

TEACHING POSITION AVAILABLE – Winter 2027
RELS 284 – God and the Holocaust
Existing Vacancy
School of Religion and Jewish Studies
Queen’s University, Kingston, ON CAN K7L 3N6

The School of Religion in conjunction with Jewish Studies at Queen’s University invites applications from suitably qualified candidates interested in teaching a cross-listed course in **God and the Holocaust** (RELS 284). This is an on-campus, upper-level lecture course with an expected enrolment of ~60 students. Candidates should have a Ph.D, and teaching experience at the University level in Religious Studies. This is a Winter term appointment for the period January 1 to April 30, 2027, with classes in session from January 4, 2027 – April 5, 2027.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen’s is strongly committed to employment equity, diversity and inclusion in the workplace and encourages applications from Black, racialized/visible minority and Indigenous people, women, persons with disabilities, and 2SLGBTQ+ persons. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents of Canada will be given priority. Please indicate in your application if you have a valid legal work status in Canada. Applications from all qualified candidates will be considered in the applicant pool. In order to support your employment at Queen’s, we require you to indicate whether or not you will need a work permit.

The University will provide support in its recruitment processes to applicants with disabilities, including accommodation that takes into account an applicant’s accessibility needs. If you require accommodation during this process, please contact: Levanna Schonwandt, in The School of Religion, at school.of.religion@queensu.ca

The academic staff at Queen's University are governed by the *Collective Agreement* between the Queen's University Faculty Association (QUFA) and the University, which is posted at [2022-26 -Queen's University- QUFA Collective Agreement](#).

The stipend for this position will be between \$9,500 and \$13,500. Actual salary will be commensurate with years of teaching experience and course weight, as per the Queen’s-QUFA Collective Agreement.

Applications should be submitted as one single PDF file and include a complete and current curriculum vitae, and any other relevant materials the candidate wishes to submit for consideration such as a letter of intent, teaching dossier, etc. Applications should also include letters of reference from two (2) referees. **Please arrange to have applications and supporting letters sent directly to:**

Dr. Adnan Husain, Director
School of Religion
Queen’s University
school.of.religion@queensu.ca

Applications and references may also be submitted electronically as PDFs to Levanna Schonwandt at school.of.religion@queensu.ca

Applications will be received until **April 7, 2026**. Review of applications will commence shortly thereafter, and the final appointment is subject to budgetary approval. Additional information about the School of Religion can be found at <http://www.queensu.ca/religion>

As part of the application process at Queen’s University, our recruitment process uses Artificial Intelligence (AI), as defined under the Ontario Employment Standards Act, to ask job-related questions and assess suitability for hire. All final hiring decisions are made using non-AI related processes.

Course Description:

RELS 284 God and the Holocaust Units: 3.00

"God and the Holocaust" is an interdisciplinary course on the Holocaust's effect on religion, ethics, and politics in the 20th and 21st centuries, which also draws comparative insights from other genocides. It examines the Holocaust's challenges especially concerning understanding of otherness, God, and evil, from both religious and secular perspectives. Additionally, the course explores the impact of the Holocaust on inter-religious dialogues, and critically evaluate the call for a Jewish homeland post-Holocaust.

Learning Hours: 120 (24 Lecture, 12 Seminar, 84 Private Study)

Requirements: Prerequisite (Level 2 or above) or (6.0 units of RELS at the 100-level).

Offering Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Science

Course Learning Outcomes:

1. Identify the theological questions the Holocaust initiated for both Judaism and Christianity, including issues of chosenness, theodicy, and the nature of evil.
2. Analyze the religious context of the Holocaust, especially concerning religious sentiments, teachings, and attitudes that may have contributed to or been influenced by it.
3. Compare the range of Jewish religious, philosophical, and cultural responses to the Holocaust, including the challenges to traditional beliefs and the evolution of post-Holocaust theology.
4. Communicate the moral and ethical dilemmas faced during the Holocaust and their implications for modern discussions of ethics in both religious and secular contexts.
5. Demonstrate effective critical reading skills.

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