

SCHEDULE FOR FALL SEMESTER 2009

subject to revision

The **readings are to be finished by the first class of the week**. Look ahead one week. Be prepared for discussion, quizzes and in class writings on the assigned materials without further warning.

Quizzes and in class writings are not listed here. You are responsible for being present. There are no makeup quizzes but you may do approved extra credit.

There are mandatory Wednesday night presentation sessions on the dates listed below.

<i>Week</i>	<i>Topics for Discussion</i>	<i>Assignments</i>
1 – 8/24	Introductions, autobiographies, companions	Write a 2-page paper narrating your own spiritual autobiography, your journey so far; to be shared orally in class
2 – 8/31	Who am I? Student stories Sacred Story lecture & discussion	
Evening session	TBA	
3 – 9/7	NO CLASS on Monday Intro to the Study of Religion	Read pages from <i>Exploring Religion</i> by Schmidt. ON RESERVE at UI Library. (pages marked)
Evening session	TBA	
4- 9/14	Intro to Pilgrimage Guest about Labyrinth	Reading: Westwood, <i>On Pilgrimage: Sacred Journeys around the World</i>
Evening session	TBA	
5 – 9/21	Primal Religions	Reading: H. Smith & P. Novak textbook
Evening session	TBA	
6 – 9/28	Primal Religions, Pilgrimage	Reading: Westwood, <i>On Pilgrimage</i> . Chaps. 5-8
7 – 10/5	Hinduism	Reading: Smith & Novak about Hinduism
Evening session	TBA	
8 – 10/12	Hinduism, Pilgrimage	Reading: Westwood, <i>On Pilgrimage</i> . Chaps. 9-12
Evening session	TBA	
9 – 10/19	Buddhism	Reading: Smith & Novak about Buddhism Begin <i>Monkey: A Journey to the West</i>
10 – 10/26	Buddhism	Reading: Smith & Novak about Buddhism Continue reading: <i>Monkey</i>
11 – 11/2	Chinese Religion: Taoism	Reading: Finish <i>Monkey</i>

12 – 11/9	Chinese Religion: Confucianism (guest)	Reading: Smith & Novak about Primal Religions <i>Siddhartha</i>
Evening session	TBA	
13 – 11/16	Oral fieldwork Group presentations	Instructions handed out Fieldwork papers due Nov. 20
14 – 11/23	Semester Break	Have Pilgrimage Projects read when you return. Instructions handed out. Finish: <i>Siddhartha</i>
15 – 11/30	Pilgrimage Project presentations	DUE: Paper – <i>Siddhartha</i> or <i>Monkey</i>
Evening session	TBA	
16 – 12/7	Pilgrimage Project presentations	Pilgrimage CD's DUE by 12/11 – may be handed in earlier. Extra credit DUE by now – no exceptions
17 – 12/14	Finals Week	