Philosophy B.A.
(Concentration in Religious Studies)

Degree Requirements: 124 Credit Hours

See Core Curriculum for required courses in Area A1 through Area E.

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Area F - Courses Appropriate to Major

Foreign Language - through 2002
Select 3-9 credit hours from the following:
- PHIL 2020 Critical Thinking
- PHIL 2010 Introduction to Philosophy
- PHIL 2030 Introduction to Ethics
Select 0 (if taken in core) - 3 credit hours from the following:
- RELS 2100 World Religions
- RELS 2130 Introduction to Religious Studies
Select 3-12 credit hours from the following:
- ANTH 1102 Introduction to Anthropology
- BIOL 1230 Environmental Biology
- INTS 2130 Introduction to International Studies
- POLS 2101 Introduction to Political Science
- PSYC 1101 Introduction to Psychology
- SOCI 1101 Introduction to Sociology

Major Requirements (30 credit hours @ the 3000 level or above)

Specific Requirements:
- RELS 4890 Seminar in Religious Studies

Ancient and Modern Philosophy

Select 3-6 credit hours from the following:
- PHIL 3100 Ancient Philosophy
- PHIL 3130 Early Modern Philosophy: Rationalism and Empiricism

Philosophy of Religion

Select 3-9 credit hours from the following:
- PHIL 3635 Existentialism
- PHIL 4632 Philosophy of Religion
- RELS 3234 Asian Religious Philosophy

Electives in the Major

Select 12-21 credit hours from the following:
- ENGL 3141 The Bible as Literature
- HIST/RELS 3139 History of Religion in the U.S.
- HIST/RELS 3233 The Early Church
- HIST 3234 The History of Islam in Southeast Asia
- HIST/RELS 3250 The Muslim World to Tamerlane
- HIST/RELS 3251 The Muslim World Since Genghis Khan
- HIST/RELS 3334 Christian Europe 450-1750

HIST/RELS 4336 Science and Religion
HIST/RELS 5332 The Reformation
HONS 4610 Honors Research Seminar
PHIL 3120 Medieval Philosophy
PHIL 3140 Nineteenth Century Philosophy
PHIL 3332 Contemporary Moral Problems
PHIL 3532 Metaphysics
PHIL 4130 Feminist Philosophy
PHIL 4533 Philosophy of Mind
PSYC 3231 Psychology of Religion
RELS 3030 Selected Topics
RELS 3134 Introduction to Asian Religions
RELS 3135 Introduction to Hinduism
RELS 3136 Introduction to Islam
RELS 3137 Introduction to Christianity
RELS 3138 Introduction to Buddhism
RELS 3235 Religion, Sex, and Gender
RELS 3238 The Hebrew Prophets
RELS 3330 Introduction to the Hebrew Bible
RELS 3335 Introduction to the New Testament
RELS 3430 Religion and Politics
RELS 5030 Special Topics in Religious Studies
SOCI 4133 Sociology of Religion

Electives

Select 15 credit hours of Electives

Minor - Required

Select 15 credit hours of Minor (Must be approved by advisor)

Total Credit Hours:
124

1 For Seminar in Religious Studies (RELS 4890), the prerequisite is at least two courses within the major.
2 At least 9 credit hours of the elective or minor credits must be at the 3000 level or higher, so that the students will graduate with at least 39 hours of upper division credits.

Program Admission Criteria

- Majors must acquire from their advisors a copy of “Requirements for the Major in Philosophy (Religious Studies Concentration).”

Other Program Requirements

- Must have earned a minimum grade of “C” in each of the required courses in Philosophy upper division.

Honors in Philosophy (Religious Studies Concentration)

To graduate with Honors in Philosophy (Religious Studies Concentration), a student must:

- be admitted to the University Honors Program;
- successfully complete at least three credit hours of HONS 4610 Honors Research Seminar over three semesters;
- successfully complete and present an Honors Thesis or Capstone Project;
- be in good standing in the University Honors Program at the time of graduation.
Advisement

All Philosophy majors, including students in the UHP, are advised by an advisor in the Newton Building. (912) 478-0233.