Bachelor of Arts (BA)  
2017-2018  
Program of Study for Religious Studies

Degree Code 102A

I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM
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 semester hours 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
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 sem hrs 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) Confronting Death  
   REL 1700 (3) What is Religion?

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) Religion, Ecology, & Biology  
   REL 3715 (3) Biblical Interpretation (Pre: REL 2010/2020; Jr. standing)  
   REL 3725 (3) Religion & Empire  
   REL 3740 (3) Religion & Social Theory  
   REL 3750 (3) Minds, Brain, & Religion  
   REL 3760 (3) Religion & Reason  
   REL 3770 (3) Religion, Gender, & the Body

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.
A maximum of 6 hours of internship (i.e., any combination of REL 2900 & 4900) may count toward the degree.

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) Confronting Death  
REL 1530-49 (3) Special Topics

REL 1700 (3) What is Religion?
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 2180 (3) Life Without God  
REL 2210 (3) Gods, Ghosts, & Ancestors  
REL 2500 (1-4) Independent Study  
REL 2530-49 (3) Special Topics

REL 2900 (1-3) Internship (Pre: 12 hrs REL courses)  
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 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 3715 (3) Biblical Interpretation [WID] (Pre: REL 2010/2020, Jr. standing)

REL 3725 (3) Religion & Empire [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)  
REL 3740 (3) Religion & 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 3770 (3) Religion, Gender, & the Body [WID] (Pre: RC 2001)  
REL 4001 (1-3) Undergraduate Research  
REL 4115 (3) Religion & Cultural Forms  
REL 4510 (3) Senior Honors Thesis (Pre: RC 2001)

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REL 4900 (1-6) Advanced Internship (Pre: 12 hrs REL courses)

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

IV. MINOR REQUIRED
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)
2 semester hours of free electives must be outside the major discipline.