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## DEPARTMENT OF LITERATURE, HISTORY OF IDEAS, AND RELIGION

### **RT2713 Historical Methods in Religious Studies and Theology, 7.5 credits**

Historisk metod och analys inom religionsvetenskap och teologi, 7,5 högskolepoäng  
*Second Cycle*

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#### **Reading list for RT2713, to be valid from autumn semester of 2023**

Reading list was confirmed by Department of Literature, History of Ideas, and Religion  
on 2023-06-15 to be valid from 2023-11-01.

See appendix.



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**READING LIST  
AUTUMN 2023**

RT2713 Historical Methods in Religious Studies and Theology  
Advanced Level, 7,5 hp

**Books:**

- Bond, Helen (2012). *The Historical Jesus. A Guide for the Perplexed*. London: T&T Clark. 174 pages.

*or*

Wassen, Cecilia och Tobias Hägerland (2016). *Den okände Jesus: Berättelsen om en profet som misslyckades*. Stockholm: Langenskiöld, 2016. 249 pages.

- Bradley, James E. and Muller, Richard (2016). *Church History: An Introduction to Research, Reference Works, and Methods*. 99 pages.
- Howell, Martha and Prevenier, Walter. *From Reliable Sources: An Introduction to Historical Methods*. (Ithaca: Cornell University Press, 2001). 195 pages.
- Law, David R. (2012). *The Historical-Critical Method: A Guide for the Perplexed*. London: T&T Clark. 241 pages.
- Tosh, John (2015). *The Pursuit of History: Aims, Methods and New Directions in the Study of History*. Sixth edition. London: Routledge/Taylor & Francis Group. 291 pages.

*or*

Tosh, John (2011). *Historisk teori och metod*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. 337 pages.

## **Articles:**

- Casadio, Giovanni (2016). "Historicizing and Translating Religion." In *The Oxford Handbook of the Study of Religion*. Edited by Michael Stausberg and Steven Engler. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 14 pages. [Link](#).
- Eskola, Timo (2010). "Quran Criticism, the Historical-Critical Method, and the Secularization of Biblical Theology." In *Journal of Theological Interpretation* 4 (2): 229–51. [Link](#).
- Morrow, Jeffrey L. (2010). "The Politics of Biblical Interpretation: A 'Criticism of Criticism'." In *New Blackfriars* 91, no. 1035. 17 pages. [Link](#).
- Quirk, Joel (2008). "Historical Methods." In *The Oxford Handbook of International Relations*. Edited by Christian Reus-Smit and Duncan Snidal. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 19 pages. [Link](#).
- Rüpke, Jörg (2012). "History." In *The Routledge Handbook of Research Methods in the Study of Religion*. London: Routledge. 19 pages. [Link](#).
- Stausberg, Michael (2016). "History." In *The Oxford Handbook of the Study of Religion*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. 24 pages. [Link](#).

Additional articles might be added.