MAJOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The goal of our programs isn’t to make you into a priest or nun. Rather, it is to let you study different expressions of religion throughout history, as well as in contemporary society. The study of religion is essential to understand our world. Our multidisciplinary programs combine history, sociology, psychology and anthropology. The result is a rich mix of perspectives on an array of topics: world religions (Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Judaism), mysticism, Amerindian religions, mythology of First Nations in Canada, religions in colonial America, witchcraft and magic, ecology and religion, sexuality, contemporary spiritual movements, globalization and multiculturalism.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirements

The table below includes only the discipline-specific courses. Please refer to the Academic Regulations (http://web5.uottawa.ca/admingov/regulations.html) for information on the Honours bachelor’s with double major and the Honours bachelor’s with major and minor.

French immersion is available when taken as part of an honours degree.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2017-2018 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives) for the previous requirements.

Compulsory course at the 1000 level
SRS 1112 The Religions of the World I 3 Units

Compulsory course at the 2000 level
SRS 2113 The Religions of the World II 3 Units

Compulsory course at the 3000 level
SRS 3102 Method and Theory in the Study of Religion 3 Units

Optional courses
6 course units from: 6 Units
SRS 2191 Sociology of Religion
SRS 2194 Anthropology of Religion
SRS 2351 Psychology of Religion

or
SRS 3353 Contemporary Issues in Psychology of Religion

List A - Spiritualities and Cultures
3 course units from: 3 Units
SRS 2114 Religion and Sexuality
SRS 2172 Religion, Nature and Ecology
SRS 2393 Religion and Death
SRS 2398 Religion and Health
SRS 3100 Religion in a Digital Age
SRS 3110 Religion, Spirituality and Secularism in the Contemporary World
SRS 3112 Sainthood and Heresy
SRS 3113 Religion and Cinema
SRS 3119 Shamanic Traditions
SRS 3130 Pilgrimages, Healings, and Miracles
SRS 3140 Religion, Art and Mythology

List B - Religion, Politics, and Public Policy
3 course units from: 3 Units
SRS 2111 Women and Religions
SRS 2195 Religion and Politics in Global Society
SRS 2386 Religion in Canada from First Contact to Modern Challenges
SRS 3100 Religion in a Digital Age
SRS 3139 Native Peoples and Christianity
SRS 3165 Gender and Religion
SRS 3191 Religion and Globalization
SRS 3385 Religion and Multiculturalism in Canada

List C - Religion in Antiquity
3 course units from: 3 Units
SRS 2170 The World of the Hebrew Bible
SRS 2382 The World of the New Testament
SRS 2383 Religion in Late Antiquity
SRS 3185 Jesus of Nazareth
SRS 3187 The World of the Apocryphal Texts
SRS 3333 Religions of the Graeco-Roman World

12 optional course units in religious studies (SRS) at the 3000 or 4000 level 12 Units
6 optional course units in religious studies (SRS) at the 4000 level 6 Units

Total: 42 Units

Note(s)

1 The number of units at the 3000 level can be reduced according to the number of courses already taken at the 3000 level.