

University of Central Arkansas
College of Liberal Arts
REQUIREMENTS FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJORS AND MINORS
2021

Name _____ Student ID _____

Major and Minor Program Requirements

Majors must complete 33 units of Religious Studies coursework (12 units of foundational requirements plus 21 units of Religious Studies electives); minors must complete 18 units of Religious Studies coursework (12 units of foundational requirements plus 6 units of Religious Studies electives). Majors are encouraged to develop their own pathway through the Religious Studies degree with their choice of electives. They may elect to use one of three guided pathway concentrations enumerated below: **Religion in Self and Society**, **Religion and the Professions**, or **Religion and the Arts**; or create their own Pathway.

Foundational Requirements for the Major and Minor (12 units)

Required Courses:

- _____ RELG 1320: World Religions
- _____ RELG 3301: Theories & Methods in Religious Studies **UCA UD Core: I, C**

One Course in Asian Religious Traditions: *Choose ONE of the following*

- _____ RELG 3325: Buddhism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 3326: Asian Religions in America **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- _____ RELG 4305: Chinese Philosophies and Religion
- _____ HIST 2310: Introduction to Asian History
- _____ PHIL 3352: Asian Philosophy and Religion **UCA UD Core: D, C**

One Course in Monotheistic Religious Traditions: *Choose ONE of the following*

- _____ RELG 3300: Religion in the United States **UCA UD Core: D**
- _____ RELG 3332: Jewish Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- _____ RELG 3333: Christian Scriptures **UCA UD Core, I**
- _____ RELG 3335: Judaism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 3345: African American Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ HIST 3320: History of Christianity I **UCA UD Core: R**
- _____ HIST 3321: History of Christianity II **UCA UD Core: R**

Electives

- _____ For the Major: Seven additional Religious Studies courses (21 units) selected in consultation with the academic advisor.
- _____ For the Minor: Two additional Religious Studies courses (6 units) selected in consultation with the academic advisor.

(See below for a list of Religious Studies courses that may be taken for elective credit.)

Religious Studies Courses

_____ ANTH 3310: Anthropology of Magic, Religion, and Witchcraft

_____ ANTH 3315: Native American Cultures

_____ ANTH 4310: Myths and Moundbuilders

_____ ART 2325: Asian Art Survey

_____ ART 3307: Arts of Africa **UCA UD Core: D**

_____ ENGL 4305: Medieval English Literature

_____ ENGL 4341: Milton

_____ HIST 2310: Introduction to Asian History

_____ HIST 3320: History of Christianity I **UCA UD Core: R**

_____ HIST 3321: History of Christianity II **UCA UD Core: R**

_____ HIST 4302: History of Witchcraft **UCA UD Core: I, C**

_____ HIST 4374: History of Renaissance and Reformation Europe

_____ PHIL 2300: Existential Problems in Philosophy

_____ PHIL 3301: Medieval Philosophy

_____ PHIL 3303: Nineteenth-Century Philosophy

_____ PHIL 3331: Philosophy of Religion

_____ PHIL 3343: Philosophy of Sex and Love

_____ PHIL 3352: Asian Philosophy and Religion **UCA UD Core: D, C**

_____ PHIL 3360: Philosophy of Art

_____ PHIL 3370: Metaphysics

- ____ PHIL 4320: Applied Ethics
- ____ PHIL 4340: Meaning of Life: Capstone Course **UCA UD Core: Z**
- ____ RELG 3300: Religion in the United States **UCA UD Core: D**
- ____ RELG 3302: Religion and Social Justice **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3315: Topics in Religious Studies
- ____ RELG 3318: Religion, Pop Culture, & Film **UCA UD Core: I, R**
- ____ RELG 3325: Buddhism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3326: Asian Religions in American Society and Culture **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3330: Religion and Gender **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3332: Jewish Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3333: Christian Scriptures **UCA UD Core, I**
- ____ RELG 3335: Judaism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3340: Religion, Science, and Technology **UCA UD Core: I, C**
- ____ RELG 3345: African American Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3350: Religion and Psychology
- ____ RELG 3380: Internship in Religious Studies **UCA UD Core: Z**
- ____ RELG 4305: Chinese Philosophies and Religions
- ____ RELG 4320: Contemporary Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: Z**
- ____ RELG 4325: Postmodern Theology **UCA UC Core: Z**
- ____ RELG 4330: Readings in Religious Studies
- ____ SOC 4300: Sociology of Religion

Abbreviation Key – UCA Core Program

LD = Lower Division C = Effective Communication I = Critical Inquiry Z = Capstone Experience

UD = Upper Division D = Diversity R = Responsible Living

For more detailed information about UCA's Core courses, please see the Undergraduate Bulletin at <http://uca.edu/ubulletin/colleges-departments-programs/college-of-liberal-arts/departments-of-philosophy-and-religion/>

PATHWAYS

The Religious Studies Major offers three distinct Pathways for students to concentrate their studies: **1) Religion in Self and Society; 2) Religion and the Professions; and 3) Religion and the Arts.** Students may elect one of these Pathways or create their own with their choice of electives.

1. **Religion in Self and Society** illustrates how Religion is entangled with all of our conceptions of who we are as a person and in terms of our society and culture. Students in this Pathway should take 21 total hours of elective courses in Religious Studies, with at least 12 hours from the courses listed below. Students are strongly encouraged to take an Internship course that gives them experience in global engagement and/or social action.

Religion in Self & Society courses

____ ANTH 3310: Anthropology of Magic, Religion, and Witchcraft

____ ANTH 3315: Native American Cultures

____ ANTH 4310: Myths and Moundbuilders

____ HIST 2310: Introduction to Asian History

____ HIST 4302: History of Witchcraft **UCA UD Core: I, C**

____ HIST 4374: History of Renaissance and Reformation Europe

____ PHIL 2300: Existential Problems in Philosophy

____ PHIL 3301: Medieval Philosophy

____ PHIL 3303: Nineteenth-Century Philosophy

____ PHIL 3331: Philosophy of Religion

____ PHIL 3343: Philosophy of Sex and Love

____ PHIL 3352: Asian Philosophy and Religion **UCA UD Core: D, C**

____ PHIL 3370: Metaphysics

____ PHIL 4340: Meaning of Life: Capstone Course **UCA UD Core: Z**

____ RELG 3300: Religion in the United States **UCA UD Core: D**

____ RELG 3302: Religion and Social Justice **UCA UD Core: I, D**

- _____ RELG 3315: Topics in Religious Studies
- _____ RELG 3318: Religion, Pop Culture, & Film **UCA UD Core: I, R**
- _____ RELG 3325: Buddhism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 3326: Asian Religions in American Society and Culture **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- _____ RELG 3330: Religion and Gender **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 3332: Jewish Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- _____ RELG 3333: Christian Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I**
- _____ RELG 3335: Judaism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 3340: Religion, Science, and Technology **UCA UD Core: I, C**
- _____ RELG 3380: Internship in Religious Studies **UCA UD Core: Z**
- _____ RELG 3345: African American Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- _____ RELG 4305: Chinese Philosophies and Religions
- _____ RELG 4320: Contemporary Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: Z**
- _____ RELG 4325: Postmodern Theology **UCA UC Core: Z**
- _____ RELG 4330: Readings in Religious Studies
- _____ SOC 4300: Sociology of Religion

2. Religion and the Professions emphasizes the vocational elements of a Religious Studies degree. Students in this Pathway should take 21 total hours of elective courses in Religious Studies, with at least 12 hours from the courses listed below. Students are strongly encouraged to take an Internship course that gives them professional experience in an area into which they expect to embark.

Religion and the Professions courses

- _____ ANTH 3310: Anthropology of Magic, Religion, and Witchcraft
- _____ ANTH 3315: Native American Cultures

- ____ HIST 3320: History of Christianity I **UCA UD Core: R**
- ____ HIST 3321: History of Christianity II **UCA UD Core: R**
- ____ HIST 4302: History of Witchcraft **UCA UD Core: I, C**
- ____ PHIL 3301: Medieval Philosophy
- ____ PHIL 3303: Nineteenth-Century Philosophy
- ____ PHIL 3331: Philosophy of Religion
- ____ PHIL 3343: Philosophy of Sex and Love
- ____ PHIL 3352: Asian Philosophy and Religion **UCA UD Core: D, C**
- ____ PHIL 3370: Metaphysics
- ____ PHIL 4320: Applied Ethics
- ____ PHIL 4340: Meaning of Life: Capstone Course **UCA UD Core: Z**
- ____ RELG 3300: Religion in the United States **UCA UD Core: D**
- ____ RELG 3302: Religion and Social Justice **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3315: Topics in Religious Studies
- ____ RELG 3325: Buddhism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3326: Asian Religions in America **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3330: Religion and Gender **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3332: Jewish Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I, D**
- ____ RELG 3333: Christian Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I**
- ____ RELG 3335: Judaism **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3340: Religion, Science, and Technology **UCA UD Core: I, C**
- ____ RELG 3345: African American Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: D, R**
- ____ RELG 3350: Religion and Psychology
- ____ RELG 3380: Internship in Religious Studies **UCA UD Core: Z**

- _____ RELG 4305: Chinese Philosophies and Religions
- _____ RELG 4320: Contemporary Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: Z**
- _____ RELG 4325: Postmodern Theology **UCA UC Core: Z**
- _____ RELG 4330: Readings in Religious Studies
- _____ SOC 4300: Sociology of Religion

3. Religion and the Arts offers students a way to engage and explore Religious Studies and the Arts, broadly defined, but including Art History, English, Anthropology, Philosophy, Popular Culture, Film, Music, and Theatre, including Sacred Art and Literature. Students in this Pathway should take 21 total hours of elective courses in Religious Studies, with at least 12 hours from the courses listed below.

Religion and the Arts courses

- _____ ANTH 3310: Anthropology of Magic, Religion, and Witchcraft
- _____ ANTH 3315: Native American Cultures
- _____ ANTH 4310: Myths and Moundbuilders
- _____ ART 2325: Asian Art Survey
- _____ ART 3307: Arts of Africa **UCA UD Core: D**
- _____ ENGL 4305: Medieval English Literature
- _____ ENGL 4341: Milton
- _____ PHIL 3343: Philosophy of Sex and Love
- _____ PHIL 3352: Asian Philosophy and Religion **UCA UD Core: D, C**
- _____ PHIL 3360: Philosophy of Art
- _____ RELG 3315: Topics in Religious Studies
- _____ RELG 3318: Religion, Pop Culture, & Film **UCA UD Core: I, R**
- _____ RELG 3325: Buddhism **UCA UD Core: D, R**

____ RELG 3326: Asian Religions in American Society and Culture UCA **UD Core: I, D**

____ RELG 3332: Jewish Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I, D**

____ RELG 3333: Christian Scriptures **UCA UD Core: I**

____ RELG 3345: African American Religious Thought **UCA UD Core: D, R**

____ RELG 3380: Internship in Religious Studies **UCA UD Core: Z**

____ RELG 4305: Chinese Philosophies and Religions

____ RELG 4330: Readings in Religious Studies