

# Religion

*“The Religion major allows students the opportunity to explore the vital roles religion plays in nearly every facet of human life, from literature to history to art to commerce and beyond. By studying religion in an academic setting, students can gain an appreciation for the rich variety of religious expressions worldwide.”*



*Dr. Craig Vasey, chair*

Students interested in the Religion major should consider taking courses from the following selected list: **RELG 101, RELG 103, RELG 205, RELG 210, or RELG 284.**

Below please find some examples of first semester schedules for a religion major. There are many variations of a first semester schedule; the examples are just meant to help you see that there are many ways to reach the same goals.

Example 1:

| Course (credits)                              | Requirement(s) Met |
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| 1. RELG 101 - Intro to World Religions (3)    | Major, HES         |
| 2. Natural Science (your choice) with Lab (4) | NS                 |
| 3. GERM 101** - Beginning German (3)          | Language           |
| 4. FSEM 100 (your choice) (3)                 | FSEM               |

Example 2:

| Course (credits)                              | Requirement(s) Met |
|---|--------------------|
| 1. RELG 103 – Abrahamic Religions (3)         | Major, HES         |
| 2. Natural Science (your choice) with Lab (4) | NS                 |
| 3. RELG 283 - Hinduism (3)                    | Major, HES         |
| 4. GEOG 102 - Intro to Human Geography (3)    | GI or HES          |

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Example 3: Athletes for varsity sports must register for the 400-level course of the sport. Practice times for varsity sports can vary, but generally speaking, athletes should allow for enough time to get to and from practice on weekdays from 3 - 6 p.m. Please check with the individual coach for your sport to verify specific practice times each semester.

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| Course (credits)                     | Requirement(s) Met |
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| 1. FSEM (your choice) (3)            | FSEM               |
| 2. RELG 210 - Islam (3)              | Major; HES or GI   |
| 3. ARAB 101** - Beginning Arabic (3) | Language           |
| 4. RELG 205 – Hebrew Bible (3)       | Major; HES or ALPA |
| 5. PHYD (your sport) (1)             | Elective           |

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*\*\*This particular course is in a discipline that allows students with demonstrated competence upon admission to UMW (such as AP/IB credit, dual enrollment, etc.) to begin courses at a higher level. Talk to your Student Success Coordinator if you believe you should start at a higher level.*