## Religion

This section presents the requirements for programs in:
- Religion B.A. Honours
- Religion B.A. Combined Honours
- Religion B.A.
- Specialization in Global Religions: Identity and Community B.G.In.S. Honours
- Stream in Global Religions: Identity and Community B.G.In.S.
- Minor in Religion

### Program Requirements

#### Religion

**B.A. Honours (20.0 credits)**

A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (8.0 credits)

1. **1.0 credit in Foundations**
   - RELI 1710 [0.5] Judaism, Christianity, Islam
   - RELI 1712 [0.5] Religions of South and East Asia

2. **0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam**
   - RELI 2110 [0.5] Judaism
   - RELI 2200 [0.5] Christianity
   - RELI 2310 [0.5] Islam

3. **0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Hinduism, Buddhism, Religions of China**
   - RELI 2410 [0.5] Buddhism
   - RELI 2510 [0.5] Hinduism
   - RELI 2600 [0.5] Religions of China

4. **0.5 credit from Indigenous Traditions**
   - RELI 2800 [0.5] Indigenous Traditions

5. **1.5 credits in Disciplinary Core Courses**
   - RELI 2741 [0.5] Big Questions in Religious Studies
   - RELI 2742 [0.5] Religion and Violence
   - RELI 3741 [0.5] Classical Approaches to Religion
   - RELI 4741 [0.5] Contemporary Issues in the Study of Religion

6. **0.5 credit in RELI at the 2000 level or above (excluding RELI 2741)**
7. **1.0 credit in RELI at the 3000 level (excluding RELI 3741)**
8. **1.5 credits in RELI at the 4000 level (excluding RELI 4741)**

B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (12.0 credits)

10. **8.0 credits in electives not in RELI**
11. **4.0 credits in free electives (can be in RELI)**

**Total Credits** 20.0

#### Religion

**B.A. Combined Honours (20.0 credits)**

A. Credits Included in the Religion Major CGPA (6.0 credits)

1. **1.0 credit in Foundations**
   - RELI 1710 [0.5] Judaism, Christianity, Islam
   - RELI 1712 [0.5] Religions of South and East Asia

2. **0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam**
   - RELI 2110 [0.5] Judaism
   - RELI 2200 [0.5] Christianity
   - RELI 2310 [0.5] Islam

3. **0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Hinduism, Buddhism, Religions of China**
   - RELI 2410 [0.5] Buddhism
   - RELI 2510 [0.5] Hinduism
   - RELI 2600 [0.5] Religions of China

4. **0.5 credit from Indigenous Traditions**
   - RELI 2800 [0.5] Indigenous Traditions

5. **1.5 credits in Disciplinary Core Courses**
   - RELI 2741 [0.5] Big Questions in Religious Studies
   - RELI 3741 [0.5] Classical Approaches to Religion
   - RELI 4741 [0.5] Contemporary Issues in the Study of Religion

6. **1.0 credit in RELI at the 4000 level (excluding RELI 4741)**

B. Additional Requirements (14.0 credits) 14.0
8. The requirements from the other discipline must be satisfied.
9. Sufficient free electives to make 20.0 credits for the degree.

Total Credits 20.0

Religion
B.A. (15.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (6.0 credits)
1. 1.0 credit in Foundations 1.0
   RELI 1710 [0.5] Judaism, Christianity, Islam
   RELI 1712 [0.5] Religions of South and East Asia
2. 0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam 0.5
   RELI 2110 [0.5] Judaism
   RELI 2200 [0.5] Christianity
   RELI 2310 [0.5] Islam
3. 0.5 credit from Traditions and Contexts: Hinduism, Buddhism, Religions of China 0.5
   RELI 2410 [0.5] Buddhism
   RELI 2510 [0.5] Hinduism
   RELI 2600 [0.5] Religions of China
4. 0.5 credit from Indigenous Traditions 0.5
   RELI 2800 [0.5] Indigenous Traditions
5. 1.5 credits from Comparative and Global Themes 1.5
   RELI 2535 [0.5] Religion and Gender
   RELI 2711 [0.5] Love and Its Myths
   RELI 2712 [0.5] Religious Diversity of Canada
   RELI 2713 [0.5] Mystical and Contemplative Traditions
   RELI 2732 [0.5] Death and Afterlife
   RELI 2736 [0.5] Religion and Society
   RELI 2810 [0.5] Special Topics in Religion and Popular Culture
   RELI 2811 [0.5] Religions and the Environment
   RELI 3000 [0.5] Religion and Public Life
   RELI 3101 [0.5] Special Topics in Religions and the Body
   RELI 3722 [0.5] Religion and Violence
6. 1.0 credit in Disciplinary Core Courses 1.0
   RELI 2741 [0.5] Big Questions in Religious Studies
   RELI 3741 [0.5] Classical Approaches to Religion
7. 1.0 credit in RELI at the 2000-level or above 1.0

B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (9.0 credits)
8. 6.0 credits not in RELI 6.0
9. 3.0 credits in free electives (can be in RELI) 3.0

Total Credits 15.0

Specialization in Global Religions: Identity and Community
B.G.In.S. Honours (20.0 credits)

A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (12.0 credits)
1. 4.5 credits in Core Courses 4.5
   GINS 1000 [0.5] Global History
   GINS 1010 [0.5] International Law and Politics
   GINS 1020 [0.5] Ethnography, Globalization and Culture
   GINS 2000 [0.5] Ethics and Globalization
   GINS 2010 [0.5] Globalization and International Economic Issues
   GINS 2020 [0.5] Global Literatures
   GINS 3010 [0.5] Global and International Theory
   GINS 3020 [0.5] Places, Boundaries, Movements and Global Environmental Change
   GINS 4090 [0.5] Honours Seminar in Global and International Studies
2. 0.0 credit in:
   GINS 1300 [0.0] International Experience Requirement Preparation
3. 7.5 credits in the Specialization 7.5
   a. 1.5 credits in Global Religious Studies Core
      RELI 1741 [0.5] Global Religions: Identity and Community
      RELI 2741 [0.5] Big Questions in Religious Studies
      RELI 3741 [0.5] Classical Approaches to Religion
   b. 1.0 credit from Foundations in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam (no more than 0.5 credit at the 1000 level)
      RELI 1710 [0.5] Judaism, Christianity, Islam
      RELI 2110 [0.5] Judaism
      RELI 2121 [0.5] Hebrew Bible
      RELI 2200 [0.5] Christianity
      RELI 2220 [0.5] Early Christianity
      RELI 2230 [0.5] Global Christianity
      RELI 2310 [0.5] Islam
      RELI 2330 [0.5] The Qur'an
      RELI 2350 [0.5] Classical Islamic Thought
      RELI 2355 [0.5] Islamic Ethics
      RELI 2735 [0.5] Greek Religion
      RELI 2737 [0.5] Roman Religion
   c. 1.0 credit from Foundations in Asian or Indigenous Religions (no more than 0.5 credit at the 1000 level)
      RELI 1712 [0.5] Religions of South and East Asia
      RELI 2410 [0.5] Buddhism
      RELI 2510 [0.5] Hinduism
      RELI 2720 [0.5] Indigenous Religions of Canada
      RELI 2750 [0.5] Sikhism
      RELI 2800 [0.5] Indigenous Traditions
   d. 1.0 credit in Advanced Traditions and Contexts
      RELI 3140 [0.5] The Holocaust: Historical and Religious Dimensions
      RELI 3220 [0.5] Reformation Europe
      RELI 3230 [0.5] Jesus of Nazareth
      RELI 3231 [0.5] Paul of Tarsus
      RELI 3232 [0.5] Christian Discipline
      RELI 3250 [0.5] Evangelical Christianity in Social-Historical Perspective
      RELI 3330 [0.5] Sufism
      RELI 3340 [0.5] The Life and Image of Muhammad
      RELI 3420 [0.5] Early Buddhism
      RELI 3422 [0.5] Buddhism Beyond India
      RELI 3520 [0.5] Early Hinduism
      RELI 3522 [0.5] Modern Hinduism
      RELI 3732 [0.5] Studies in Greek Art
      RELI 3733 [0.5] Studies in Roman Art
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### B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (8.0 credits)

3. 8.0 credits in free electives 8.0

### C. Additional Requirements

5. The International Experience requirement must be met.
6. The Language requirement must be met.

**Total Credits 20.0**

### Stream in Global Religions: Identity and Community

#### B.G.In.S. (15.0 credits)

#### A. Credits Included in the Major CGPA (8.0 credits)

1. 4.0 credits in: Core Courses 4.0

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### B. Credits Not Included in the Major CGPA (7.0 credits)

3. 7.0 credits in free electives 7.0

### C. Additional Requirements

4. The Language requirement must be met.

**Total Credits 15.0**
Minor in Religion (4.0 credits)
Open to all undergraduate degree students not in Religion programs.

Requirements
1. 1.0 credit in 1000-level RELI 1.0
2. 1.0 credit in 2000-level or higher RELI 1.0
3. 1.0 credit in 3000-level or higher RELI 1.0
4. 1.0 credit in RELI 1.0
5. The remaining requirements of the major discipline(s) and degree must be satisfied.

Total Credits 4.0

B.A. Regulations
The regulations presented below apply to all Bachelor of Arts programs. In addition to the requirements presented here, students must satisfy the University regulations common to all undergraduate students including the process of Academic Continuation Evaluation (consult the Academic Regulations of the University section of this Calendar).

First-Year Seminars
B.A. degree students are strongly encouraged to include a First-Year Seminar (FYSM) during their first 4.0 credits of registration. Students are limited to 1.0 credit in FYSM and can only register in a FYSM while they have first-year standing in their B.A. program. Students who have completed the Enriched Support Program (ESP), the Indigenous Enriched Support Program (IESP), or who are required to take a minimum of one English as a Second Language (ESLA) credit are not permitted to register in a FYSM.

Breadth Requirement
Among the credits presented at graduation, students in both the B.A. and the B.A. Honours degrees and B.Co.M.S. are required to include 3.0 breadth credits, which must include 1.0 credit in three of the four breadth areas identified below. Credits that fulfill requirements in the Major, Minor, Concentration, Specialization, or Stream may also be used to fulfill the Breadth Requirement.

Students admitted with a completed university degree are exempt from breadth requirements.

Students in the following interdisciplinary programs are exempt from the B.A. breadth requirement.

- African Studies
- Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Environmental Studies
- Human Rights
- Human Rights and Social Justice

Breadth Area 1: Culture and Communication
American Sign Language, Art History, Art and Culture, Communication and Media Studies, Comparative Literary Studies, Digital Humanities, English, Film Studies, French, Journalism, Media Production and Design, Music, Performance in Public Sphere, and Languages (Arabic, English as a Second Language, German, Greek, Hebrew, Indigenous Languages, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Latin, Mandarin, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish)

Subject codes: ARAB, ARTH, ASLA, CHIN, CLST, COMS, DIGH, ENGL, ESA, FILM, FIN, FREN, GERM, GREK, HEBR, ITAL, JAPA, JOUR, KORE, LANG, LATN, MPAD, MUSI, PIPS, PORT, RUSS, SPAN

Breadth Area 2: Humanities

Subject codes: AFRI, ALDS, ARCY, CNDS, CHST, CLCV, CRST, DBST, DIST, EACH, ECH, HIST, HUMR, HUMS, INDG, LACS, LING, MEMS, PHIL, RELI, SAST, SXST, WGST

Breadth Area 3: Science, Engineering, and Design

Subject codes: ACSE, AERO, ARCC, ARCH, ARCN, ARCS, ARCU, BIOC, BIOL, BIT, CHEM, CIVE, CMPS, COMP, ECOR, ELEC, ENSC, ENVE, ERTH, FOOD, HLTH, IDES, IMD, IRM, ISCI, ISCS, ISYS, ITES, MAEE, MATH, MECH, NET, NEUR, NSCI, OSS, PHYS, PLT, SREE, STAT, SYSC, TSES

Breadth Area 4: Social Sciences

Subject codes: ANTH, BUSI, CGSC, CRCJ, ECON, ENST, GEOG, GEOIM, GINS, GPOL, INAF, IPAF, LAWS, MGDS, PADM, PAPM, POLM, PSCI, PSYC, SOCI, SOWK

Declared and Undeclared Students
Degree students are considered "Undeclared" if they have been admitted to a degree, but have not yet selected and been accepted into a program within that degree. The status "Undeclared" is available only in the B.A. and B.Sc. degrees. Undeclared students must apply to enter a program upon or before completing 3.5 credits.
Change of Program Within the B.A. Degree

To transfer to a program within the B.A. degree, applicants must normally be Eligible to Continue (EC) in the new program, by meeting the CGPA thresholds described in Section 3.1.9 of the Academic Regulations of the University.

Applications to declare or change programs within the B.A. degree online must be made online through Carleton Central by completing a Change of Program Elements (COPE) application form within the published deadlines. Acceptance into a program, or into a program element or option, is subject to any enrollment limitations, as well as specific program, program element, or option requirements as published in the relevant Calendar entry.

Minors, Concentrations, and Specializations

Students may add a Minor, Concentration, or Specialization by completing a Change of Program Elements (COPE) application form online through Carleton Central. Acceptance into a Minor, Concentration, or Specialization normally requires that the student be Eligible to Continue (EC) and is subject to any specific requirements of the intended Minor, Concentration, or Specialization as published in the relevant Calendar entry and in Section 3.1.9 of the Academic Regulations of the University.

Mention : français

Students registered in certain B.A. programs may earn the diploma notation Mention : français by completing part of their program requirements in French, and by demonstrating knowledge of the history and culture of French Canada. The general requirements are listed below. For more specific details, consult the departmental program entries.

Students in a B.A. Honours program must present:

1. 1.0 credit in French language;
2. 1.0 credit devoted to the history and culture of French Canada;
3. 1.0 credit at the 2000- or 3000-level in the Honours discipline taken in French; and
4. 1.0 credit at the 4000-level in the Honours discipline taken in French.

Students in a B.A. program must present:

1. 1.0 credit in advanced French;
2. 1.0 credit devoted to the history and culture of French Canada;
3. 1.0 credit at the 2000- or 3000-level in the Major discipline taken in French.

Students in Combined Honours programs must fulfil the Mention : français requirement in both disciplines.

Courses taught in French (Items 3 and 4, above) may be taken at Carleton, at the University of Ottawa on the Exchange Agreement, or at a francophone university on a Letter of Permission. Students planning to take courses on exchange or on a Letter of Permission should take careful note of the residence requirement for a minimum number of Carleton courses in their programs. Consult the Academic Regulations of the University section of this Calendar for information regarding study on exchange or Letter of Permission.

Admissions Information

Admission Requirements are for the 2022-23 year only, and are based on the Ontario High School System. Holding the minimum admission requirements only establishes eligibility for consideration. The cut-off averages for admission may be considerably higher than the minimum. See also the General Admission and Procedures section of this Calendar. An overall average of at least 70% is normally required to be considered for admission. Some programs may also require specific course prerequisites and prerequisite averages and/or supplementary admission portfolios. Higher averages are required for admission to programs for which the demand for places by qualified applicants exceeds the number of places available. The overall average required for admission is determined each year on a program by program basis. Consult admissions.carleton.ca for further details.

Note: Courses listed as recommended are not mandatory for admission. Students who do not follow the recommendations will not be disadvantaged in the admission process.

Admissions Information

Admission requirements are based on the Ontario High School System. Prospective students can view the admission requirements through the Admissions website at admissions.carleton.ca. The overall average required for admission is determined each year on a program-by-program basis. Holding the minimum admission requirements only establishes eligibility for consideration; higher averages are required for admission to programs for which the demand for places by qualified applicants exceeds the number of places available. All programs have limited enrolment and admission is not guaranteed. Some programs may also require specific course prerequisites and prerequisite averages and/or supplementary admission portfolios. Consult admissions.carleton.ca for further details.

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Admission Requirements

Degrees

• Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) (Honours)
• Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

First Year

For B.A. and B.A. (Honours)

The Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) or equivalent including a minimum of six 4U or M courses. The six 4U or M courses must include a 4U course in English (or anglais). Applicants submitting an English language test to satisfy the requirements of the English Language Proficiency section of this Calendar may
use that test to also satisfy the 4U English prerequisite requirement.

**Biology**
For the major in Biology in the B.A. program, in addition to the 4U English, a 4U course in Chemistry is required. Advanced Functions, and Calculus and Vectors are recommended.

**Advanced Standing**
Applications for admission beyond first year will be assessed on their merits. Applicants must normally be Eligible to Continue in their year level, in addition to meeting the CGPA thresholds described in Section 3.1.9 of the Academic Regulations of the University. Advanced standing will be granted only for those subjects assessed as being appropriate for the program and the stream selected.

**Co-op Option**

**Direct Admission to the 1st Year of the Co-op Option**
Co-op is available for the following Majors in the B.A. (Honours) degree: Anthropology, English, Environmental Studies, European and Russian Studies, French, Geography, Geomatics, History, Law, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology.

Applicants must:

1. meet the required overall admission cut-off average and prerequisite course average. These averages may be higher than the stated minimum requirements;
2. be registered as a full-time student in the Bachelor of Arts Honours with one of the majors listed above;
3. be eligible to work in Canada (for off-campus work placements).

Meeting the above requirements only establishes eligibility for admission to the program. The prevailing job market may limit enrolment in the co-op option. Students should also note that hiring priority is given to Canadian citizens for co-op positions in the Public Service Commission.

**Note:** continuation requirements for students previously admitted to the co-op option and admission requirements for the co-op option after beginning the program are described in the Co-operative Education Regulations section of this Calendar.

**Advanced Standing**

**B.A. and B.A. (Honours) Program**
Applications for admission to the second or subsequent years will be assessed on their merits. Advanced standing will be granted only for those courses that are determined to be appropriate.

**Religion (RELI) Courses**

Language courses RELI 1010 [1.0] Elementary Language Tutorial, RELI 2010 [1.0] Intermediate Language Tutorial and RELI 3010 [1.0] Advanced Language Tutorial are intended for students specializing in a particular religious tradition. They are offered according to the availability of members of the Discipline. Courses taken at the 2000-level or above will be mainly independent study under the supervision of a member of the Discipline. Students interested in taking these courses should consult the Coordinator.

**RELI 1010 [1.0 credit]**

**Elementary Language Tutorial**
Elementary study of the language required for studying a religious tradition.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 1902 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): Major/Minor in Religion or permission of the department.
Tutorial two hours a week.

**RELI 1710 [0.5 credit]**

**Judaism, Christianity, Islam**
A survey of the history, beliefs and practices of these major religious traditions.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for RELI 1000.
Lecture three hours a week.

**RELI 1712 [0.5 credit]**

**Religions of South and East Asia**
A survey of the history, beliefs and practices of South and East Asian religious traditions, including Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Daoism, Confucianism, and Shinto.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 1715, RELI 1716.
Lecture three hours per week.

**RELI 1731 [0.5 credit]**

**Varieties of Religious Experience**
The variety of religious experiences and their interpretations: myth, literature, art and religious doctrine.
Topics include time, self, the other, journey and wisdom.
Examples ranging from shamanistic experience to the abstractions of Buddhist philosophy.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 1205, RELI 1206, RELI 1402, and RELI 2002.
Prerequisite(s): restricted to students registered in the Bachelor of Humanities & Religion program.
Lecture three hours a week.

**RELI 1741 [0.5 credit]**

**Global Religions: Identity and Community**
An introduction to major issues in the study of religion in global contexts, drawing on historical and contemporary examples.
Lecture three hours a week.

**RELI 2010 [1.0 credit]**

**Intermediate Language Tutorial**
Intermediate study of the language required for studying a religious tradition. Restricted to students registered in a Religion program.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 2902 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): RELI 1902 or RELI 1010 or permission of the department.
Tutorial two hours a week.
RELI 2110 [0.5 credit]
Judaism
The history of Judaism and the Jewish people from the Second Temple until the present day. The organization, basic beliefs, social and ethical practices of the Jews and Judaism. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1008 and RELI 2508. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2121 [0.5 credit]
Hebrew Bible
Introduces the Hebrew Bible within historical and religious frameworks. All texts are in English. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3505C taught in 2007-2008. Prerequisite(s): RELI 1710 or RELI 1000 or RELI 2110 or RELI 2508 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2200 [0.5 credit]
Christianity
An introduction to the history, beliefs, traditions, practices, and diversity of Christianity from its beginnings to the present day. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2220 [0.5 credit]
Early Christianity
Introduction to the critical study of the writings of the New Testament with discussion of their Hellenistic and Jewish background, the historical Jesus, Paul and his letters, and historical and sociological explanations for the rise of the early church and interpretation of its writings. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1003, RELI 1200 and RELI 2207. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2230 [0.5 credit]
Global Christianity
Survey of recent and current Christian movements around the world, both by region and thematically, with emphasis on institutions and networks that connect Christian communities across national boundaries. Special consideration is given to the cultural and political capacities of such Christian communities and networks. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2310 [0.5 credit]
Islam
The study of Muslim religious tradition and investigation of its organization, basic beliefs, social and ethical principles and practices. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1009 and RELI 2509. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2350 [0.5 credit]
Classical Islamic Thought
A survey of the development of the central ideas and schools of Islamic theology and philosophy from the eighth century to the end of the seventeenth century CE. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3320 or RELI 3321. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2355 [0.5 credit]
Islamic Ethics
A survey of Muslim ethical writings on the pursuit of virtue and the good life, human nature, individual agency, and moral responsibility. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2410 [0.5 credit]
Buddhism
Basic beliefs and practices of the Buddhist tradition and a brief survey of its development and transformations in India, Sri Lanka, Southeast Asia, Tibet, China and Japan. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1006 and RELI 2106. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2510 [0.5 credit]
Hinduism
Basic beliefs, practices, and social structures of the Hindu tradition as reflected in Hindu scriptures, myths and symbols, and philosophical schools. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1005 and RELI 2005. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2515 [0.5 credit]
Religion and Aesthetics in India
Myths and symbols of the Indian tradition expressed in Hindu and Buddhist art. Hindu theories of beauty and the interface of the arts with the spiritual traditions of India. Precludes additional credit for RELI 2005 (if taken before 2007-2008) and RELI 2008. Prerequisite(s): second-year standing. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2535 [0.5 credit]
Religion and Gender
An exploration of women and religion in historical and contemporary contexts. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2600 [0.5 credit]
Religions of China
Survey of the origins, development, and diffusion of Chinese religious traditions, including Confucianism, Daoism, Chinese Buddhism and popular religion(s). Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Lecture three hours a week.
RELI 2710 [1.0 credit]
Maccabees to Muhammad
The early history, literature and ideas of Judaism, Christianity and Islam from 200 BCE to 750 CE.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 2208.
Prerequisite(s): restricted to students in the Bachelor of Humanities & Religion program.
Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2711 [0.5 credit]
Love and Its Myths
Major devotional movements in Hinduism and Christianity, focusing on the love of the divine and philosophical accounts of these ideas over time.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2712 [0.5 credit]
Religious Diversity of Canada
An historical survey emphasizing the interactions of various religious traditions in Canada, including indigenous religions, Christian missionary and colonial traditions, immigrant and global diaspora religions.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 2307 Section A (2007-2008).
Lectures three hours a week.

RELI 2713 [0.5 credit]
Mystical and Contemplative Traditions
An historical and functional study of mystical experiences in their religious contexts, relying on examples from selected traditions such as the Christian, Buddhist, Hindu, Jewish and Muslim.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 2300.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2720 [0.5 credit]
Indigenous Religions of Canada
Religions of Inuit, First Nations and Métis peoples, past and present. Considerations include concepts of tradition, syncretism and "creative ritual." Primary sources may include textual, visual and oral materials. Course may include fieldwork, as well as in-class presentations by community elders.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2722 [0.5 credit]
Death and Afterlife
The meaning of death and afterlife in some religious traditions and secular philosophies with emphasis on the Hindu teaching of the immortal soul; the Hebraic idea of collective survival; the Christian doctrine of resurrection of the body; the Buddhist conception of no-soul and nirvana.
Precludes additional credit for RELI 2308.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 2735 [0.5 credit]
Greek Religion
A study of religion in ancient Greece.
Also listed as CLCV 2103.
Precludes additional credit for CLCV 2102, RELI 2734, RELI 2102.
Lecture three hours a week.
RELI 2800 [0.5 credit]
Indigenous Traditions
This course illuminates a recent category of “World Religions” by examining cases from all five continents, as well as in diaspora (e.g., Brazilian Candomblé, Roma/Sinti religion). Considerations include the study of minority religions, religion in oral cultures, myth & ritual studies, colonialism, globalization. Precludes additional credit for RELI 1720 (no longer offered). Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2810 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Religion and Popular Culture
Examination of interactions between religion and popular culture in the form of music, film, video games, literature, and other media. Topic and focus will vary year to year; please check departmental website for information. May be repeated for credit when the topic changes. Includes: Experiential Learning Activity Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2811 [0.5 credit]
Religions and the Environment
Attitudes in the major world religions to nature and the environment and recent responses by religious traditions to ecological degradation and crisis. Includes examination of religious sensibilities expressed in environmentalism. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3710. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 2840 [0.5 credit]
Topics in Religion
Content of this course may vary from year to year. Please check departmental website for information on the topic. Precludes additional credit for repeated topics. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3000 [0.5 credit]
Religion and Public Life
This course examines some aspects of the intersection between religion(s) and public life, broadly construed, including social, economic, political, institutional aspects, either in the contemporary world or focused on a particular historical period. Seminar three hours per week.

RELI 3010 [1.0 credit]
Advanced Language Tutorial
Advanced study of the language required for studying a religious tradition. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3902 (no longer offered). Prerequisite(s): RELI 2902 (no longer offered) or RELI 210 or permission of the department. Tutorial two hours a week.

RELI 3101 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Religions and the Body
Discussion of the embodiment of religious ideas in life, law, and practice, for example in food consumption, gender ideologies, sexuality, adornment, and death rituals. Topic will vary year to year; please check departmental website for information. May be repeated for credit when the topic changes. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3130 (no longer offered), RELI 3131 (no longer offered), RELI 3331 (no longer offered), RELI 3734 (no longer offered). Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3140 [0.5 credit]
The Holocaust: Historical and Religious Dimensions
Introduction to the historical and religious dimensions of the Holocaust. The foundations, perpetration and consequences of the Nazi Final Solution through primary sources including survivor testimony will be examined. Also listed as HIST 3714. Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3220 [0.5 credit]
Reformation Europe
A history of the Protestant and Catholic Reformations of the sixteenth century, with emphasis on the theological disputes of the protagonists and the impact of these disputes on the social, political and cultural developments of the era. Also listed as HIST 3708. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3708 (no longer offered). Prerequisite(s): 0.5 credit at the 2000-level in HIST or third-year standing. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3225 [0.5 credit]
Christianity 300-1500
This course examines the development of Christian practices and teachings from late antiquity to early modernity, with a special emphasis on their historical diversity and the complex dynamics of church formation. Students should expect to read (in English) both primary and secondary sources. Precludes additional credit for RELI 2210 (no longer offered), RELI 2225 (no longer offered). Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3226 [0.5 credit]
Christianity 1500-1900
Developments in Christian practices and teachings over the early modern and modern periods, especially in relation to social changes commonly associated with modernity including: urbanization, state formation, industrialization, colonization, the development of capitalist economies. Precludes additional credit for RELI 2210 (no longer offered), RELI 2226 (no longer offered). Lecture three hours a week.
RELI 3230 [0.5 credit]
Jesus of Nazareth
A study of the historical records of the life of Jesus, the methods used to interpret them, and the resulting images of Jesus. Precludes additional credit for RELI 2205, RELI 3208 and RELI 3105. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2207 or RELI 2220 or permission of the department. Lectures three hours a week.

RELI 3231 [0.5 credit]
Paul of Tarsus
The social, religious, and historical context of Paul, the communities he founded, and the letters he wrote to them. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3300 and RELI 3106. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2207 or RELI 2220 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3232 [0.5 credit]
Christian Discipline
An historical survey of key Christian thought and practices at the individual and collective level. Topics may include self-discipline, body discipline, monastic discipline, church discipline and social discipline. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3302 Section "A" taught in 2007-2008. Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the department.

RELI 3250 [0.5 credit]
Evangelical Christianity in Social-Historical Perspective
The development of some protestant Christianities in relation to material factors, such as colonialism, industrial or consumer capitalism, imperialism, and in relation to major ideological trends, such as nationalism, economic or political liberalism and atheism. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3301 [0.5 credit]
Music and Religion
An examination of the integral role music plays in religion and sacred ritual in different world cultures and religions. Through various case studies, the course broadly considers how sacred soundscapes shape people’s worldviews, identities, and experiences within and outside of their communities. Also listed as MUSI 3301. Prerequisite(s): second-year standing. Seminars three hours a week.

RELI 3330 [0.5 credit]
Sufism
An introduction to the main practical and theoretical dimensions of Islam’s mystical tradition as seen through the life and work of its key representatives. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2710 or RELI 2713 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3340 [0.5 credit]
The Life and Image of Muhammad
Overview of the life and teaching of the Prophet Muhammad, and the most salient motifs and features of Muslim devotion to him. Precludes additional credit for RELI 2340. Prerequisite(s): RELI 1710 or RELI 2310 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3360 [0.5 credit]
Special Topics in Islamic Texts & Narratives
A focus on post-Qur’anic Islamic literature and interpretive traditions (e.g. tafsir, hadith); texts and topics will vary from year to year; please check departmental website for information. May be repeated for credit when the topic changes. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2310 or RELI 2330. Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 3420 [0.5 credit]
Early Buddhism
The development of early Buddhist philosophy, psychology and practice with emphasis on the Pali Canon and its commentators. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3215. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2106 or RELI 2410 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3422 [0.5 credit]
Buddhism Beyond India
The rise of the Mahayana and the dissemination and development of Buddhist thought and practice outside of India. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3217. Prerequisite(s): RELI 2106 or RELI 2410 or permission of the department. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3520 [0.5 credit]
Early Hinduism
A historical survey of Hinduism from the Vedic era to the development of devotional Hinduism. Vedic religion and developments in early Hindu Philosophy and sectarian Hinduism. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3015. Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3522 [0.5 credit]
Modern Hinduism
A survey of major developments in Hinduism since the period of colonial British rule. The development of “reform” Hinduism in the 18th and 19th centuries, and the emergence of Hindu nationalist movements in the 20th century. Precludes additional credit for RELI 3007. Lecture three hours a week.
RELI 3722 [0.5 credit]
Religion and Violence
A thematic course that examines putative cases of “religion and violence” from a range of world traditions, but also interrogates aspects of the “religion and violence” rubric itself.
Prerequisite(s): third-year standing or permission of the department.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3732 [0.5 credit]
Studies in Greek Art
A study of period or theme in the art and archaeology of Ancient Greece. Topics may vary from year to year. Also listed as ARTH 3102, CLCV 3306.
Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the unit. Permission of the unit required to repeat.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3733 [0.5 credit]
Studies in Roman Art
A study of a period or theme in the art and archaeology of the ancient Romans. Topics may vary from year to year. Also listed as ARTH 3105, CLCV 3307.
Prerequisite(s): second-year standing or permission of the unit. Permission of the unit required to repeat.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3741 [0.5 credit]
Classical Approaches to Religion
Examination of reflection on the nature and origin of religion from the ancient world up to key figures and founders of the discipline of the systematic, critical, and scientific study of religion in the nineteenth and early twentieth century.
Prerequisite(s): second-year standing.
Lecture three hours per week.

RELI 3840 [0.5 credit]
Topics in Religion
Content of this course may vary from year to year. Please check departmental website for information on the topic.
Precludes additional credit for repeated topics.
Lecture three hours a week.

RELI 3850 [0.5 credit]
Topics in the Study of Religion Abroad
This travel course explores religion in its historical and/or contemporary contexts in a particular geographic locale. Travel destinations, religious traditions studied, course content, and themes vary from year to year.
Prerequisite(s): third year standing and 1.0 credit of study in the area related to the year’s topic religion, and permission of the department. Permission of the department is required to repeat this course.
Hours to be arranged. Costs associated with the course are borne by the student.

RELI 4602 [0.5 credit]
Is Religious Freedom a Human Right?
Legal, theoretical, and theological interconnections between religion and human rights. Evaluation of concepts including religious freedom, secularism, public sphere, accommodation and neutrality. Examination of religion and culture, interdependence of legal and religious perspectives, boundaries of religion and state, and religious compulsion. Use of case study.
Also listed as HUMR 4602, RELI 4602.
Prerequisite(s): LAWS 2908, LAWS 3602, and fourth-year Honours standing.
Seminar

RELI 4741 [0.5 credit]
Contemporary Issues in the Study of Religion
This course engages with the real world implications of late twentieth and twenty-first century scholarship on religion with a focus on applied learning and developing employable skills that facilitate transition from academia to a career.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for RELI 3301, RELI 4301, RELI 4740 (no longer offered).
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the Honours B.A. Religion program, or permission of the department.
Seminar three hours per week.

RELI 4840 [0.5 credit]
Tutorial
A tutorial on a topic in religious studies. Contents of the tutorial to be arranged with the supervising faculty member.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the Honours B.A. Religion program, or permission of the department.

RELI 4850 [0.5 credit]
Seminar in the Study of Religion
Content of this course may vary from year to year. Please consult the departmental website for information on the topic.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Prerequisite(s): fourth-year standing in the Honours B.A. Religion program, or permission of the department.
Also offered at the graduate level, with different requirements, as RELI 5850, for which additional credit is precluded.
Seminar three hours a week.
REL 4990 [1.0 credit]
Honours Research Essay
Honours research paper (approx. 40 pages) is due on the
last day of winter term classes. Written proposal due to the
Proposal Board on the first day of fall term classes. Please
consult department document for full requirements and
information.
Includes: Experiential Learning Activity
Precludes additional credit for RELI 4908 and RELI 4909.
Prerequisite(s): 10.0 CGPA and fourth-year standing in
the Honours B.A. Religion program, or permission of the
department.