Religious Studies

Degree Type

Bachelor of Arts

Objective:

This major focuses on the study of religion more generally, rather than on vocational ministry (including its practices). Thus, this major is for those interested in the integration of religion with other academic/vocational disciplines, those interested in the study of religion without a distinct call to vocational ministry, those called into different forms of Christian ministry but also desirous to pursue other academic/vocational studies at the undergraduate level, and others. However, this major (contrasted with the Christian Ministry and Youth Ministry majors) does not complete the educational requirements for ordination in the Church of the Nazarene.

Administrator: Richard Thompson

Requirements: 9 foundational credits (which also meet general education requirements) and 48-49 core credits.

Foundational Courses:

These courses from the general education offerings are required as foundational to the major:

Item #	Title	Credits
BIBL1100	Introduction to Biblical Studies	3
PHIL2020	Ethics	3
THEO2100	Introduction to Christian Theology	3

Core Courses:

Item #	Title	Credits
	GREK2110/GREK2120 or HEBR2110/HEBR2120	6
CHIS3630	Christ, Councils, and Creeds	3
PRTH1710	Exploring Vocation and Call	1
	THEO3630 or THEO3640	3

Choose 1 of the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
BIBL4440	Old Testament Narratives	3
BIBL4450	Old Testament Prophets	3
BIBL4460	Old Testament Psalms and Writings	3

Choose 1 of the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
BIBL4340	New Testament Narratives	3
BIBL4350	New Testament Letters	3

Choose 2 of the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
THEO4550	Systematic Theology I	3
THEO4560	Systematic Theology II	3
THEO4570	Systematic Theology III	3

Choose 6 credits of upper-level PHIL (3000 or 4000 level)

Choose 8-9 credits from the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
BIBL3810	The Bible and the Holy Lands	3
CHED3840	Foundations and Principles of Family Ministry	2
CHED3870	Foundations and Principles of Children's Ministry	3
CHED3890	Foundations and Principles of Youth Ministry	3
PRTH2420	Missional Church I: Intercultural and Global Perspectives	3
PRTH3220	Worship Theory and Development	3
PRTH3710	Preaching	3
PRTH4720	Missional Church II: Local Church Perspectives	3
THEO3590	Theology of the Church	3
THEO3730	Theology and Practice of Compassion	3
THEO3740	Theology and Practice of Spiritual Formation	3
THEO3810	Christianity in Europe	3
	Total Credits	48-49