This course will provide an overview of the relatively new and expanding body of research that examines the relationship between sport, spirituality, and religion. Topics including play, games, flow, ritual, prayer, sports stars as role models, doping, fandom, and miracles in sport will be explored.

Course Breakdown

The course will be organized in 12 modules. Each module will include required readings. There are two assigned books and a series of articles and chapters. The articles and chapters are available through e-reserves. You will need to purchase one or two books which you can order through the Campus Book Store. Each module will also include a voice-over PowerPoint lecture. There are two required films included in the course that can be viewed through a link to the Queen’s library. There will be a mid-term test (essay answers) and two multiple choice quizzes. Each student will be assigned one module in which they must post a presentation based on the required material. Students will also be required to post formal and informal responses in each module, which will be evaluated. The instructor will monitor the discussions and post some replies. There will be NO synchronous sessions.

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