CENTER FOR COMPARATIVE AND INTEGRATIVE PROGRAMS

College of Arts and Sciences
Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs
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Undergraduate Programs
• Integrative Studies - B.I.S.
• International Relations - B.A.
• Paralegal Studies - B.A.

Minors
• Ancient, Medieval and Renaissance Studies
• History and Philosophy of Science
• Jewish Studies
• Latin American Studies
• Paralegal Studies
• Religion Studies
• Studies in Globalization, Identity and Space
• World Literature and Cultures

Graduate Programs
• Liberal Studies - L.S.M.

Certificates
Undergraduate Certificates
• Paralegal Studies

Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs Faculty
• Kessler, Chaya (2009), Lecturer, M.A., Youngstown State University, 2005
• Parr, Amanda M. (2013), Assistant Professor, B.A., Kent State University, 2002
• Parr Conroy, Amanda M. (2013), Assistant Professor, B.A., Kent State University, 2002

Arts and Sciences (AS)

AS 10095 SPECIAL TOPICS 1-5 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This program, administered by the dean, is intended to encourage interdisciplinary study to cover areas not treated adequately in traditional coursework and to make available promptly the new and significant experience of the faculty.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-5 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 20071 INTRODUCTION TO GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES 3 Credit Hours
Provides an introduction to the interdisciplinary study of gender and sexuality, with particular focus on the tenents of the field (e.g., intersectionality, anti-oppression, social justice).
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 20095 SPECIAL TOPICS 1-5 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This program, administered by the dean, is intended to encourage interdisciplinary study, to cover areas not treated adequately in traditional coursework and to make available promptly the new and significant experience of the faculty.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-5 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 30092 INTERNSHIP (ELR) 1-12 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a maximum of 12 credit hours) Students participate in internships under the direction of a faculty member.
Prerequisite: special approval.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 3-36 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 30095 SPECIAL TOPICS 1-5 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This program, administered by the dean, is intended to encourage interdisciplinary study to cover areas not treated adequately in traditional coursework and to make available promptly the new and significant experience of the faculty.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-5 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 30171 THEORIES OF GENDER AND SEXUALITY 3 Credit Hours
Provides students the opportunity to explore in finer detail the theories and approaches used in the study of gender and sexuality (including feminisms, queer theory, critical theories, intersectionality, anti-oppression, social justice), and to address the influence of such theoretical approaches in further research on the subjects of gender and sexuality and by informing social change and deliberations by individuals and movements concerning gender and sexuality.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
AS 30195  STUDY ABROAD: SPECIAL TOPICS (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This course may be offered in conjunction with an
academic study abroad opportunity.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Field Experience
Contact Hours: 1-3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 30196  INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Registration requires prior approval from the
college of arts and sciences office.
Prerequisite: special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 30295  STUDY AWAY: SPECIAL TOPICS (ELR)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) This course may be offered in conjunction with an
academic domestic study away opportunity.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Field Experience
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 30798  GENDER AND SEXUALITY RESEARCH FORUM (ELR)  3
Credit Hours
Allows students to do research in areas of gender and sexuality that
connects to their own interests, which will be presented in public settings
such as panels and presentations.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Research
Contact Hours: 1 lecture, 2 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 40095  SPECIAL TOPICS  1-5 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Cross-listed with AS 40095 and AS 70095
This program, administered by the dean, is intended to encourage
interdisciplinary study, to cover areas not treated adequately in traditional
coursework and to make available promptly the new and significant
experience of the faculty.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 41099  CAPSTONE IN GENDER AND SEXUALITY STUDIES (ELR)  3
Credit Hours
Students will be expected to design and implement an individualized
exploration that demonstrates the interactions of theory and application,
ideas and practice, and is reflective of the tenets of the interdisciplinary
field of gender and sexuality.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture, Research
Contact Hours: 1 lecture, 2 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 43001  LEGAL INFORMATION SOURCES AND SERVICES  3 Credit
Hours
(Cross-listed with AS 53001 and AS 73001 and LIS 60619 and LIS 80619)
Fundamentals of legal research methods and major sources of American
legal literature in print and electronic formats as used in other disciplines.
Students learn how to formulate a research plan based on legal analysis
of issues using relevant, authoritative legal resources.
Prerequisite: senior standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 50096  INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Cross-listed with AS 40095 and AS 70095)
Topic to be announced in the schedule of classes booklet. Repeated
registration permitted when content varies.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing and special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 53001  LEGAL INFORMATION SOURCES AND SERVICES  3 Credit
Hours
(Cross-listed with AS 43001 and AS 73001 and LIS 60619 and LIS 80619)
Fundamentals of legal research methods and major sources of American
legal literature in print and electronic formats as used in other disciplines.
Students learn how to formulate a research plan based on legal analysis
of issues using relevant, authoritative legal resources.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 61000  INTRODUCTION TO LIBERAL STUDIES  2 Credit Hours
Introduction to graduate-level interdisciplinary studies. The specific
subjects covered are chosen by the instructor, and so may vary.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 2 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 61001  LIBERAL STUDIES RESEARCH PAPER  1 Credit Hour
Learning to write a graduate-level research paper.
Prerequisite: graduate standing and special approval.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 1 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 61005  LIBERAL STUDIES SEMINAR  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) An interdisciplinary seminar designed for
candidates in the liberal studies program. Topics will vary.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Jewish Studies (JWST)

JWST 11001 INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH STUDIES  3 Credit Hours
Introductory exploration and examination of the diversity of Jewish life, culture, religion and society from antiquity to the present.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

JWST 20011 INTRODUCTION TO THE HEBREW BIBLE OR OLD TESTAMENT  3 Credit Hours
Introduces students to the modern study of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) and the history and religion of ancient Israel. Designed to help students to understand the development of the Hebrew Bible in its ancient context. The course approaches the Hebrew Bible from historical, comparative, literary, anthropological and archeological perspectives in an effort to illuminate the world of its authors. No prior knowledge of the Bible, Judaism or Christianity is required.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

JWST 30092 INTERNSHIP IN JEWISH STUDIES (ELR)  3-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Internship in Jewish studies.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 9-18 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

JWST 30100 JEWISH WOMEN IN THE MODERN WORLD  3 Credit Hours
This course explores the lives and experiences of Jewish women from diverse communities and traditions, in relation to a wide array of divergent cultural contexts within the modern world.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

JWST 30200 JEWS, BASEBALL AND AMERICAN SPORTS  3 Credit Hours
The course chronicles the experience of Jewish players and performers in American sports. The course explores the issues of religious and ethnic prejudice that Jewish athletes endured, challenged and overcame.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

JWST 30300 CHILDREN OF THE HOLOCAUST: PERPETRATORS AND VICTIMS  3 Credit Hours
This course will examine the dramatic effect on children who got caught up in the Holocaust (whether as victims, perpetrators, heroes, rescuers or survivors) and the impact these children had on the Holocaust and on history.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Integrative Studies (IGST)

IGST 40099 SENIOR PROJECT (ELR) (WIC)  1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable twice for credit) Senior Project is a thesis or independent study done under the supervision of a faculty advisor. Students need written approval of faculty advisor, faculty member's unit, or director of the Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs in order to enroll in this course.
Prerequisite: Senior standing in a multidisciplinary program in the Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs; and special approval.
Schedule Type: Senior Project/Honors Thesis
Contact Hours: 1-3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement, Writing Intensive Course

IGST 40192 INTERNSHIP IN INTEGRATIVE STUDIES (ELR)  3-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Internship.
Prerequisite: Special approval from the Director of the Center for Comparative and Integrative Programs.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 9-18 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement

AS 61098 LIBERAL STUDIES ESSAY  3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) The preparation of an essay of approximately 50 pages on a topic related to the student's program of study for the Master of Liberal Studies degree.
Prerequisite: Graduate standing and special approval.
Schedule Type: Research
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory-IP

AS 70095 SPECIAL TOPICS  1-5 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) (Cross-listed with AS 40095 and AS 50095) Topic to be announced in the schedule of classes booklet.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing; special approval.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 1-5 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 70096 INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION  1-6 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Pursuit of a subject matter beyond normal course coverage, supervised by a graduate faculty member.
Prerequisite: Doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 1-6 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

AS 73001 LEGAL INFORMATION SOURCES AND SERVICES  3 Credit Hours
(Cross-listed with AS 43001 and AS 53001 and LIS 60619 and LIS 80619) Fundamentals of legal research methods and major sources of American legal literature in print and electronic formats as used in other disciplines. Students learn how to formulate a research plan based on legal analysis of issues using relevant, authoritative legal resources.
Prerequisite: doctoral standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Paralegal Studies (PLST)

PLST 18000 INTRODUCTION TO PARALEGAL STUDIES AND PROFESSIONAL ETHICS 3 Credit Hours
An overview of the legal system and the role of a paralegal professional. Includes legal terminology, types of laws, research, litigation, interviewing and office management.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 28001 LEGAL RESEARCH AND WRITING 3 Credit Hours
In-depth analysis of the legal research process, development of legal writing skills, opportunities to utilize research and writing skills are integrated into the course.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 28003 FAMILY LAW AND PROCEDURE 3 Credit Hours
Designed to acquaint the student with family law substance and practice. Covers definitions, terminology, topical areas and the philosophy underlying family law practice.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 28004 PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF LITIGATION 3 Credit Hours
Provides an introduction to the rules of civil procedure, statutes of limitation, and discovery. Included in this course is a discussion of the role of the paralegal in preparation for litigation.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 28007 ESTATE AND PROBATE ADMINISTRATION 3 Credit Hours
A study of legal principles applicable to wills, organization and jurisdiction of probate court, estate administration in probate and tax considerations in estate administration.
Prerequisite: PLST 18000.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 35001 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW FOR PARALEGALS 3 Credit Hours
Acquaints the student with the various federal and state statutes, administrative rules and case law that govern environmental regulation. International environmental law is also studied.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 35003 HEALTH LAW 3 Credit Hours
Makes the student familiar with legal topics in the field of health care including federal and state statutes governing the health care industry in the United States. Specific topics include insurance, privacy, malpractice, fraud, Medicare, Medicaid, health records, labor law-related issues and clinical research.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 35005 LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW FOR PARALEGALS 3 Credit Hours
Provides a foundation in the areas of labor law, employment law, and employment discrimination law. Requires in-depth study of constitutional, statutory, administrative, and case law at both the federal and state level.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 35007 ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES LAW 3 Credit Hours
Accquaints the student with the various sources of law that govern energy production and the harvesting of natural resources in the United States. Statutory, administrative, and case law at the federal and state levels are explored.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 36792 INTERNSHIP IN PARALEGAL (ELR) 3-12 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Work experience under direction of supervising faculty member in the following entities: private law firms, legal service/ legal aid offices, law departments or corporations and government agencies.
Prerequisite: PLST 18000 and 28001 and 28004.
Schedule Type: Practicum or Internship
Contact Hours: 21-84 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Experiential Learning Requirement
PLST 38005  TORT LAW  3 Credit Hours
Focus is on tort and personal injury law. Specific topics include intentional torts, negligent torts, strict liability, vicarious liability, product liability and business torts. Defenses to tort and product liability are also discussed.
Prerequisite: sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 38006  APPLIED LEGAL RESEARCH AND LITIGATION (WIC)  3 Credit Hours
Provides for intense case analysis and preparation of argumentative memorandum, including writing of factual memorandum, file summaries and advocacy letters.
Prerequisite: PLST 28001.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Writing Intensive Course

PLST 42701  EVIDENCE AND E-DISCOVERY  3 Credit Hours
Addresses the various issues concerning the use of evidence in the pre-trial, trial, and post-trial phases of litigation. The course will address the traditional rules and issues associated with litigation practice as well as the new issues concerning electronic discovery of evidence and the use of that evidence.
Prerequisite: PLST 28001; and PLST 28004.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 42705  BANKRUPTCY LAW I: BASIC FUNDAMENTALS  3 Credit Hours
Provides an outlay of the fundamentals of bankruptcy law including the basic rules of the Chapter 7, Chapter 11, and Chapter 13 forms of bankruptcy. This course will also cover other topics such as the bankruptcy petition, the role of the bankruptcy trustee, and discharge from bankruptcy.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 42706  BANKRUPTCY LAW II: CREDITOR-DEBTOR RELATIONS  3 Credit Hours
Addresses issues not addressed in PLST 42705 including Chapter 9, Chapter 12, and Chapter 15 bankruptcy as well as the problems associated with gaining and collecting on a judgment. International bankruptcy issues will also be addressed.
Prerequisite: PLST 42705.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 42708  REAL ESTATE LAW  3 Credit Hours
Provides a general outlay of real estate law in the United States. Students will learn the substantive and procedural aspects of gaining and protecting property rights. Real estate contracts, financing, zoning, and landlord-tenant issues will also be covered.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 42709  LANDLORD-TENANT RELATIONS  3 Credit Hours
Real estate contracts, financing, zoning, and landlord-tenant issues will also be covered. Protecting property rights. Real estate contracts, financing, zoning, and landlord-tenant issues will also be discussed.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 42710  INTERNATIONAL BANKRUPTCY  3 Credit Hours
Bankruptcy issues will also be addressed. Associated with gaining and collecting on a judgment. International issues concerning registration, use, and trade agreements are also covered.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48002  CONTRACT LAW  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 58002) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of basic contract law as such related to contract information, performance and remedies. Also intended to familiarize the student with the sources of law that define contracts with an emphasis on reading and understanding case law. The student also develops a vocabulary of legal terms so that the student may assist the legal practitioner in the representation of clients in business transactions and in disputes.
Prerequisite: sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48300  LAW OF CORPORATIONS AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS  3 Credit Hours
Covers the formation, operation and dissolution of various kinds of business organizations. Subjects covered include sole proprietorships, corporations, partnerships, the law of agency and employment agreements.
Prerequisite: sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48401  PATENT LAW  3 Credit Hours
Provides the student with an in-depth analysis of the law pertaining to patents, stressing the ability of the owner to protect their rights through filing, registration and use. International issues concerning registration, use, and trade agreements are also covered.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48403  PATENT PROSECUTION  3 Credit Hours
Students learn to craft patent claims in various types of patent applications that would be submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Students also learn the mechanics of various types of patent applications including traditional applications, provisional applications, divisional applications and continuing applications. Students also gain an understanding of the various post-grant proceedings.
Prerequisite: PLST 48401 and Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48404  COPYRIGHT LAW I  3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 58404) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of the foundations of the law pertaining to copyrights. Stresses the ability of the owner to protect such rights through use and registration. Also discusses the links to patent law, trademark law and the law of trade secrets.
Prerequisite: Sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

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PLST 48407 TRADEMARK LAW 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 58407) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of the law pertaining to trademarks and trade secrets. Stresses the ability of the owner to protect such rights through use and registration. Also discusses the links to patent law and copyright law.
Prerequisite: sophomore standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48408 TRADEMARK PROSECUTION 3 Credit Hours
Covers the substantive and procedural aspects of trademark prosecution at the state, federal, and international levels. Special attention will be paid to the topics of drafting the trademark application and conducting searches of existing trademarks in the United States and abroad.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 58002 CONTRACT LAW 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 48002) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of basic contract law as such related to contact information, performance and remedies. Also intended to familiarize the student with the sources of law that define contracts with an emphasis on reading and understanding case law. The student also develops a vocabulary of legal terms so that the student may assist the legal practitioner in the representation of clients in business transactions and in disputes.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 58404 COPYRIGHT LAW I 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 48404) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of the foundations of the law pertaining to copyrights. Stress the ability of the owner to protect such rights through use and registration. Also discusses the links to patent law, trademark law and the law of trade secrets.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

PLST 48407 TRADEMARK LAW 3 Credit Hours
(Slashed with PLST 48407) Intended to provide the student with an in-depth analysis of the law pertaining to trademarks and trade secrets. The course will stress the ability of the owner to protect such rights through use and registration. The course will also discuss the links to patent law and copyright law.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

Religion (REL)

REL 11020 INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM) 3 Credit Hours
A study of the religious impulse as it manifests itself in the plurality of beliefs, practices and institutions of the world religions.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global, Experiential Learning Requirement, Kent Core Humanities, Transfer Module Humanities

REL 12020 INTRODUCTION TO NEW TESTAMENT LITERATURE 3 Credit Hours
This course introduces students to the literature of the New Testament and to the early Christian communities in which the works were formulated. Of focused interest will be the critical study of the content of the texts, with close consideration of the historical and literary influences on the composition and reception of the gospel traditions as regards their presentations of the life, ministry and person of Jesus, and the letters of Paul. The post-Pauline pastoral epistles, and various later works included in the collection will be briefly examined.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 21021 MOSES, JESUS AND MOHAMMAD (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM) 3 Credit Hours
An in-depth exploration of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, considering the circumstances of each tradition’s beginnings, the influence of the identified founder, and the cultural diversities evident in the history of each of the distinctive religious traditions, as well as the interconnectedness and influence of each of three religions upon the others. The course will conclude with a consideration of the contemporary situations faced by the traditions including their engagements with modernity and one another as global historic traditions in a changing world.
Prerequisite: none.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
Attributes: Diversity Global, Experiential Learning Requirement, Kent Core Humanities, Transfer Module Humanities

REL 31065 COMPARATIVE RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE 3 Credit Hours
Examination of the phenomena of religious experience, its structure, ramifications and expression in myth and ritual.
Prerequisite: REL 11020 or REL 21021.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter
REL 31075 RELIGION AND WOMEN 3 Credit Hours
This course serves to provide students with an opportunity to examine the status of women as concerns authoritative texts, politics, doctrines, and institutions through the critical study of the history, texts and artifacts of selected traditional religions with the use of multidisciplinary and cross-cultural approaches concerning the experience, contributions, topics and status of women both historically and in contemporary contexts.
Prerequisite: None.
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 31091 SEMINAR: RELIGION IN THE MODERN WORLD 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for maximum 6 credit hours) An inquiry into the influences of modernity in the conception, valuation and/or interpretation of religious convictions, beliefs, symbolizations, institutions and artifacts (including texts). Students with junior standing should contact the director of the Religion Studies program for a pre-requisite override, if necessary.
Prerequisite: REL 11020 or REL 21021.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 40095 SPECIAL TOPICS IN RELIGION STUDIES 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit when topics vary) Special topics seminar in religion studies.
Prerequisite: Junior standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 40096 INDIVIDUAL INVESTIGATION 1-3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for credit) Individual investigation in religion studies.
Prerequisite: Special approval.
Schedule Type: Individual Investigation
Contact Hours: 3-9 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 41010 RELIGION VIOLENCE AND TERROR 3 Credit Hours
The course explores a variety of religions focusing on the themes of violence and terror. The examination employs different academic approaches to selected historic examples and their underlying causes.
Prerequisites: REL 11020 or REL 21021
Schedule Type: Lecture
Contact Hours: 3 lecture
Grade Mode: Standard Letter

REL 51091 SEMINAR IN ADVANCED COMPARATIVE RELIGION 3 Credit Hours
(Repeatable for a maximum of 6 credit hours) An advanced examination of pivotal issues, schools and theorists in the study of religion and the future of comparative studies. Variable content.
Prerequisite: graduate standing.
Schedule Type: Seminar
Contact Hours: 3 other
Grade Mode: Standard Letter