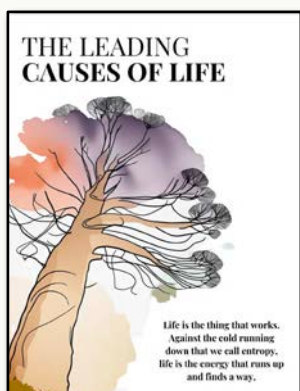


~ New Developments ~

BREAKING NEWS - LCL Learning Module coming your way

Soon we will have what we have long wanted ... something useable on the 'leading causes of life' to offer people who teach or train others.

A **LCL 'learning module'** to use in courses or communities that is accessible, exciting, conceptually well-grounded, and pedagogically innovative. Designed to spark imagination and inspire passion through exercises that help shift mindsets.

And with it comes a **resource file** with directly relevant articles, essays, books, and more ... all of it *fully annotated* to make it easy to find what you need or want.

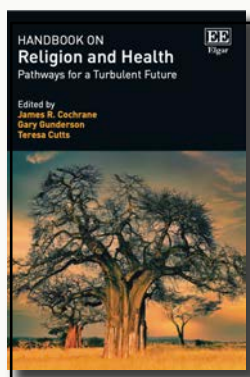
I attach the resource file with this Briefing. A draft, it's pretty close to what the final version will be. Also attached (or you can [click here or on the image](#) for a link to it) is a *selection* from the LCL module — it'll give you a taste of what you will soon have in full.

How did this arise? Serendipitous. A handful of our LCLI Fellows have been invited by [Interfaith America](#) onto their advisory body, called the JTF Fellows, for a project that grants \$60,000 to 15, ultimately 30, US universities to build a programme on religious diversity and health into their health professions curricula. We proposed helping this happen (and it has been enthusiastically accepted), by creating two learning modules — one on LCL, and one on 'religious health assets' (an idea a number of us have worked on for years, also the basis of the *Bare-foot Guide on Mobilizing Religious Health Assets for Transformation* that many of you will remember).

Beautifully crafted by Cagn, Jim's son, who has a decade of educational training and design in Italy and Germany behind him as well as artistic gifts, we are in the process of pre-testing full drafts of the two modules. They will be formally launched in Chicago in August at the Interfaith America Summit where members of the first 15 university faculty teams will be present.

At that point we will be able to share the full package with all our LCLI Fellows, which you, via an open-ended Creative Commons licence, will be able to use, adapt and share across your networks to fit new themes and contexts.

UPDATE

The 'Baobab Gatherings' - Cape Town, March 2025

The last planned 'launch' of the [Handbook on Religion and Health: Pathways for a Turbulent Future](#) (Edward Elgar, 2024), to which some 23 LCLI Fellows contributed, took place at the University of Cape Town in the form of a Webinar, hosted by our Fellow Jill Olivier, with 9 of our Fellows/authors present.

The Front Matter, the *Introduction: On what was known as religion and health* (by myself, Gary Gunderson, and Teresa Cutts or TC), and the first chapter (*Grounding "religion" and "spirituality"*) are available freely online (click on *image*, or *book title*), the rest of the contents visible there.