

MPhil in International Relations and Politics, 2019-20  
**Comparative Politics of Religion**

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**Course Outline**

Politics and Religion covers a broad range of issues and concerns of interest to the student of Comparative Politics and International Relations: political theology, institutional formation and change, state power and authority, legitimacy and resistance, nationalism, as well as the shifting and productive boundaries between the sacred and the profane, the religious and the secular. This seminar will address these issues through a comparative exploration of religion and politics in Asian, European, North American and international contexts. The course will introduce students to a variety of different approaches to religion, exploring the tensions between them. These include but are not limited to positivist approaches that posit religion as a causal factor, public policy-orientated approaches that view religion as a challenge to and an instrument for governance, and interpretivist and poststructuralist approaches that seek to undermine “religion” as a social scientific concept.

The course will begin with an introduction to rival approaches to the study of religion in relation to politics. It will proceed to cover themes in the development of the relationship between religion and politics, including in relation to state formation and economic development, nationalism, and democratization; migration, foreign policy, security; imperialism, law, new religious movements, capitalism and neo-liberalism.

**Teaching**

Students will attend 14 seminars in the course of the year (2 hours each). Students are expected to participate actively in the seminar discussions, including taking leadership of at least one critical discussion of the readings.

**Sessions**

*Michaelmas term*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Seminar leader</i>
15 October	Debating Religion and Politics	Dr Larsson
22 October	Religion and the State	Dr Larsson
29 October	Religion and Nationalism	Dr Larsson
5 November	Religion and Democratization	Dr Larsson
12 November	Islam and Religious Pluralism in European Countries	Dr Silvestri

19 November	EU Engagement with Faith Groups and Religious Issues	Dr Silvestri
26 November	Religion and American Identity and Politics	Dr Birdsall
3 December	Religion in International Affairs and U.S. Foreign Policy	Dr Birdsall

#### *Lent term*

<i>Date</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Seminar leader</i>
21 January	Debating Secularism and Politics	Dr Hussin
28 January	Religion and Empire	Dr Hussin
4 February	Religion and Law	Dr Hussin
11 February	Religion and the City	Dr Hussin
18 February	Religion and Capitalism	Dr Hussin
25 February	New Questions in Religion and Politics	Dr Hussin

#### **Assessment**

Students are expected to write one 5,000-word essay that explores a question of relevance to the core themes and topics of the course. The essay is worth 100% of the final grade. Questions will be set by the seminar leaders and released in mid December 2019. Please ensure that essays are appropriately formatted, citations are consistent, and bibliography attached; it is the student's responsibility to familiarise themselves with the University's guidelines on academic honesty and plagiarism. The essay is due at 12 noon on 13 March 2020. Please submit two hard copies to the POLIS Admin Office and an electronic copy via Moodle.

#### **Practice essay**

Students must write one practice essay for this course. The essay should be approximately 2,000 words. Essay questions will be circulated early in Michaelmas term. The deadline for the essay is either 8 November 2019 or 29 November 2019. You should submit a hard copy of your essay to the POLIS Admin Office (room 142) and submit an electronic copy via Moodle.

#### **Readings**

Under each seminar, readings are divided into two groups. Essential readings will form the main basis for discussion in the seminars. Recommended readings are provided as a guide for students who wish to explore topics in further depth.

The SPS/Seeley library will have most of the readings assigned for the seminars; others will be available at the UL and the library of the Centre of South Asian Studies, which is located in the Alison Richard Building. Many articles and book chapters can be accessed electronically through the course website on Moodle or the University Library's electronic resources.

No background knowledge of the country cases are needed for this course. However, for those wishing to read into the background, the following may provide general introductions to the themes and debates of the course:

Huntington, S. "Clash of Civilisations?" *Foreign Affairs*, Summer 1993. Available online at: <https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/united-states/1993-06-01/clash-civilizations>

Asad, Talal. 1993. *Genealogies of Religion: Discipline and Reasons of Power in Christianity and Islam*.

## 1. Debating religion and politics

### Essential

Toft, M.D., D. Philpott, T. Shah. 2011. *God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics*, New York: WW Norton & Company, chapters 1 and 8.

Smith, Christian. 2017. *Religion: What it Is, How it Works, and Why it Matters*, Princeton University Press, chapter 1.

Shakman Hurd, E. 2015. *Beyond Religious Freedom: The New Global Politics of Religion*, Princeton University Press, pp. 1-21.

### Recommended

Bellin, E. 2008. "Faith in Politics: New Trends in the Study of Religion and Politics," *World Politics*, 60(2): 315-347.

Philpott, D. 2002. "The Challenge of September 11 to Secularism in International Relations." *World Politics* 55(1): 66-95.

Gill, A. 2001. "Religion and Comparative Politics," *Annual Review of Political Science*, 4: 117-38.

Grzymala-Busse, A. 2012. "Why Comparative Politics Should Take Religion (More) Seriously," *Annual Review of Political Science* 15: 421-442.

Menchik, J. 2017. "The Constructivist Approach to Religion and World Politics," *Comparative Politics* 49(4): 561-581.

Olson, L. 2011. "The Essentiality of 'Culture' in the Study of Religion and Politics," *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 50(4): 639-653.

Riesebrodt, Martin. 2007. *The Promise of Salvation: A Theory of Religion*. University of Chicago Press, chapter 1 ("Religion as Discourse: On the Critique of the Concept of Religion").

Wald, K. D. and Wilcox, C. 2006. "Getting Religion: Has Political Science Rediscovered the Faith Factor?" *American Political Science Review*, 100(4): 523-29.

## 2. Religion and the state

### Essential

Rubin, J. 2017. *Rulers, Religion, and Riches: Why the West Got Rich and the Middle East Did Not*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 1-72, 201-220.

Gorski, P. S. 1993. "The Protestant ethic revisited: Disciplinary revolutions and state formation in Holland and Prussia." *American Journal of Sociology* 99(2): 265-316.

Strathern, A. 2017. "Thailand's first revolution? The Ayutthaya Rebellion of 1688 and global patterns of ruler conversion to monotheism," ARI Working Paper No. 258, [https://ari.nus.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/wps17\\_258.pdf](https://ari.nus.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/wps17_258.pdf)

Kuru, A. T. 2007. "Passive and Assertive Secularism: Historical Conditions, Ideological Struggles, and State Policies toward Religion," *World Politics* 59(4): 568-594.

### Recommended

Casanova, J. 2012. "Rethinking Public Religions," in Shah, Stepan and Toft (eds.), *Rethinking Religion and World Affairs*, Oxford University Press.

- Demerath, N. J. 2007. "Secularization and Sacralization: Deconstructed and Reconstructed," in Beckford and Demerath (eds.) *The SAGE Handbook of the Sociology of Religion*. SAGE Publications.
- Fox, J. 2015. *Political Secularism, Religion, and the State: A Time Series Analysis of Worldwide Data*, Cambridge University Press.
- Koesel, K. J. 2015. "The Political Economy of Religious Revival," *Politics and Religion* 8(2): 211-235.
- Künkler, M., J. Madeley, and S. Shankar. 2018. *A Secular Age Beyond the West: Religion, Law, and the State in Asia, the Middle East, and North Africa*, Cambridge University Press.
- Larsson, T. 2015. "Monkish Politics in Southeast Asia: Religious Disenfranchisement in Comparative and Theoretical Perspective," *Modern Asian Studies* 49 (1): 40–82.
- Loveman, Mara. 2005. "The Modern State and the Primitive Accumulation of Symbolic Power," *American Journal of Sociology* 110(6): 1651-1683.
- Strathern, A. 2019. *Unearthly powers: Religious and political change in world history*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, pp. 107-154.
- Toft, M.D., D. Philpott, T. Shah. 2011. *God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics*, New York: WW Norton & Company, chapter 2.

### **3. Religion and nationalism**

#### Essential

- Bellah, Robert N. 1967. "Civil Religion in America," *Daedalus* 96(1): 1-21.
- Grzymala-Busse, A. 2016. "Weapons of the Meek: How Churches Influence Public Policy," *World Politics* 68(1): 1–36.
- Kinnvall, C. 2004. "Globalization and Religious Nationalism: Self, Identity, and the Search for Ontological Security," *Political Psychology* 25(5): 741-767.
- Thongchai W. 2015. "Buddhist Apologetics and a Genealogy of Comparative Religion in Siam," *Numen* 62 (1): 76–99.

#### Recommended

- Bell, D. A. 2001. *The Cult of the Nation in France: Inventing nationalism, 1680–1800*. Harvard University Press.
- Brubaker, R. 2012. "Religion and Nationalism: Four Approaches," *Nations and Nationalism* 18(1): 2-20.
- Friedland, R. 2002. "Money, Sex, and God: The Erotic Logic of Religious Nationalism," *Sociological Theory* 20(3): 381-425.
- Fukase-Indergaard, F., and M. Indergaard. 2008. "Religious Nationalism and the Making of the Modern Japanese State," *Theory & Society* 37(4): 343–74.
- Grzymala-Busse, A., and D. Slater. 2018. "Making Godly Nations: Church-State Pathways in Poland and the Philippines," *Comparative Politics* 50 (4): 545–64.
- Juergensmeyer, M. 1993. *The New Cold War? Religious Nationalism Confronts the Secular State*, University of California Press.
- Liow, Joseph Chinyong. 2016. *Religion and nationalism in Southeast Asia*. Cambridge University Press.
- Marx, A. W. 2004. *Faith in Nation: Exclusionary Origins of Nationalism*, Oxford University Press.
- Smith, A. D. 2003. *Chosen Peoples: Sacred Sources of National Identity*, Oxford University Press.

Toft, M.D., D. Philpott, T. Shah. 2011. *God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics*, New York: WW Norton & Company, chapter 3.

#### **4. Religion and democratization**

##### Essential

Woodberry, R. D. 2012. "The Missionary Roots of Liberal Democracy," *American Political Science Review* 106(2): 244-274.

Künkler, M., and J. Leininger. 2009. "The Multi-Faceted Role of Religious Actors in Democratization Processes: Empirical Evidence from Five Young Democracies," *Democratization* 16(6): 1058-1092.

Driessen, M. D. 2010. "Religion, State, and Democracy: Analyzing Two Dimensions of Church-State Arrangements," *Politics and Religion* 3(1): 55-80.

Buckley, D. T. 2015. "Beyond the Secularism Trap: Religion, Political Institutions, and Democratic Commitments," *Comparative Politics* 47(4): 439-458.

McCargo, D. 2004. "Buddhism, Democracy, and Identity in Thailand," *Democratization* 11(4): 155-170.

##### Recommended

Amaney, Jamal. 2007. *Barriers to Democracy: The Other Side of Social Capital in Palestine and the Arab World*, Princeton University Press.

Anderson, J. "Does God Matter, and if so Whose God? Religion and Democratization," *Democratization* 11:4 (2004): 192-217.

Philpott, D. 2004. "Christianity and Democracy: The Catholic Wave," *Democratization* 15(2): 32-46.

Stepan, A. 2000. "Religion, Democracy, and the 'Twin Tolerations'," *Journal of Democracy* 11(4): 37-57.

Stepan, A. 2011. "The Multiple Secularisms of Modern Democratic and Non-Democratic Regimes," in Calhoun, Juergensmeyer, and VanAntwerpen (eds.), *Rethinking Secularism*, Oxford University Press.

Toft, M.D., D. Philpott, T. Shah. 2011. *God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics*, New York: WW Norton & Company, chapter 4.

#### **5. Islam and religious pluralism in European countries**

##### Essential (at least 3 from these)

Koenig, Matthias. 2007. 'Europeanising the Governance of Religious Diversity: An Institutional Account of Muslim Struggles for Public Recognition', *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, 33:6, 911

Klausen, Jytte. 2005. *The Islamic Challenge. Politics and Religion in Western Europe*. Oxford: Oxford University Press

Modood, T., Triandafyllidou, A., Zapata-Barrero, R. Eds. 2006, *Multiculturalism, Muslims and citizenship: a European approach*, London: Routledge (choose a chapter of your choice, includes a chapter by Silvestri on models of Muslim-Government relations)

##### Recommended

(NOTE: this list seems long but you can choose readings focused on specific countries, e.g. France, UK or can go by issues of controversy, e.g. mosques, terror)

- Allievi, S. 2010. *Mosques in Europe. Why a solution has become a problem*. London: Alliance Publishing Trust and Network of European Foundations, <http://www.nef-europe.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/mosques-in-Europe-fullpdf.pdf>
- Asad, T. 2003. *Formations of the Secular*. Stanford, CA: Stanford University Press
- Banchoff, ed. 2007. *Democracy and the New Religious Pluralism*, Oxford: Oxford University Press (introduction and at least 1 chapter of your choice)
- Basra, Rajan, Neumann, Peter and Brunner, Claudia (2016) *Criminal Pasts, Terrorist Futures: European Jihadists and the new Crime-Terror Nexus*, London: ICSR, <http://icsr.info/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/ICSR-Report-Criminal-Pasts-Terrorist-Futures-European-Jihadists-and-the-New-Crime-Terror-Nexus.pdf>
- Bowen, J. 2011. *Can Islam Be French? Pluralism and Pragmatism in a Secularist State*, Princeton University Press.
- Bowen, J. 2016. *On British Islam: Religion, Law, and Everyday Practice in Shari‘a Councils*, Princeton University Press
- Cesari, J. 2006, “The Muslim Presence in France and the United States: Its Consequences for Secularism”, *French Politics, Culture & Society*, vol.25, no.2
- Cesari, J. & S. McLoughlin (eds). 2006. *European Muslims and the Secular State*. Ashgate Publishing
- Dalacoura, K. 2007. *Islam, liberalism and human rights: implications for international relations*, London: I.B.Tauris
- Davie, Grace 2000 *Religion in Modern Europe*. Oxford : Oxford University Press
- Ferrari, S & S.Pastorelli, S. eds, 2012. *Religion and the Public – Private Divide*, Ashgate
- Fox, Jonathan (2016) ‘Secular–religious competition in Western democracies: 1990 to 2014’, *Journal of Religious and Political Practice*, 2:2
- Gilliat-Ray, S. 2010. *Muslims in Britain*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Green, T. 2010. ‘The Resistance to Minarets in Europe’, *Journal of Church and State*, 52
- Gunning, J. and Jackson, R. 2011. “What’s so ‘religious’ about ‘religious terrorism’?”, *Critical Studies on Terrorism*, vol.4, no.3
- Haynes, J. ed. (2009 or more recent) *Religion and Politics in Europe, the Middle East and Africa*. Routledge
- Hickman, M, Thomas, L, H. Nickels, S. Silvestri 2012. ‘Social Cohesion and the Notion of ‘Suspect Communities’’, *Critical Studies on Terrorism*, 5: 1
- Kazmi, Z. 2016, “Islamophobia and the New Britishness”, *Foreign Affairs*, August.
- Kundnani, A. 2015. *The Muslims are Coming! : Islamophobia, Extremism, and the Domestic War on Terror*, London: Verso.
- Laborde, Cécile. 2008. *Critical Republicanism: The Hijab Controversy and Political Philosophy*. Oxford U.P.
- Laegaard, S. 2007. ‘The Cartoon Controversy: Offence, Identity, Oppression?’, *Political Studies*, 55
- Mandaville, P. 2014. *Islam and Politics*, London and New York: Routledge
- Meer, N. (2015) *Citizenship, Identity and the Politics of Multiculturalism: The Rise of Muslim Consciousness*. Basingstoke: Palgrave
- Minkenberg, Michael. 2018. ‘Between Christian and multicultural democracy: religious legacies and minority politics’, *West European Politics*, 41: 1.
- Monsma, Dulk and Soper (2017) *The Challenge of Pluralism. Church and State in Six Democracies*, Lanham: Rowman and Littlefield. ch.1 (also previous edition can be ok)
- Modood, T. 2015. Muslims and European Multiculturalism, 28 September, <https://www.opendemocracy.net/tariq-modood/muslims-and-european-multiculturalism>

- Poole, E. 2009 *Reporting Islam: media representations of British Muslims*, London: I.B. Tauris
- Ramadan, T. 2004. *Western Muslims and the Future of Islam*. Oxford: OUP.
- Roy, O. 2004. *Globalised Islam: The Search for a new Ummah*, London: Hurst (alternatively published in USA with Columbia UP)
- Silvestri, S. 2010. 'Europe's Muslims: burqa laws, women's lives', *Open Democracy*, 15 July, <http://www.opendemocracy.net/sara-silvestri/french-burqa-and-“muslim-integration”-in-europe>
- Various authors. 2009. *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, special issue on 'Muslims and the State in the Post-9/11 West', edited by Erik Bleich, 35: 3.
- Silvestri, S. 2008. *Europe's Muslim Women: Potential, Aspirations and Challenges*, research report commissioned and published by King Baudouin Foundation, Brussels, Nov, freely available on <https://www.kbs-frb.be/Virtual-Library/2008/295018>
- Stepan, A. 2000. 'Religion, Democracy and the Twin Tolerations', *Journal of Democracy*, Vol. 11, No. 4, pp. 37-57
- Taylor, C. 2007. *A Secular Age*. Belknap Press
- Volpi, F. 2011. *Political Islam. A critical reader*. London: Routledge
- Wiktorowicz Q, 2005. *Radical Islam Rising: Muslim Extremism in the West*. Lanham, Md: Rowman & Littlefield
- Zucca, L. 2012. *A Secular Europe. Law and Religion in the European Constitutional Landscape*. Oxford: OUP

## 6. EU Engagement with Faith Groups and Religious Issues

### Essential

- Byrnes, Timothy and Katzenstein, Peter, eds. 2006. *Religion in an Expanding Europe*. New York and Cambridge: Cambridge University Press
- Perchoc, Philippe. 2017. 2017. *Religion and the EU External Policies: Increasing Engagement*, Brussels: European Parliamentary Research Service. <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/pdf/divers/EPRS-IDA-614612-Religion-EU-external-policies-FINAL.PDF>
- Foret, F. 2015. *Religion and Politics in the European Union*, Cambridge: CUP.
- Silvestri, S. 2009. "Islam and Religion in the EU Political System", *West European Politics*, vol.32, no.6

### Recommended

- Annicchino, P. (2016) 'A Transatlantic Partnership for International Religious Freedom? The United States, Europe, and the Challenge of Religious Persecution', *Oxford Journal of Law and Religion*, Volume 5, Issue 2, 1
- Chaplin, J. and G. Wilton, eds. 2015. *God and the EU*. London: Routledge
- Davie, Grace 2000 *Religion in Modern Europe*. Oxford : Oxford University Press.
- Doe, N. 2011. *Law and Religion in Europe*, Oxford: Oxford University Press
- Foret, F. and Itçaina, X. eds. 2012. *Politics of Religion in Western Europe: Modernities in Conflict?* Abingdon: Routledge.
- Kaiser, W. 2007. *Christian Democracy and the Origins of European Union*. Cambridge: CUP.
- Kratochivil, P. and P. Doležal (2015) *The European Union and the Catholic Church*. London: Palgrave
- Kselman, T. and J. A. Buttigieg. 2003. *European Christian Democracy*. Notre Dame, IN: The

- University of Notre Dame Press.
- Leustean, L. 2014 *The Ecumenical Movement and the Making of the European Community*. Oxford: OUP.
- Leustean, L. ed. 2012. *Representing Religion in the European Union: Does God Matter?* Routledge Studies on Religion and Politics, 2012
- Leustean, L. and Madeley, John. 2009. 'Religion, Politics and Law in the European Union: an Introduction', *Religion State and Society*, 37 (the whole issue is of interest actually and was republished as a Routledge book in 2010)
- Madeley, J.T.S. 2003. "European liberal democracy and the principle of state religious neutrality", *West European Politics*, Vol. 26, No. 1
- Mandaville, P. and S.Silvestri. 2015. "Integrating Religious Engagement into Diplomacy: Challenges & Opportunities", *Issues in Governance Studies*, no.67, Washington DC: Brookings Institution. <http://www.brookings.edu/research/papers/2015/01/29-religious-engagement-diplomacy-mandaville-silvestri>
- Massignon, B. 2007. 'The European Compromise', *Social Compass* , vol.54, no.4
- McRea, R. 2010. *Religion and the Public Order of the European Union*, Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Mudrov. S. 2016. *Christian Churches in European Integration*. Abingdon: Routledge.
- Nelsen, B. and Guth, J. 2016. 'Religion and the Creation of European Identity: The Message of the Flags', *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, 14:1
- Nelsen, B. and Guth, J. 2016. *Religion and the Struggle for European Union*. Georgetown University Press.
- Royce, M. 2017. *The Political Theology of European Integration*. Palgrave.
- Shakman-Hurd, E. 2004. 'The Political Authority of Secularism in International Relations', *European Journal of International Relations*, vol 10, no. 2
- Thomas, Scott. 2005. *The Global Resurgence of Religion and the Transformation of International Relations*. Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan
- Willaime, J-P. 2009. 'European Integration, Laicite and Religion', *Religion, State and Society*, 37: 1.
- Steven, M. 2009. 'Religious Lobbies in the European Union: from Dominant Church to Faith-Based Organisation?', *Religion, State and Society*, 37 (1), pp.181-191.
- Zucca, L. 2012. *A Secular Europe. Law and Religion in the European Constitutional Landscape*. Oxford: OUP

## **7. Religion and international affairs and US foreign policy**

### Essential

- Haynes, Jeffery (2017). 'Donald Trump, 'Judeo-Christian Values,' and the 'Clash of Civilizations'', *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, 15:3, 66-75.
- Peter Mandaville (2017) 'Designating Muslims: Islam in the Western Policy Imagination', *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, 15:3, 54-65.

### Recommended

- Amstutz, Mark. "Christianity and Foreign Policy" and "Rise of Evangelical Foreign Policy" Advocacy," *Evangelicals and American Foreign Policy* (New York: Oxford University Press, 2014).
- Mead, Walter Russell, "God's Country?" *Foreign Affairs*, 85:5 (Sep. - Oct. 2006): 24-43.
- Preston, Andrew, *Sword of the Spirit, Shield of Faith: Religion in American War and*



- Diplomacy* (New York: Knopf, 2012).
- Birdsall, Judd. "Keep the Faith: How American Diplomacy Got Religion, and How to Keep It," *The Review of Faith & International Affairs* 14:2 (summer 2016): 110-115.  
<http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/15570274.2016.1184438>
- Birdsall, Judd, Jane Lindsay, Emma Tomalin, eds. *Toward Religion-Attentive Foreign Policy: A Report on an Anglo-American Dialogue*. [http://www.leeds.ac.uk/arts/download/2511/toward\\_religion-attentive\\_foreign\\_policy](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/arts/download/2511/toward_religion-attentive_foreign_policy)
- Hoover, Dennis, Douglas Johnston, *Religion and Foreign Affairs: Essential Readings* (Waco: Baylor University Press, 2012).

## 8. Religion and American identity and politics

### Essential

- Gerson, Michael. "The Last Temptation," *The Atlantic*, April 2018.
- Douglas, Christopher. "Religion and Fake News: Faith-Based Alternative Information Ecosystems in the US and Europe," *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, 16:1, 61-73, 2018.
- Three chapters in *The Review of Faith & International Affairs*, 10:2 (Summer 2012):  
 Gorski, Philp S., William McMillan, "Barack Obama and American Exceptionalism," 41-50.  
 Barlow, Philip L., "Chosen Land, Chosen People: Religious and American Exceptionalism Among the Mormons" 51-58.  
 Khan, M.A. Muqtedar, "American Exceptionalism and American Muslims," 59-66.

### Recommended

- Putnam, Robert, David Campbell, "Religion in American Politics," *American Grace* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 2012).
- Lambert, Frank, *Religion in American Politics: A Short History* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2010).
- Holder, R. Ward, Peter B. Josephson, *The Irony of Barack Obama: Barack Obama, Reinhold Niebuhr, and the Problem of Christian Statecraft* (New York: Routledge, 2012).
- Silk, Mark, *Spiritual Politics: Religion and America Since World War II* (New York: Touchstone Books, 1989).
- Wuthnow, Robert, *Restructuring of American Religion: Society and Faith Since WWII* (Princeton: Princeton University Press, 1990).

## 9. Debating secularism and politics

### Essential

- Casanova, J. 1994. *Public Religions in the Modern World*. University of Chicago Press. Chapters 1, 2, 8.
- Asad, Talal. 2003. *Formations of the Secular: Christianity, Islam, Modernity*. Stanford University Press. Introduction.
- David Scott and Charles Hirschkind, eds. 2006. *Powers of the Secular Modern*. Stanford. 1, 2, 3.
- Mahmood, S. 2006. "Secularism, Hermeneutics, and Empire: The Politics of Islamic Reformation." *Public Culture* 2006 18(2): 323-347.

Hurd, E. *The Politics of Secularism in International Relations*. Princeton, 2008. 1-64, Conclusion.

### Recommended

Norris, P. and Inglehart, R., *Sacred and Secular: Religion and Politics Worldwide*, Cambridge University Press 2004. Part I, Chapters 6, 10.

Asad, Talal. 2012. "Thinking about Religion, Belief, and Politics," in *The Cambridge Companion to Religious Studies*, Robert Orsi ed.

Morris, J. (2003), 'The Strange Death of Christian Britain: Another Look at the Secularisation Debate', *The Historic Journal*, 46: 963–76.

Bowen, John R. 2011. *Can Islam Be French? Pluralism and Pragmatism in a Secularist State*.

*Politics of Religious Freedom* project: <http://www.hluce.org/prfspotlight.aspx>

Daniel Philpott and Timothy Samuel Shah, "In Defense of Religious Freedom: New Critics of a Beleaguered Human Right," *Journal of Law and Religion*, 31:3 (2017), 380-395.

SSRC *The Immanent Frame*: <https://tif.ssrc.org/exchanges/>

Talal Asad and Abdullahi an-Naim in conversation: <https://tif.ssrc.org/2009/11/09/religion-law-and-human-rights/>

<https://tif.ssrc.org/2009/11/09/video-talal-asad-and-abdullahi-an-naim-in-conversation/>

## **10. Religion and empire**

### Essential

Said, Edward. 2003. *Orientalism*. Penguin.

Hobsbawm, Eric and Terence Ranger. 1983. *The Invention of Tradition*. Cambridge University Press (2012 edition). Chapters 1, 4, 5.

Engseng Ho, "Empire through Diasporic Eyes: A View from the Other Boat," *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 46:2 (2004), 210-246.

### Recommended

Iza Hussin, *The Politics of Islamic Law: Local Elites, Colonial Authority, and the Making of the Muslim State*. Chicago 2016.

DuBois, Thomas David, ed. *Casting Faiths: Imperialism and the Transformation of Religion in East and Southeast Asia*. Palgrave Macmillan 2009.

Cohn, Bernard. 1996. *Colonialism and Its Forms of Knowledge*. Princeton University Press.

Rafael, Vicente. 1992. *Contracting Colonialism: Translation and Christian Conversion in Tagalog Society under Early Spanish Rule*. Duke University Press.

Kolsky, Elizabeth. 2005. "Codification and the Rule of Colonial Difference." *Law and History Review* 23:3, pp 681-683.

Said, Edward. 1993. *Culture and Imperialism*. Knopf.

Cannadine, David. 2002. *Ornamentalism: How the British Saw Their Empire*. Penguin.

## **11. Religion and law**

### Essential

Comaroff, John. "Reflections on the Rise of Legal Theology: Law and Religion in the Twenty-First Century," *Social Analysis*, Spring 2009, Vol. 53 Issue 1, 193-216.

Rajah, Jothie. 2013. "Policing Religion," in *Authoritarian Rule of Law: Legislation, Discourse and Legitimacy in Singapore*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

- Moustafa, Tamir. 2013. "Liberal Rights versus Islamic Law? The Construction of a Binary in Malaysian Politics." *Law & Society Review*, vol. 47, pp 771-802.
- Menchik, Jeremy. 2014. "Productive Intolerance: Godly Nationalism in Indonesia," *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, 56(3):591-621.
- Case: *Titular Roman Catholic Archbishop of Kuala Lumpur v Menteri Dalam Negeri*, 31 December 2009.

### Recommended

- Crouch, Melissa. 2012. "Law and Religion in Indonesia: The Constitutional Court and the Blasphemy Law," 7(1) *Asian Journal of Comparative Law*.
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