

RELIGIOUS STUDIES: BIBLE & THEOLOGY (B.S.) - 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
Communication & Information Literacy ¹		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
Communications Elective		3
Information Literacy Elective		3
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Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
Math Elective	MATH 114 or higher	3
Technology Competency ²		0-3
Critical Thinking ¹		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview ³	2
RSCH 201	Research	3
Choose three credit hours from the following:		3
PHIL 201	Philosophy and Contemporary Ideas	
Critical Thinking Elective		
Civic & Global Engagement ¹		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life ³	2
Cultural Studies Elective		3
Social & Scientific Inquiry ¹		
Natural Science Elective		3
Social Science Elective		3
Christianity & Contexts ¹		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I ³	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II ³	2
Total Hours		44-47

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

² All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course

³ 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
Major Foundational Courses		
APOL 201	Apologetics and Cultural Engagement ¹	3
APOL 250	Faith, Reason, and the Search for Meaning ¹	3
GLST 220	Intercultural Communication and Engagement ¹	3
Total Hours		9

¹ Course may fulfill select general education requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Core		
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 ¹		3
Bible or Biblical Language Elective ²		3
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Bible or Biblical Language Elective ³		3
Total Hours		42

¹ 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.

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³ Choose one of the following courses not already applying to the degree: BIBL 462, BIBL 463, GREK 201, GREK 202, GREK 302, GREK 401, GREK 455, GREK 495, GREK 497, HBRW 201, HBRW 202, HBRW 301, or HBRW 495.

Code	Title	Hours
Free Electives ¹		
Choose 22-34 credit hours of Free Electives		22-34
Total Hours		22-34

¹ 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
First Year		
First Semester		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
PHIL 201 or Critical Thinking Elective (APOL 250) ¹		3
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
Communications Elective (GLST 220) ¹		3
Technology Competency ²		0-3
CSER		0
Hours		12-15
Second Semester		
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview	2
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
Cultural Studies Elective (APOL 201) ¹		3
Information Literacy Elective ¹		3
MATH Elective ¹		3
CSER		0
Hours		14
Second Year		
First Semester		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I	2
Natural Science Elective ¹		3
Social Science Elective ¹		3
CLCM 200	Spiritual Foundations for the Christian Life	3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		16
Second Semester		
RSCH 201	Research	3
THEO 202	Theology Survey II	2
Information Literacy Elective ¹		3
APOL 311	Foundational Issues in Apologetics	3
BIBL 350	Introduction to Biblical Interpretation	3
Elective		3

Course	Title	Hours
CSER		0
Hours		17
Third Year		
First Semester		
RLGN 350	World Religions	3
THEO 350	Methods and Issues in Theology	3
APOL or THEO Elective ³		3
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective ⁴		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		15
Second Semester		
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
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective ⁴		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		15
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
BIBL 460	New Testament Theology	3
BIBL Elective or Biblical Language Elective ⁵		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		1
CSER		0
Hours		16
Second Semester		
BIBL 461	Old Testament Theology	3
RLST 489	Religious Studies Capstone	3
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		15
Total Hours		120-123

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