**Course Number and Name**

HINE 101 The History of Hinduism

**Intended Learning Outcomes**

At the end of this course the students will be able to explain the historical development of Hinduism in India and Sri Lanka, describe various schools of thought and sects in Hinduism, explain the issues in Hinduism, explain the tradition and modernity in Hindu religious movements.

**Course Contents**

Literary Tradition of Hindus: Sruti, Smriti, Epics, Puranas, Agama, Tirumurai, Tivviya prabandam; Origins and development of Saivism and Vishnuvism: Mauriya period, Sunga Gupta period, and Post Gupta period in North India; the development of Saivism and Vishnuvism in Peninsular India: Satavahana period, Chalukyaperiod, Rastakuta period, Pallava period, Cholaperiod; modern reform movements: the Brahma Samaj, the Aryasamaj, the Ramakrishna Mission; Hinduism in Sri Lanka.

**Assessment Strategy**

i. Time of Assessment - End of the Year

ii. Assessment Method - Written examination

Assigned percentage for each Component - 100%

**Recommended References**

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