

Religious Studies, Minor

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Are you intrigued by human's relationships to religions, or want to better understand the history and backgrounds of the many religions around the world? This program will broaden your insight.

Description

The minor program in religious studies introduces students to the world's religious traditions and how these are used by humans to interpret experiences and find meaning. Students learn to think critically about religious worldviews and presuppositions and to explore the relation to contemporary challenges in the world.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences](#)
- **Location:** [West Valley](#)

Program requirements

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The minor in religious studies consists of 18 credit hours of coursework, of which a minimum of 12 hours must be upper division. A minimum of six upper-division credit hours must be completed through courses offered by the School of Humanities, Arts and Cultural Studies. Credit hours may not be shared between major and minor requirements. All courses used to satisfy requirements for the minor must be passed with a "C" (2.00) or better.

Select six courses (minimum 12 upper-division credit hours) -- 18 credit hours

[IAS 430: Science and Religion \(HUAD OR HU\)](#) (3)

IAS 450 / PHI 450 / REL 450: Philosophical and Spiritual Issues in Death and Dying (3)
PHI 303 / REL 300: The Future of Religions (HUAD OR L or HU) (3)
PHI 318: Philosophy of Religion (HUAD OR HU) (3)
PHI 391 / REL 391: Historical Perspectives on Philosophy and Religion (3)
PHI 417: Philosophy of Censorship (L or HU) (3)
PHI 494: Special Topics (3)
REL 100: Religions of the World (GCSI OR HU & G) (3)
REL 200: Exploring the World's Religions ((L or HU) & G) (3)
REL 201: Religion and the Modern World (HUAD OR L or HU) (3)
REL 202: Religion and Popular Culture (HUAD OR HU & C) (3)
REL 203: Saints and Sinners: Explorations in Sacred Biography (HU & H) (3)
REL 205: Life, Sex and Death (GCSI OR HU) (3)
REL 207: Ritual, Symbol, and Myth (HUAD OR L or HU) (3)
REL 310: Western Religious Traditions (HU & H) (3)
REL 320: American Religious Traditions (HUAD OR HU & C & H) (3)
REL 321: Religion in America (HUAD OR (L or HU) & C & H) (3)
REL 345: Asian Religious Traditions (HU & G) (3)
REL 381: Religion and Moral Issues (HUAD OR L or HU) (3)
REL 390 / WST 390: Women, Gender and Religion (GCSI OR HU & G) (3)
REL 401: Sacred Scriptures and Social Choices (HU & G) (3)
REL 413: Sacred Crimes: Religion and Violence (GCSI OR G & H) (3)
REL 494: Special Topics (3)

Prerequisite courses may be needed in order to complete the requirements of this minor.

Enrollment requirements

GPA Requirement: None

Incompatible Majors: BA in religious studies (religion, culture and public life); BA in religious studies (religion, politics and global affairs)

Other Enrollment Requirements: None

The minor in religious studies is open to all ASU undergraduate majors.

Current ASU undergraduate students may pursue a minor and have it recognized on their ASU transcript at graduation. Minor requirements appear on the degree audit once the minor is added. Certain major and minor combinations may be deemed inappropriate by the college or department of either the major program or the minor. Courses taken for the minor may not count toward both the major and minor.

Career opportunities

Students with a minor in religious studies seek employment in a variety of professional areas, including:

- chaplaincy
- diversity management
- education
- foreign service
- health care
- journalism
- mental health and counseling
- nonprofit organizations
- nongovernmental organizations
- public service

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