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 Comparative Studies 2370 and either 4972 or 5970.

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. No more than a total of 6 credit hours at the 2000 level are allowed. For further information about the minor program, contact the department.

### Required courses (6 credit hours)

Comparative Studies 2370 and either 4972 or 5970

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

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

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

#### Buddhism

Comparative Studies 3673, 5871

Hist Art 2003, 4701, 5701, 5711, 5712, 5720, 5723, 5724, 5727, 5812, 5821

Japanese 5271

Philosophy 2120

#### Christianity

Classics 2401, 3401, 3405, 3407, 4031, 5402

Comparative Studies 4872

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 2125, 2520 Philosophy 3220, 5220, 5850

#### Hinduism

Comparative Studies 3671

History 2390, 2391

History of Art 5702, 5711, 5712

#### Indigenous/folk/archaic

African American and African Studies 3342

Classics 2220, 3401, 3402, 3403, 3405, 3408, 5401

Comparative Studies 3672, 3674, 3675, 4822, 4874, 5871, 5691
  (with approved topic)

#### History 2070, 2071, 2111, 2390, 3070, 3071, 3228, 3247

History of Art 2101, 4212, 5111, 5112, 3247, 5821

Medieval and Renaissance Studies 2666

Near Eastern Languages and Cultures 3700

Persian 2301

Philosophy 2120

Scandinavian 3350

Islam

Arabic 4626, 5701

History 2350, 2351, 2352, 2375, 2391, 2392, 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

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, 3535, 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 toward the 15 credit hr minimum.

- **Transfer credit hours allowed** No more than one half of the credit hours required on the minor.

- **Overlap with the GE** Permitted, up to six credits.

- **Overlap with the major** Not allowed and
  - The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
  - The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

- **Overlap between minors** Each minor completed must contain 12 unique hours.

#### 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.

#### 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 academic unit offering the minor, or
- A college/school counselor (depending on the minor).

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