

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

AT MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Applied Training, Engaged Scholarship, Career Oriented



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Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies

Religion is believed to be one of the most powerful and widespread forces in the world. The Religious Studies concentration will help you better understand the relationship between religion and politics, law, economics, social structures, culture and media.

- Learn about religious & cultural diversity.
- Develop critical thinking & professional skills.
- Gain scholarly & vocational experience.
- Prepare for professions in education, ministry organizational leadership, media, and more.
- Pair your BA in Religious Studies with other related degrees Or minors.



Dr. Gbotokuma,
Associate Professor
African and
African-American
Religious Traditions



Dr. Hills,
Assistant Professor
Gender & Black
Church Studies,
African American
Religious Thought



Dr. Morales,
Assistant Professor
Islam, Latino
Religions, Cultural
Studies of Religion



Dr. Pettit,
Associate Professor
Christian Ethics,
Philosophy of
Religion, Science
and Religion



Dr. Keels,
*Dean of the
University Chapel,
Affiliated Lecturer,
Practical Theology,
Ministry*



Dr. Jigoulov,
Lecturer
Old and New
Testament,
Near Eastern
History

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Requirements for Majoring in Philosophy with a Concentration in Religious Studies

Each major takes: 4 core courses, 4 track courses, 4 elective credits, & 2 semesters of the same foreign language

Core Courses: (12 credits)

PHIL 102: Introduction to Philosophy
PHIL 443: Great Works Seminar
PHIL 490: Senior Seminar I
PHIL 491: Senior Seminar II

Religious Studies Track: (Choose any 4) (12 credits)

RELG 201: Introduction to the Study of Religion
RELG 301: Old Testament
RELG 302: New Testament
RELG 309: African and African-American Religious Traditions
RELG 310: Western Religious Traditions
RELG 311: Eastern Religious Traditions
PHIL 336: Medieval Philosophy
PHIL 440: Philosophy of Religion

Electives: any 4 additional courses in Philosophy or Religious Studies (12 credits)

Internships

Students are encouraged to take PHIL 498 - Senior Internship - as one of the required four electives in order to improve their CV, resume, and dossier materials and to be better prepared for a profession of their choosing.

Departmental Activities

Philosophy & Religious Studies Student Association/Club

The student led association/club offers an opportunity to gain leadership experience and resume lines as president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer. In addition to organizing engaging talks, forums, movie nights, peer workshops, mentoring opportunities, reading groups, and other such activities, the club also provides a space for developing a student community.

Departmental Grants & Scholarship Opportunities for Students

Colloquia

Each semester, the department holds several academic talks by invited scholars on various subjects. Past talks have included talks on the rise of the Nones (no religious affiliation), Womanist theology, and on religion & media. Additionally, the department hosts the bi-annual Philosophy at HBCUs conference.

Field Trips

Each semester, students have numerous opportunities to visit sacred sites (synagogues, churches, mosques, Buddhist centers, Hindu Temples, etc.), local academic talks on religion, religion-related art & history museum exhibits and performances, and the annual American Academy of Religion's regional conference which includes talks by undergraduate students.

Requirements for Minorng in Religious Studies

18 credits in any RELG courses
or approved religion related courses.

If you are interested in Majoring in Philosophy with a concentration in Religious Studies:

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