

An Introduction to SRP MSc Programme



Objectives

The SRP MSc Programme provides advanced training to students in the study of religion in plural societies within an inter-religious and comparative framework while allowing students to focus on a specific religious tradition.

Using case studies and scenarios, the programme will equip students with the theories, skills, methods and tools relevant to inter-religious leadership, conflict resolution, peace-building, dialogue, as well as the design and implementation of research projects.

Graduates' Attributes

- Knowledgeable across religious traditions
- Possess critical scholarly awareness of the study of religion
- Attuned to religious and non-religious diversity and sensitivity
- Equipped with leadership skills within religiously plural setting nurturing communities of dialogue
- Enabler of inter-religious harmony and growth of common space
- Skilled in conflict resolution, peace-building and networking
- Able to design and implement research projects and communicate results.

Learning Objectives

On completion of the program, students should be able to:

- appreciate the various expressions of religiosity, the multi-dimensional nature of religious phenomena, how religion interacts with other aspects of life and how religion interacts with the secular (humanism).
- recognize personal subjectivities in the study of religion and engagement with religious communities.
- demonstrate familiarity with the multi-disciplinary approaches in the study of religion.
- demonstrate understanding of contemporary debates in inter-religious studies.
- able to anticipate problems between religious communities and disruptive trends to social harmony and apply the necessary tools to manage them.
- apply the skills and tools relevant to leadership, management, peace-building, conflict resolution and networking to facilitate active and peaceful engagement between religious communities.
- design research projects, evaluate, synthesize relevant literature and communicate results in a scholarly manner.

Themes & Skills



Admission Guidelines

Please refer to RSIS website at

http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/admissions/admission-guidelines/#.VRDL2-GvR_E

About SRP

The Studies in Inter-Religious Relations in Plural Societies (SRP) Programme was inaugurated on 6 June 2014 by the President of the Republic of Singapore, Dr Tony Tan Keng Yam. It is the latest programme offered by the S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS).

The SRP Programme aims to study various models of how religious communities develop their teachings to meet the contemporary challenges of living in plural societies. It will also deepen the study of inter-religious relations, formulate models for the positive role of religions in peace-building and produce knowledge to strengthen social ties between communities. The Programme seeks to be at the forefront in the development of scholarship and applied knowledge on the roles of religion and inter-religious relations in plural societies today.