

# Religious Studies, MA

## Academic Plans

### Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
<b>Academic Career</b>		
<b>Any Semester</b>		
30 s.h. must be graduate level coursework including 24 s.h. completed at the University of Iowa after admission; up to 6 s.h. of graduate transfer credit allowed upon approval. More information is included in the General Catalog and on department website. <sup>a, b</sup>		
All MA students are required to demonstrate competency in English and at least one other language that is relevant to their advanced research; more specific language requirements are set in consultation with an advisory committee. Students often develop plans of study either in relation to traditional areas of concentration or by theme. <sup>c</sup>		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
RELS:5400	Colonial Knowledge Production and Its Discontents: Religion and the Academy	3
Graduate seminar course (prefix RELS) <sup>d</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Graduate seminar course (prefix RELS) <sup>d</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
Graduate seminar course (prefix RELS) <sup>d</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>e</sup>		3
Exam: Master's Final Exam <sup>f</sup>		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

<sup>a</sup> Students must complete RELS:5400 and three graduate seminars (9 s.h.). Courses may be offered at different

times, so students should work with faculty advisor and the department to determine appropriate coursework and sequence.

- <sup>b</sup> Students must complete specific requirements in the University of Iowa Graduate College after program admission. Refer to the Graduate College website and the Manual of Rules and Regulations for more information.
- <sup>c</sup> Traditional areas of concentration may include religions in the Middle East, Ancient Near East, or Mediterranean, religions in Asia, religions of Europe and the Americas, or topics related to religion, ethics, and society. Popular themes include religions' relationships to public life, gender, race, media and technology, and human health and well-being. Students work with a faculty advisor to determine an area of concentration that best suits their interests.
- <sup>d</sup> See General Catalog for list of approved courses.
- <sup>e</sup> Work with faculty advisor to determine appropriate graduate level elective coursework and sequence.
- <sup>f</sup> Final summative exam.