

# RELIGIOUS STUDIES (RS)

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# Course numbers with the # symbol included (e.g. #400) have not been taught in the last 3 years.

## **RS 483W - History of World Religions**

**Credits:** 4

Introduces the religions of the world in terms of historical development, relationship to society, belief system, central texts, and ritual practices. (Also offered as HIST 483.) Writing intensive.

**Attributes:** Historical Perspectives(Disc); Historical Perspectives GP 4; Writing Intensive Course

## **RS 600 - Special Topics**

**Credits:** 4

Studies of particular religious traditions, or periods within those traditions, or special topics and issues of concern within religious studies such as mythology, ritual, mysticism, etc. May be repeated up to a maximum of 12 credits.

## **RS 601 - Seminar in Religious Texts**

**Credits:** 4

Close study of sacred text(s) from a particular religious tradition (Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, Judaism, etc.) or a thematic selection of texts across religions. (Also offered as HIST 601.)

## **RS 699 - Seminar in Religious Studies**

**Credits:** 4

Advanced discussion of a particular theme in religious studies, meant both to give students a solid foundation in classic theories of religion and to explore new authors and ideas. Past topics have included ritual, possession, magic, and apocalypticism. Classes are in seminar format and culminate in a final research paper. (Priority to minors in Religious Studies.) Prereq: permission.

## **RS 795 - Independent Study**

**Credits:** 2 or 4

Independent study of traditions, topics, or figures within the scope of religious studies. Before registration, student must formulate a project and secure consent of a cooperating program/faculty member who will supervise the independent study.

## **RS 796 - Independent Study**

**Credits:** 2 or 4

Independent study of traditions, topics, or figures within the scope of Religious Studies. Before registration, student must formulate a project and secure consent of a cooperating program/faculty member who will supervise the independent study.