
MAJOR-SPECIFIC CAREER GUIDE

Religious Studies

Marketable Skills

Religious Studies majors develop professional skills including:

- The ability to analyze and discuss relevant historical and sociological issues
- Knowledge of historically prominent ideas and leaders in world religions and philosophy
- The ability to write and speak persuasively
- Strong writing and editing skills
- Experience adapting content for diverse audiences

Relevant Fields

- Advocacy
- Community / Social Services
- Education
- Ethnography
- Lobbying
- Nonprofit Management
- Policy Development / Analysis
- Public Relations
- Publishing / Media
- Research
- Theology

Sample Occupational Titles

Bachelor's Degree:

- Community Organizer
- Cultural Advisor
- Nonprofit Manager
- Philosophical / Spiritual Counselor
- Research Assistant / Analyst
- Teacher

Advanced Degree:

- Biblical Scholar
- Editor
- Ethics Lecturer
- Geopolitical Consultant
- Historian
- Pastor / Priest / Rabbi
- Professor
- Social Worker

Print Resources

Find these titles and additional books, periodicals, and handouts in the [Career Resource Library](#):

- [Book of Majors](#) by The College Board
- [Career Opportunities in the Publishing Industry](#) by Pat Schroeder
- [Careers for Bookworms and Other Literary Types](#) by Marjorie Eberts and Margaret Gisler
- [Careers for Scholars & Other Deep Thinkers](#) by Blythe Camenson
- [Careers for Writers & Others Who Have a Way With Words](#) by Robert W. Bly
- [Great Jobs for Liberal Arts Majors](#) by Blythe Camenson
- [The Career Guide for Creative and Unconventional People](#) by Carol Eikleberry
- [Top Careers for Liberal Arts Graduates](#) by Ferguson Publishing

Online Resources

Visit these websites and others listed in our [School-Specific Resources](#):

- Christian Jobs at www.christianjobs.com
- Clearinghouse for Jewish Communal Jobs at www.jewishjobs.com
- Idealist at www.idealists.org
- Jewish Federation of Greater Washington at www.shalomdc.org/career_alljob.html
- Maghrib Jobs at www.maghribjobs.com/a/jbb/find-jobs
- Occupational Outlook Handbook at www.bls.gov/oco
- O*NET Resource Center at www.onetcenter.org
- The Write Jobs at www.writejobs.com
- Vault at www.vault.com

Professional Associations

The following professional associations offer career-related information and job listings:

- American Academy of Religion at www.aarweb.org
- American Catholic Philosophical Association at www.acpaweb.org
- The American Philosophical Association at www.apaonline.org
- Jewish Women's Archive at www.jwa.org
- Religious Research Association at www.rra.hartsem.edu
- Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy at www.spep.org

Find more professional associations at American Society of Association Executives at www.asaecenter.org/Directories/AssociationSearch.cfm