

# 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: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First MI

CUID#: \_\_\_\_\_

### Local Address

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZipCode: \_\_\_\_\_

Country (if not U.S.) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) - \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Major(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Freshman      Sophomore      Junior      Senior

### Home Address

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country (if not U.S.) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of expected graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester, Year

### Please list all RELST courses taken

Semester/Year:

Course Number:

Course Title:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Department use only.

RELST Advisor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

RELST Advisor (Signature): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Director (Signature): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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.

<b>Semester/Year:</b>	<b>Course Number:</b>	<b>Course Title:</b>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____

#### **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.

<b>Semester/Year:</b>	<b>Course Number:</b>	<b>Course Title:</b>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

#### **Additional requirements for Honors Candidates are as follows:**

RELST 4995 - Senior Honors Essay

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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)**

<b>Semester/Year:</b>	<b>Course Number:</b>	<b>Course Title:</b>
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____

#### **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

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

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
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:**

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