



# RELIGION SPRING 2010

## REL 399A Religion, Health & Healing

### *New This Spring!*

How do religious ideas, values and world-views affect our understandings of wellness and illness? Why and how can religion and spirituality be important in modern medicine? How do religious attitudes, values, practices, beliefs and rituals affect **both** patients and healers?

This spring **Religion, Health, & Healing** will explore these issues and others from a cross-cultural, global perspective. We'll look at the place of healing in world religions, from shamans to shrines, from miracle-workers to faith-healers, and see how traditional religious and spiritual practices interact with modern biomedicine. We'll explore these questions through lectures, discussions, videos and group work. Students will earn their grades based on Journals, **brief** response papers, group work in class, and exams. Textbooks will include *Health, Healing and Religion: A Cross-Cultural Perspective* by David Kinsley and *Caring for Patients from Different Cultures* by Geri-Ann Galanti, plus other materials available on **Electronic Reserve** through the library.

### **NO PRE-REQUISITES ARE REQUIRED**

#### **Course Details**

SREL W399A Section 001 (3 Credit Hours) RELIGION, HEALTH & HEALING  
Sequence Code # 267390  
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