

World Religion 30 Final Project

For this project you will research a religion of your choice. You will provide an analysis of the religion you choose demonstrating your in depth knowledge and understanding.

You will create a presentation that will be shared with the class.

You will be graded on the depth and accuracy of the information you present. Your presentation will be handed in following the presentation.

{Answer the questions with detailed responses}

History of the Religion

- Who is the founder of the religion?
- When was the religion founded?
- Does this religion have any connections to or roots in other religions?
- Is the development of this religion a response to another religion?

Deities

- Is there a deity/god/supreme being that the followers of this religion worship?
- What attributes does this being have?
- Is exclusive devotion to this deity required as tenant of the faith?

Adherents

- How many people practice this religion?
- In what country are most of the adherents found?

Worship

- Describe the worship practices of the followers of this religion.
- Are there specific days that worship occurs?
- Describe worship services.

Hierarchy

- Describe those in leadership roles in the religion.
- What does a person have to do to become a leader in this religion?
- What are practices/responsibilities of the leaders?

Sacred Texts

- What texts are considered sacred by this religion?
- When were the texts written and by whom?

Metaphysics

- What does this religion teach about the afterlife?
- Are there requirements that need to be met to achieve a positive afterlife?
- Does this religion have a belief in the soul?

Sacred Traditions/Rituals

- Describe the sacred traditions or rituals that this religion would practice throughout the year.
- What is the significance of the practices?
- What aspects of the religion do these rituals or traditions celebrate? Explain the deeper theological significance.

Morality

- What expectation does this religion have that its adherents live their lives in a certain way?
- What are the consequences for not living according to the tenants of the religion?

Marriage and Family

- Are there sacred traditions or rituals that pertain to marriage and family?

Evangelization

- Is this religion concerned with spreading their views and having others become members?
- What is it about this religion that its member find enticing?
- Why do people choose this religion?

Compare and Contrast

- Compare and contrast the essential teachings of the religion you have chosen with a religion that we have studied in the course.