

Religious Studies Undergraduate

Student Guide



UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

This guide summarizes the basic requirements for a BA in Religious Studies, outlining the various programmes that are available and providing a printable chart for you to plot your progress in your chosen programme.

Student's responsibilities

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Printable Chart with requirements for programmes:

Honours BA with specialization in Religious Studies

Major in Religious Studies

Minor in Religious Studies

STUDENTS' RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the responsibility of all students registering in the Faculty of Arts:

1. to become familiar with the specific requirements for their degree and with the academic regulations;
2. to ensure that the chosen courses meet all the programme requirements and the requirements for graduation;
3. to ensure that they have completed the prerequisite(s) for the courses chosen;
4. to ensure that there are no scheduling conflicts for the courses they have chosen;
5. to meet all the deadlines indicated in the University Calendar

(http://web1.uottawa.ca/uopr/regist/dates_future_en.asp).

SCHEDULING REQUIREMENTS

Students must plan their schedules with care to ensure proper progress through the programme.

AND keep in mind that **required courses may *not* be offered** every year in their preferred language. Plan accordingly.

******SRS4202 & SRS4302******

SRS4202 is a required course for Major and Honours students. Each year it is offered in either French OR English (not both!). If it offered in English this year, it will be offered in French next year. Plan accordingly.

SRS4302 is a required course for Honours students. Each year it is offered in either French OR English (not both!). If it offered in English this year, it will be offered in French next year. Plan accordingly.

Why wait for your 4th year? MAJOR students: Don't hesitate to take **SRS4202** (Methods and Theories in the Study of Religion) in your 3rd year. HONOURS students: Don't hesitate to take **SRS4202** and/or **SRS4302** in your 3rd year.

NOTES ON PREREQUISITES

There are no formal prerequisites for any course in the BA programme of Religious Studies. Nevertheless, students are strongly encouraged to begin with 1000 and 2000 level courses before progressing to the more advanced level courses.

CROSS-LISTED COURSES

SRS2191/SOC2191 Sociology of Religion

SRS2591/SOC2591 Sociologie de la religion

SRS2382/CLA2382 Bible and Culture II: Texts and Traditions of Early Christianity

SRS2782/CLA2782 Bible et culture II: Les textes et les traditions du christianisme des origines

SRS2383/CLA2383 Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity

SRS2783/CLA2783 Juifs et chrétiens de l'Antiquité tardive

SRS3163/CLA3163 Women in Early Christianity

SRS3563/CLA3563 La femme dans le christianisme des origines

SRS3333/CLA3333 Religions of the Graeco-Roman World

SRS3733/CLA3733 Religions du monde gréco-romain

DIRECTED STUDIES COURSES

Directed Studies are courses organized between a student and professor on an individualized basis for the exploration of a specialized topic not available within the courses offered. **Directed Studies are not normally undertaken at the Undergraduate level and are only considered on an exceptional basis.**

OVERSEAS STUDY IN INDIA

Every two years, the Department of Religion offers a 4 week course in India on the topic of Indian religions (with a focus on Jainism). It is designed for advanced undergraduate and graduate students. On students with a demonstrated interest in South Asian Studies will be considered. For more information contact the programme director, Prof. Anne Valley (avallely@uottawa.ca)

SCHOLARSHIPS

The University of Ottawa offers many scholarships to students at the BA level. A "Directory of Undergraduate Awards" is available at Financial Aids Services, located in the University Centre.

The **Religious Studies sector** offers departmental scholarships:

Awards for Year 4

- [Faculty plaque in Classics and Religious Studies](#) (no monetary value). See X for details.
- [Maurice Giroux Scholarship](#) (monetary value varies). See X for details.

CHART YOUR PROGRESS!

Track your progress

PRINT OUT THE GRID
THAT CORRESPONDS
TO YOUR
PROGRAMME.

CHECK OFF THE
COURSES AS YOU
COMPLETE THEM.

*HONOURS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

*MAJOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

*MINOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

HONOURS IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Honours BA with Specialization in Religious Studies

120

Required 6 credits:

- ENG1100 Workshop in Essay Writing (3 cr)
- PHI1101 Reasoning and Critical Thinking (3 cr)

3 credits from:

- ENG1120 Literature and Composition I: Prose Fiction (3 cr)
- ENG1121 Literature and Composition II: Drama and Poetry (3cr)

3 credits from:

- PHI1102 Moral Reasoning (3 cr)
- PHI1103 Fundamental Philosophical Questions (3 cr)
- PHI1104 Great Philosophers (3 cr)

Required 24 credits:

- SRS2112 The Religions of the World I (3cr)
- SRS2113 The Religions of the World II (3cr)
- SRS2191 Sociology of Religion (3cr)
- SRS2194 Anthropology of Religion(3cr)
- SRS2351 Psychology of Religion (3cr)
- SRS4202 Method and Theory in the Study of Religion (6 cr) (*offered in English and French in **alternate** years. Why not take SRS4202 in the **third year?***)
- SRS4302 Text, Context, and History in the Study of Religion (3cr) (*offered in English and French in **alternate** years. Why not take SRS4302 in the **third year?***)

3 credits from:

- SRS2211 Women and Religions (6 cr)
- SRS3163 Women in Early Christianity (3 cr)
- SRS3165 Gender and Religion (3 cr)
- SRS3190 Popular Culture and Religion (3 cr)

3 credits from:

- SRS 2170 Bible and Culture I: Texts and Traditions of Ancient Israel (3 cr)
- SRS2382 Bible and Culture II: Texts and Traditions of Early Christianity(3 cr)
- SRS2383 Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity (3 cr)

3 credits from:

- SRS2115 Religious Ways of the Aboriginal Peoples (3 cr)
- SRS2386 History of Religion in Canada (3 cr)
- SRS3385 Religion and Multiculturalism in Canada (3 cr)

12 optional SRS credits

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15 optional SRS credits at the 3000 or 4000 level¹

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48 elective credits

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18 elective credits PLUS A MINOR

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Note(s)

¹ The number of credits at the 3000 level can be reduced according to the number of courses already taken at the 3000 or 4000 level.

MAJOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Major in Religious Studies

42

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

Required 12 credits:

- SRS2112 The Religions of the World 1 (3 cr)
- SRS2113 The Religions of the World 2 (3 cr)
- SRS4202 Method and Theory in the Study of Religion (6 cr) (*offered in English and French in **alternate** years. Why not take SRS4202 in your **third year?***)

6 credits from:

- SRS2194 Anthropology of Religion (3 cr)
- SRS2351 Psychology of Religion (3 cr)
- SRS2211 Women and Religions (6 cr)

3 credits from:

- SRS2211 Women and Religions (6 cr)
- SRS3163 Women in Early Christianity (3 cr)
- SRS3165 Gender and Religion (3 cr)
- SRS3190 Popular Culture and Religion (3 cr)

3 credits from:

- SRS 2170 Bible and Culture I: Texts and Traditions of Ancient Israel (3 cr)
- SRS2382 Bible and Culture II: Texts and Traditions of Early Christianity
- SRS2383 Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity

3 credits from:

- SRS2115 Religious Ways of the Aboriginal Peoples (3 cr)
- SRS2386 History of Religion in Canada (3 cr)
- SRS3385 Religion and Multiculturalism in Canada (3 cr)

3 optional SRS credits

12 optional SRS credits at the 3000 or 4000 level¹

Note(s)

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

MINOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Minor in Religious Studies

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

Required 6 credits:

- SRS2112 The Religions of the World 1 (3 cr)
- SRS2113 The Religions of the World 2 (3 cr)

Six credits from:¹

- SRS2115 Religious Ways of the Aboriginal Peoples (3 cr)
- SRS2191 Sociology of Religion (3 cr)
- SRS2194 Anthropology of Religion (3 cr)
- SRS2351 Psychology of Religion (3 cr)
- SRS2211 Women and Religions (6 cr)
- SRS 2170 Bible and Culture I: Texts and Traditions of Ancient Israel (3 cr)
- SRS2381 Christianity, Culture and Change (3cr)
- SRS2382 Bible and Culture II: Texts and Traditions of Early Christianity
- SRS2383 Jews and Christians in Late Antiquity
- SRS2386 History of Religion in Canada
- SRS3163 Women in Early Christianity
- SRS3165 Gender and Religion
- SRS3190 Popular Culture and Religion
- SRS3385 Religion and Multiculturalism in Canada

12 optional SRS credits

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Six optional SRS credits at the 3000 level and above¹

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Note(s) The number of credits at the 3000 level can be reduced according to the number of courses already taken at the 3000 level.

