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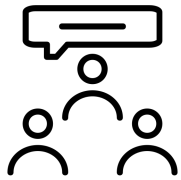
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## PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP IN RELIGION AND PUBLIC EDUCATION: A SEMINAR

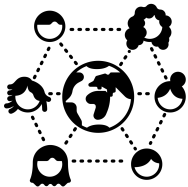
*Enhancing Opportunities for Collaboration Between Religious  
and Theological Studies Scholars and K-12 Educators*

Religious studies scholars widely support enhancing education about religion in K-12 public schools that leads to greater religious literacy and democratic pluralism. The difficulty arises when translating this support into action. Scholars quickly encounter the legal and social complexity of U.S. public education and the challenges inherent in public scholarship. This program seeks to establish a small community of practice dedicated to cultivating the public scholarship knowledge and skills necessary for religious studies scholars to collaborate effectively with public schools and educators.



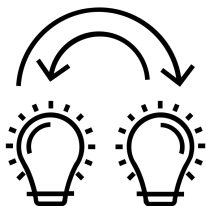
### Develop a Community of Practice

Enter into a community of practice formed of religious studies scholars interested in promoting the public understanding of religion in the public school sector.



### Foster Connections among Educators & Scholars

Build a network of educators and scholars in New England who are invested in enhancing education about religion in K-12 public schools.



### Share Expertise

Put public scholarship knowledge and skills into practice through opportunities to share expertise with educators, preservice teachers, and education researchers.

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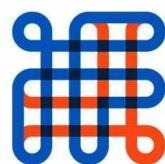
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## Details

- This program will gather together a group of up to seven doctoral students and faculty to participate in a seminar series of six training sessions including the following topics:
  - best practices for communicating their scholarly expertise for a non-academic audience
  - the current status of religion and public education in our region,
  - how scholars of religious studies and theology can contribute to enhancing the understanding of religion in the K-12 education environment.
- Seminar participants will learn from current K-12 teachers, education researchers, and other experts in the field of religion and education. Each participant will develop a public-facing product that presents their area of expertise in a manner that is accessible to K-12 educators and/or teacher educators. Teachers will be invited to coach and offer feedback on the accessibility and usefulness of this material to their classrooms.
- Registration, travel, and small stipends provided.

## Eligibility

- Doctoral students, Faculty in religious studies or theology, OR Scholars working in religious studies or theology who are not full time faculty
- Located in the New England & Canadian Maritimes region (Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut, plus the Canadian provinces of Newfoundland, Labrador, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island).

## Timeline

- January 2022: Applications open
- March 12: Opening day-long gathering in the Boston Area
- February-May 2022: 4 Public Scholarship Seminars via Zoom
- May 21: Closing day-long gathering in the Boston Area
- June-July 2022: Opportunity for participants collaborate with local schools/districts to support teacher learning and share their expertise

## What is The Religion and Education Collaborative?

- We are an interdisciplinary network of educators, students, and scholars who examine issues involving religion and education in the United States, Canada, and around the globe. The REC strives to bridge gaps between academic fields and educational arenas to promote research and initiatives on religious literacy education, relationships between religion and education, and other topics at the intersections of religion and schooling.
- The membership of the Religion & Education Collaborative includes researchers, educators, graduate students, and others whose work intersects with the topics of religion and schooling. Current membership represents over 20 U.S. states and Canadian provinces, as well as Norway, Italy, Nigeria, the United Kingdom, the Czech Republic, and the Netherlands.

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**Questions?**

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