

# RELIGIOUS STUDIES UNDERGRADUATE MAJOR (BA, BS, HBA, HBS)

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The School of History, Philosophy, and Religion offers a BA or BS degree in Religious Studies as well as a minor in Religious Studies, and an undergraduate certificate in medical humanities. Courses emphasize skills in critical thinking, argumentative and expository writing, cultural literacy, citizenship, and global diversity. Majors in religious studies pursue graduate studies and careers in numerous fields, including education, government, humanitarian services, journalism, law, medicine, and politics.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Core Courses</b>		
REL 160/PHL 160	*QUESTS FOR MEANING: WORLD RELIGIONS <sup>1</sup>	4
REL 202/PHL 202	INTRODUCTION TO RELIGIOUS STUDIES <sup>1</sup>	4
REL 407	^SEMINAR <sup>1</sup>	4

<b>Global Literacy in Religion</b>		Hours
Select 12 credits of the following:		12
REL 206/PHL 206	*RELIGIOUS ETHICS AND MORAL PROBLEMS	
REL 208/PHL 208	INTRODUCTION TO BUDDHIST TRADITIONS <sup>1</sup>	
REL 210/PHL 210/HST 210	*RELIGION IN THE UNITED STATES <sup>1</sup>	
REL 213/PHL 213	*INTRODUCTION TO HINDU TRADITIONS <sup>1</sup>	
REL 214/PHL 214	*INTRODUCTION TO ISLAMIC TRADITIONS <sup>1</sup>	
REL 215/HST 215	*INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH TRADITIONS	
REL 220/PHL 220	*WORLD-VIEWS AND VALUES IN THE BIBLE <sup>1</sup>	

**Studies in Religion and Culture**  
Select 24 credits from courses below. 12 credits must come from courses in the School of History, Philosophy, and Religion (SHPR):

<b>SHPR Courses</b>		Hours
HST 486	A HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY IN AFRICA	
HSTS 423	*SCIENCE AND RELIGION	
REL 170/PHL 170	*THE IDEA OF GOD <sup>1</sup>	
REL 199	SPECIAL TOPICS	
REL 201/PAX 201	STUDY OF PEACE AND THE CAUSES OF CONFLICT <sup>1</sup>	
REL 299	SPECIAL TOPICS	
REL 310/PHL 310	*CRITICS OF RELIGION	
REL 312/PHL 312	*ASIAN THOUGHT <sup>1</sup>	
REL 315/PHL 315	*GANDHI AND NONVIOLENCE <sup>1</sup>	

REL 316/PHL 316	INTELLECTUAL ISSUES OF MEXICO AND MEXICAN AMERICANS
REL 324/HST 324	*ANCIENT JEWISH HISTORY
REL 325/HST 325	*EARLY CHRISTIANITY: ORIGINS TO 600
REL 327/HST 327	HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL EUROPE
REL 328/HST 328	HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL EUROPE <sup>1</sup>
REL 330/HST 330	HISTORY OF EARLY MODERN EUROPE
REL 333/HST 333	MEDIEVAL AND EARLY MODERN SPANISH HISTORY
REL 344/PHL 344	*PACIFISM, JUST WAR, AND TERRORISM
REL 345/PHL 345	*FIRST FREEDOM: RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND INTOLERANCE
REL 350/HST 350	*MODERN LATIN AMERICA <sup>1</sup>
REL 352/HST 352	*AFRICANS IN LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY
REL 364/HST 364	*UNITED STATES RELIGION AND SOCIAL REFORM <sup>1</sup>
REL 371/PHL 371	*PHILOSOPHIES OF CHINA
REL 387/HST 387	*ISLAMIC CIVILIZATION
REL 388/HST 388	*ISLAMIC CIVILIZATION
REL 399	SPECIAL TOPICS
REL 402	INDEPENDENT STUDY
REL 405	READING AND CONFERENCE
REL 411/PHL 411	GREAT FIGURES IN PHILOSOPHY
REL 415	SELECTED TOPICS
REL 425/HST 425	*THE HOLOCAUST IN ITS HISTORY <sup>1</sup>
REL 430/PHL 430	HISTORY OF BUDDHIST PHILOSOPHY
REL 431/PHL 431	BUDDHISM, NON-VIOLENCE, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
REL 432	*YOGA AND TANTRIC TRADITIONS
or PHL 432	*YOGA AND TANTRIC TRADITIONS
REL 433/PHL 433	*THEORY AND PRACTICE OF MODERN YOGA
REL 434/PHL 434	*SPIRITUALITY AND ECOLOGY: GREEN YOGA
REL 436/PHL 436	PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION
REL 443/PHL 443	*WORLD VIEWS AND ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES <sup>1</sup>
REL 444/PHL 444	*BIOMEDICAL ETHICS <sup>1</sup>
REL 448/PHL 448/ES 448	NATIVE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHIES <sup>1</sup>

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REL 455/PHL 455	DEATH AND DYING	
REL 461/PHL 461	ART AND MORALITY	
REL 466/HST 466	RELIGION AND U.S. FOREIGN RELATIONS	
REL 470/HST 470	RELIGION IN THE AMERICAN WEST	
REL 485/HST 485	*POLITICS AND RELIGION IN THE MODERN MIDDLE EAST <sup>1</sup>	
<i>Non-SHPR Courses</i>		12
ANTH 452	FOLKLORE AND EXPRESSIVE CULTURE	
ANTH 472	CONTEMPORARY INDIAN ISSUES	
ENG 275	*THE BIBLE AS LITERATURE <sup>1</sup>	
ENG 295/PHL 295/WGSS 295	*FEMINISM AND THE BIBLE	
ENG 330	*THE HOLOCAUST IN LITERATURE AND FILM	
ENG 360	*NATIVE AMERICAN LITERATURE	
PS 361	CLASSICAL POLITICAL THOUGHT <sup>1</sup>	
PS 370	*SCIENCE, RELIGION, AND POLITICS <sup>1</sup>	
SOC 452	SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION	
WGSS 223	*INTRODUCTION TO WOMEN, GENDER, AND SEXUALITY STUDIES <sup>1</sup>	
WGSS 380	*MUSLIM WOMEN <sup>1</sup>	
WGSS 495	*GLOBAL FEMINIST THEOLOGIES <sup>1</sup>	
WGSS 496	*FEMINIST THEOLOGIES IN THE UNITED STATES	
<b>Total credits required for graduation</b>		<b>180</b>

\* Baccalaureate Core Course

^ Writing Intensive Course (WIC)

<sup>1</sup> Courses offered online via Ecampus

**Major Code: 977**