RELIGIOUS STUDIES

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the courses in religious studies are to provide an opportunity to experience a number of cultural, historical and contemporary issues from a religious point of view, and through the study of religion as a separate discipline to

"develop a philosophy based upon values conducive to ethical and moral behaviour and reflected in an understanding of human worth." (Government of Alberta, *Report of the Commission on Educational Planning.*)

RELIGIOUS ETHICS 20

CONTENT

- 1. Concept of ethics
- 2. Meaning of religious ethics
- 3. Ways in which the adolescent attains self-realization
- 4. How the adolescent works out his or her identity in society
- 5. How certain specific contemporary issues affect the adolescent

RELIGIOUS MEANINGS 20

CONTENT

- 1. Humankind has basic needs
- 2. The need to search for meaning in life
- 3. Ways in which humankind searches for meaning in life
- 4. Faith adds a dimension to humankind's quest for meaning
- 5. Deity is an ultimate concern in whom many have faith

- 6. Because faith is a growth process, crisis will be encountered
- 7. Humankind tends to depend upon others in their growth in faith
- 8. Faith must manifest itself through action

WORLD RELIGIONS 30

CONTENT

- 1. Meaning of religion
- 2. Development of religion
- 3. Faith is the core element of religion

- 4. Major religions of the world
- 5. Basic beliefs and practices of the major religions of the world