugene: Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2002.

Hammouri-Davis, Azmera and Preeta Banerjee. "Call and Response in Interreligious Chaplaincy: On Creating and Supporting Sanctuary-building through Ritual Practice." *Journal of Interreligious Studies* 39 (2023): 29-38.

Song, Bin. "Introduction to the Special Issue: Spiritual But Not Religious (SBNR) and Theology Without Walls (TWW)." *Journal of Interreligious Studies* 34 (2022): 2-11.

The Pluralism Project: <https://pluralism.org/>

Troch, Lieve. "A Feminist Dream: Toward a Multicultural, Multireligious Feminist Liberation Theology." *Journal of Feminist Studies in Religion* 18, no. 2 (2002). 115-121.