

The Ohio State University  
College of Arts and Sciences

Religious Studies (RELSTDS-MN)

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The religious studies minor employs an academic approach to religion, stressing its role as an important dimension of human experience in different cultural contexts. A minor in religious studies consists of a minimum of 15 credit hours. All students must take Religious Studies 2370 or 2102.02 and Religious Studies 3972. Two core courses must be chosen from those listed below. One additional course must be chosen from the list of courses in specific traditions ("additional courses"). Traditions from which students may choose are Abrahamic (Judaism, Christianity, Islam); Indo-Sinitic (Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism); and Indigenous/Folk/Archaic (Native American, Shinto, African). Up to 6 credit hours of overlap with the GE is permitted. At least 6 credit hours must be at the 300 level or above. For further information about the minor program, contact the department.

**Required courses (6 credit hours)**

Religious Studies 2370 or Religious Studies 2102.02  
Religious Studies 3972

**Religious studies core courses (6 credit hours, at least 3 in Comparative Studies)**

Anthropology 5625  
History 2045, 3045, 3275  
Philosophy 2660, 2860, 5850  
Political Science 4162  
Sociology 3467  
Religious Studies 2670, 2677, 3678, 4871, 4873, 4874, 4875, 4876, 4877, 4878, 5691 (with an approved topic)  
(Appropriate substitutes may be made with the approval of the religious studies adviser.)

**Additional courses (3 credit hours in a single tradition)**

Buddhism

Hist Art 2003, 4701, 5701, 5711, 5712, 5713, 5720, 5723, 5724, 5727, 5812, 5816, 5821  
Japanese 5271  
Philosophy 2120  
Religious Studies 3673, 5871

Christianity

Classics 2401, 3401, 3405, 3407, 4031, 5402  
English 2280  
Hebrew 5602  
History 2220, 2230, 2231, 3045, 3100, 3227, 3228, 3229, 3230, 3235, 3236, 3245, 3306  
History of Art 2001, 3005, 3521, 4411, 4421, 4510, 4521, 5420, 5525  
Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2215, 2520  
Philosophy 3220, 5220, 5850  
Religious Studies 4872H

Hinduism

History 2390, 2391  
History of Art 5702, 5711, 5712  
Religious Studies 3671

Indigenous/folk/archaic

African American and African Studies 3342, 3342H  
Classics 2220, 3401, 3402, 3403, 3405, 3408, 5401  
Religious Studies 4822, 5691 (with approved topic)

History 2070, 2071, 2111, 2390, 3070, 3071, 3228, 3247  
History of Art 2101, 3247, 4212, 5111, 5112, 5122, 5821  
Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2666  
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 3700  
Persian 2301  
Philosophy 2120  
Religious Studies 3672, 3674, 3675, 4874, 5871  
Scandinavian 3350

Islam

Arabic 4626, 5701  
History 2350, 2351, 2352, 2375, 2391, 2392, 3304, 3350, 3351, 3353, 3354  
History of Art 5221, 5222  
Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2514, 2526  
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 3201, 3230, 3501, 3502, 3508, 3702, 5571, 5578

Judaism

Comparative Studies 3676  
English 2280  
Hebrew 2205, 2209, 2210, 2216, 2241, 2245, 2700, 2701, 2702, 2703, 2704, 2705, 2708, 4605, 5601, 5602, 5603, 5801, 5802  
History 2450, 2451, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2475, 3353, 3450, 3455, 3460, 3465, 3470  
Philosophy 3111, 3351, 5870

**Religious Studies minor program guidelines**

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed

A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE

A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
  - Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
  - Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
  - No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.
- X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Approval required The minor program must be approved by the academic unit offering the minor.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:

- The Department of Comparative Studies or
- The Arts & Humanities advisor assigned to Comparative Studies.

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