

Religious Syncretism in Contemporary Mexico, Guatemala and Cuba

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USOS code

ECTS

3

Type of class

lecture

Evaluation

Attendance, oral exam

Term

Winter semester

Schedule

Weekly class two hours each

Admission limits:

15-20

Objectives and topics

The course introduces basic terminology associated with interdisciplinary research on syncretic processes, mainly considering contemporary religious phenomena. The main focus of the course are beliefs from Mexico, Guatemala, and Cuba, including Mexican folk Catholicism and the Santa Muerte devotion, modern indigenous belief systems from Mexico and Guatemala, as well as Afro-Cuban religions, such as Santeria, Palo Monte etc. The course is largely based on its author's own fieldwork.

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