

RELIGIOUS STUDIES (RELIGST)

Religious Studies Courses

RELIGST 101 Introduction to World Religions

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Basic concepts of world religions; broad overview of various religious traditions in ancient and modern configurations.

Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 101X Introduction to World Religions

3 cr. Undergraduate.

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Prerequisites: none.

General Education Requirements: Humanities and Arts

Last Taught: Fall 2025, Fall 2024.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 192 First-Year Seminar.

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Specific humanities topics are announced in the Schedule of Classes each time the class is offered.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Open only to freshmen. Students may earn cr in just one L&S First-Year Sem Course (course numbers 192, 193, 194).

Last Taught: Fall 2010.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 193 First-Year Seminar.

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Specific social science topics are announced in the Schedule of Classes each time the class is offered.

Prerequisites: none.

Course Rules: Open only to freshmen. Students may earn cr in just one L&S First-Year Sem Course (course numbers 192, 193, 194).

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 199 Independent Study

1-3 cr. Undergraduate.

Independent work under supervision of faculty or academic staff member. For further information, consult dept chair.

Prerequisites: 2.0 GPA; consent of instructor, department chair, and Assistant Dean for Student Academic Services.

Course Rules: Retakable to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2019, Spring 2019.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 250 Selected Topics in Religious Studies:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Focus on a particular religion or religious issue.

Prerequisites: completion of Oral and Written Communication Competency Part A (OWC-A) requirement or ENGLISH 102(P).

Course Rules: Retakable with change in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2012, Spring 2011.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 289 Internship in Religious Studies, Lower Division

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Application of basic principles of Religious Studies in business, organizational, educational, political, or other appropriate setting.

Prerequisites: junior standing, 2.50 GPA, and consent of supervising faculty member.

Course Rules: One cr earned for academic work based on 40 hrs in internship. Retakable to 6 cr max.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 296 UROP Apprenticeship

1-3 cr. Undergraduate.

Undergraduate research participation in a project developed with a supervising member of the faculty or staff.

Prerequisites: acceptance to UROP; prior or conc reg in UROP seminar.

Course Rules: One credit for 45 hours research. Retakable to 9 cr max in any combination of UROP apprenticeship courses. Not open to jrs & srs.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 297 Study Abroad:

1-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work levels, content, and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: acceptance for Study Abroad Program.

Course Rules: Retakable with change in topic.

Last Taught: Spring 2024, Fall 2022, Summer 2022, Spring 2022.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 299 Ad Hoc:

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period. Requires only dept and assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one add'l semester.

Prerequisites: none. Additional prereqs may be assigned to specific topic.

Course Rules: Retakable w/chg in topic.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 309 Early Christianity

3 cr. Undergraduate.

The early Christian period: what people believed and why; how Christianity was understood, practiced, and integrated into people's lives. Emergence from, contact with other religious cultures.

Prerequisites: junior standing.

Course Rules: No credit for students with credit in HIST 370 with the same topic.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 350 Advanced Topics in Religious Studies:

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced study of a particular religion or religious issue.

Prerequisites: jr st.

Course Rules: Retakable w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 395 Seminar in the Study of Religion: Theories of Religion

3 cr. Undergraduate.

Critical inquiry into the questions of and about religion: what is religion, and how do we study it?

Prerequisites: jr st.

Last Taught: Spring 2025, Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2020.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 489 Internship in Religious Studies, Upper Division

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Application of basic principles of Religious Studies in business, organizational, educational, political, or other appropriate setting.

Prerequisites: jr st; 2.50 gpa; cons supervising faculty member.

Course Rules: One cr earned for academic work based on 40 hrs in internship. Retakable to 6 cr max.

Last Taught: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2015.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 497 Study Abroad:

1-12 cr. Undergraduate.

Designed to enroll students in UWM sponsored program before course work level, content, and credits are determined and/or in specially prepared program course work.

Prerequisites: jr st; acceptance for Study Abroad Prog.

Course Rules: Retakable w/chg in topic.

Last Taught: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Summer 2014, Summer 2013.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 499 Ad Hoc:

1-6 cr. Undergraduate.

Course created expressly for offering in a specified enrollment period. Requires only dept and assoc dean approval. In exceptional circumstances, can be offered in one add'l sem.

Prerequisites: jr st, add'l prereqs may be assigned to specific topic.

Course Rules: Retakable w/chg in topic.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 699 Advanced Independent Study

1-3 cr. Undergraduate.

Advanced level independent work under the supervision of ReligSt faculty or academic staff member.

Prerequisites: jr st; 2.0 GPA; consent of instructor, department chair, and Assistant Dean for Student Academic Services.

Course Rules: Retakable w/chg in topic to 9 cr max.

Last Taught: Fall 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2020, Spring 2019.

Current Offerings: <https://catalog.uwm.edu/course-search/>

RELIGST 751 Religious Practices and Values in Local and Global Communities

3 cr. Graduate.

Religious practices and values of six major world religions are examined in order to promote understanding and cooperation within a diverse community.

Prerequisites: grad st.

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