

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE OF MARYLAND
DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

This checklist is for reference only. Please see the College Catalog and check with your major adviser or department chair to assure compliance with graduation requirements.

- I. General college requirements
- II. At least 44 credit-hours in religious studies, as specified in (A)-(C) below. A grade of C- or better must be received in each course used to satisfy the requirements for the major, and the cumulative GPA in courses used to satisfy the requirements for the major must be at least 2.0.

A. Required Core Courses (20 credit-hours from the following areas):

Sem. Taken	Cr. Earned

1. **Introduction** (4 credit-hours):
RELG 110 Introduction to World Religions (**see *NOTE below**)

2. **Traditions** (8 credit-hours):
Courses may be chosen from the following, but must encompass two distinct traditions:

- a. *Christianity*:
RELG 225 Introduction to Christianity **or**
RELG 210 Biblical Foundations

- b. *Judaism*:
RELG 215 Introduction to Judaism **or**
RELG 216 Jewish Cultures

- c. *Islam*:
RELG 220 Introduction to Islam **or**
RELG 221 Islamic Civilizations

- d. *Asian Religions*:
RELG 230 Introduction to Hinduism **or**
RELG 231 Religions and Cultures of India

***Note:** A student taking 12 credit-hours of the above 200-level classes in three distinct religious traditions is exempt from RELG 110.

3. **Approaches** (8-credit-hours):
RELG 370 Approaches to the Study of Religion
RELG 465 Colloquium in Religious Studies

- B. Elective Courses** (16 credit-hours in RELG, of which at least 12 must be upper-division):
- Course 1: _____
- Course 2 UD: _____
- Course 3 UD: _____
- Course 4 UD: _____

- C. Senior Experience** (8 credit-hours):
- RELG 493 St. Mary's Project (**prereq: PHIL 492—SMP Proseminar, 1 credit**)
- RELG 494 St. Mary's Project
- Students completing an SMP outside of RELG must take four upper-division credit-hours in RELG.

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Course UD: _____