1. To consider the relevance of religious decline in the UK from a theoretical perspective.

2. To examine socio-legal concerns of policy makers in legislating for religiously aggravated hate crimes

3. To consider religious radicalism and ultra-conservativism and its impacts on the secularisation thesis

4. To better understand the tensions between religious freedoms and secularisation

5. To create a conceptual theoretical framework to address the relevance of secularisation in relation to 1 to 4 above