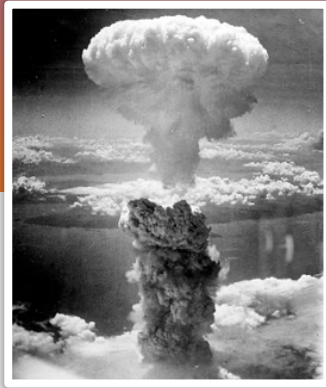


Online FYS: Gilgamesh to the Bomb to Climate Change! 3 credits



University of Wyoming RELI 1101-40

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Who's in Charge? This course explores the stories with which cultures have governed themselves beginning with theocratic authority, shifting to the role of reason as developed in the Enlightenment, and concluding with 20th and 21st century globalized culture.

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This course is the first step in a successful UW career. You will learn and hone academic writing skills while analyzing the relationship between claims of divine power and human agency across time and cultures!

From the oldest human story recorded on tablets, the *Epic of Gilgamesh*, to Aquinas's *Summa Theologica*, to Machiavelli's *The Prince*, to the Age of Enlightenment and the rise of Reason (and women fighting to join), to *The Souls of Black Folk* (1901), to the mind-blowing power of atomic weapons and climate change, you'll travel centuries, think about religious language and struggles for power and meaning, concluding with a Pope and a Senator squaring off on climate change.

How does an online FYS work? Really, really well. And that was before COVID happened! This was the first online FYS approved at UW, and it's one of my best classes. You'll participate weekly with assignments, and we will gather for discussions a few times during the semester. It's the perfect asynchronous course with a few flexible meeting times to discuss and review work.