Minor in Religious Studies

Requirements for the Minor

Students who wish to minor in Religious Studies must complete six RELS courses (18 semester hours). The six courses must include at least one foundational course (RELS 100, RELS 101, RELS 106, RELS 175, and RELS 215). In addition, three of the six courses (9 semester hours) must be at the 200 level or above. Finally, to ensure interdisciplinary perspective, three of the six RELS courses must be cross-listed with three distinct units outside Religious Studies, as selected from the following: Black Studies; Anthropology; Art History; Architecture; Polish, Russian, and Lithuanian Studies; Classics; Economics; English; Gender and Women's Studies; Germanic Studies; Global Asian Studies; International Studies; Italian, Latin American and Latino Studies; History; Native American Studies; Philosophy; Political Science; Psychology; and Sociology.

In addition, students who wish to focus on one religious tradition may do so by taking at least three courses (9 semester hours) from a single tradition, including, but not limited to, Jewish Studies, Islamic Studies, or Catholic Studies.

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**Note:** When topically relevant, topics courses from other departments may count toward the Minor in Religious Studies, as determined at any time by a committee of faculty in the Religious Studies program.