

# RELS 140: RELIGION AND SCIENCE

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**This course examines the categories of both science and religion and attempts to explore the possible relationships between them. Some relationships are hostile, some neutral, some complementary, and often they are very deeply tangled. Case studies will involve: medicine and health (e.g. COVID conspiracy theories), science-and-technology-based religions (e.g. The Church of Perpetual Life), and how science and religion have differently addressed some of the same questions (e.g. in practices like alchemy vs chemistry, astrology vs astronomy).**

## Course Breakdown

## Time Commitment per Week

This course will be conducted remotely. All lectures will be recorded and posted on OnQ along with slides. Students are not required to be on campus for any part of the course but are expected to keep up to date with readings, participate in online discussions facilitated through OnQ, and submit written assignments to the professor online. All reading material for the course will be provided. In person office hours will not be held, but the professor is available over email and, if necessary, video chat.

Synchronous tutorials will be offered, but if you cannot attend, you can instead submit a short contribution via OnQ for us all to read. Grading will be based on several short quizzes; tutorial participation; and a critical response to a documentary.

8 hours

Prerequisite

None

Required Textbook/Materials

No