

A.A. Liberal Arts Pathway (Religious Studies)

ADVANCE Program Milestones

1. Students must take SDV 100 or SDV 101 in the first semester at NOVA.
2. Students must begin Developmental coursework in the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
3. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MTT or ENF courses (excluding summer).
4. In the first 30 credits, students must:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.
5. Students must complete at least six degree-applicable credits with a C or better each fall and spring semester.
6. Students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
7. Students must apply for NOVA graduation and complete their Associate's degree.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	World Language #1	5-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
4	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
5	Open Elective #1	3	REL 231 Religions of the World I	RELI 212	Major & CHSS Phil/Reli
6	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103 CHEM 103 EVPP 110 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
7	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	Elective
8	Science Course #2	4	BIO 102 General Biology II OR CHM 102 Introductory Chemistry II OR ENV 122 General Environmental Science II OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 106/107 CHEM 104 EVPP 111 GEOL 102 PHYS 104	Nat Science
9	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
10	World Language #2	5-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
11	ENG Literature Elective	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African-American Literature I	ENGH 202	Literature
12	HIS Course #1	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
13	MTH 245	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Elective
14	World Language #3	4-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective

15	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	REL 232 Religions of the World II	RELI 211	Major & CHSS Non-Western
16	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics OR	ECON 104	Soc/Behav
			ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics OR	ECON 103	
			GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography OR	GGIS 103	
			HIS 121 United States History I OR	HIST 121	
17	HIS Course #2	3	HIS 122 United States History II OR	HIST 122	Global
			PSY 200 Principles of Psychology OR	PSYC 100	
			PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR	PSYC 211	
			SOC 200 Principles of Sociology OR	SOCI 101	
18	World Language #4	4-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 OR	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
			Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)		
19	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2 <i>(Must select discipline different from Soc/Behav above)</i>	3	ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics OR	ECON 103	CHSS Soc/Behav
			GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR	GGIS 101	
			PLS 135 American National Politics OR	GOVT 103	
			PLS 241 International Relations I OR	GOVT 132	
			PSY 200 Introduction to Psychology OR	PSYC 100	
20	Open Elective #2 <i>(This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach)</i>	3	SOC 200 Principles of Sociology OR	SOCI 101	Arts
			SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	ANTH 114	
			ART 100 Art Appreciation OR	ARTH 101	
			ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR	ARTH 200	
			ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR	ARTH 201	
			CST 130 Introduction to Theatre OR	THR 101	
			CST 151 Film Appreciation I OR	ENGL L372	
			MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	MUSI 101	

A. A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE
TOTAL 60-63

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B.A. Religious Studies

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Gen Ed: Information Technology	3	Approved Information Technology Course*	Info Tech
22	Comparative or Methodological Aspects of the Study of Religion	3	ANTH 313 Myth, Magic, and Mind OR	Major
			PHIL 313 Philosophy of Religion OR	
			RELI 337 Mysticism: East and West OR	
			RELI 341 Global Perspectives on Spirituality and Healing OR	
			RELI 376 Special Topics in Religious Thought OR	
23	Gen Ed: Written Communication (UL)	3	RELI 490 Comparative Study of Religions OR	Major
			SOCI 385 Religion and Society	
24	Core Courses in the Major	3	ENGL 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
25	Core Courses in the Major	3	300 or 400 level Religious Studies course	Major
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27	Electives in the Major	3	Course selected in consultation with advisor**	Major
28	Core Courses in the Major	3	300 or 400 level Religious Studies course	Major
29	Electives in the Major	3	300 or 400 level Religious Studies course	Major
			Course selected in consultation with advisor**	Major

30	Comparative or Methodological Aspects of the Study of Religion	3	ANTH 313 Myth, Magic, and Mind OR PHIL 313 Philosophy of Religion OR RELI 337 Mysticism: East and West OR RELI 341 Global Perspectives on Spirituality and Healing OR RELI 376 Special Topics in Religious Thought OR RELI 490 Comparative Study of Religions OR SOCL 385 Religion and Society	Major
31	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
32	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
33	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
34	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
35	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
36	Core Courses in the Major	3	RELI 420 Seminar	Writing Intensive
37	Gen Ed: Synthesis	3	Approved Synthesis course (RELI 490 recommended)*	Synthesis
38	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
39	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major
40	General Electives	0-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major

B.A. RELIGIOUS STUDIES

DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

*For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>

**Choose from courses in religious studies, related disciplines (including anthropology, art history, and history), or a scriptural language (such as Arabic, Biblical Hebrew, Chinese, Classical Greek, Latin, or Sanskrit). Up to 6 credits of a scriptural language may be used to fulfill this requirement and the requirement of 12 credits in religious studies at 300 and 400 level.

General Note: Students in this major complete at least 33 credits within the major, earning a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course. No course applied to the major in religious studies may be used to fulfill more than one requirement.

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Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements.