

Religious Studies, BA

Honors

Honors in the Major

To graduate with honors in the religious studies major, students must have a UI cumulative grade-point average (GPA) of at least 3.33, a minimum requirement set by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. Students must also maintain a UI religious studies GPA of at least 3.50. Beyond the 30 s.h. required for the major, students must take the 3 s.h. course RELS:4975 Honors Essay under the supervision of a faculty advisor and complete an approved honors thesis. Students often choose to take RELS:4960 Individual Study: Undergraduates or RELS:4970 Honors Tutorial in preparation for taking RELS:4975 Honors Essay, but this is not a requirement. Copies of the thesis are submitted to the Department of Religious Studies and may be published through Iowa Research Online.

University of Iowa Honors Program

Students also have the opportunity to pursue advanced studies and activities through the University of Iowa Honors Program. Visit Honors at Iowa to learn about the university's honors program.

Students do not have to be members of the University of Iowa Honors Program to write an Honors Thesis or graduate with honors in the religious studies major.