Major in Religious Studies Check List

The major in religious studies requires the completion of 39 credit hours with grades of C or better.

24 of these credits must be taken in the Department of Philosophy and Religion:

12 credits of Foundation Courses:

_____ RELG-105 Religious Heritage of the West
_____ RELG-185 Forms of the Sacred: Religions of the East
_____ RELG-210 Non-Western Religious Traditions or RELG-220 Religious Thought
_____ RELG-230 Methods of Studying Religion

3 credits of Internship:

_____ RELG-391 Internship in Religious Studies

9 credits in religion courses at the 300 level or above, chosen from the following:

_____ RELG-370 Islam
_____ RELG-371 Topics in Jewish Religion
_____ RELG-372 Religion in America
_____ RELG-373 Hinduism
_____ RELG-375 Religion and Violence
_____ RELG-386 Topics in Religious Discussion

15 of these credits may be earned by taking courses chosen from the following:

6 credits in philosophy, chosen from the following:

_____ PHIL-220 Moral Philosophy
_____ PHIL-235 Theories of Democracy and Human Rights
_____ PHIL-300 Ancient and Medieval Philosophy
_____ PHIL-318 Chinese Philosophy
_____ PHIL-319 Buddhist Philosophy
_____ PHIL-335 Philosophy of Religion
_____ PHIL-520 Ethical Theory
_____ PHIL-525 Modern Moral Problems

9 credits outside of the Department of philosophy and religion, chosen from the following:

_____ ANTH-430 Magic, Witchcraft, and Religion
_____ ANTH-431 Taboos
_____ HIST-239 Topics in European History (Religious Conflict in Early Modern Europe and other versions, depending on topic)
_____ HIST-245 Modern Jewish Civilization
_____ HIST-332 Contemporary Historical Studies: Islamic Society in the Modern World
_____ HIST-344 Topics in Jewish History (depending on topic)
_____ JWST-320 Topics in Jewish Culture
_____ PSYC-335 Psychology of Religion
_____ SIS-514 Spirituality and Global Politics
_____ SOCY-315 Major Social Theorists (depending on content)

Note: 15 credits must be taken in upper-level courses “in residence” at AU.