

# Religious Studies, B.A.

At least three advanced courses numbered  
RELS:2000-RELS:4999 9

At least three courses (prefix RELS) at any level 9

## Requirements

The Bachelor of Arts with a major in religious studies requires at least 30 s.h. of coursework. Students must maintain a 2.00 g.p.a. in all courses for the major. With the approval of the department's undergraduate committee, up to 15 s.h. of transfer credit may be counted toward the major. Students also must complete the college's graduation requirements, which include at least 120 s.h. of coursework and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences GE CLAS Core.

The program of study for the major includes two core courses and 24 s.h. of elective coursework. Students are encouraged to work with a faculty member to choose the elective courses that best fit their particular academic goals. Courses for the major may not be taken pass/nonpass.

The B.A. with a major in religious studies requires the following coursework.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		6
Electives from Religious Traditions and/or Critical Issues		24
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

## Core Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Both of these:		
RELS:1015	Global Religious Conflict and Diversity	3
RELS:4950	Senior Majors Seminar	3

The course RELS:1015 Global Religious Conflict and Diversity introduces students to the study of the world's religious traditions and analyzes how religious ideologies contribute to some of the most important events and issues around the world. This course is offered every spring semester. Students are encouraged to take this course as early as possible.

The course RELS:4950 Senior Majors Seminar is a capstone course that typically focuses on a general theme or issue that serves as a common connection for the diverse interests of the majors. It allows them to reflect on what they have learned and challenges them to further assess the role that religion plays within culture. This course is offered every spring semester. Students are encouraged to take this course during their senior year, but it may be taken during their junior year.

## Electives

Students must complete at least 24 s.h. of elective religious studies coursework (approximately eight courses) for the major. The department encourages students to choose electives that examine a variety of religious traditions and issues.

Code	Title	Hours
At least two foundation courses numbered RELS:1000-RELS:1999		6