Religious Studies, B.A.

The major in religious studies enables students to gain cultural competence and develop critical skills necessary for living in an increasingly diverse and interconnected world. A degree in religious studies is often added as a second major or a minor to enhance students’ education and training in graduate and professional programs, including medical, business, legal, teaching, and research disciplines.

Learning Outcomes

Courses in religious studies aim to help students:

• understand key religious ideas and major traditions;
• learn critical approaches to interpreting historical events;
• apply new knowledge and analytical skills to explain the role of religion in societies;
• develop critical skills to function in diverse societies and a globalized world; and
• employ technologies to interpret ancient texts, images, artifacts, and study output of new tools including radio, television, and digital media.