

## **Religious Studies**

### **Bachelor of Arts Degree**

I.	Course Requirements for Major		
A.	Program Requirements		30 semester hours
1.	#RST 102	Introduction to Christian Theology	
	or		3
	RST 103	Catholicism Today	
2.	RST 302	Introduction to the Hebrew Scriptures	3
3.	RST 303	Introduction to the Christian Scriptures	
	or		3
	RST 319	Christology	
4.	RST 305	Theological Ethics	3
5.	RST 314	World Religions	3
6.	RST 340	Religion and Culture	
	or		3
	RST 480	Faith in Action	
7.	RST 495	Senior Seminar	3
8.	RST ____	Approved Electives	9
B.	Cognate Requirements		12 semester hours
1.	PHI 201	Introduction to Philosophy	3
2.	PHI ____	Approved Philosophy Elective	3
3.	____ ____	World Language	6
C.	Total for Major		<b>42 semester hours</b>
II.	Liberal Arts		<b>32 semester hours</b>
	# May be double counted toward Major and Liberal Arts Requirements.		
III.	General Electives		<b>46 semester hours</b>
IV.	Total for Degree		<b>120 semester hours</b>

### **Religious Studies Minor (Broad Ecumenical Focus)**

I.	Course Requirements		
A.	Program Requirements		21 semester hours
1.	#RST 301	Theological Inquiry	3
2.	RST 302	Introduction to Hebrew Scriptures	
	or		3
	RST 303	Introduction to Christian Scriptures	
3.	RST 305	Theological Ethics	3
4.	RST 310	Readings in Contemporary Theology	
	or		3
	RST 319	Christology	
5.	RST 313	Theology of the Church	
	or		3
	RST 324	Western Religions	
6.	RST 395	Theological Application	3
7.	Approved RST Elective		3
B.	Total for Minor		<b>21 semester hours</b>
	# May be double counted toward Minor and Liberal Arts Requirements.		

## II. Other Requirements

1. All courses are totally online except RST324 (Metro-Detroit Schedule). Requests to transfer courses from other colleges will be handled on a case-by-case basis.
2. This minor cannot be awarded with the BA in Theological Studies or Religious Studies.
3. Siena Heights University will not award this minor without completing a Bachelor's degree from Siena Heights.
4. A 2.0 GPA is required for this minor.

**Theology Minor (Focus on Catholic Theology)**

## I. Course Requirements

## A. Program Requirements

21 semester hours

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|----|----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. | RST 102  | Introduction to Christian Theology    | 3 |
|    | or       |                                       |   |
|    | RST 103  | Catholicism Today                     |   |
| 2. | #RST 302 | Introduction to the Hebrew Scriptures |   |
|    | or       |                                       |   |
|    | #RST 303 | Introduction to Christian Scriptures  | 3 |
| 3. | RST 310  | Reading in Contemporary Theology      |   |
|    | or       |                                       |   |
|    | RST 326  | Christian Spiritual Classics          | 3 |
| 4. | RST 314  | World Religions                       |   |
| 5. | RST 340  | Religion and Culture                  |   |
|    | or       |                                       |   |
|    | RST 480  | Faith in Action                       | 3 |
| 6. | RST 395  | Theological Application               |   |
| 7. | RST ____ | Approved Elective                     | 3 |

## B. Total for Minor

**21 semester hours**

# May be double counted toward Minor and Liberal Arts Requirements.

## II. Other Requirements

1. Theological minors will be expected to integrate a theological component to their senior project in their major. This will be assessed in cooperation with the faculty of the student's declared major and in accordance with Religious Studies program learning outcomes.

**Catholic Studies Minor**

## I. Course Requirements

## A. Program Requirements

21 semester hours

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|----|----------|---|---|
| 1. | #RST 103 | Catholicism Today   | 3 |
| 2. | RST 303  | Introduction to the New Testament   | 3 |
| 3. | RST 305  | Theological Ethics  |   |
|    | or       |   |   |
|    | RST 319  | Christology   | 3 |
| 4. | RST 395  | Theological Application   |   |
|    | or       |   |   |
|    | RST 480  | Faith in Action   | 3 |
| 5. | ____     | Three (3) courses in other disciplines chosen in consultation with the Religious Studies program coordinator. |   |

## B. Total for Minor

**21 semester hours**

II. Other Requirements

1. # May be double counted toward Minor and Liberal Arts Requirements.
2. Only two (2) courses in the Catholic Studies minor may also be counted towards a Religious Studies major or minor.

**Concentration in Religious Studies**

The Religious Studies concentration is designed specifically for students seeking certification in education and/or public service. The twelve hour stand-alone concentration is for the student who wishes to add value to their major and to their life-long learning.

I. Course Requirements for Concentration

A.	Program Requirements		12 semester hours
1.	RST 301	Theological Inquiry	3
2.	RST 314	World Religions	3
3.	RST 372	Methods in Teaching Religion	3
4.	RST ____	(select one from below)	3
		RST 302	Introduction to Hebrew Scriptures
		RST 303	Introduction to Christian Scriptures
		RST 305	Theological Ethics
		RST 410	Peacemaking

**Alternative Considerations for Minors**

Instead of the Theology Minor a student may wish to contract for a Religious Studies minor. This allows students to create a minor that will uniquely address particular interests and/or serve as a complement to their major.