

Interfaith Studies Certificate (18 credits)

Having the vision, appreciative knowledge, and the skills to facilitate positive interactions among people who orient around religion differently is vitally important in a globalized, religiously complex world. This foundation, plus experience using this knowledge, vision, and skillset in community-based context, will also add value to any career that you seek. This minor, which is open to USU Undergraduate Students in any program with at least a 2.0 GPA, has been carefully designed to give you both the tools and the experience to share authentically, engage respectfully, and to bridge religious difference in order to serve the common good. A grade of C or above must be obtained in each course that is counted for the minor. Courses taken to fulfill one minor program requirement may not be double counted to fulfill a second program requirement (e.g. if ANTH 3160 is taken as a Required Foundations course it may not also count towards the Religious Engagement Beyond the Classroom requirement). No more than 9 credits that have been completed before the Required Foundations Course has been completed may be counted towards the minor. The Practicum/Capstone experience requires instructor permission to enroll as well as successful completion of a multi-part portfolio that requires a) a negotiated learning contract/project proposal that is signed by the student, the instructor of record, and the site-supervisor, b) a minimum number of 45 contact hours over the 15 week semester as documented by a designated site-supervisor, c) a written project report (and an oral presentation of project findings to appropriate constituents, d) a reflection paper about the experience. Additional portfolio elements might include photos of events organized, newspaper clippings or digital news reports about the experience, etc. For more information about the Interfaith Studies Minor, contact Prof. Bonnie Glass-Coffin at bonnie.glasscoffin@usu.edu or call 435-797-4064 to schedule an appointment.

Required Foundations Courses (6 credits)

This course is required of all students

| | CH | Term | Instruction mode | Instructor |
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| ANTH/RELS 3160 Intro to Interfaith Leadership | 3 | F, S | On-line | |

Choose 1 of the following 2 courses

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| RELS 1010 Intro to World Religions | 3 | F,S | F2F & online | Various |
| ANTH/RELS 3160 Anth of Religion | 3 | S* | F2F | BGC/Dengah |

Structured Electives (6 credits from any of the following 3 areas)

Appreciative knowledge of religious traditions

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| RELS 3010 Intro to Buddhism | 3 | F, S | F2F & on-line | Sur/Crow |
| RELS 3020 Intro Hinduism | 3 | S | F2F | Gupta |
| RELS 3030 Intro Islam | 3 | F, S | On-line | Baldwin |
| RELS 3050 Intro Christianity | 3 | F | F2F | Blythe/Sherlock |
| RELS 3060 Intro to Judaism | 3 | F, S | On-line | Bokovoy |
| RELS 3090 Intro to Shamanism | 3 | I | F2F | Glass-Coffin |
| RELS 3210 Classical Mythology | 3 | F* | F2F | Shapiro |
| RELS 3820 Hindu Sacred Texts | 3 | F* | F2F | Gupta |

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| RELS 4560 | Women in Islam | 3 F, S | on-line | Baldwin |
| RELS/HIST 4795 | Joseph Smith | 3 I | F2F | Barlow |
| RELS/HIST 4910 | Women in Buddhism | 3 S* | F2F | Sur |

History of Religious Conflict and Cooperation

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| RELS 2050 | Historical Jesus | 3 S | On-line | Bokovoy |
| RELS 3270 | Crusades | 3 F* | F2F | Ross |
| RELS 3410 | Mod Middle East | 3 F,S | On-line | Baldwin |
| RELS 3470 | Rel & Politics S. Asia | 3 F,S | On-line | Jackson |
| RELS/HIST 4565 | Early Islamic History | 3 I | F2F | Ross |
| RELS/HIST 4566 | Mod Islamic Thought | 3 I | F2F | Ross |
| RELS 4790 | American Religious History | 3 F* | F2F | Bulthius |
| ANTH ???? | Material Culture/Rel Conflict | 3 F | F2F | Cohen |
| HIST | Reformation | 3 I | F2F | Cogen |

Ways of Knowing, Being, and Interacting in the World

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| RELS 2060 | Science & Religion | 3 I | On-line | Crow |
| LING 2500 | Lang & Religion | 3 | F2F | deJonge-Kannan |
| PEP 2900 | Presence & Community Build | 3 F | F2F | Litalien |
| RELS 3040 | Rel, Evil, Suffering | 3 I | F2F | Barlow |
| RELS 3420 | Gods & Goddess of India | 3 I | F2F | Gupta |
| ENGL 3385 | Sacred World Literature | 3 | F2F | Sowder |
| PHIL 3600 | Phil. Of Religion | 3 F | F2F | Sherlock |
| SW 3850 | Spirituality & Social Work | 3 F | On-line | Lucero |
| PE/RELS 4010 | Yoga Theory | 3 F,S | F2F | Litalien |
| ANTH ???? | Material Culture | 3 | F2F | Cohen |
| RELS 4910 | Rel & Time | 3 | F2F | Barlow |

Religious Engagement Beyond the Classroom (3 credits)

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| PEP 2900 | Presence & Community Build | 3 F | F2F | Litalien |
| ANTH/RELS 3160 | Anth of Rel | 3 S | F2F | BGC/Dengah |
| ANTH/RELS 3165 | Bridging Rel Difference | 3 F* | F2F | BGC/Dengah |
| SW 3850 | Spirituality & Social Work | 3 F | On-line | Lucero |
| SW 4160 | Community Practice | 3 F,S | F2F | Lucero |
| ARTH/RELS 5740 | Pilgrimage | 3 I | F2F | Sand |

Community practicum/Capstone Project/(3 credits, by instructor permission)

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| ANTH 5190 | | 3 | F2F | B. Glass-Coffin |
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