

RELIGIOUS STUDIES (REL)

REL-1010 Introduction to Religious Studies 3 Credits

Comprehensive introduction to foundational elements, concepts and language of religion, including: faith and reason, myth, rituals, historical doctrines and practices, mysticism and attributes, and study of the Divine.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): None.

OAN Approved: Ohio Transfer 36 TMAH.

REL-179H Honors Contract in Religious Studies 1 Credit

Honors Contract complements and exceeds requirements, outcomes and objectives for an existing REL-1000-level honors course through formulation of a contract with a faculty mentor, which upon completion will result in distinctive scholarship. This honors independent study may also be taken with a non-honors course. When taken with a non-honors course, the Honors Contract adds an honor experience to that course. Honors contract requires student to meet on a regularly scheduled basis with the instructor for mentor-student tutorial sessions. A maximum of six Honor Contracts (6 credit hours) may be taken (includes 179H and 279H).

Lecture: 1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Must be taken concurrently with a 1000-level course whose instructor agrees to mentor the student in this contract. Departmental approval required.

REL-1820 Independent Study/Research in Religious Studies 1-3 Credits

Directed individual study. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval, and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test. or appropriate score on English Placement Test. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

REL-182H Honors Independent Study/Research in Religios Studies 1-3 Credits

Honors-level directed individual study. Must meet criteria set forth in the Honors Course Checklist used to approve regular honors courses. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; and must have earned an A or B in at least 3 honors courses. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

REL-2000 Comparative World Religions 3 Credits

Study of origin, nature, and meaning of major world religions: Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, Daoism, and Confucianism.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-1010 College Composition I or ENG-101H Honors College Composition I, or departmental approval.

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REL-2010 Religious Traditions of Western Christianity 3 Credits

A fundamental introduction to sacred texts, historically relevant figures, and liturgical practices central to Christianity beliefs and principles. As the course chronicles the impact of Christianity on reasoning, science, architecture, art and politics, it provides students the ability to engage in construction interreligious dialogues and ethical discussions.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-1010 College Composition I or ENG 101H Honors College Composition, or departmental approval.

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REL-2060 African-American Religious Experience 3 Credits

An exploration of the religious history, culture, and themes of African Americans from the colonial period to the present. Topics include Liberal, Evangelical and Fundamentalist theologies, with particular focus on rituals, music, sacred traditions, and literature. The Social, Civil Rights and Prosperity Movements will be examined as contributing factors to contemporary African American religious life.

Lecture: 3 hours

Prerequisite(s): ENG-1010 College Composition I or ENG 101H Honors College Composition I, or departmental approval.

OAN Approved: Ohio Transfer 36 TMAH.

REL-279H Sophomore Honors Contract 1 Credit

Sophomore Honors Contract in Religious Studies complements and exceeds requirements and expected outcomes for an existing REL-2000-level course (not an honors course) through formulation of a contract with a faculty mentor. In conjunction with a faculty mentor, student will formulate a contract that upon completion will result in distinctive scholarship appropriate to honors 2000-level. In order to complete the contract, student is required to meet on a regularly scheduled basis with instructor offering the contract for mentor-student tutorial sessions. A maximum of six Honors Contracts (six credits) may be taken at the College (includes 179H and 279H).

Lecture: 1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Must be taken concurrently with a 2000-level course (not an honors course) in Religious Studies, whose instructor agrees to mentor the student in the sophomore honors contract. Departmental approval required.

REL-2820 Independent Advanced Study/Research in Religious Studies 1-3 Credits

Directed individual advanced study. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval, and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.

REL-282H Advanced Honors Independent Study/Research in Religious Studies

1-3 Credits

Advanced Honors-level directed individual study. Must meet criteria set forth in the Honors Course Checklist used to approve regular honors courses. Study/research title and specific content arranged between instructor and student. May be repeated for a maximum of six credits of different topics.

Lecture: 1-3 hours

Prerequisite(s): Departmental approval and instructor approval, and ENG-0995 Applied College Literacies, or appropriate score on English Placement Test; and must have earned an A or B in at least 3 honors courses. Note: ENG-0990 Language Fundamentals II taken prior to Fall 2021 will also meet prerequisite requirements.