Bachelor of Arts (BA) 2016-2017 Program of Study for Religious Studies Majors

I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM ........................................................................................................................................................................44
Some general education requirements may be double-counted in the major with departmental approval. Please see your advisor for information.

II. LANGUAGE (Completion of 6 semester hours at the *intermediate level, or higher) ........................................................................................................6

1040 ___ and 1050 ___ or 1060 ___; or higher level courses

*NOTE: Language 1010 and 1020 (or 1030) are prerequisites for the intermediate level courses.

 III. MAJOR REQUIREMENTS ......................................................................................................................................................................................36

2.0 major GPA is required for graduation. Major GPA calculation will include all courses taken in the major department, plus any other courses under III. Minimum of 18 semester hours of courses taken to fulfill major requirements must be courses offered by Appalachian. No more than 46 semester hours of Religion courses may be counted toward the BA Degree.

At least 18 semester hours must be at or above 3000 level. _____

A. Core Religion Courses (15 semester hours)

1. Choose one Studying Religion course:
   REL 1010 ____ (3) Religion & Imaginary Worlds
   REL 1100 ____ (3) Religion & Contemporary Issues
   REL 1110 ____ (3) Religions of the World
   REL 1115 ____ (3) Religion Goes to the Movies
   REL 1120 ____ (3) Death, Grieving & Immortality

2. Choose one Ways of Being Religious I course:
   REL 2010 ____ (3) Old Testament: The Jewish Scriptures
   REL 2020 ____ (3) New Testament
   REL 2030 ____ (3) Islamic Literature
   REL 2110 ____ (3) Judaism
   REL 2120 ____ (3) Christianity
   REL 2130 ____ (3) Islamic Religion & Culture

3. Choose one Ways of Being Religious II course
   REL 2140 ____ (3) Hinduism
   REL 2150 ____ (3) Buddhism
   REL 2210 ____ (3) Gods, Ghosts, & Ancestors
   REL 3120 ____ (3) African Thought

4. Choose one Understanding Study of Religion course: [WID] (all Pre: RC 2001)
   REL 3700 ____ (3) Theories of Religion
   REL 3710 ____ (3) Nature of Religion
   REL 3715 ____ (3) Biblical Interpretation (Pre: REL 2010/2020, Jr standing)
   REL 3725 ____ (3) Religion and Empire
   REL 3740 ____ (3) Religion & Social Theory
   REL 3750 ____ (3) Minds, Brain, & Religion
   REL 3760 ____ (3) Religion & Reason

5. CAPSTONE: REL 4700 ____ (3) Senior Seminar [CAP] (Pre: 3 sh REL ≥ 3000; 3 sh WID course)

B. Religion Electives (21 semester hours)

Courses taken for credit in section III-A may NOT also be counted in this section.

REL 1010 ____ (3) Religion & Imaginary Worlds
REL 1100 ____ (3) Religion & Contemporary Issues
REL 1110 ____ (3) Religions of the World
REL 1115 ____ (3) Religion Goes to the Movies
REL 1120 ____ (3) Death, Grieving, & Immortality
REL 1530-49 ____ (3) Special Topics
REL 2010 ____ (3) Old Testament: The Jewish Scriptures
REL 2020 ____ (3) New Testament
REL 2030 ____ (3) Islamic Literature
REL 2110 ____ (3) Judaism
REL 2120 ____ (3) Christianity
REL 2130 ____ (3) Islamic Religion & Culture
REL 2140 ____ (3) Hinduism
REL 2150 ____ (3) Buddhism
REL 2210 ____ (3) Gods, Ghosts, & Ancestors
REL 2500 ____ (1-4) Independent Study
REL 2530-49 ____ (3) Special Topics
REL 3010 ____ (3) Biblical Prophets: Justice & Hope
REL 3020 ____ (3) After Jesus: Paul to Christianity
REL 3030 ____ (3) Gender, Sexuality & the Bible
REL 3040 ____ (3) Bible and Science
REL 3100 ____ (3) Church & State in Latin America
REL 3110 ____ (3) Religion in America
REL 3120 ____ (3) African Thought
REL 3150 ____ (3) Religion, Gender, & the Body
REL 3160 ____ (3) The Life & Teachings of Jesus
REL 3170 ____ (3) Religion & Violence
REL 3180 ____ (3) American Judaism
REL 3500 ____ (1-4) Independent Study
REL 3520 ____ (1) Instructional Assistance (Pre: Jr/Sr standing)
REL 3530-49 ____ (3) Special Topics
REL 3560 ____ (3) Religion & Science Fiction
REL 3600 ____ (3-6) Study Tour Abroad
REL 3700 ____ (3) Theories of Religion [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 3710 ____ (3) Nature of Religion [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 3725 ____ (3) Religion and Empire [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 3740 ____ (3) Rel & Social Theory [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 3750 ____ (3) Minds, Brain, & Religion [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 3760 ____ (3) Religion & Reason [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)
REL 4115 ____ (3) Religion & Cultural Forms
REL 4510 ____ (3) Senior Honors Thesis (Pre/Co: 6 sh P&R honors courses with grade of B or higher)
REL 4900 ____ (3-6) Internship

**** Please see a Religious Studies advisor, or contact the department, for a list of suggested tracks: Asian Rel; Religion, Culture & Society; Pre-Graduate Religious Studies; and Pre-Seminary.

IV. MINOR REQUIRED ..........................................................................................................................................................................................12-21
Minimum of 9 semester hours of courses taken to fulfill minor requirements must be courses offered by Appalachian.

V. ELECTIVES (taken to total 122 hours for the degree) .....................................................................................................................................................15-24

2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline.

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