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, 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)

**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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