

## **Religious Literacy and Policing**

Join us for a 3-day religious literacy program to enhance your understanding of the diverse communities <u>you serve</u>.

Created specifically for police officers this new **3 day program** offers the opportunity to learn about some of the world's major religions. You will:

- Meet religious community leaders
- Engage with colleagues about **best practices for connecting with diverse communities**
- Tour houses of worship and learn about sacred spaces and traditions
- Take part in interesting classes and discussions designed to **enhance your knowledge and comfort** with religious practices and communities

**Especially valuable for:** hate crime investigators, neighbourhood and community officers, court officers, special constables, intimate partner violence investigators; chaplains; police service board members

## Register today at worldreligions.ca

## October 3-5, 2023 Toronto <u>Police College</u>

70 Birmingham St, Toronto, ON

\$750

includes meals and transportation as noted on schedule.

Encounter World Religions is a **registered charity** with the mission to enhance religious literacy and inclusion in our communities.



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## Discovery Program for Police October 3-5, 2023

Draft schedule subject to change.

Program fee includes continental breakfasts, 3 lunches, one dinner and transportation to site visits. Register at worldreligions.ca

| Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   |
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| 7:30 - 8:30<br>Class:<br>Intro: Policing, Religious<br>Literacy, the Western Lens &<br>Site Visits | 7:45<br>Morning Check-in<br>8:00– 9:30<br>Class: Hinduism<br>9:45 - 10:15 Bus | 7:45<br>Morning Check-in<br>8:00 – 9:30<br>Class: Islam  |
| 8:45 - 10:15<br>Class: Judaism<br>10:30 - 11:00 Bus  | 10:15 – 11:30<br>Site Visit: Hindu Temple<br>11:30 - 12:00 Bus                | 9:45– 10:45<br>Class: Buddhism   |
| 11:00 - 12:00<br>Site Visit: Synagogue<br>12:00 Bus  | 1200 - 1:00<br>Lunch & Debrief  | 11:00 Bus<br>11:30 - 12:30<br>Buddhist Temple  |
| 12:30 - 1:30<br>Lunch & Debrief  | 1:00 - 2:30<br>Panel on Religious Minority<br>Officers                        | 12:30 Bus<br>12:50 - 2:30<br>Site Visit: Mosque (includes<br>lunch, congregational prayer,<br>meet imam) |
| 1:30 –2:30<br>Class:<br>N. A. Indigenous Spirituality  | 2:45 - 3:45<br>Class: Sikhism<br>3:45 - 4:15 Bus                              | 2:30 - 3:00<br>Bus   |
| 2:30 –3:30<br>Guest Speaker:<br>Indigenous Elder   | 4:15 - 6:00<br>Site Visit: Sikh Gurdwara<br>(includes meal)                   | 3:00 – 3:40<br>Best Practices on Community<br>Outreach   |
| 3:30 - 4:00<br>Wrap Up   | 6:00 - 6:30<br>Bus  | 3:40 - 4:00<br>Conclusion  |