

B.A. in World Religions

Academic Program Guide for **New First-Year Students** (Effective Fall 2021) Department of Philosophy and World Religions (religion@rowan.edu)

Students who entered Rowan University prior to Fall 2018 should follow the guide for their program and start year in consultation with their advisor.

Rowan University Graduation Requirements for all Majors / Degrees

- Students must complete at least 120 semester hours (sh) of coursework that apply to their Rowan University degree.
- Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in Rowan University coursework. (Transfer courses/credit do not count toward the RUGPA.)
- A minimum of 30 sh of coursework must be completed at/through Rowan University.
- Only grades of "D-" or above may apply to graduation/degree requirements. (Some programs may set higher minimums.)
- Students must meet the Rowan Core and Rowan Experience Requirements.
 - An individual course can potentially satisfy one Rowan Core literacy and/or multiple Rowan Experience attributes.
 - Rowan Core and Rowan Experience designations are listed in course details in Section Tally (www.rowan.edu/registrar) and may also be searched on that site under "Attributes." A list of Rowan Core courses is here: <https://confluence.rowan.edu/display/AS/Rowan+Core+Course+List>.
- Students must apply for graduation and should do so for the term in which they will complete all program requirements.

Program-Specific Graduation Requirements for this Major / Degree

- Only courses taken as free electives can be taken on a P/NC basis.

Rowan Core Requirements¹

Students must satisfy all six Rowan Core Literacies. A minimum total of 3 sh of coursework is required to satisfy each Literacy. With the exception of the 9 sh counted here for Communicative Literacy, credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (COML) Communicative Literacy: *Must be met by the following three courses or their official equivalents:*
 - COMP 01111 College Composition I (3 sh) COMP 01112 College Composition II (3 sh) CMS 04205 Public Speaking (3 sh)
 - (ARTL) Artistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
 - (GLBL) Global Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
 - (HUML) Humanistic Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
 - (QNTL) Quantitative Literacy *Recommendation from major:*
 - (SCIL) Scientific Literacy *Recommendation from major:*

Subtotal of credits counted in this section: 9 sh

Rowan Experience Requirements

Students must satisfy all three Rowan Experience attributes. Credits attached to the courses in this section will apply elsewhere.

- (LIT) Broad-Based Literature Attribute *Recommendation from major:*
- (WI) Writing Intensive Attribute *Recommendation from major:* PHIL 09120 or PHIL 09121 (3 sh counted under major)
- (RS) Rowan Seminar Attribute² *Recommendation from major:*

Non-Program Courses (minimum 18 sh)

Courses in this section must be either: Rowan Core (or former gen. ed.) courses; Rowan Experience courses; or required pre-requisites (not included in the major).

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|------------------------|-------------|--|--------|-------|---------|
| Experiential Learning | | Must choose one course from the bank of experiential learning courses below. | | | 0-6 |
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| Subtotal: 18 sh | | | | | |

¹The Rowan Core requirements are waived for transfer students with an earned A.A. or A.S. degree from a NJ community/county college.

²The Rowan Seminar requirement is waived for all students transferring 24 or more approved credits into Rowan University at the time of initial entry.

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Experiential Learning

Choose one course from the following bank of experiential learning courses.

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| <input type="radio"/> AFST 11310: Service Learning Seminar in Africana Studies | <input type="radio"/> INCL 02310: STREAM 1: Social Studies, ELA, & the Arts in the Inclusive Classroom |
| <input type="radio"/> AFST 11350: Topics in Africana Studies: Model African Union | <input type="radio"/> INTR 01470: Semester Abroad |
| <input type="radio"/> ANTH 02290: Museum Studies | <input type="radio"/> INTR 20390: Interdisciplinary Case Studies in the Liberal Arts |
| <input type="radio"/> ANTH 02295: Introduction to Qualitative Research | <input type="radio"/> INTR 20395: Experiential Learning in the Humanities & Social Sciences |
| <input type="radio"/> ANTH 02315: Forensic Anthropology | <input type="radio"/> INTR 20399: Internship in the Applied Liberal Arts |
| <input type="radio"/> ANTH 02320: Archeological Field Methods | <input type="radio"/> IS 25350: Special Topics in International Studies: Model United Nations |
| <input type="radio"/> DPEM 43495: Internship in Disaster Preparedness & Emergency Management | <input type="radio"/> LAWJ 05356: Criminal Justice Internship I |
| <input type="radio"/> ECED 23320: Building Brains: Resilience and Competency | <input type="radio"/> LAWJ 05357: Criminal Justice Internship II |
| <input type="radio"/> ECON 04410: Internship in Economics | <input type="radio"/> SMED 40450: Schools and Society |
| <input type="radio"/> EDPA 02490: Public Service Internship | <input type="radio"/> SOC 08377: Field Research Experience |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05378: Special Topics: History of Camden | <input type="radio"/> SOC 08494: Field Experience in Sociology |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05495: Internship in History | <input type="radio"/> SPAN 05452: Internship in Spanish |
| <input type="radio"/> HSRV 01350: Field Experience I, II, or III | <input type="radio"/> SPAN 05499: Study Abroad |

Major Requirements (30 sh)

SUMMARY OF MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

- 3 sh of Foundational Courses
 - 9-15 sh of Hundred- and Mid-Level Courses (among 24 sh of all Introductory- and Mid-Level, and Upper-Level courses)
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 - 3 sh of Capstone
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- 30 sh total

FOUNDATIONAL COURSES

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|---------|
| REL 10100 | World Religions | | | | 3 |
| Subtotal: 3 sh | | | | | |

INTRODUCTORY AND MID-LEVEL COURSES

Choose at least two department Religion courses (one must be a non-Western course course):

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
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| <input type="radio"/> REL 10150 | Religion on Film | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10210 | Religion in America | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10214 | Religions of the Western World | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10230 OR PHIL 09231 | Religions of Asia OR Asian Thought | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10240 | Introduction to Bible | | | | 3 |

Choose one Methodological course (Approaches to Religion Studies preferred):

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|---------|
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10220 | Approaches to Religion | recommended | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> PHRE 11200 | Philosophy of Religion | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> SOC 08322 | Sociology of Religion | | | | 3 |
| Subtotal: 9-15 sh | | | | | |

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UPPER LEVEL COURSES

- 3 Upper level classes required
- 2 Upper level classes must be from Departmental Bank
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Departmental Upper-level courses

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--------|-------|---------|
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10301 | Judaism | Pre-req: One PHIL or REL or PHRE course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10320 | Christianity | Pre-req: One PHIL or REL or PHRE course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> PHRE 11310 | Buddhism | Pre-req: One PHIL or REL or PHRE course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> PHRE 11330 | Daoism | Pre-req: One PHIL or REL or PHRE course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10330 | Spirituality and Nature | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10335 | Sex and the Bible | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10340 | Topics in World Religions | Pre-req: One PHIL, PHRE, OR REL course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> REL 10350 | Spirituality and Healing | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> PHRE 11360 | Ethics in and out of Religions | Pre-req: One PHIL course OR One REL course OR One PHRE course | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> PHRE 11440 | Topics in Philosophy and World Religions | Pre-req: Prior completion of 1 PHIL, PHRE, OR REL course | | | 3 |

Optional Non-Departmental Upper-Level Courses (1 Upper level can be from this bank)

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--------|-------|---------|
| <input type="radio"/> ANTH 02323 | Magic and Religion | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05383 | Islamic Civilization | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05311 | Renaissance and Reformation | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05417 | Women in Islam | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> HIST 05444 | Islamic Movements | | | | 3 |
| <input type="radio"/> SOC 08365 | Contemporary Jewish Life | | | | 3 |

CAPSTONE

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--------|-------|---------|
| REL 10450 | Senior Seminar in World Religions | Pre-req: 12 s.h. of REL or PHRE courses | | | 3 |
| | Career Event requirement | Attend at least 2 career events | | | 0 |
| Subtotal: 3 sh | | | | | |

Free Electives for this Major/Degree (63 sh)

Students should choose Free Electives that satisfy any Rowan Core, Rowan Experience, or Experiential Learning requirements that are not fulfilled by Major or Non-Program courses.

| Course # | Course Name | Course Attributes / Notes | Sem/Yr | Grade | Credits |
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Subtotal: 63 sh

Total Program Credits Required for this Major/Degree: 120 SH