

Religious Studies (RELS)

Courses

RELS 420. Advanced Studies in Jewish Religion. 3 or 4 hours.

In-depth study of a period or mode of Jewish religious development or textual production, or an examination of a religious tenet or practice across various historical periods. Topics will vary. Course Information: Same as JST 420. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated up to 1 time(s) if topics vary. Prerequisite(s): JST 101; and JST 230 or JST 242 or JST 254.

RELS 430. Advanced Studies in Jewish Thought. 3 or 4 hours.

Advanced topics in Jewish theology, philosophy, ethics or political thought. Course Information: Same as JST 430. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated if topics vary. Prerequisite(s): One 100-level and one 200-level course in Jewish Studies.

RELS 441. Topics in Philosophy of Religion. 3 hours.

Intensive study of one or more selected topics concerning the philosophical aspects of basic religious beliefs and concepts. Course Information: Same as PHIL 441. May be repeated for a maximum of 6 hours of credit if topic is different for each registration. Students may register for more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): One 200-level course in philosophy (except 210) or consent of the instructor.

RELS 446. Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in American Religion. 3 or 4 hours.

Religious institutions in the U.S. as a crucible for racial, ethnic, and gender identities, group formation, and intergroup relations; major world religions represented in the U.S. Course Information: Same as SOC 446. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite(s): SOC 100 and junior standing or above; or consent of instructor.

RELS 478. The Bible as Literature: Hebrew Bible. 3 or 4 hours.

Literary analysis of genres and themes of the Hebrew Bible and close reading of the biblical texts. Sources of the Bible and their historical context. Course Information: Same as ENGL 478, and JST 478. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Taught in English. Prerequisite(s): Grade of C or better in ENGL 240; and Grade of C or better in ENGL 241 or Grade of C or better in ENGL 242 or Grade of C or better in ENGL 243; or consent of the instructor.

RELS 479. The Bible as Literature: New Testament. 3 or 4 hours.

Literary analysis of the New Testament and its historical and religious contexts, focusing on the gospels and Pauline letters. Course Information: Same as ENGL 479. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. Prerequisite(s): Grade of C or better in ENGL 240; and Grade of C or better in ENGL 241 or Grade of C or better in ENGL 242 or Grade of C or better in ENGL 243; or consent of the instructor.

RELS 494. Topics in Jewish Studies. 3 or 4 hours.

Selected topics in Jewish studies. Course Information: Same as JST 494. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated to a maximum of 6 hours if topics vary. Prerequisite(s): JST 101 or JST 102 or consent of the instructor.

RELS 495. Topics in Religious History. 3 or 4 hours.

Specific topics are announced each term. Course Information: Same as HIST 495. 3 undergraduate hours. 4 graduate hours. May be repeated. Students may register in more than one section per term. Prerequisite(s): 3 hours of history or consent of the instructor.