

# RELIGION STUDIES - MINOR

**College of Arts and Sciences**  
 School of Multidisciplinary Social Sciences and Humanities  
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## Fully Offered

- **Delivery:**
  - In person
- **Location:**
  - Kent Campus

## Description

The Religion Studies minor provides students the opportunity to study religion by means of a diversity of academic disciplinary approaches in relation to religious thought and practice evident in the diversity of religions and religious phenomena in the world. The curriculum prepares students for critical inquiry in religion with advanced course work drawn from a variety of disciplines in the humanities, social sciences and the arts.

## Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

## Program Requirements

### Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Minor Requirements</b>		
REL 11020	INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM)	3
or REL 21021	MOSES, JESUS AND MOHAMMAD (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM)	
Comparative Religion Electives, choose from the following:		6
REL 31065	COMPARATIVE RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE	
REL 41091	SEMINAR IN ADVANCED COMPARATIVE RELIGION	
REL 42091	RELIGION IN THE MODERN WORLD	
Disciplinary Approach Electives, choose from the following:		3
ANTH 48150	RELIGION: A SEARCH FOR A MEANING	
PACS 32030	INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION (DIVG)	
PACS 32040	CROSS-CULTURAL CONFLICT MANAGEMENT (DIVG)	
PACS 41010	RECONCILIATION VERSUS REVENGE: TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE (DIVG) (WIC)	
PHIL 31075	PHILOSOPHY AND CULTURE (DIVG)	
SOC 42561	SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION	

Minor Electives, choose from the following:		6
AFS 15200	INTRODUCTION TO WEST AFRICAN CULTURES	
AFS 23310	NATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES	
AFS 25200	EAST AFRICAN-KISWAHILI CULTURES	
AFS 34000	INTRODUCTION TO AFRICAN WORLD VIEW (DIVG)	
AFS 34100	ISLAMIC WEST AFRICA	
AFS 43200	MALCOLM AND MARTIN	
ANTH 48150	RELIGION: A SEARCH FOR A MEANING	
ARAB 21401	ARAB CULTURES	
ARTH 22006	ART HISTORY: ANCIENT TO MEDIEVAL ART (KFA)	
ARTH 22007	ART HISTORY: RENAISSANCE TO MODERN ART (KFA)	
ARTH 42025	ART OF WEST AFRICA (DIVG)	
ARTH 42036	MEDIEVAL ART	
ARTH 42041	ITALIAN RENAISSANCE ART	
CLAS 21405	THE ROMAN ACHIEVEMENT (DIVG) (KHUM)	
CLAS 41301	CLASSICAL MYTHOLOGY	
CLAS 41401	GREEK ARCHAEOLOGY AND ART	
CLAS 41402	ROMAN ARCHAEOLOGY AND ART	
CLAS 41404	ANCIENT CHRISTIANITIES	
ENG 34041	FAIRY TALES	
ENG 35201	THE BIBLE AS LITERATURE	
GEOG 22040	INTRODUCTION TO GLOBAL TOURISM (DIVG)	
GEOG 22061	HUMAN GEOGRAPHY (DIVG) (KSS)	
HIST 31031	THE PROTESTANT AND CATHOLIC REFORMATIONS	
HIST 31112	CHINESE CIVILIZATION	
HIST 31130	HISTORY OF PRE-COLONIAL AFRICA TO 1880	
HIST 41071	AMERICAN SOCIAL AND INTELLECTUAL HISTORY, 1876-PRESENT (DIVD)	
HIST 41129	THE HOLOCAUST: THE DESTRUCTION OF EUROPEAN JEWRY, 1938-1945	
JWST 11001	INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH STUDIES	
PACS 32030	INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION (DIVG)	
PACS 32040	CROSS-CULTURAL CONFLICT MANAGEMENT (DIVG)	
PACS 41010	RECONCILIATION VERSUS REVENGE: TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE (DIVG) (WIC)	
PHIL 31001	ANCIENT GREEK PHILOSOPHY (WIC)	
PHIL 31002	MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY (WIC)	
PHIL 31072	AMERICAN INDIAN PHILOSOPHIES (DIVD)	
PHIL 41010	PROBLEMS IN THE PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION	
PHIL 41091	SEMINAR IN WORLD PHILOSOPHY	
PHIL 41491	SEMINAR IN ASIAN PHILOSOPHY (DIVG)	
POL 10004	COMPARATIVE POLITICS (DIVG) (KSS)	
POL 10500	WORLD POLITICS (DIVG) (KSS)	
POL 30520	EUROPEAN POLITICS (DIVG)	
POL 30530	ASIAN POLITICS (DIVG)	
POL 30540	AFRICAN POLITICS (DIVG)	
POL 30550	LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS (DIVG)	
POL 30560	MIDDLE EAST POLITICS (DIVG)	
REL 11020	INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM) <sup>1</sup>	
REL 12020	INTRODUCTION TO NEW TESTAMENT LITERATURE	

REL 21021	MOSES, JESUS AND MOHAMMAD (DIVG) (ELR) (KHUM) <sup>1</sup>
REL 31065	COMPARATIVE RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE <sup>1</sup>
REL 31075	RELIGION AND WOMEN
REL 41010	RELIGION, VIOLENCE AND TERROR
REL 41091	SEMINAR IN ADVANCED COMPARATIVE RELIGION <sup>1</sup>
REL 42091	RELIGION IN THE MODERN WORLD
SOC 42561	SOCIOLOGY OF RELIGION
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<b>Minimum Total Credit Hours:</b>	<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> Courses can only be applied to minor requirements once. These courses may not be selected as electives if chosen to fulfill a requirement listed above.

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## Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- Students must complete at least two upper-division (30000 or 40000 level) courses in the minor at Kent State on a graded basis (A-F).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).