

RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJOR, B.A. – 2022-2023

PREPARATION FOR THE MAJOR

UNITS TO COMPLETE

Two lower-division Religious Studies courses, *except* language courses.....8 _____

Students may select 1 lower-division course from Area A and 1 lower-division course from Area B. Alternatively, by petition students may select 2 lower-division courses from Area A, provided that they represent different cultural areas and traditions.

- A. **Introductions to Cultural Areas and Traditions:** Rg St 3, 4, 5, 7, 14, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 30, 31, 47, 48, 61, 71, 73, 80A-B-C, 84
- B. **Introductions to Topics in the Study of Religion:** Rg St 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 24, 27, 32, 33, 34, 35, 62, 63, 74, 81, 82, 83, 85

UPPER-DIVISION MAJOR

36 UD Religious Studies units are required, distributed as follows:

- A. **Cultural Areas and Traditions**.....24 _____
6 courses (24 units) chosen from the following five areas, including at least 3 courses (12 units) in one area of emphasis and at least 2 courses (8 units) in a second area of emphasis:
- 1. South Asian, Central Asian, and East Asian Traditions:** Rg St 109A-B, 111B, 135, 140D, 145, 147T, 158A-C, 159D-E-F-G-H-I-J-K-L-M-N-O-P, 160A, 161B-D-E, 162A-D-G-I-J, 163A-B-C, 164, 164B-C, 165, 166, 166C, 167A, 169, 171, 171A, 175A-B, 176, 179, 183A-B, 184A-B
 - 2. Near Eastern, Jewish, and Islamic Traditions:** Rg St 102A, 109B, 111, 112, 115A-DA-F-G-MP, 117B, 119A-B-C-D-E-F, 125A, 129, 130, 131A-C-D-F-H-J, 132A-B-C-D, 133, 133B-C-D-E-F, 140A-B-C-D-E-F-G, 142A-B-C, 145, 147B, 148A-B-C, 149, 149A-C-D-H-R, 157A-B-C-CP-G-I-J-PP, 158E-F, 173A-B, 181B-F-G, 185, 186B, 187A
 - 3. Mediterranean, European, and Christian Traditions:** Rg St 106, 114X, 116A-B-E, 127A-B-C, 128A-C-D, 132A-C, 134A-B, 137, 138, 138A-B-C-D-E-F, 139A-C-D-E, 179B
 - 4. Traditions of the Americas:** Rg St 100C, 101, 101A, 102A, 107, 110D-E-M, 114D-E, 116E, 118, 123, 124G, 138D, 140E, 141D, 144A, 147, 150A-B, 151A-B-C, 152, 155, 156, 191A, 192, 193
 - 5. Comparative and Thematic Studies:** By petition students may combine any courses from upper-division Areas A and B to create a custom comparative or thematic course of study (see the Department Undergraduate Advisor for more information).
- B. **Topics in the Study of Religion**.....8 _____
2 courses (8 units) from: Rg St 100D, 101, 101B, 106, 108, 109A, 110, 110F-G-L, 112A, 113, 116C, 128C, 131H, 136, 141, 141E, 144A, 145, 150A, 154, 155, 156A, 156BE-CC-CE-EE, 157, 172, 177, 179B, 185, 193B
- C. **Capstone Experience**.....4 _____
All students must complete Problems in the Study of Religion (Rg St 104) in their Junior or Senior year **or** write a Senior Honors Thesis (Rg St 195) under the guidance of a faculty advisor. The department recommends that all students complete Rg St 104 in their Junior year and that honors students complete Rg St 104 in addition to writing a Senior Honors Thesis.

- Notes:**
- 1) Upper-division courses listed above in more than one area can be applied only to one area.
 - 2) Up to 4 upper-division units from related courses in other departments may be applied to the major by petition.
 - 3) Up to 4 units of Rg St 199 (Independent Study) may apply toward Area A of the upper-division major.

MAJOR REGULATIONS

- PREREQUISITES**..... Check the *General Catalog* for the prerequisites to all listed courses.
- P/NP GRADING OPTION**..... Not allowed for any major course (Prep or UD major), including courses applied to the major from other departments.
- SUBSTITUTIONS**..... In the major requirements permissible only by petition to the department chair and dean.
- G.P.A. REQUIREMENTS**..... At least 2.0 overall UC average in **all** upper-division major courses **and all** courses (Prep and UD) for the major.
- DOUBLE MAJORS**..... With the approval of each department chairperson, up to a total of 8 units may be applied simultaneously to both UD majors.