RELIGION, B.A.

Credits: 122
CIP Code: 380201

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion is for students intending to pursue graduate study in religion or philosophy. The program acquaints students with a variety of religious traditions and philosophical perspectives by offering courses emphasizing critical, comparative, ethical, historical, and interdisciplinary inquiries while focusing primarily on the Judeo-Christian tradition, particularly the African-American aspect.

Admissions Requirements

Applicants interested in matriculating in the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion program must meet all the General Admissions Requirements as published in this Catalog.

Student Learning Outcomes

Graduates of the Religion Program will be able to:

1. Utilize biblical research tools and relative methodological approaches (historical, sociological, psychological, and textual), to critically analyze religious beliefs and practices.
2. Articulate the value of religious communities and traditions from a historical and global perspective.
3. Analyze the influence of religion on politics, law, medicine, culture, and social issues.
4. Discuss the diversity of religious and philosophical perspectives, beliefs, and practices and how religion impacts global cultures and societies.
5. Identify historical structures and terms of biblical construct.

Degree Requirements

In addition to the General Degree Requirements as published in this Catalog students pursuing the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion must complete the following plan of study.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
CREL 101	The Biblical Heritage	3
CREL 103	Afr Amer Religious Experiences	3
CREL 211	Intro to Religious Studies	3
CREL 241	American Religious Tradition	3
CREL 351		3
CREL 361	Culture and Religion	3
CREL 362	Psychology of Religion	3
CREL 375	Religion and the Media	3
CREL 401	Off-campus Study	3
CREL 435	Contemporary Religious Thought	3
CREL 451	Special Topics in Religion	3
CREL 482	Independent Study	3
CREL 484	Internship in Religion	3
Cognate Courses		
CPHI 105	Critical Thinking	3
CPHI 221	Introduction to Philosophy	3
CPHI 231	Ethics & Human Values	3
CPHI 241	Philosophy of Religion	3
CPHI 262	Sci, Tech, & Human Values	3
Total Hours		**54**

Required General Education Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Area A: Humanities and Fine Arts		
Select two of the following:		6
CMUS 120	Music Appreciation	
CHIS 202	United States, Africa & World	
CART 150	Art Appreciation	
CSTA 252	Theater Appreciation	
CMUS 119	World Music	
CHIS 201	United States,Africa & World	
CHIS 202	United States, Africa & World	
CHIS 211	History of the United States	
CHIS 212	History of the United States	
CHUM 228C	The Early Period to 1914	
CHUM 230C	Modern Period:WWI to Present	
Area B: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
Select two of the following:		6
CPSY 211	General Psychology	
CPSY 218	Human Growth & Development	
CSCJ 201	Intro. to Criminal Justice	
CSCJ 215	Intro. to Sociology	
CSCJ 218	Contemporary Social Problems	
CSCJ 216	Intro. to Anthropology	
CPSC 219	American Govern & Politics	
Area C: Natural Science/Mathematics/Statistics		
Select two of the following:		6
CBIO 101	Biological Science	
CMAT 104	Finite Mathematics	
CPHY 102	Physical Science	
Area D: Communication		
Select three of the following:		9
CSTA 101	Fundamentals of Speech	
CENG 105	College Composition I	
CENG 106	College Composition II	
CENG 201	Intro to World Literature I	
or CENG 202	Intro to World Literature II	
CFLF 101	Elementary French	
CFLF 102	Elementary French	
CFLS 101	Elementary Spanish	
CFLS 102	Elementary Spanish	
CFLS 201	Intermediate Spanish	
CFLS 202	Intermediate Spanish	
Area E: Financial/Technological		
CCIS 100	Info. Technology & Comp. App.	3
CCIS 101	Introduction to Computers	3

CECO 107	Introduction to Economics	3
Total Hours		**36**

Other University Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
CGED 100	First Year Seminar	1
CGED 101	FYS ~ First Year Seminar	1
Total Hours		**2**

Minor or Stackable credentials: 18 credits

Free Electives: 12 Credits

Note: Minor and Free electives should be chosen in consultation with an advisor and will depend on the student's area of interest, minor, and stackable credit options.

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Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
CGED 100	First Year Seminar	1
CCIS 100	Info. Technology & Comp. App. (Area E)	3
CENG 105	College Composition I (Area D)	3
CMAT 104	Finite Mathematics (Area C)	3
CPHI 105	Critical Thinking	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**16**
Second Semester		
CBIO 101	Biological Science (Area C)	3
CENG 106	College Composition II (Area D)	3
CGED 101	FYS ~ First Year Seminar	1
CMUS 120	Music Appreciation (Area A)	3
CREL 101	The Biblical Heritage	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**16**
Second Year		
First Semester		
CSCJ 215	Intro. to Sociology (Area B)	3
CREL 103	Afr Amer Religious Experiences	3
CHIS 202	United States, Africa & World (Area A)	3
CREL 211	Intro to Religious Studies	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
Second Semester		
CSTA 101	Fundamentals of Speech (Area D)	3
CECO 107	Introduction to Economics (Area E)	3
CCIS 101	Introduction to Computers (Area E)	3
CPSY 211	General Psychology (Area B)	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
Third Year		
First Semester		
CPHI 241	Philosophy of Religion	3
CREL 351		3
CREL 361	Culture and Religion	3
CREL 401	Off-campus Study	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
Second Semester		
CPHI 231	Ethics & Human Values	3
CPHI 262	Sci, Tech, & Human Values	3
CREL 362	Psychology of Religion	3
CPHI 221	Introduction to Philosophy	3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
CREL 435	Contemporary Religious Thought	3
CREL 451	Special Topics in Religion	3
CREL 484	Internship in Religion	3
Free Elective		3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
Second Semester		
CREL 375	Religion and the Media	3
CREL 452	Special Topics	3
CREL 485	Internship	3
Free Elective		3
Free Elective		3
	Hours	**15**
	Total Hours	**122**