





2017 - 2018 Major Map


Religious Studies, BA

School/College: The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
LARELBA

ASU is not currently accepting applications for this program. Interested students should apply to the concentration in **religion, culture and public life** or the concentration in **religion, politics and global affairs**.

Term 1 0 - 16 Credit Hours Critical course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
 REL 101: Religion, Culture and Public Life ((L or HU) & G)	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An SAT, ACT, Accuplacer, IELTS or TOEFL score determines placement into first-year composition courses ASU Mathematics Placement Test score determines placement in mathematics course ASU 101 or College-specific equivalent First Year Seminar required of all freshman students ASU Language Placement and Testing: Only true beginners are eligible for 101-level second language courses. All other students are required to take a placement exam, regardless of prior credit earned, to verify the course level is appropriate. Students already proficient in a second language may take a proficiency exam. Choosing a second language related to field of interest is recommended. Select your career interest area and play me3@ASU.
ENG 101: First-Year Composition or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107: First-Year Composition or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	
LIA 101: Student Success in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences OR REL 191: First-Year Seminar OR First-Year Seminar	1		
MAT 142: College Mathematics (MA)	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Elective	2		
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.			
Term hours subtotal:	16		

Term 2 16 - 30 Credit Hours Critical course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
ENG 101: First-Year Composition or ENG 102: First-Year Composition OR ENG 105: Advanced First-Year Composition OR ENG 107: First-Year Composition or ENG 108: First-Year Composition	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Join a student club or professional organization. If interested in law school, review Pre-Law at ASU website.
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ)	4		
Elective	3		
 Complete ENG 101 OR ENG 105 OR ENG 107 course(s).			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

Term 3 30 - 46 Credit Hours Critical course signified by 	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
Related Area Course	3	C	
Track Focus Area Course	3	C	

Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C
Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications (CS)	3	
Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB) AND Global Awareness (G)	3	
❗ Complete First-Year Composition requirement.		
❗ Complete Mathematics (MA) requirement.		
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.		
Term hours subtotal:	16	

- Please see list of Related Area courses below.
- Select one Track Focus Area from the choices shown below. Students will complete three courses from one Track Focus Area as part of the Religious Studies major.
- Some General Studies requirements can overlap with major courses, leaving more room for electives. Consult an academic advisor to select the best courses for your personal plan of study.
- Explore opportunities to **study abroad**.

Term 4 46 - 60 Credit Hours Critical course signified by ❗	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
❗ REL 207: Ritual, Symbol, and Myth (L or HU)	3	C	
Second Language: Requirement satisfied through the following: * Completion of a language course at the intermediate level (202 or equivalent), including American Sign Language IV.	4	C	
Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ) OR Natural Science - General (SG)	4		
Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB) AND Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C)	3		
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.			
Term hours subtotal:	14		

- Choosing a Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB) course that also satisfies the Cultural Diversity (C) requirement is recommended.
- Visit the **Career and Professional Development Center** and meet with a career advisor for assistance with career planning and networking.
- If interested in law school, **make an appointment** with the pre-law advisor.

Term 5 60 - 75 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by ★	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
★ REL 307: Religion: Theory and Practice	3	C	
Complete 2 courses:			
REL Upper Division Elective	6	C	
Related Area Course	3	C	
Humanities, Arts and Design (HU) AND Historical Awareness (H)	3		
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.			
Term hours subtotal:	15		

- REL 307 is typically offered only in the Fall semester.
- Choosing a Humanities (HU) course that also satisfies Historical Awareness (H) is recommended if these requirements have not already been satisfied.

Term 6 75 - 90 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by ★	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
★ Upper Division Track Focus Area Course	3	C	
REL Upper Division Elective	3	C	
Upper Division Related Area Course	3	C	
Upper Division Humanities, Arts and Design (HU) OR Upper Division Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)	3		
Elective OR REL 484: Internship	3		
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.			
Complete Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C) course.			
Complete Historical Awareness (H) course.			
Term hours subtotal:	15		

- Select an upper division course from the same Track Focus Area chosen previously.
- Explore **graduate school** opportunities.
- If planning on law school, prepare to take the **LSAT**.
- Participate in an **internship** to gain valuable career experience and contacts. For help exploring internship **opportunities related to your major**, meet with an academic advisor.

Term 7 90 - 105 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by ★	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
★ Upper Division Track Focus Area Course	3	C	
Upper Division Related Area Course	3	C	

- Select an upper division course from the same Track Focus Area chosen previously.

Upper Division Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)	3
Upper Division Elective	3
Elective	3
Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.	
Term hours subtotal:	15

- Research employment opportunities through **Sun Devil CareerLink**.
- Attend **career fairs, workshops and related events** offered by the Career and Professional Development Center.

Term 8 105 - 120 Credit Hours Necessary course signified by ★	Hours	Minimum Grade	Notes
★ REL 405: Problems in Religious Studies	3	C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • REL 405 is a special topics seminar that serves as the capstone course for this major and is typically offered only in the Spring semester. • Take advantage of mock interview opportunities and assistance with writing resumes and cover letters. • Apply for career opportunities.
Upper Division Related Area Course	3	C	
Complete 2 courses:			
Upper Division Elective	6		
Elective	3		
★ Maintain 2.50 GPA in REL.			
Term hours subtotal:	15		

- Students must choose one of the 14 focus areas shown below and complete three courses from that distinct area. The focus areas fall within three broad tracks:

- Themes (track focus selections include: Religion in Global Contexts; Text, Practice and Representation; Religion, Public Life and Conflict)
- Traditions (track focus selections include: Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Daoism/Confucianism)
- Geographic Area (track focus selections include: Americas, Europe/Eurasia, East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia)

Students must complete 15 credits of courses in Related Areas, at least 9 of which must be upper-division.

At least 12 upper-division hours in the major (REL) must be in courses offered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

Hide Course List(s)/Track Group(s)

Track Focus Area - Theme: Religion in Global Contexts	Track Focus Area - Theme: Religion, Public Life and Conflict	Track Focus Area - Theme: Text, Practice, and Representation
REL 100: Religions of the World (HU & G)	REL 107: Religion and Globalization (HU & G)	REL 202: Religion and Popular Culture (HU & C)
REL 107: Religion and Globalization (HU & G)	REL 312: History and Memory of the Holocaust	REL 203: Saints and Sinners: Explorations in Sacred Biography (HU & H)
REL 111: Introduction to Asia (HU & H & G)	REL 318: Contemporary American Jewish Identities ((HU or SB) & C)	REL 205: Life, Sex and Death (HU)
REL 200: Exploring the World's Religions ((L or HU) & G)	REL 319: Religion, Violence and America	REL 230: Introduction to Jewish Civilization (HU & H & G)
REL 201: Religion and the Modern World (L or HU)	REL 321: Religion in America ((L or HU) & C & H)	REL 287: Topics in Film, Media, and Religion (HU & G)
REL 225: African American Religion (HU & C)	REL 323: African American Religion: A Biographical Approach (HU & C)	REL 301: Comparative Mysticism (HU)
REL 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) & G)	REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia ((L or HU) & G)	REL 310: Western Religious Traditions (HU & H)
REL 245: Introduction to South Asia (HU & H & G)	REL 366: Islam in the Modern World (HU & G)	REL 314: Jewish Philosophy
		REL 315: Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) ((L or HU) & H)

REL 313: Anti-Semitism in the Media	REL 369: Women in Islam	REL 316: Literary Readings of the Hebrew Bible (L or HU)
REL 320: American Religious Traditions (HU & C & H)	REL 373: Women in Judaism	REL 317: Introduction to Rabbinic Judaism (HU & H)
REL 324: Spirituals and the Blues	REL 374: Witchcraft and Heresy in Europe ((L or HU) & H)	REL 324: Spirituals and the Blues
REL 331: History of Native American Religions ((L or HU) & C & H)	REL 378: Religion, War and Peace (L)	REL 326: U.S. Latino Religion and Culture (HU & C)
REL 344: Religion and Values in Japanese Life (HU & G)	REL 379: Religion, Nationalism, and Ethnic Conflict (HU & G)	REL 330: Native American Worldviews (HU & C)
REL 346: Chinese Religions	REL 381: Religion and Moral Issues (L or HU)	REL 332: South American Indian Religions (HU & G)
REL 347: Peace and Conflict in India ((L or HU) & G)	REL 382: Magick, Religion and Science (L or HU)	REL 338: The Daoist Bible: Daode jing (HU & L)
REL 348: Religion and Culture in Southeast Asia	REL 386: America and the Holocaust (HU or SB)	REL 344: Religion and Values in Japanese Life (HU & G)
REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU)	REL 387: Religion and Conflict: Theories and Cases ((L or HU) & G)	REL 345: Asian Religious Traditions (HU & G)
REL 360: Ancient Greek Religion	REL 388: Religion, Ethics, and International Politics	REL 355: Japanese Cities and Cultures to 1800 (HU)
REL 361: Roman Religion (HU)	REL 390: Women, Gender and Religion (HU & G)	REL 371: New Testament (HU)
REL 362: Islam and Islamic Societies in Africa: Social and Political History (G)	REL 461: Different Voices Within Contemporary Islamic Discourse	REL 375: Lost Scriptures, Lost Christianities (HU)
REL 363: Islam and World Affairs (G)	REL 471: Reformation and Modern Christianity (HU & H)	REL 376: Virgin Mary in History, Film, and Culture (L or HU)
REL 365: Islamic Civilization (HU & H)	REL 480: Religion and Global Politics (L & G)	REL 384: The Bible and Archaeological Discoveries
REL 366: Islam in the Modern World (HU & G)	REL 482: Religion, Violence, and Conflict Resolution	REL 385: Contemporary Western Religious Thought (HU)
REL 377: Religion in Russia (HU & H)	REL 486: Holocaust on Film	REL 391: Historical Perspectives on Philosophy and Religion
REL 379: Religion, Nationalism, and Ethnic Conflict (HU & G)		REL 393: Religion and Sexuality (HU)
REL 380: Theology of Terror		REL 396: Women in the Bible
REL 410: Judaism in Modern Times (HU & H)		REL 420: Religion in American Life and Thought (HU)
REL 430: Shamans and Mesoamerica		REL 427: American Religious Thought (HU & H)
REL 470: Religion in the Middle Ages (HU & H)		REL 460: Studies in Islamic Religion (HU & G)
REL 480: Religion and Global Politics (L & G)		REL 483: Religion and Science
REL 482: Religion, Violence, and Conflict Resolution		
Track Focus Area- Tradition: Buddhism	Track Focus Area - Tradition: Christianity	Track Focus Area - Tradition: Daoism/Confucianism
REL 344: Religion and Values in Japanese Life (HU & G)	REL 225: African American Religion (HU & C)	REL 338: The Daoist Bible: Daode jing (HU & L)
REL 345: Asian Religious Traditions (HU & G)	REL 270: Introduction to Christianity (HU)	REL 343: Daoism ((L or HU) & G & H)
REL 351: Buddhism ((L or HU) & G)	REL 310: Western Religious Traditions (HU & H)	REL 346: Chinese Religions

REL 352: Modern Buddhism	REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU)	REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU)
REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU)	REL 371: New Testament (HU)	
REL 356: Buddhism in America	REL 372: Formation of the Christian Tradition (HU & H)	
REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia ((L or HU) & G)	REL 374: Witchcraft and Heresy in Europe ((L or HU) & H)	
	REL 375: Lost Scriptures, Lost Christianities (HU)	
	REL 376: Virgin Mary in History, Film, and Culture (L or HU)	
	REL 377: Religion in Russia (HU & H)	
	REL 378: Religion, War and Peace (L)	
	REL 384: The Bible and Archaeological Discoveries	
	REL 385: Contemporary Western Religious Thought (HU)	
	REL 411: Judaism and the Beginnings of Christianity	
	REL 470: Religion in the Middle Ages (HU & H)	
	REL 471: Reformation and Modern Christianity (HU & H)	
Track Focus Area - Tradition: Hinduism	Track Focus Area- Tradition: Islam	Track Focus Area - Tradition: Judaism
REL 345: Asian Religious Traditions (HU & G)	REL 260: Introduction to Islam (HU & G)	REL 210: Introduction to Judaism (HU & H)
REL 347: Peace and Conflict in India ((L or HU) & G)	REL 310: Western Religious Traditions (HU & H)	REL 211: Jews and Judaism in America (SB & H)
REL 350: Hinduism ((L or HU) & G)	REL 362: Islam and Islamic Societies in Africa: Social and Political History (G)	REL 230: Introduction to Jewish Civilization (HU & H & G)
	REL 363: Islam and World Affairs (G)	REL 310: Western Religious Traditions (HU & H)
	REL 364: Islam in Eurasia and Central Asia	REL 311: Israeli Society and Culture (HU & G)
	REL 365: Islamic Civilization (HU & H)	REL 312: History and Memory of the Holocaust
	REL 366: Islam in the Modern World (HU & G)	REL 313: Anti-Semitism in the Media
	REL 369: Women in Islam	REL 314: Jewish Philosophy
	REL 377: Religion in Russia (HU & H)	REL 315: Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) ((L or HU) & H)
	REL 378: Religion, War and Peace (L)	REL 316: Literary Readings of the Hebrew Bible (L or HU)
	REL 380: Theology of Terror	REL 317: Introduction to Rabbinic Judaism (HU & H)
	REL 460: Studies in Islamic Religion (HU & G)	REL 318: Contemporary American Jewish Identities ((HU or SB) & C)
	REL 461: Different Voices Within Contemporary Islamic Discourse	REL 373: Women in Judaism

		REL 378: Religion, War and Peace (L)
		REL 384: The Bible and Archaeological Discoveries
		REL 385: Contemporary Western Religious Thought (HU)
		REL 386: America and the Holocaust (HU or SB)
		REL 396: Women in the Bible
		REL 410: Judaism in Modern Times (HU & H)
		REL 411: Judaism and the Beginnings of Christianity
		REL 486: Holocaust on Film
Track Focus Area - Geographic: Americas	Track Focus Area - Geographic: Europe/Eurasia	Track Focus Area - Geographic: East Asia
REL 211: Jews and Judaism in America (SB & H)	REL 311: Israeli Society and Culture (HU & G)	REL 111: Introduction to Asia (HU & H & G)
REL 225: African American Religion (HU & C)	REL 360: Ancient Greek Religion	REL 338: The Daoist Bible: Daode jing (HU & L)
REL 282: PreHispanic Native Am Wrldview	REL 361: Roman Religion (HU)	REL 343: Daoism ((L or HU) & G & H)
REL 318: Contemporary American Jewish Identities ((HU or SB) & C)	REL 364: Islam in Eurasia and Central Asia	REL 344: Religion and Values in Japanese Life (HU & G)
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REL 321: Religion in America ((L or HU) & C & H)	REL 470: Religion in the Middle Ages (HU & H)	REL 352: Modern Buddhism
REL 323: African American Religion: A Biographical Approach (HU & C)	REL 471: Reformation and Modern Christianity (HU & H)	REL 354: Religions of Korea (HU)
REL 324: Spirituals and the Blues		REL 355: Japanese Cities and Cultures to 1800 (HU)
REL 326: U.S. Latino Religion and Culture (HU & C)		
REL 330: Native American Worldviews (HU & C)		
REL 331: History of Native American Religions ((L or HU) & C & H)		
REL 332: South American Indian Religions (HU & G)		
REL 356: Buddhism in America		
REL 386: America and the Holocaust (HU or SB)		
REL 420: Religion in American Life and Thought (HU)		
REL 427: American Religious Thought (HU & H)		
REL 430: Shamans and Mesoamerica		

Track Focus Area - Geographic: South Asia	Track Focus Area - Geographic: Southeast Asia	Related Area
REL 111: Introduction to Asia (HU & H & G)	REL 111: Introduction to Asia (HU & H & G)	AFR OR AIS OR AMS OR APA OR ARS OR ASB OR GCU OR HST OR JUS OR PHI OR SGS OR SOC OR WST Elective
REL 245: Introduction to South Asia (HU & H & G)	REL 240: Introduction to Southeast Asia ((HU or SB) & G)	JST Elective (not from JST 131, 132, 231, or 232)
REL 347: Peace and Conflict in India ((L or HU) & G)	REL 348: Religion and Culture in Southeast Asia	ARB 331: Arabic/Islamic Culture and Literature (HU & H & G)
REL 350: Hinduism ((L or HU) & G)	REL 351: Buddhism ((L or HU) & G)	ARB 335: Arabic Culture and Islam (G)
REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia ((L or HU) & G)	REL 357: Theravada Buddhism in South and Southeast Asia ((L or HU) & G)	ARB 336: Introduction to the Qur'an
		ARB 337: Hadith and Prophetic Tradition
		ARB 341: Quran Text and Women (HU & H)
		ARB 351: Classical Arabic Literature
		ARB 352: Modern Arabic Literature in Translation
		BIO 312: Bioethics (HU)
		BIO 315: Science, Values, and the Public or ENG 370: Science, Values, and the Public
		BIO 344: Origins, Evolution, and Creation
		CHI 120: Introduction to Chinese Culture (L or HU) or SLC 120: Introduction to Chinese Culture (L or HU)
		CHI 345: Chinese Film and Civilization
		CHI 451: Chinese Cultural History I ((HU or SB) & H) or SLC 451: Chinese Cultural History I ((HU or SB) & H)
		CHI 452: Chinese Cultural History II (SB & G & H) or SLC 452: Chinese Cultural History II (SB & G & H)
		ENG 305: Classical and Biblical Backgrounds to Literature
		ENG 315: Medieval Literature in Translation (HU)
		ENG 333: Magic Jews: Contemporary American Jewish Fiction ((L or HU) & C)
		ENG 353: African American Literature: Beginnings through the Harlem Renaissance ((L or HU) & C)
		ENG 354: African American Literature: Harlem Renaissance to the Present ((L or HU) & C)
		ENG 356: The Bible as Literature (HU)
		ENG 359: Indigenous American Literature ((L or HU) & C)
		FMS 202: Religion and Popular Culture (HU & C)

FMS 287: Topics in Film, Media, and Religion (HU & G)

FMS 313: Anti-Semitism in the Media

FMS 376: Virgin Mary in History, Film, and Culture (L or HU)

FMS 486: Holocaust on Film

HEB 316: Literary Readings of the Hebrew Bible (L or HU) or ENG 316: Literary Readings of the Hebrew Bible (L or HU)

HEB 347: Modern Israeli Literature in Translation (HU & G) or SLC 347: Modern Israeli Literature in Translation (HU & G)

HEB 348: Israeli Society and Culture (HU & G) or SLC 348: Israeli Society and Culture (HU & G)

HEB 375: Contemporary Culture of Israel (HU & G)

HEB 411: Judaism and the Beginnings of Christianity

IAS 220: Psychology, Multicultural Narratives, and Religion ((L or HU) & C)

IAS 430: Science and Religion (L or HU)

KOR 250: Korean Culture and Society (HU & G)

KOR 347: Korean Film and Literature (HU)

KOR 350: Women of Korea (H)

KOR 354: Religions of Korea (HU)

MUS 347: Jazz in America (HU & C)

MUS 355: American Music (HU & C & H)

MUS 371: World Music (HU & G)

POS 378: Religion, War and Peace (L)

POS 388: Religion, Ethics, and International Politics

POS 473: Religion, Violence, and Conflict Resolution

PSY 350: Social Psychology (SB)

PSY 395: Religion and Psychology

SLC 142: Ancient Greek Civilization (HU & H) or GRK 142: Ancient Greek Civilization (HU & H)

SLC 223: Introduction to Greek and Roman Mythology (HU) or GRK 223: Introduction to Greek and Roman Mythology (HU) or LAT 223: Introduction to Greek and Roman Mythology (HU)

SLC 361: Roman Religion (HU) or LAT 361: Roman Religion (HU)

SLC 362: Ancient Greek Religion or GRK 362: Ancient Greek Religion

SLC 444: Heroes, Ancient and Modern (L or HU) or GRK 444: Heroes, Ancient and Modern (L or HU) or LAT 444: Heroes, Ancient and Modern (L or HU)

SLC 455: Multi-Kulti: Multiculturalism Through Film (G) or GER 455: Multi-Kulti: Multiculturalism Through Film (G)

TCL 328: U.S. Latino Religion and Culture (HU & C)

Notes:

Please keep in mind that the applicability of a specific transfer course toward an ASU degree program depends on the requirements of the department, division, college or school in which you are enrolled at ASU. Transfer agreements that guarantee the completion of university level requirements do not necessarily meet college and major requirements. Please consult with an advisor for more information.

Total Hours: 120

Upper Division Hours: 45 minimum

Major GPA: 2.00 minimum

Cumulative GPA: 2.00 minimum

Total hrs at ASU: 30 minimum

Hrs Resident Credit for

Academic Recognition: 56 minimum

Total Community College Hrs: 64 maximum

Total College Residency Hrs: 12 minimum

General University Requirements Legend

General Studies Core Requirements:

- Literacy and Critical Inquiry (L)
- Mathematical Studies (MA)
- Computer/Statistics/Quantitative Applications (CS)
- Humanities, Arts and Design (HU)
- Social-Behavioral Sciences (SB)
- Natural Science - Quantitative (SQ)
- Natural Science - General (SG)

General Studies Awareness Requirements:

- Cultural Diversity in the U.S. (C)
- Global Awareness (G)
- Historical Awareness (H)

First-Year Composition

General Studies designations listed next to courses on the major map were valid for the 2017 - 2018 academic year. Please refer to the course catalog for current General Studies designations at time of class registration. General Studies credit is applied according to the designation the course carries at the time the class is taken.