Bachelor of Arts (BA)

Degree Code 102A

2013-2014

Program of Study for Religious Studies

Majors

I. GENERAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Up to nine hours of REL courses may be used to meet Gen Ed Perspectives requirements depending upon choices.

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

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

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

Fl 1050 or 1060 may be used in General Education Perspectives depending upon choice.

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 semester hours must be at or above 3000 level. ______

A. Core Religion Courses (15 semester hours)

1. Choose one introductory course:

REL 1010 ___ (3) Introduction to Religion & Literature
REL 1100 ___ (3) Religion & Contemporary Issues
REL 1110 ___ (3) Religions of the World

2. Choose one of the following courses:

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 of the following courses:

REL 2140 ___ (3) Hinduism
REL 2150 ___ (3) Buddhism
REL 2160 ___ (3) Daoism
REL 2170 ___ (3) The Confucian Way
REL 3120 ___ (3) African Thought (Pre: REL 1110)

4. Choose one methods course: [WID] (all Pre: ENG 2001)

REL 3700 ___ (3) Rsrch & Meth in Religious St (Pre: REL 1010 or 1110)
REL 3710 ___ (3) Nature of Religion
REL 3730 ___ (3) Nature-Oriented Religions
REL 3740 ___ (3) Religion & Social Theory
REL 3750 ___ (3) Minds, Brain, & Religion (Pre: REL 1110)
REL 3760 ___ (3) Religion & Reason
REL 4015 ___ (3) Biblical Interpretation (Pre: REL 2010/2020; Jr. stndg)

5. Capstone: REL 4700 ___ (3) Senior Seminar [CAP]

(Pre: 3 s.h. 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) Introduction to Religion & Literature
REL 1100 ___ (3) Religion & Contemporary Issues
REL 1110 ___ (3) Religions of the World
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 2160 ___ (3) Daoism
REL 2170 ___ (3) The Confucian Way
REL 2500 ___ (1-4) Independent Study
REL 2530-49 ___ (3) Special Topics
REL 3010 ___ (3) Prophecy in Ancient Isrelite Literature (Pre: REL 2010)
REL 3020 ___ (3) The Life & Letters of Paul (Pre: REL 2020)
REL 3030 ___ (3) Women in Biblical Tradition (Pre: REL 2010/2020)
REL 3110 ___ (3) Religion in America (Pre: REL 1110)
REL 3120 ___ (3) African Thought (Pre: REL 1110)
REL 3140 ___ (3) Chinese Medicine
REL 3150 ___ (3) Religion, Culture, & 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 3600 ___ (3-6) Study Tour Abroad
REL 3700 ___ (3) Research & Methods in Religious Stds [WID]

(Pre: REL 1010 or 1110; ENG 2001)

REL 3710 ___ (3) Nature of Religion [WID] (Pre: ENG 2001)
REL 3730 ___ (3) Nature-Oriented Rel [WID] (Pre: ENG 2001)
REL 3740 ___ (3) Rel & Social Theory [WID] (Pre: ENG 2001)
REL 3750 ___ (3) Minds, Brain, & Rel [WID] (Pre: ENG 2001; REL 1110)
REL 3760 ___ (3) Religion & Reason [WID] (Pre: ENG 2001)
REL 4015 ___ (3) Biblical Interpretation [WID]

(Pre: REL 2010/2020, Jr. stndg, ENG 2001)

REL 4115 ___ (3) Religion & Cultural Forms
REL 4510 ___ (3) Senior Honors Thesis (Pre: ENG 2001)
REL 4900 ___ (3-6) Internship

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.

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

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

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