

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. The number of hours required for completion of the minor is 15. All students must take one of the two introductory core courses (Religious Studies 2370 or Religious Studies 2102.02) and the core course in theory and method (Religious Studies 3972). Two additional courses must be chosen from the list of comparative/interdisciplinary courses, and one additional course must be chosen from the list of individual traditions courses. For further information about the minor program, contact the department.

**Core Courses (6 credit hours)**

Religious Studies 2370 or Religious Studies 2102.02  
Religious Studies 3972

**Comparative/Interdisciplinary Courses (6 credit hours)**

African-American and African Studies 4342  
Classics 2222, 3401, 3404  
Hebrew 2367.01, 3704  
History 3045, 3214  
International Studies 4873  
Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2666  
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 2680, 3201  
Philosophy 2120, 2860, 5850  
Religious Studies 2102.01, 2102.02, 2222, 2670 (cross-listed with Philosophy), 2677, 3666, 3671, 3678, 3679, 3680 (cross-listed with History), 4873, 4875  
Sociology 3467  
(Appropriate substitutes may be made with the approval of the religious studies adviser.)

**Individual Religious Traditions Courses (3 credit hours)**

Courses in this category focus on specific traditions, time periods, and/or geographic regions.

Ancient

Classics 3401, 3404, 3408  
Religious Studies 2222

Christianity

Classics 3405  
English 2280  
History 2220, 2221, 3218, 3219, 3227, 3229, 3245  
History of Art 3005, 4421  
Religious Studies 4872

East Asian Religions

Philosophy 2120  
Religious Studies 3673 (cross-listed with East Asian Languages and Literature), 5871 (cross-listed with Japanese)

Indigenous Religions

Comparative Studies 4822  
Religious Studies 3672

Islam

Arabic 5701  
History 2351, 2375  
Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 3230, 3501, 3508

Judaism

Hebrew 2700  
History 2450, 2451, 2452, 3470  
Jewish Studies 2201  
Philosophy 3111  
Religious Studies 3210 (cross-listed with Hebrew and Jewish Studies)

New Religions

Religious Studies 4873 (cross-listed with International Studies)

South Asian Religions

Philosophy 2120  
Religious Studies 3671

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**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. At least 6 credit hours must be at the 3000 level or above.

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.
- Coursework graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count toward 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 Department of Comparative Studies.

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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