

RELIGION (RLGN)

RLGN 104 Christian Life and Biblical Worldview 4 Credit Hour(s)

This is a study in the development and application of the biblical worldview. This course will include an introduction and application of critical thinking skills, as well as a study of religious and philosophical worldviews. Special attention will be given to the theology and methodology of evangelism.

Offered: Resident and Online

RLGN 105 Introduction to Biblical Worldview 2 Credit Hour(s)

An introduction to the biblical worldview and contemporary moral issues. This course will introduce critical thinking skills. Religious and philosophical worldviews will also be explored.

Offered: Resident and Online

RLGN 210 Introduction to Cultural Engagement 3 Credit Hour(s)

This course equips students with a foundational understanding of the field of cultural engagement. Particular attention is given to the contemporary systems of cultural engagement and the historical roots of those systems.

Offered: Online

RLGN 301 Research and Writing for Religious Disciplines 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: BIBL 105 and BIBL 110 and ENGL 101 and THEO 201 and THEO 202 and (INFT 101 or UNIV 101 or UNIV 104 or Exemption: UNIV 104 Score of 5 with a score of 5)

This course builds upon the concepts for scholarly research and writing to prepare students for completing scholarly research and writing specifically within the religious disciplines. The course covers various methods and aims for research within religious disciplines, tools for performing scholarly research, and the tools for writing clearly and effectively in an academic setting. As such, this course lays the foundation for future academic writing in the religious disciplines.

Offered: Online

RLGN 340 Global Religious Movements 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: APOL 220

This course examines modern religious movements, with focus upon the major world religions. Particular attention is given to the historical development, beliefs, and practices of the major world religions as well as a comparative analysis of various religious beliefs.

Offered: Online

RLGN 350 World Religions 3 Credit Hour(s)

The basic principles and practices of the most significant world religions are discussed and evaluated. The course goes beyond descriptions and identifies points of contact and cultural opportunities for effective communication, understanding and engagement. (Formerly ICST 350 and GLST 350)

Offered: Resident

RLGN 360 Practical Teaching of Scripture 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: (RLGN 301 and THEO 360 and BIBL 360 and BIBL 105 and BIBL 110) or (RLGN 301 and THEO 360 and BIBL 360 and BIBL 205 and BIBL 210) or (RLGN 301 and THEO 360 and BIBL 360 and BIBL 110 and BIBL 205) or (RLGN 301 and THEO 360 and BIBL 360 and BIBL 105 and BIBL 210) or (RLGN 301 and THEO 360 and BIBL 360 and BIBL 104)

A study of the basic principles and methods of teaching and learning as they apply to the communication of the Scriptures across various age groups. The student will combine scholarly research, proper Bible study, and suitable theological formation in order to successfully teach a passage of Scripture. Additionally, the student will engage in the process of evaluation in order to determine the strengths and weaknesses of their teaching.

Offered: Online

RLGN 410 Contextualization and Cultural Engagement 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: THEO 310

This course examines biblical, theological, and practical foundations for contextualizing the gospel in diverse cultural contexts.

Offered: Online

RLGN 480 Cultural Engagement Capstone Seminar 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: RLGN 410

This course exposes students to various contemporary issues in cultural engagement. Particular focus is given to the diversity of Christian ethical frameworks and the theological distinctives that undergird those frameworks. The student will construct a high-quality theological and contextual framework for addressing a modern cultural issue and complete a capstone project which reflects concepts learned throughout the program.

Offered: Online

RLGN 489 Ministry Praxis Capstone 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: (BIBL 360 or BIBL 350) and (THEO 360 or THEO 350) and (RLGN 360 or CHMN 387)

This course is designed to allow the student to utilize skills and insights acquired during the completion of the undergraduate program in religious studies. A range of biblical and theological concepts taught in the program are reinforced, and new dimensions are explored. This helps ensure that the key ideas from the undergraduate religion program are mastered and that opportunities are presented for the student to put these concepts into practice.

Registration Restrictions: Student must be a BS in Religion major and senior status

Offered: Online

RLGN 490 Research and Scholarly Capstone 3 Credit Hour(s)

Online Prerequisite: (RLGN 360 or RLGN 350) and (BIBL 360 or BIBL 350) and (THEO 360 or CHMN 387)

This course is designed to allow students in an undergraduate program within the John W. Rawlings School of Divinity to utilize culminated skills and insights acquired during their course of study. The importance of personal, spiritual formation will be explored. Emphasis is placed upon research and writing skills within the context of biblical theology as well as in the production of presentations that will contribute to the ministry contexts of each student. This helps ensure that key ideas from undergraduate School of Divinity programs are mastered and that opportunities are presented for the student to put these concepts into practice.

Registration Restrictions: Must be a School of Divinity student enrolled in either the BS in Religion or BS in Bible and senior status.

Offered: Online