



Project Leaders

Dr. Robert M. Baum is Chair of MU's Department of Religious Studies and is an expert in world religions, especially Islam and African religions. Dr. Baum has led two institutes for elementary teachers for the Ohio Humanities Council and was a project leader for MU's Difficult Dialogues.

Dr. Larry Brown drives WRIM's local-to-global, geographical focus through his expertise in cultural geography and Middle America. He will present on the geography of religion in Missouri and serve as our tour leader on Day 2 of the workshop. Dr. Brown is an assistant professor of Geography at MU and a well-known story-teller.

Master Teacher George Frissell teaches a popular course in World Religions at Hickman High School in the Columbia Public Schools. Frissell will bring his expertise to the teaching of religion at the secondary education level.

Master Teacher Eryca Neville is a former Columbia Public Schools elementary teacher who now teaches in the MU Teacher Development Program. She continues to be involved in schools through her work at West Boulevard Elementary School and the MU Teaching Fellows Program.

Dr. Peggy Placier's interest in cross-cultural approaches to teacher education and educational policy structures the WRIM workshop and tour. She will present on religion and education, drawing on her expertise as an associate professor in the MU College of Education where she specializes in public policy.



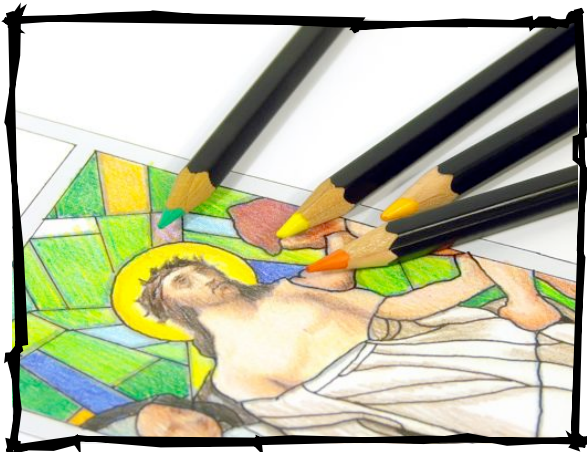
CENTER ON RELIGION & THE PROFESSIONS
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WORLD RELIGIONS IN MISSOURI

A **free** workshop
for mid-MO teachers
June 15-16, 2010

1.5 CE Credit





WORLD RELIGIONS IN MID-MISSOURI

Public school educators (K–12) in Mid–Missouri are invited to participate in a two–day workshop June 15–16, 2010, aimed at broadening understanding of Mid–Missouri’s increasing religious diversity.

Attendees are eligible for 1.5 Continuing Education Credits by attending all of the free program. See application for details.

Workshop content will, among other things:

- Introduce religions practiced in mid–Missouri and their relationship to global communities;
- Provide expertise on the cultural geography of religion in mid–Missouri;
- Present approaches to the academic study of religion;
- Address controversial issues among school personnel, students and parents that arise with growing religious diversity in public schools;
- Explore ways to incorporate religion into social studies and humanities curricula in line with First Amendment requirements and curricular goals.

Program Schedule		
2010 Dates	Time	Topic
June 15 (DAY 1)	8:30–Noon	Overview, Religious Practice in Mid–MO
	1–3:30 pm	Religious diversity, Religious geography
	3:30–5pm	Master teacher discussions
June 16 (Day 2)	5:30–8 pm	Parent concerns
	8:30–Noon	Walking tour Columbia, MO
	Noon–5:30 pm	Bus tour
Program includes breakfast and lunch both days, dinner on Day 1, and transportation.		

Apply online by May 24, 2010

Please complete an online application at: www.ReligionInTheSchools.org, a resource website for the project.

Applicant selection guidelines are on the site.

Contact Project Coordinator Crystal Kroner at CLKX9C@mail.missouri.edu for questions about the program.

For additional questions, please call Debra Mason at 573–882–9257

This program is free to participants due to generous funding from the Missouri Humanities Council and MU’s Center on Religion & the Professions.

