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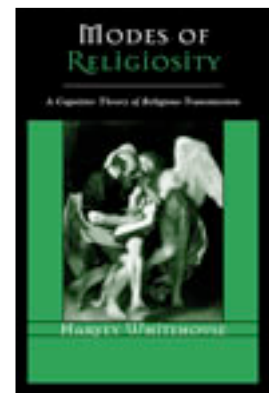
**Evolutionary Studies Seminar**  
Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 PM  
BU Lecture Hall 8

## “Explaining Religion”

What are the proximate mechanisms that shape and constrain religious innovation and transmission? How does the adaptive value of a belief system vary under different ecological and historical conditions? What features do different religions have in common, and why?



Author of such books as *Inside the Cult: Religious Innovation and Transmission in Papua New Guinea* (1995) and *Modes of Religiosity: A Cognitive Theory of Religious Transmission* (2004).



Followed by reception and discussion in the Susquehanna Room.  
<http://evolution.binghamton.edu/evos/Seminar/Whitehouse.html>