Religious Studies explores the literature, history, thought, ethics, institutions, and practices of some of the world’s major religious traditions. It provides a firm grounding in the liberal arts and is well suited to students who wish to develop skill in critical thinking, and who may anticipate professional careers in law, medicine, business, social services, government, or religious vocations.

**WHAT IS RELIGIOUS STUDIES?**

**MAJOR:** Religious Studies

**WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO WITH THIS MAJOR?**

**WHO HIRES RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJORS?**

**Religious Institutions**

- Regional Denominations
- Religious Organizations
- Churches/Synagogues
- Catholic Cathedral
- Colleges/Universities
- Churches
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**Public/Private Schools**

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**Youth Organizations**

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**Regional Denominations**

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**Shelters**

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**Religious Studies in Action**

**WHAT CAN YOU DO TO BE THE BEST RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJOR?**

- To pursue a theological career, obtain appropriate seminary training for clergy.
- Become certified through a denomination for specialized staff positions.
- Gain related experience through local church or religious organizations.
- For secular positions, consider courses outside the major: DWV, LEP, Economics, Psychology, Politics.
- Interest in Social Service: volunteer/intern for a Big Sister/Brother organization, a hotline or a community outreach group.
- Upon graduating, consider programs providing experience with diverse cultures like Teach for America or the Peace Corps.
- Apply to become a Resident Advisor or Programming Assistant for the Intercultural Community Center.
- Participate in cultural, social justice and/or political action clubs/organizations.
- Volunteer through the Center for Community Based Learning or the Office of Community Engagement.
- Endeavor to be appointed to college committees.