

**The Harvard Study on Teaching About Religion in the Schools (H-STARS)
Questionnaire for History, Social Studies, English, Literature and Religion/Religious Studies Teachers**

Directions: This questionnaire has two parts. Part One is for all teachers and Part Two is for those who teach one or more courses that address religion directly in either minor or major ways. For example, literature courses may include texts that have religious themes or dimensions and some history courses may address religion in a particular unit (the Puritans, the rise of Islam, etc.). Other courses may focus on a religious text or the study of religion itself (Bible as Literature, Introduction to Comparative Religions, etc.). Please complete Part One and continue on to Part Two if applicable. Your feedback is essential for the success of this study, even if you don't teach any courses related to religion. Depending on the types of classes you teach, the questionnaire should take between 10 and 30 minutes to complete.

Participants can choose to fill out the questionnaire in one of two ways: 1) Complete it online at http://www.hds.harvard.edu/prse/hstars/questionnaire_index.html ; or 2) Complete the questionnaire by hand and send it by post or fax to: Diane L. Moore, Professor of the Practice in Religious Studies and Education, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138, ATTN: H-STARS. The fax number is 617.496.0585.

Many thanks in advance for taking the time to assist us in this research initiative. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Diane L. Moore directly via email at the address listed above or by phone at 617.384.8047.

**PART ONE
To be completed by all teachers.**

General Information:

Your Name:	School:
Is your school public or independent?	Is it religiously affiliated? If so, with what tradition?
School Address:	Your Work Phone:
Other Phone (optional):	Your Email:
Position Title:	How long have you been in your current position?
How long have you been teaching?	May we add your email to our database to alert you about conferences and other related info? (Our database is neither public nor shared.) Y/N:

Educational Background:

Degree	Year Granted	Institution	Major

What courses do you teach? Please list course name, whether required or elective, the grade level, and whether religion is addressed in the course in any way.

Course Title	Required or Elective	Grade Level	Is religion addressed? Y/N

Have you ever participated in any educational endeavors and/or teacher training initiatives focused on enhancing your knowledge about religion as it relates to your field? (i.e. workshops, courses, seminars, conferences, degree programs, etc.) Y/N:

If yes, please list and rate the usefulness of each activity on a scale from 1-5 (1=not useful; 3=useful; 5=extremely useful):

Activity	Sponsor	Date	Rating 1-5

Would you be interested in participating in continuing education seminars on the study of religion in your field from an academic, non-sectarian perspective? Y/N:

If so, what topics, texts and/or dimensions would you like to focus upon? If not, why not?

If **none** of the courses you teach address religion, many thanks for your time and response. Please return the completed Part One form via email attachment or post to addresses listed above. If one or more of your courses does address religion, please continue on to Part Two.

PART TWO
For teachers who teach about religion in their classes.

Directions: Please fill out a separate Part Two form for each course you teach that incorporates or focuses on religion. If there is more than one course, please copy Part Two of the questionnaire as many times as necessary and (if sending by email) name the attachment with your last name and number in sequence followed by .doc. (For example smith1.doc; smith2.doc; etc.) Please include a copy of the syllabus for each course whenever possible.

General Information:

Your Name:	Name of the course:
Grade Level:	How many years have you taught this course?
Course Description (from catalogue or syllabus):	

What text(s) do you use in this course?

Author	Title	Publication Date

Have you attached a syllabus? Please do, if possible. Y/N:

Please offer a brief explanation of when the topic of religion arises in this class. If the entire course is focused on religion, please write N/A.

Are you satisfied with the dimensions of the course that incorporate religion? If the entire course is focused on religion, are you satisfied with the way this class is currently constructed? (1=not satisfied; 3=satisfied; 5=extremely satisfied).

Comments:

Are there additional sources besides the texts themselves that **you consult** to enhance your own understanding of the religious components of the material? If so, which ones? Please list and rate their usefulness. (1=not useful; 3=useful; 5=extremely useful)

Author	Title	Publication Date	Rating 1-5

Comments:

Are there additional sources besides the texts themselves that **you give the students** to enhance their understanding of the religious components of the material? If so, which ones? Please list and rate their usefulness. (1=not useful; 3=useful; 5=extremely useful)

Author	Title	Publication Date	Rating 1-5

Comments:

Would you like to be in contact other teachers who are teaching the same or similar material? Y/N:

If yes, please place an "X" in the boxes for information we **can** share with other teachers:

Name:	Title:	School:	Address:
Work Phone:	Email Address:	Names of courses you teach:	Syllabi:

Other comments?

Many thanks for your time and contributions to this project. Please return all forms (including syllabi) via email with attachments to: Diane L. Moore at h-stars.dlmoore@hds.harvard.edu or by post or fax to Diane L. Moore, Professor of the Practice in Religious Studies and Education, Harvard Divinity School, 45 Francis Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138. ATTN: H-STARS. The fax number is 617.496.0585.