

AUBURN UNIVERSITY AT MONTGOMERY

BACHELOR OF INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

RELIGIOUS STUDIES CONCENTRATION

The Bachelor of Interdisciplinary Studies is a distinctive degree plan designed to serve students with unique needs or academic interests.

The Religious Studies Concentration is designed for students who want to understand the nature of religious systems, the functions of religion in society, and the impact of religion on all aspects of social life.

Develop a broad, multidisciplinary perspective concerning religious belief and world religions; cultivate transferable skills desired by employers; pursue graduate studies in a liberal arts or social sciences discipline or law school; or, with additional training, pursue a career in a variety of fields including social work or ministry.

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REQUIRED BIS COURSEWORK (120 credit hours)	
UNIV 1000 (3 credit hours)	
AREA I (6 credit hours)	
ENGL 1010	ENGL 1020
AREA II (12 credit hours)	
FINE ARTS ELECTIVE	COMM 1010 OR 2212
ENGL LIT I ¹	ENGL LIT II ¹ / HUM / ART
AREA III (11 credit hours)	
MATH 1050 OR ABOVE	SCIENCE w/LAB
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AREA IV (12 credit hours)	
HIST I ¹	HIST II ¹ /SOC / BEHAV SCI
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AREA V (42-49 credit hours)	
METHODOLOGY (3-8 credit hours) ²	
3000-4000 LEVEL ELECTIVES (31-42 credit hours)	
IDSC 4000 CAPSTONE (3 credit hours)	
AREA VI (29-34 credit hours)	
1000-4000 LEVEL ELECTIVES (29-34 credit hours)	
Additional Requirements	
¹ Must complete an ENGL or HIST sequence	
² Students must complete a sequence of introductory foreign language courses (e.g., SPAN 1010 and 1020).	
Students must maintain a 2.0 overall GPA to graduate.	

AREA V and VI Required Coursework
RELI 2010 (Introduction to World Religions)
<i>Social Sciences (Choose 1)</i> ANTH 4200 (Anthropology of Religion) ANTH 4972 (Anthropology of Death and Dying) SOC 3300 (Sociology of Death and Dying) SOC 4360 (Sociology of Religion)
<i>Historiography (Choose 1)</i> HIST 3400 (Religions in the Roman Empire) HIST 3410 (History of Early Christianity) HIST 3420 (Medieval and Modern Christianity) HIST 3430 (Survey of Old Testament) HIST 3440 (Survey of New Testament) HIST 3610 (The World of the Bible) HIST 3620 (The Crusades) HIST 4130 (Native American Religions) HIST 4240 (Witchcraft and Magic before 1700) HIST 4120 (History of Religion in America) HIST 4320 (The Reformation) HIST 4350 (Pilgrimage in the Middle Ages) RELI 3040 (Early Islam)
<i>Texts and Contexts* (Choose 1)</i> ENGL 3350 (Literature and Myth) ENGL 4360 (The Bible as Literature)
* If neither of these courses are available, you may select 2 electives.
<i>Electives* (Choose 1)</i> INTL 4400 (Hispanic Spirituality) PHIL 4200 (Philosophy of Religion) RELI 3000 (Theories/Methods Study of Religion) RELI 3040 (Early Islam) RELI 4000 (Jesus and the Gospels) RELI 3100 (Introduction to Islam) SPAN 3110 (Spanish Civilization)** SPAN 3210 (Spanish American Civilization)**
* Other courses may satisfy an elective, but they require authorization of the BIS coordinator. ** Requires coordinator approval.