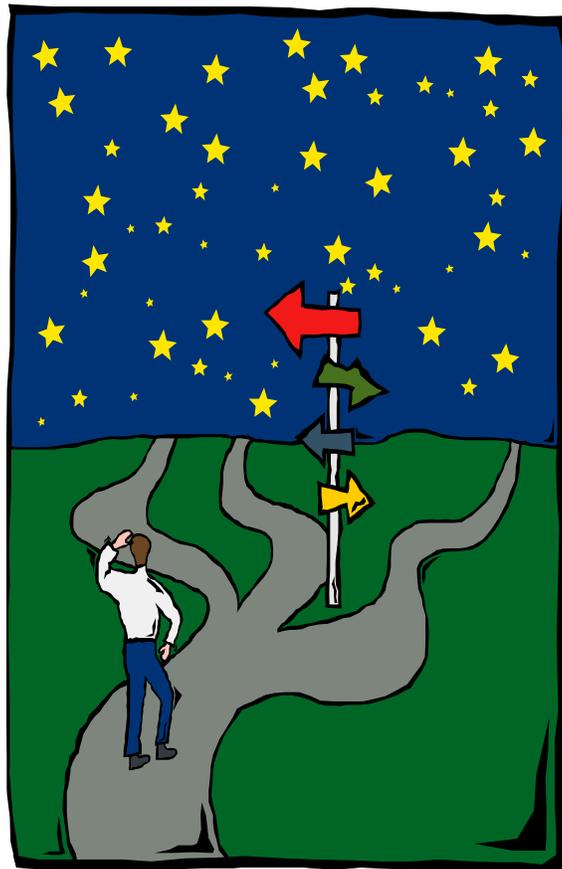


Handbook for Undergraduate Programs In Theology and Religious Studies 2014-2015



**The Department of Theology
Loyola University of Chicago**

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WELCOME TO THE THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The faculty and staff of the Theology Department are delighted you are interested in our programs. Our Department has a distinguished faculty who teach in the areas of biblical studies, Christian theology, Christian ethics, and world religions. In addition to our undergraduate programs, we offer a masters program and doctoral program. At the undergraduate level, we offer two majors, Theology and Religious Studies, as well as minors in each area along with a minor in Pastoral Leadership.

Majors and minors are encouraged to stay in contact with the Department. Keep us informed of your current address, phone number and email address. We sponsor a number of speaker visits throughout the year and want to be able to invite you to all of our departmental events. Dr. Colby Dickinson is the Director of the majors and minors. He will serve as your primary advisor regarding program requirements. Our departmental website contains helpful information about the program as well as “student progress report sheets” that can be printed out to assist you in tracking your progress in completing all the requirements for your program.

If you have any questions or concerns as you go through your program with us, please do not hesitate to contact The Director for Majors and Minors, Dr. Colby Dickinson (email: cdickinson1@luc.edu or phone 773-508-2362).

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The programs of the Department of Theology provide students with essential resources for engaging Christian theology and other religions. Through a rich array of class offerings, students learn skills that will help you to:

- *thoughtfully deliberate upon and debate pressing ethical questions of our times
- *read and interpret sacred scriptures of various religions traditions
- *understand the significance of central theological motifs as elaborated by pivotal theological thinkers and faith communities—both historically and in the contemporary world
- *investigate the sources, historical development and contemporary practice of particular religious traditions
- *critically reflect upon and/or appropriate one’s own faith tradition
- *sympathetically appreciate the beliefs of others

Although our Department has a particular strength in the Roman Catholic tradition, substantive attention is directed to other Christian traditions as well as to Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism. In all, the curriculum promotes the student’s growth as a person who reflects upon their own and others’ religious traditions.

Theology and Religious Studies Majors and Minors often double-major/minor in ways which enhance their graduate school applications or other vocational endeavors, for example, our majors and minors strongly complement the curricula found in: Anthropology, Asian Studies, Biology, Bioethics Minor, Catholic Studies, Classical Studies, Education, History, International Studies, Islamic World Studies, Nursing, Philosophy, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social Work, and Women’s Studies.

THEOLOGY MAJOR

This major allows students with a primary interest in Christianity to explore the tradition in-depth. Its design offers students a wide range of elective courses and the opportunity to examine the teachings and practices of religious traditions other than Christianity as well. It also enables students to explore the contributions that various disciplines bring to the study of religious life and practice. This major requires the student to take 12 theology courses, including at least two in Christian thought or doctrine, two in biblical studies, one in Christian life and practice, one in ethics, and one in a religion other than Christianity. The remaining courses are electives. A minimum of five (5) courses must be taken at the 300 level or above. Advanced students are allowed into certain 400 level graduate courses when the director, the instructor, and the Dean of the Graduate School agree. Students may take up to two courses offered by other Departments that pertain to the study of religion and have them count toward your major. The permission of the Undergraduate Programs Director must be secured prior to the beginning of that class.

Components of the Theology Major

- 1) **Entry Level Courses:** one course from each of the four areas in the core: Doctrine, Biblical Literature, Religious Traditions, and Christian Life and Practice.
- 2) **Compulsory Courses:** two to four compulsory courses (depending on the choices at entry level) to fulfill these criteria:
 - a) an Old Testament or New Testament course (whichever was not taken at entry level)
 - b) a 300-level course in the History of Christian Thought (317, 318)
 - c) a course in a religious tradition other than Christianity (if not taken at the entry level)
 - d) an ethics course (if not taken at the entry-level)
- 3) **Elective Courses:** four to six additional courses to complete coursework for the major (36 total credits required)
- 3) **Capstone Course (Theo 373):** After the end of Academic year 2011-2012, all Theology majors will take the capstone course. This capstone course will entail production of a portfolio of previous academic papers, presentations and other related academic materials.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJOR

This major is designed for students who wish to explore the thought and practices of a number of world religions and the contributions that a variety of disciplines bring to the study of religion. Students must take at least one course in Christianity, three courses in other religions of the world, two courses focusing on particular themes in the study of religion, and a seminar that examines methodological approaches to the study of religion. Students may take up to three of their courses from other departments as long as the course centers on the study of religion and the student receives the prior permission of the director of majors. Examples of such courses include: ANTH 316-Anthropology of Religion and Ritual, CLST 371- Ancient Greek and Roman Religion, HIST 309-History of Primitive Christianity, HIST 312 Islamic Societies, HIST 388-Social History of American Religion, PHIL 271-Knowledge and Reality: Religion, PHIL 391-Philosophy of Religion, PHIL 335-Asian Philosophy, and SOCL- 245 Religion and Society.

Components of the Religious Studies Major

- 1) **Christian Traditions:** One course on the Christian traditions from the following: 100, 103, 265 (106), 267(104), 232 (112), 171, 173, 175, 279(179), 281(181), 317, and 318.
- 2) **Non-Christian Traditions:** Three courses on non-Christian traditions from the following: 114, 272(172), 177, 295(195), 282(196), 297(197), 198, 199
- 3) **Religious Comparison or Themes:** Two courses on religious comparison or themes from the following: 107(170), 174, 177, 278 (178), selected 180 courses including "Women and Religion in India," "Religion and Psychology," Ancient Community and Values," "Gender and Values," 192, 353, and 393.
- 4) **Electives:** Five elective courses which include any other courses offered by the Theology department, any courses not yet taken from the above listings, as well as up to three courses from other departments, if approved in advance by the student's advisor, focusing on religious traditions or dimensions of religious life. Examples of these courses might be "Sociology of Religion," "Philosophy of Religion," "Asian Philosophies" and "Medieval Pilgrimage." In addition, two of the student's courses may be taken at the 400 level. In all, at least five out of the twelve course, must be taken at the 300-level or higher.
- 5) **Major's Seminar:** A required Major's Seminar, namely Theology 353 ("Studies in Religious Traditions"). This course will focus on the methodological approaches to the study of religion.

Assessment Portfolio Required for ALL MAJORS (effective Spring 2012)

Dear Theology and Religious Studies Majors:

Context: Beginning for the Spring 2012, we have been asked by upper level administration to do some self- assessment as a Department. In other words, the faculty needs to collect some data from you to show how well we, as a Department, prepare you in the ways we say we do in the description of these two majors.

This portfolio will NOT affect your grade/GPA. Instead, each item will be rated on a scale of 1-5, indicating how well we think the work exemplifies the kind of learning we have hoped to develop in our majors. So you are not being graded here, but rather we as a Department are grading ourselves on how well we do in our work.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

1. It is recommended that you seek advice from a faculty member, perhaps your instructor in the Theology (Theo 373) or Religious Studies Capstone Course, Theo 353, as you prepare the portfolio.
2. With **one exception**, you do not need to create new documents for this portfolio; rather you send examples of work you have already done.
3. **The new document you need to compose and include:** Please compose and then include a brief (2-3 page) introductory statement about your experience with the Major, including a list of the courses taken toward fulfillment of the Major. In other words, briefly discuss your overall learning/experience in the light of the program's objectives, and of how these were fulfilled during the course of various learning experiences and assignments.
4. **Deadline for submission: Usually by the end of the semester in the graduation year.**
5. **How to submit the portfolio:** The portfolio is submitted via the eportfolio program.

Specific Instructions for THEOLOGICAL STUDIES Majors

In your portfolio, please include:

1. A (2-3 page) introductory statement about your experience with the Major (see above), including a list of the courses taken toward fulfillment of the Major.
2. One item from a historical theology course or one that addresses catalysts in doctrinal development, with particular attention to Roman Catholicism
3. One item from a biblical studies class or one that demonstrates your ability to utilize scholarly methods when studying scripture
4. One item from a systematic theology course or one that displays your familiarity with central Christian doctrine from the perspective of at least two major theologians
5. One item from a religious studies course or one that shows a fundamental familiarity with at least one other religious tradition outside Christianity
6. One item from a Christian ethics course or one that displays sources and methods used to engage a pressing modern ethical problem

Specific Instructions for RELIGIOUS STUDIES Majors

In your portfolio, please include:

1. A (2-3 page) introductory statement about your experience with the Major (see above), including a list of the courses taken toward fulfillment of the Major.
2. One item from an Ethics course or that addresses ethical reasoning and issues
3. One item that relates to your study of a religion other than Christianity
4. One item that demonstrates the study of scripture
5. One item that demonstrates your understanding of religion in a social or cultural context.
6. One item that applies a method, discipline or theory to the study of religion—this would ideally be something developed during the capstone course Theo 353.

SUGGESTED CURRICULUM OUTLINE FOR BOTH MAJORS

FRESHMAN PROGRAM

First Semester	Second Semester
English 105 – 3 credit hours	English 106 – 3 hours
History 101 – 3 hours	History (2 nd Core requirement) – 3 hours
Natural Science Core – 3 hours	Social Science Core – 3 hours
Communicative/Philosophy Core – 3 hours	Expressive Arts – 3 hours
Theology Core – 3 hours	Theology Core – 3 hours
15 credit hours	15 credit hours

SOPHMORE PROGRAM

First Semester	Second Semester
Literature Core – 3 hours	Literature Core – 3 hours
Mathematics Core – 3 hours	Philosophy Core – 3 hours
Natural Science Core – 3 hours	Social Science Core – 3 hours
Philosophy Core – 3 hours	Theology 300-level – 3 hours
Theology Core – 3 hours	Natural Science Core – 3 hours
15 credit hours	15 credit hours

JUNIOR & SENIOR PROGRAMS

The program outlined above provides that all the core requirements will be met by the end of the second year except for one last Literature Core course. This frees up Junior and Senior year for concentration in your major and minor and for elective offerings.

**Loyola University Chicago
Theology Department**

Overview of combined B.A./M.A. in Theology as a five year accelerated program

Program information

The Department of Theology offers undergraduates the unique opportunity to complete a combined BA/MA in Theology in just five years (instead of the customary six). Upon completion of the degree, graduates will be prepared to assume a variety of positions where theological training and competence are in demand, such as teaching theology in a high school/academy, or developing educational programs for a parish. Of course, a Master's degree in Theology is also the requisite step for entrance into a doctoral program in theology for those interested in the life of a professor of theology, hence for teaching and researching theology.

The 5 year BA/MA in Theology aims:

- To accelerate the overall time-to-graduation of a student by allowing two courses to count as requirements for both the undergraduate Major and Master's degrees in Theology; this will allow students to complete twelve hours of graduate courses during their senior year;
- To reduce the total tuition cost of obtaining both degrees;
- To encourage excellent undergraduate students in Theology to continue their graduate studies at Loyola;
- To provide a direct and expedited admission process for Loyola Majors in Theology into the Master's Program in Theology.

(Material to be linked to 'For more information on the BA/MA program')

Admission to the Graduate Courses and Program

First, having majored in theology at the undergraduate level, students will be admitted to the B.A./M.A. program when they have made satisfactory academic progress as an undergraduate student in Theology, having completed a minimum of 60 credit hours toward the degree, with a minimum of 15 credit hours matriculated at Loyola University Chicago with a grade of B or above. Students intending to apply for the joint degree in Theology can formally apply to the Graduate Program in their junior year. The deadline for their submission is March 1st of each year (taking effect in the spring of 2014). They must submit their academic transcript and a written statement of purpose that demonstrates their commitment and dedication to the academic study of Theology, as well as two letters of recommendation. Specific reference should be made to academic coursework and the student's potential to do graduate-level work in Theology.

Program overview

Students pursuing their B.A. in Theology take seven entry level and compulsory courses in that field, leaving them with five Theology electives to complete in the first stage of the program. In the proposed accelerated degree, two courses taken in the student's fourth year would match two of the M.A. level courses.

While there is some possibility of flexibility here, the courses that would be the most suitable for these electives are Theo 317/318 and two MA level courses in Bible, e.g. Theo 400: Old Testament and Theo 400: New Testament.

The program is jointly administered between the Director of Majors and Minors (Undergraduate level) and the Graduate Program Director in the Theology Department.

Curriculum Requirements

1. **Entry-level courses:** Three core courses: Theo 100, a second Tier 200 level core course, and Theo 185 Christian Ethics. Students who choose a core-level ethics course in the Philosophy Department will be required to take an upper-level ethics course in Theology.

2. **Compulsory Courses for the Theology Major:** Two to Four compulsory courses (depending on Entry-level course choices)

a. an Old Testament and a New Testament course (at either the 200 or 300 level)—in many cases, one or both may have already been fulfilled at the 200 level as part of core requirements;

b. both 300-level courses in the History of Christian Thought (Theo 317 *and* 318)—please note that this differs from the one required history course for the BA degree only;

c. a course in a religious tradition other than Christianity (if not taken at the entry level);

3. **Elective Courses:** The additional courses at the 200 or 300 levels required to complete coursework for the BA program (36 total credits required). At least seven of these must be taken at the 300 level or above.

4. **Capstone Course:** In their junior or senior year, Theology Majors must complete a capstone course, Theo 373, which is designed to give students an opportunity to integrate various aspects of their theological education. Students will be expected to draw upon the major sources and disciplines (Scripture, History, Systematic Theology, Ethics) of the Christian tradition with particular attention to the Roman Catholic tradition. The particular faculty member teaching the course may also decide to include at least one other religious tradition outside of Christianity as part of the course content.

5. **Graduate studies:** A total of ten (10) courses at the Master's level, including Theo 400: Old Testament, Theo 400: New Testament, both Theo 317 and 318: History of Christian Thought I & II. These specific courses are intended to be taken in one's senior year, though this will vary from student to student. The remaining six (6) elective courses are all to be taken as electives at the master's level after the 4th ('senior') year of the BA program.

Suggested Curriculum Outline for BA/MA in Theology

FRESHMAN PROGRAM First Semester	Second Semester
English 105 – 3 credit hours	English 106 – 3 hours
History 101 – 3 hours	History (2nd Core requirement) – 3 hours
Natural Science Core – 3 hours	Social Science Core – 3 hours
Communicative/Philosophy Core – 3 hours	Expressive Arts – 3 hours
Theology Core – Theo 100 3 hours	Ethics Core –Christian Ethics (Theo 185) 3 hours*
3 credit hours Theo	3 credit hours Theo

*If a student takes a 100-level Philosophy core course, he or she is required to take an upper level ethics course in Theology at some point in his or her BA studies.

SOPHMORE PROGRAM First Semester	Second Semester
Literature Core – 3 hours	Literature Core – 3 hours
Mathematics Core – 3 hours	Philosophy Core – 3 hours
Natural Science Core – 3 hours	Social Science Core – 3 hours
Philosophy Core – 3 hours	Theology 300-level – 3 hours
Theology Core – 2 nd tier 200 level core 3 hours	Natural Science Core – 3 hours
3 credit hours Theo	3 credit hours Theo

JUNIOR & SENIOR PROGRAMS

The program outlined above provides that all the core requirements will be met by the end of the second year except for one last Literature Core course. This frees up Junior and Senior year for concentration in the major. Application to the accelerated Master’s program would occur during one’s Junior year.

Junior PROGRAM First Semester	Second Semester
Theo 200 level OT	Theo 200 level NT
Theo 200 level World Religion	Theo 300 level
literature CAS core	Theo 300 level
Elective	Other core or elective
Elective	“
6 Credit Hours Theo BA	9 Credit Hours Theo BA

Senior PROGRAM First Semester	Second Semester
Theo 317 (BA)	Theo 318 (BA)
Theo 400 Old Testament (MA)	Theo 373 Capstone (BA)
Elective (2)	Theo 400 New Testament (MA)
Elective (total electives: 9 hours)	Electives (2)
3 credit hours BA/6 credit hours MA	6 credit hours BA/6 credit hours MA

Graduate Studies Year - First Semester	Second Semester
Theo grad level	Theo grad level
Theo grad level	Theo grad level
Theo grad level	Theo grad level + comps
9 credit hours for MA	9 credit hours for MA

Total: 36 credit hours for BA (including capstone); 30 credit hours for MA: fulfills credit hour requirements for both degrees

THEOLOGY & RELIGIOUS STUDIES MINOR PROGRAMS

MINOR IN THEOLOGY

The minor in Theology requires six courses: three that are already required by the College of Arts & Sciences Theology Core and three electives taken at the 300-level. The college core requires that students take three 100-level Theology courses. It stipulates that these courses must be spread across at least two of the four areas of core offerings: Doctrine, Biblical Literature, Religious Traditions, and Christian Life and Practice. Students should consult with the Undergraduate Programs Director regarding any questions about this program.

MINOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The Minor in Religious Studies requires six courses. Students must take one course in Christianity (either Theo 100, 103, 265/106, 267/104, 232/112, 171, 173, 175, 279/179, 281/181, 317, or 318). Students need to take two courses in other world religions (Theo 114, 272/172, 177, 295/195, 282/196, 297/197, 198, and 199.) Students must take Theo 353 Studies in Religious Traditions. And students must take two electives that are at the 300 level. One may be taken from outside the department if the course deals with some aspect of religion and is pre-approved by the director of minors. Students are recommended to consider taking one of the following: CLST 371- Ancient Greek and Roman Religion, HIST 309-History of Primitive Christianity, HIST 312 Islamic Societies, HIST 388-Social History of American Religion, PHIL 271-Knowledge and Reality: Religion, PHIL 391-Philosophy of Religion, and SOCL- 245 Religion and Society. Even for these courses the Undergraduate Programs Director must be notified that you wish to count this course toward your minor program requirements. Other courses are also offered occasionally so students need to consult course schedules widely.

MINOR IN PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

The Minor in Pastoral Studies requires six courses. Students must take three courses at the 100 level – specifically a course in Christian doctrine, a biblical course and an ethics course. The remaining three courses are at the 300 level. One 300-level course is an elective related to the student's area of pastoral service. The second course is Theo 348: Supervised Ministry, an internship in an area of pastoral service; and the third is Theo 347: Creative Ministry, a capstone course integrating one's service and theology. This minor is offered in collaboration with University Ministry. Students should consult the Director of majors and minors regarding questions about this program.

GENERAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

THEOLOGY DEPARTMENT HONORS

The department presents First Honors and Second Honors to those graduating seniors who have achieved a distinguished record of scholarship. Students who have an overall G.P.A. of 3.5 or above and a G.P.A. in their Theology or Religious Studies major of 3.7 or above are awarded First Honors. Students who have an overall G.P.A. of 3.3 or above and a departmental G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher receive Second Honors. Students eligible for Honors who have taken two extra 300 level courses beyond the requirements for the major will receive Honors with Departmental Distinction.

DIRECTED READING COURSES

On rare occasions students are allowed to take a one-on-one reading course with a member of the theology department faculty. Students who wish to try to take such an option must make a case that the topic is not covered by our ordinary course listings and they must secure the permission of a professor who is willing to take on this directed reading obligation. The student and the faculty member must draw up a written course contract outlining the readings and evaluation procedure (tests, paper etc.) and secure the permission of the director of majors. Permission needs to be secured prior to the start of the semester. Only full-time faculty may do a directed readings course and only juniors or seniors may be eligible for this option. Under no circumstances may majors take more than two directed readings courses. Directed readings courses count as a 300 level elective.

CROSS-LISTED COURSES

Courses that are cross-listed with theology and another department may be taken to satisfy requirements for majors and minors. One simply signs up for the course at registration through the Theology Department's listing. Cross-listed courses can only be taken for credit toward one major.

COURSES FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS THAT COUNT TOWARD YOUR MAJOR

The study of Christianity and other world religions is not confined to the Theology Department's offerings. Students are encouraged to watch for courses in Philosophy that deal with Medieval Philosophy and Theology and the Philosophy of Religion and courses in the English Department that focus on Religion and Literature. Students likewise are encouraged to engage the social scientific perspectives on religious belief and practice through courses in the Psychology Department and from the Sociology and Anthropology department. See also the list under the Minor in Religious Studies.

ROTATION OF COURSES

All courses required for the major will be offered regularly at the Lake Shore Campus. We will also try to schedule one upper-level course each semester during the evening in order to accommodate students who work full-time.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR MAJORS AND MINORS

Majors and Minors Lunches: The Theology Department sponsors a luncheon once or twice a year for majors, minors, and prospective majors. The lunches provide an opportunity for students and faculty to meet informally, both to enjoy each other's company and to explore areas of mutual interest.

Lectures and Public Presentations: Majors are encouraged to attend the public lectures and conferences sponsored by the Department in order to expand their theological horizons and to stimulate or deepen interest in particular theological topics and areas.

HOW TO DECLARE A MAJOR OR MINOR

It's Easy! Students can now declare majors and minors on LOCUS. In the event that a student has completed more than ninety credit hours, a paper version of The Declare a major or minor card is required. Simply stop in the Department of Theology office and ask for the form. One of us will give you the proper form—a “declaration of major (or minor)” card and a student information sheet. These can be filled out at the office. We'll make a copy of the declaration card for our files and send the original over to the HUB for their official notification and filing. If possible, email Dr. Dickinson in advance of dropping by and make an appointment.

RELATED INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

Our majors and minors should examine the many opportunities that exist for complementing your program of study by minoring in one of these interdisciplinary programs. Students interested in religious and theological perspectives on gender would do well to explore the opportunities offered by the Women's Studies program. Those interested in peace and justice issues might explore the Peace Studies Program and those interested in the history of Christian theology might consider Loyola's Medieval Studies Program. Students who plan on attending Loyola's Rome Center should consider the Rome Studies minor. Students who have a particular interest in the peoples and religious experience of Latin America, Asia and Asian-Americans, and Africa and African-Americans should investigate the excellent programs Loyola offers in Latin American Studies, Asia and Asian American Studies, and in Black World Studies.

UNDERGRADUATE INTERNSHIPS

Chicago is a vital city with a wide array of internship possibilities for interested students. Students should contact the Internship and Career Center located in the Sullivan Center. Students should feel free to call them about setting up an appointment to explore the many opportunities. Also take a look at their website: <http://www.luc.edu/career/index.shtml> for more details on these opportunities. .

SERVICE LEARNING

Loyola offers a wide array of service-learning courses. Students in theological studies and religious studies may be interested in exploring these opportunities to combine course credit with community service. The Center for Urban Research and Learning at Loyola's Water Tower Campus maintains a website listing numerous opportunities for service projects throughout the Chicago region. Check these out at www.chicagoserves.org.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Many of our majors have found their work in theology to be excellent preparation for careers in law, social work, medicine, business, education, nursing, public policy and administration, politics, and international relations. Graduate level professional programs look favorably upon applicants with a Theology or Religious Studies major. Other students find that our major helps prepare them for graduate study in fields like international studies, history, philosophy, women's studies, sociology, and anthropology—especially when combined with a second major in one of these other fields.

A number of graduates go on to pursue graduate studies in theology and religious studies with an eye toward college level teaching. Others take education courses and go directly into high

school teaching positions. Still others enter divinity schools and seminaries in preparation for ordained ministry (in both Catholic and Protestant settings). And some become either lay or ordained chaplains in hospitals, prisons, social services organizations, and on college campuses.

Whether one pursues theological and religious studies for preparation for a particular career or out of personal interests, these studies can offer intellectual enrichment that lasts a lifetime.

Name: _____

Date: _____

ID#: _____

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B.A. Theology		UCAS	THEO-BA
36	credit hours	Catalog 2012-13	Effective Fall 2012 LMS 6/15/12

NOTE: At least FIVE (5) of the 12 courses required for the major must be at the 300-level or higher.

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
A.	Entry Level Courses. Choose one from each of the four areas:	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3	Doctrine: THEO 100, 101, 103, 267 (104), 266 (105), or 265 (106),			
3	Biblical Literature: THEO 110, 231 (111), or 232 (112).			
3	Religious Traditions and Practices: THEO 107 (170), 171, 272 (172), 173, 174, 175, 276 (176), 177, 278 (178), 279 (179), 180, 281 (181), 295 (195), 282 (196), 297 (197), 198, 199.			
3	Christian Life and Practice: THEO 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 192, or 293 (193).			

B.	Compulsory Courses	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3	New or Old Testament (whichever one NOT studied at Entry Level)			
3	THEO 317 -or- THEO 318 (with permission, THEO 450 may be substituted)			
*	Non-Christian Religious Tradition (*if NOT studied at Entry Level): THEO 272 (172), 177, 295 (195), 282 (196), 297 (197), 198, 199			
*	Ethics (*if NOT studied at Entry Level): THEO 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 192, 293 (193), 194, 340, 342, 344, or 345.			
3	Theology Capstone: THEO 373	373		

C.	Elective Courses	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3				
*				
*				

¹ With approval, up to two elective courses may be taken outside the Department of Theology.

Note: Students taking HONR 101 and/or HONR 102 may count one or two semesters as 100-level THEO. Students taking PLIS 101 and 102 may count one or two semesters as 100-level THEO.

Transfer-Student Residency Requirement: At least 18 credit hours of THEO-BA requirements must be completed at Loyola

Name: _____
 ID#: _____

Date: _____

Department of Theology | College of Arts and Sciences

B.A. Religious Studies		UCAS	RELS-BA
36	credit hours	Catalog 2012-13	LMS 6/15/12

NOTE: At least FIVE (5) of the 12 courses required for the major must be at the 300-level or higher.

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
A. Christian Traditions				
3	Choose <u>one</u> from: THEO 100, 103, 267 (104), 265 (106), 232 (112), 171, 173, 175, 185, 279 (179), 281 (181), 317, or 318.			

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
B. Non-Christian Traditions				
3	Choose <u>three</u> from: THEO 272 (172), 295 (195), 282 (196), 297 (197), 198, 199.			
3				
3				

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
C. Religious Comparisons or Themes				
3	Choose <u>two</u> from: THEO 107(170), 174, 177, 278 (178), 180 (various topics)*, 186, 192 (various titles)*, or 393 (various titles)*.			
3				

** Note: Topics include: "Women and Religion," "Religion and Psychology," "Moral Problems: Medical Issues; War & Peace", "Ancient Community and Values," or "Gender and Values."*

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
D. Religious Studies Elective Courses¹				
3				
3				
3				
3				
3				

¹ Up to three (3) courses may be taken outside of the Theology department with prior permission from the Director of Majors.

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3	Religious Traditions: Methods of Religious Studies	THEO 353		

Transfer-Student Residency Requirement: At least 18 credit hours of RELS-BA requirements must be completed at Loyola

Name: _____
 ID#: _____

Date: _____

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Theology Minor	UCAS	THEO-MINR
A minor in Theology requires 6 courses taken from within the department. Three courses must be taken at the Core level, and courses must be taken from at least two of the four areas of doctrine listed in the menu below.	Catalog 2012-13	LMS 6/5/12

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
A. Required Foundations				
3				
3				
3				

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
B. Required 300-level electives				
3				
3				
3				

Doctrine

- THEO 100: Intro to Christian Theology
- THEO 265 (104): Jesus Christ
- THEO 266 (105): Church in the World
- THEO 265 (106): The Sacraments

Christian Life and Practice

- THEO 185: Intro to Christian Ethics
- THEO 186: Intro to Religious Studies
- THEO 192: Moral Problems
- THEO 293 (193): Christian Marriage

Biblical Literature

- THEO 231 (111): Old Testament
- THEO 232 (112): New Testament

Religious Traditions and Practices

- THEO 173: Orthodox Christian Tradition
- THEO 176: African American Religious Experience
- THEO199: Religions of Asia
- THELO 272: Introduction to Judaism
- THEO 278 (178): Women and Religion
- THEO 279 (179): Roman Catholicism
- THEO 281 (181): Christianity Through Time
- THEO 295 (195): Intro to Islam
- THEO 282 (196): Intro to Hinduism
- THEO 297 (197): Intro to Buddhism

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Religious Studies Minor	UCAS	RELS-MINR
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A minor in Religious Studies requires six courses taken from within the Theology department. In addition to the three required core courses, three electives must be taken at the 300 level. Students must study at least two major world religions and take a range of other courses. Each program is individually tailored to fit the student's plans in consultation with the Director of Minors.

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
A.	Required Foundations	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3				
3				
3				

B.	Required Electives	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
3				
3				
3				

Doctrine

- THEO 100: Intro to Christian Theology
- THEO 265 (104): Jesus Christ
- THEO 266 (105): Church in the World
- THEO 265 (106): The Sacraments

Christian Life and Practice

- THEO 185: Intro to Christian Ethics
- THEO 186: Intro to Religious Ethics
- THEO 192: Moral Problems
- THEO 293 (193): Christian Marriage

Biblical Literature

- THEO 231 (111): Old Testament
- THEO 232 (112): New Testament

Religious Traditions and Practices

- THEO 107: Introduction to Religious Studies
- THEO 173: Orthodox Christian Tradition
- THEO 176: African American Religious Experience
- THEO 199: Religions of Asia
- THELO 272: Introduction to Judaism

- THEO 278 (178): Women and Religion
- THEO 279 (179): Roman Catholicism
- THEO 281 (181): Christianity Through Time
- THEO 295 (195): Intro to islam
- THEO 282 (196): Intro to Hinduism
- THEO 297 (197): Intro to Buddhism

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Pastoral Leadership Minor	UCAS	PASL-MINR
A minor in Pastoral Leadership requires 6 courses taken from within the department of Theology. Three courses must be taken at the Core level, and one from each area listed below. Three courses at the 300-level are required as well. THEO 347 and 348 (internship) are mandatory.	Catalog 2012-13	LMS 6/5/12

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
A. Required Foundations				
3				
3				
3				

Hours req.	Requirement Description	Course	Grade	Semester/Year
B. Required 300-level electives				
3	THEO 300-level elective**			
3	THEO 347: Creative Ministry			
3	THEO 348: Supervised Ministry (includes internship)			

Doctrine & History of Christianity

- THEO 100: Intro to Christian Theology
- THEO 265 (104): Jesus Christ
- THEO 266 (105): Church in the World
- THEO 265 (106): The Sacraments
- THEO 279 (179): Roman Catholicism

Christian Ethics

- THEO 185: Intro to Christian Ethics
- THEO 186: Intro to Religious Studies (for non-Christian minors)
- THEO 192: Moral Problems

Biblical Literature

- THEO 231 (111): Old Testament
- THEO 232 (112): New Testament

**This course should be tied to student's interests and courses taken at 100-level.
Consult Director of Minors for course selection