

**RELIGION AND THEOLOGY
(ACADEMIC STUDY OF RELIGION)**

State Code: PR

SECONDARY MAJOR

[* Fall only — ** Spring only — ++ Interim]

- 1. Biblical Foundations Core= 3
- 2. Theological Foundations Core= 3
- 3.* REL 250 - Introduction to the Study of Religion= 3
- 4. REL 255 - World Religions= 3
- 5. IDIS 234 - The Contemporary American Religious Situation= 3
- 6. One elective in Biblical Studies from: REL 211-214, 221-224, 307, 309, 311, 313, 321, 323= 3
- 7. One elective in Theological Studies from: REL 230-235, 237, 241-244, 251-2, 301, 331-3, 341, 343, 345= 3
- 8. Two electives from:.....6-7
 - ART 232 - Early Christian and Byzantine Arts(4)
 - ART 233 - Medieval Art(4)
 - CLASSICS 231 - Classical Mythology(3)
 - **HIST 231 - Ancient Near East(3)
 - **HIST 232 - Hellenistic and Late Antique Near East(3)
 - **HIST 233 - Modern Middle East(3)
 - **PHIL 204 - God and Philosophy.....(3)
 - *PHIL 205 - Ethics(3)
 - **PSYC 399 - Psychology and Religion(3)
 - SOC 153 - Cultural Anthropology(3)
 - An approved Interim course(3)
 - Any of the electives listed in 6. and 7. above.....(3)
- 9. **REL 357 – Seminar in Principles of and Practices in Secondary Religion Teaching= 3

TOTAL = 30 - 31 s. hrs.

This Religion and Theology Major counts as an Academic Studies of Religion minor certifiable by the State of Michigan. This major is for those who want to become high school religion teachers, and requires that you also have another state certifiable major. Since this is a complicated arrangement, make sure you talk with the advisor for this program.

As part of the departmental writing program, religion majors must designate one departmental course (excluding Religion 121, 131, 359, 396) prior to their senior year as writing enriched. This course will include additional writing, a revision component, and intensive evaluation.

REL 357 should be taken prior to and not concurrently with the Directed Teaching semester (EDUC 346). While the Teacher Education Program will attempt to accommodate students who wish to also teach religion during their student teaching experiences, that experience must be completed primarily in each student’s State-certified major.