

# RELIGIOUS STUDIES: BIBLE & THEOLOGY (B.A.) - RESIDENT

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

## General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Communication &amp; Information Literacy</b> <sup>1</sup>		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
Communications Elective		3
Composition Elective		3
Information Literacy Elective		3
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<b>Technological Solutions &amp; Quantitative Reasoning</b> <sup>1</sup>		
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
Math Elective	MATH 114 or higher	3
Technology Competency <sup>2</sup>		0-3
<b>Critical Thinking</b> <sup>1</sup>		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview <sup>3</sup>	2
RSCH 201	Research	3
Critical Thinking Elective		3
<b>Civic &amp; Global Engagement</b> <sup>1</sup>		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life <sup>3</sup>	2
Cultural Studies Elective		3
<b>Social &amp; Scientific Inquiry</b> <sup>1</sup>		
Natural Science Elective		3
Social Science Elective		3
<b>Christianity &amp; Contexts</b> <sup>1</sup>		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I <sup>3</sup>	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II <sup>3</sup>	2
<b>Liberal Arts Focus</b> <sup>1</sup>		
GREK 201	Greek Grammar I	3
GREK 202	Greek Grammar II	3
GREK 302	Greek Syntax and Reading	3
GREK 401	Greek Exegesis	3
Integrative Elective		3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>62-65</b>

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

<sup>2</sup> All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course

<sup>3</sup> Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 Introduction to Biblical Worldview (2 c.h.) & EVAN 101 Evangelism and the Christian Life (2 c.h.) waived;

Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 Theology Survey I (2 c.h.) & THEO 202 Theology Survey II (2 c.h.) waived

## Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Major Foundational Courses</b>		
APOL 201	Apologetics and Cultural Engagement <sup>1</sup>	3
APOL 250	Faith, Reason, and the Search for Meaning <sup>1</sup>	3
GLST 220	Intercultural Communication and Engagement <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Course may fulfill select general education requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Major Core</b>		
APOL 311	Foundational Issues in Apologetics	3
BIBL 350	Introduction to Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL 460	New Testament Theology	3
BIBL 461	Old Testament Theology	3
CHHI 325	The Church and Its Mission	3
or THEO 362	Historical Theology	
CLCM 200	Spiritual Foundations for the Christian Life	3
RLGN 350	World Religions	3
RLST 489	Religious Studies Capstone	3
THEO 311	God, Revelation, and Reason	3
or THEO 412	The Spirit, the Church, and Its Hope	
THEO 350	Methods and Issues in Theology	3
Apologetics or Theology Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Bible or Biblical Language Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Bible or Biblical Language Elective <sup>2</sup>		3
Bible or Biblical Language Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>42</b>

<sup>1</sup> Choose one of the following courses not already applying to the degree: APOL 325, APOL 480, APOL 497, THEO 311, THEO 324, THEO 340, THEO 345, THEO 362, THEO 412, THEO 430, or THEO 497.

<sup>2</sup> Choose one of the following courses not already applying to the degree: BIBL 311, BIBL 314, BIBL 316, BIBL 317, BIBL 323, BIBL 324, BIBL 330, BIBL 364, BIBL 370, BIBL 410, BIBL 425, BIBL 450, BIBL 462, BIBL 463, BIBL 497, GREK 455, GREK 497, HBRW 201, HBRW 202, HBRW 301, or HBRW 495.

<sup>3</sup> Choose one of the following courses not already applying to the degree: BIBL 462, BIBL 463, GREK 455, GREK 495, GREK 497, HBRW 201, HBRW 202, HBRW 301, or HBRW 495.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Free Electives</b> <sup>1</sup>		
Choose 4-16 credit hours of Free Electives		4-16
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>4-16</b>

<sup>1</sup> This degree requires students to obtain one Divinity Minor and strongly encourages students to pursue a second Minor in Divinity or a minor from another school in the University.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

## Graduation Requirements

- **120** Total hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- **25%** Of major taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded

## Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
Communications Elective (GLST 220) <sup>1</sup>		3
Social Science Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Technology Competency <sup>2</sup>		0-3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13-16</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview	2
Composition Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Critical Thinking Elective (APOL 250) <sup>1</sup>		3
Information Literacy Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
MATH Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
THEO 201	Theology Survey I	2
Cultural Studies Elective (APOL 201) <sup>1</sup>		3
Information Literacy Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Natural Science Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
GREK 201	Greek Grammar I	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>17</b>

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Second Semester</b>		
RSCH 201	Research	3
THEO 202	Theology Survey II	2
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life	2
BIBL 350	Introduction to Biblical Interpretation	3
GREK 202	Greek Grammar II	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>16</b>
<b>Third Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
GREK 302	Greek Syntax and Reading	3
APOL 311	Foundational Issues in Apologetics	3
CLCM 200	Spiritual Foundations for the Christian Life	3
APOL or THEO Elective <sup>3</sup>		3
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective <sup>3,4</sup>		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
GREK 401	Greek Exegesis	3
CHHI 325 or THEO 362	The Church and Its Mission or Historical Theology	3
THEO 311 or THEO 412	God, Revelation, and Reason or The Spirit, the Church, and Its Hope	3
THEO 350	Methods and Issues in Theology	3
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective <sup>3,4</sup>		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		
BIBL 460	New Testament Theology	3
RLGN 350	World Religions	3
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective <sup>5</sup>		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
Integrative Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
BIBL 461	Old Testament Theology	3
RLST 489	Religious Studies Capstone	3
Elective		3
Elective		1
CSER		0
<b>Hours</b>		<b>13</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120-123</b>

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