RELIGIOUS STUDIES (RELG)

RELG 551 - Tradition and Transformations in Islamic Cultures (3 Credits)
Islam as a dynamic cultural tradition: emphasis on the tension between Islamization and the larger Islamic tradition.
Cross-listed course: ANTH 515
Graduation with Leadership Distinction: GLD: Diversity and Social Advocacy, GLD: Global Learning

RELG 700 - Problems in the Comparative Study of Religion (3 Credits)
Introduction to formative thinkers in the discipline of religious studies, with attention to the methodological problems of comparison.

RELG 701 - Foundational Readings (3 Credits)
Foundational texts appropriate to the student's area of specialization and required for advanced course work and thesis preparation.

RELG 710 - The Christology of the New Testament (3 Credits)
Examination of the four major New Testament titles: Son of Man, Christ, Lord, and Son of God. Attention also given to some lesser-known titles and to Christology in context.

RELG 724 - Religion and Politics (3 Credits)
Religion as a factor in the comparative politics and international relations of states and societies.
Cross-listed course: POLI 724

RELG 740 - Israelite Religion (3 Credits)
Beliefs and practices in ancient Israelite religion, with particular attention to the emergence of monotheism. Comparison with other ancient Near Eastern religions.

RELG 760 - Religion and Literature (3 Credits)
Introduction to historical and contemporary approaches to the cross-disciplinary study of the inter-relations of the religious and the literary imaginations.

RELG 770 - Black Christianity in America (3 Credits)
Elements in the religion of the black slave in early America, the development of black churches and theological movements.

RELG 771 - Black and Liberation Theology (3 Credits)
Tenets, themes, and representative figures in black and liberation theology in the United States and in Central and South America.

RELG 772 - Nineteenth-Century American Evangelical Thought (3 Credits)
The diverse heritage of American evangelism, with special emphasis on its socio-political and theological origins in the late 18th and 19th centuries.

RELG 773 - Twentieth-Century Christology (3 Credits)
Various 20th-century christological perspectives, with special emphasis on the person and work of Jesus as bases for addressing life/death and hope/despair issues.

RELG 780 - World Spirituality (3 Credits)
An examination of the perennialist approach to the mystical and contemplative teachings of the major religious traditions.

RELG 789 - Seminar in Philosophical Theology (3 Credits)
Examination of contemporary problems in the philosophical foundations of religion.

RELG 792 - Special Topics in Texts and Traditions (3 Credits)
Topics related to the study of texts in the life of specific religious communities. Course content varies; individual topics will be announced.

RELG 793 - Special Topics in Theology and Religious Thought (3 Credits)
Topics related to the study of religious doctrines, cosmologies, spiritual practices, and ethics. Course content varies; individual topics will be announced.

RELG 794 - Special Topics in Religion and Society (3 Credits)
Topics examining religious institutions, practices, and experiences in relation to other cultural forms. Course content varies; individual topics will be announced.

RELG 797 - Independent Study (3 Credits)
CL: 2020.

RELG 799 - Thesis Preparation (1-9 Credits)
CL: 2020.