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Twin Cities Campus

Religious Studies Minor

Classical and Near Eastern Religions and Cultures

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Undergraduate minor related to major
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2016
- Required credits in this minor: 15

The minor in religious studies allows those in other majors to participate in the critical study of religion.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Minor Requirements

All minor coursework must be taken A-F. Transfer students must take at least three of the five courses at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus (or with U of M residence credits for study abroad). Final clearance is required prior to graduation. Students may earn a BA or a minor in religious studies, but not both.

Theory and Methods

Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 3 credit(s) from the following:

- RELS 3001W - Theory and Method in Religion: Critical Approaches to the Study of Religion [WI] (3.0 cr)

or Equivalent course to RELS 3001 that is approved by the director of undergraduate studies.

Minor Electives

The purpose of the minor is to expose students to a diversity of religious traditions. At least two traditions must be represented among the four electives courses.

Take exactly 4 course(s) totaling 12 or more credit(s) from the following:

- RELS 3076 - The Apostle Paul: Life, Letters, and Legacy (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3203 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- JWST 3900 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 3073 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- MEST 3610 *{Inactive}*(3.0 - 4.0 cr)
- CNRC 3105 - Ancient Rome: The Age of Augustus (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3970 *{Inactive}*(1.0 cr)
- RELS 3993 - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- RELS 4952 *{Inactive}*(1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- RELS 5001 - Theory and Method in the Study of Religion: Critical Approaches to the Study of Religion (3.0 cr)
- RELS 5504 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- HIST 5614 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 5721 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 5993 - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- RELS 8190 - Comparative Seminar in Religions in Antiquity (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3070 - Topics in Religious Studies (3.0 cr)

  or RELS 5070 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 3072 - The Birth of Christianity [AH] (3.0 cr)

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  or CNRC 3072 - The Birth of Christianity [AH] (3.0 cr)

  or CNRC 5072 - The Birth of Christianity [AH] (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3073 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)

  or CNES 3073 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 3078 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)

  or HIST 3778 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)

  or JWST 3778 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- RELS 3079 - Muslims and Jews: Conflict and Co-existence in the Middle East and North Africa since 1700 [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)

  or HIST 3511 - Muslims and Jews: Conflict and Co-existence in the Middle East and North Africa since 1700 [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3113 - History of Modern Israel/Palestine: Society, Culture, and Politics [GP] (3.0 cr)

  or HIST 3512 - History of Modern Israel/Palestine: Society, Culture, and Politics [GP] (3.0 cr)
- RELS 3201 - The Bible: Context and Interpretation, World of the Hebrew Bible [LITR] (3.0 cr)

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or CNRC 3201 - The Bible: Context and Interpretation, World of the Hebrew Bible [LITR] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3201 - The Bible: Context and Interpretation, World of the Hebrew Bible [LITR] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3202 - Bible: Prophecy in Ancient Israel (3.0 cr)
or CNRC 3202 - Bible: Prophecy in Ancient Israel (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3204 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or RELS 5204 - The Dead Sea Scrolls (3.0 cr)
or CNES 3204 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or CNRC 5204 - The Dead Sea Scrolls (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3204 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3205 - Women, Gender, and the Hebrew Bible [AH] (3.0 cr)
or CNRC 3205 - Women, Gender, and the Hebrew Bible [AH] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3205 - Women, Gender, and the Hebrew Bible [AH] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3321 - American Indian Philosophies [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
or AMIN 3301 - American Indian Philosophies [AH, DSJ] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3322 *{Inactive}*[AH] (3.0 cr)
or ARTH 3205 *{Inactive}*[AH] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3371 - Buddhism [GP] (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3672 - Buddhism [GP] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3372 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or AMES 3001 - Concepts in Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3373 - Religion and Society in Imperial China [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3373 - Religion and Society in Imperial China [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3466 - Religion and Society in Imperial China [HIS] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3377 - A Thousand Years of Buddhism in China: Beliefs, Practices, and Culture (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3377 - A Thousand Years of Buddhism in China: Beliefs, Practices, and Culture (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3415W - Art of India [AH, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
or ARTH 3014W - Art of India [AH, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3014W *{Inactive}*[AH, GP, WI] (4.0 cr)
•RELS 3502W - Ancient Israel: From Conquest to Exile [WI] (3.0 cr)
or CNRC 3502W - Ancient Israel: From Conquest to Exile [WI] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3502W - Ancient Israel: From Conquest to Exile [WI] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3502W - Ancient Israel: From Conquest to Exile [WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3520 - History of the Holocaust (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3520 - History of the Holocaust (3.0 cr)
or RELS 3521W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3727W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3521W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3535 - Death and the Afterlife in the Ancient World [AH] (3.0 cr)
or CNRC 3535 - Death and the Afterlife in the Ancient World [AH] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3541 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or CNES 3108 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3542 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or CNES 3109 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3543 - Pagans, Christians, Barbarians: The World of Late Antiquity [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3617 - Pagans, Christians, Barbarians: The World of Late Antiquity [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or MEST 3617 - Pagans, Christians, Barbarians: The World of Late Antiquity [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3544W - Martyrs, Monks, Crusaders: World Christianity, 100-1400 [HIS, GP, WI] (4.0 cr)
or HIST 3081W - Martyrs, Monks, Crusaders: World Christianity, 100-1400 [HIS, GP, WI] (4.0 cr)
•RELS 3611 - Eastern Orthodoxy: History and Culture (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3767 - Eastern Orthodoxy: History and Culture (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3612 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5612 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital (3.0 cr)
or ARTH 3335 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or ARTH 5335 - Baroque Rome: Art and Politics in the Papal Capital (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3621W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5621W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3622 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or HIST 3802 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3623 *{Inactive}*[HIS] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3804 *{Inactive}*[HIS] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3624 - Atheists as “Other”: Religious and Nonreligious Outsiders in the US [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
or SOC 3309 - Atheists as “Other”: Religious & Nonreligious Outsiders in the US [DSJ] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3625 - Magic and Medicine (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3285 - Magic and Medicine (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3671 - Hinduism (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5671 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)

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or AMES 3671 - Hinduism (3.0 cr)
or AMES 5671 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3707W *{Inactive}*[SOCS, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
or ANTH 3021W - Anthropology of the Middle East [SOCS, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5707W *{Inactive}*[SOCS, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3708 - The Cultures of the Silk Road (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3872 - The Cultures of the Silk Road (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3504 - The Cultures of the Silk Road (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3709 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or HIST 3503 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3711 - The Islamic World [SOCS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or GEOG 3145 - The Islamic World [SOCS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or GLOS 3645 *{Inactive}*[SOCS, GP] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3712 - Islam: Religion and Culture (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3493 - Islam: Religion and Culture (3.0 cr)
or AMES 3871 - Islam: Religion and Culture (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3713 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or HIST 3506 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3714 - Islam and the West (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3546 - Islam and the West (3.0 cr)
or GLOS 3643 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 3715 - History of the Crusades [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3613 - History of the Crusades [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or MEST 3613 - History of the Crusades [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3716 - Gender and the Family in the Islamic World (3.0 cr)
or GLOS 3681 - Gender and the Family in the Islamic World (3.0 cr)
or GWSS 3681 - Gender and the Family in the Islamic World (3.0 cr)
or SOC 3681 - Gender and the Family in the Islamic World (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3717 - Christians, Muslims, and Jews in the Middle Ages [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3606 - Christians, Muslims, and Jews in the Middle Ages [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3718W - Christ in Islamic Thought [WI] (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3494W - Christ in Islamic Thought [WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3719 *{Inactive}*[AH] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3603 *{Inactive}*[AH] (3.0 cr)
or SPAN 3603 - Jews and Muslims in Medieval Iberia [AH] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3721 - North Africa since 1500: Islam, Colonialism, and Independence (3.0 cr)
or HIST 3513 - North Africa since 1500: Islam, Colonialism, and Independence (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3071 - Greek and Hellenistic Religions [HIS] (3.0 cr)
or RELS 5071 - Greek and Hellenistic Religions (3.0 cr)
•RELS 4049 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or ANTH 4049 - Religion and Culture (3.0 cr)
•RELS 4309 - Religion in American Public Life: Culture, Politics, and Communities [CIV] (3.0 cr)
or SOC 4309 - Religion in American Public Life: Culture, Politics, & Communities [CIV] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 5252 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or ARTH 5188 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or CNES 5188 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 5326 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
or ARTH 5802 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
•RELS 5513W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
or CNES 5513W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
or JWST 5513W *{Inactive}*[WI] (3.0 cr)
•RELS 3504 - Apocalypticism, Cosmic Warfare, and the Maccabees: Jewish Strategies of Resistance in Antiquity (3.0 cr)
or CNRC 3504 - Apocalypticism, Cosmic Warfare, and the Maccabees: Jewish Strategies of Resistance in Antiquity (3.0 cr)
or JWST 3504 - Apocalypticism, Cosmic Warfare, and the Maccabees: Jewish Strategies of Resistance in Antiquity (3.0 cr)

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