

Religious Studies (RLST)

RLST 3540. Christian Ethics. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 3540

Prerequisite(s): PHIL 1610 and University Advanced Standing

Examines key developments and conceptions in Christian ethics through historical and conceptual methodologies. Explores the relationship between religious and secular approaches to ethics in their approach to questions of war, economics, politics, and/or other relevant issues.

RLST 3610. Introduction to Christian Theology. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 3610

Prerequisite(s): PHIL 1610 and University Advanced Standing

Examines key developments and conceptions in Christian theology through historical and conceptual methodologies.

RLST 3620. Mormon Theology and the Christian Tradition. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 3620

Prerequisite(s): University Advanced Standing

Engages students in exploring the defining features of Mormon thought in relation to the broader Christian tradition. Examines traditional theological questions such as the problem of evil, the scriptural canon, the nature of God and humanity, and the role of ritual.

RLST 3650. Approaches to Religious Studies. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 3650

Prerequisite(s): (PHIL 2050 or PHIL 205H or PHIL 205G or instructor approval) and University Advanced Standing

For students majoring in humanities-related disciplines and other students interested in the academic study of religion. Teaches methodological approaches and critical thinking strategies in the study of religion. Explores various disciplines in their approaches to religious belief and practice. Includes the study of such thinkers as David Hume, Immanuel Kant, Friedrich Schleiermacher, Rudolf Otto, William James, Ludwig Feuerbach, Soren Kierkegaard, Max Weber, Emile Durkheim, John Hick, and Rene Girard.

RLST 366R. Issues in Religious Studies. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 366R

Prerequisite(s): (PHIL 2050 or PHIL 205H or PHIL 205G or instructor approval) and University Advanced Standing

For students majoring in humanities-related disciplines and other students interested in the academic study of religion. Addresses specific topics and theoretical approaches related to religious studies. Topics may include religion and violence, religion and public discourse, religious ritual, etc. Subject matter varies by semester and is repeatable for a total of 9 hours of credit.

RLST 367G. Engaging Religious Diversity. (1-3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 367G

Prerequisite(s): University Advanced Standing

Explores how religious communities engage one another and examines the implications of these interactions for religious conflict, spiritual identity, and the role of religion in societal contexts. Employs the tools from diverse disciplines to study the phenomenon of religious encounter in both historical and contemporary contexts. Investigates theories of religious diversity, American religious history, interreligious leadership practices, and narrative encounters.

RLST 3680. Interreligious Studies Practicum. (3 Credits)

Cross-listed with: PHIL 3680

Prerequisite(s): University Advanced Standing

Corequisite(s): PHIL 367G or RLST 367G

Engages religious, spiritual, and secular diversity through experiential learning opportunities. Explores how religious and worldview diversity affects the ethical, social, civil, and personal dimensions of the human experience. Provides opportunities for students to apply the theories and principles studied in the other Interreligious Studies Certificate courses.