RELGIOUS STUDIES MINOR

Curriculum
A minor in Religious Studies requires 6 courses taken from within the Theology department. In addition to the three required Core-level courses, three electives must be taken at the 300 level. Students must study at least two (2) major world religions and take a range of other courses. Each program is individually tailored to fit the student’s plans in consultation with the Director of Minors.

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Select three core-level courses from the following:

- **Doctrine:**
  - THEO 100 Christian Theology
  - THEO 265 Sacraments and the Christian Imagination
  - THEO 266 Church & Global Cultures
  - THEO 267 Jesus Christ

- **Christian Life and Practice:**
  - THEO 185 Christian Ethics
  - THEO 186 Global Religious Ethics
  - THEO 192 Topics in Moral Problems
  - THEO 203 Social Justice and Injustice
  - THEO 204 Religious Ethics and the Ecological Crisis
  - THEO 293 Christian Marriage

- **Biblical Literature:**
  - THEO 231 Hebrew Bible/Old Testament
  - THEO 232 New Testament

- **Religious Traditions and Practices:**
  - THEO 107 Introduction to Religious Studies
  - THEO 272 Judaism
  - THEO 278 Religion & Gender
  - THEO 279 Roman Catholicism
  - THEO 281 Christianity Through Time
  - THEO 282 Hinduism
  - THEO 295 Islam
  - THEO 297 Buddhism
  - THEO 299 Religions of Asia

Required Electives
Select three 300-level electives | 9

Total Hours | 18

- Note: Eligible students may substitute HONR 101 Western Traditions Antiquity to the Middle Ages/HONR D101 Dev Western Thought I Discussion, THEO 190 Loyola’s Mission: Ignatian Traditions, or PHIL 190 Loyola’s Mission: The Philosophical Vision for THEO 100 Christian Theology
- Transfer-Student Residency Requirement: At least 9 credit hours of RELS-MINR requirements must be completed at Loyola.

Double-Dipping Policy
This department observes the CAS Double-Dipping Policy (https://catalog.luc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/#policiestext) regarding unique credits required for each declared major/minor.

Learning Outcomes
Students completing the Religious Studies Minor should be able to:
- Demonstrate knowledge in at least two of the following areas:
  - the sources and historical development of beliefs and practices of Christianity with particular attention to the Roman Catholic tradition;
  - the application of scholarly methods to the understanding of sacred texts within at least two non-Christian traditions;
  - key theological concepts and doctrines of at least two non-Christian religions, individually understood and in a comparative setting.
- Demonstrate an understanding of basic methodology that distinguishes the field of religious studies from the field of theology.
- Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of religious approaches to ethics and ethical issues.