FREN 308 (Spring 2021):

Religions in France and in the Francophone World

Mondays 12:20-1:10pm
Online via Zoom

(1 credit hour, one session of 50 minutes per week)
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This course, which is taught entirely in French, will explore various topics related to religion in France and the Francophone world today and in the past. We will talk about Roman religions, Celts, Christians, Jews, Muslims, Reformation, secularism, contemporary debates, colonialism and religion, immigration, and more. We will obviously speak about France, but also include French-speaking countries in Africa and elsewhere. Each of the weekly sessions will be devoted to one topic. Students will have to read an academic piece on the matter and will often watch a film as well. In class, we will introduce the topic and discuss the reading and the film. At times, students will have to prepare short presentations, each roughly 5-10 minutes, about the topic at hand. Grades will also be based on weekly posts about the assignments and a final exam. This course will be taught in French, but it is not a French language course. All students who can read texts in French, watch movies in French, and understand discussions in French are welcome.

Prerequisite: FREN 204, 402, or permission of the instructor.