RELIGIOUS STUDIES PROGRAM
MAJOR APPLICATION

Instructions:
Step 1: Obtain an unofficial copy of your Cornell transcript. You may request this online at <transcript.cornell.edu> or stop by the University Registrar office in B-07 Day Hall.

Step 2: Complete the student section of this form.

Step 3: Set up an appointment with Professor Kim Haines-Eitzen Director of Religious Studies. Email kjh10@cornell.edu to set up an appointment. Please bring transcript and form to meeting.

Step 4: Please return completed and signed forms to Ayla Cline, Religious Studies Program Undergraduate Coordinator, 409 White Hall.

STUDENT SECTION
Application Date: ____________________

Name: ______________________, ___________________, ____ CUID#: __________________

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Home Address
Street Address:________________________________________
City: _________ State: _______ Zip Code: __________
Country (if not U.S.) _____________________________

Local Address
Street Address:_____________________________________
City:______________ State______ ZipCode:_________
Country (if not U.S.) ________________________

Phone Number: (______)- ______-_______
Email: _________________________________

Other Major(s): _________________________________ Date of expected graduation: ____________________

  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior  Semester, Year

Please list all RELST courses taken
Semester/Year: Course Number: Course Title:

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Department use only.

RELST Advisor's Name: _______________________________________

RELST Advisor (Signature): __________________________ Date: ______________

Director (Signature): __________________________________________ Date: ______________

Revised: 6/26/15
RELST Program Major
B.A. Graduation Requirements

**All courses for the major must be taken for a letter grade (No S/U). Students must receive a grade of B- or better for any given course.**

Students must fulfill requirements in the following three areas to graduate with a major in Religious Studies. Furthermore, all students are required to have at least two of their courses, in area 2 and 3, be at the 4000 level or above, excluding the required RELST 4449 course. Students pursuing their honors will be able to count their two semesters of honors work to satisfy this requirement.

Approaches, Methods and Theory in the Academic Study of Religion:

RELST 2273 - Introduction to Religious Studies
RELST 4449 - History and Methods of the Academic Study of Religion

Breadth of Religious Traditions:

Students are required to take at least three courses dealing with a diversity of religious traditions.

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Depth of Focus:

Students are required to take at least four courses with a focus of a given religious tradition, geographical area or thematic or methodological topic. At least one course must be at the 4000 level or above.

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Additional requirements for Honors Candidates are as follows:

RELST 4995 - Senior Honors Essay
RELST 4996 - Senior Honors Essay
Cumulative GPA of 3.5 in RELST courses
Honors proposal (submitted to Religious Studies Director before end of Spring Semester of Junior year, or no later than Sept. 15th of final year). Please refer to the Honors Check-list for complete information.

ARTS & SCIENCES REQUIREMENTS

First Year Writing Seminars (Two courses required)

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Foreign Language Requirement

A Cornell language course, numbered 2000 or above, or non-introductory class conducted in a foreign language

OR

Eleven credits of study in a single foreign language

Distribution

Nine courses, three of which are satisfied with a major in humanities or social sciences and four of which are satisfied with a major in sciences (see Courses of Study.)

Electives

Electives- 15 credits outside of major

CONTINUED
Physical Education (Two 1-credit, non-academic courses required in addition to passing swim test.)

1. 
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3. Swim test complete

Course, Credit and Residency Requirements

Minimum of 34 courses (must receive a grade equivalent to C or better in any given course).

Total of 120 credits, of which 100 must be A&S

Residence: 8 full-time semesters unless exempted

Note: Arts and Sciences requires that students must carry a minimum of 15 credits during a semester abroad.

DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES:
Professor Kim Haines-Etizen kjh10@cornell.edu, 607-255-2519, 422 White Hall