

RELIGION AND BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

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Academic Programs	Credits
BA: Theology	
Pastoral Ministry	68
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Programs

BA: Theology

Choose from one of the following:

Pastoral Ministry Emphasis—68

RELB110, 115, 210, 214, 335, 406, 476; RELH316, 317; HIST404; RELP200 (Twice), 240, 331, 332, 333, 334, 441, 442; RELT100, 226, 250, 308, 340, 400; BIBL211, 212, 311, 312, 321, 322, 427. Competence in Greek equivalent to the level represented by BIBL312 is required.

Required Cognates (9 credits): HIST404; RELH316, 317.

Minimum grades of C must be earned in HIST404 and in all RELB, RELH, RELP, and RELT courses to apply to major requirements.

Youth Ministry Emphasis—76

RELB110, 115, 210, 214, 335, 406, 476; RELP200 (Twice), 240, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 441, 442; RELT100, 226, 250, 308, 340; BIBL211, 212, 311, 312, 321, 322.

Competence in Greek equivalent to the level represented by BIBL312 is required; choose three from ANTH200, BHSC220, FMST454, 456, PSYC204, 251, 252, 319, 454, SOC1120, 345, 415, 430

Required Cognates (6 credits): HIST 404; RELH317.

Minimum grades of C must be earned in HIST404 and in all

RELB, RELH, RELP and RELT courses to apply to major requirements.

Secondary-Education Emphasis—56

RELB115, 210, 214, 335, 406, 476; RELT100, 226, 250, 308, 340; BIBL211, 212, 311, 312, 321, 322. Competence in Greek equivalent to the level represented by BIBL312 is required. RELP200 (Twice), 240, 331, 442

Required cognates (6 credits): HIST404, RELH317. Minimum grades of C must be earned in HIST404 and in all RELB, RELH, RELP, and RELT courses to apply to major requirements.

Denominational certification requirements (36 credits):

EDPC302; EDTE165, 228, 408, 417, 424, 459, 476, 480, 487, 488. Minimum grades of a C must be earned in your major, minor, Professional Education Courses, or cognates to meet denominational certification requirements. An overall GPA of 2.5 is required for a teaching recommendation from the School of Education.

Students must consult with the certification clerk in the School of Education.

Second Major—56

Upon consultation with the Department of Religion & Biblical Languages a student may take this 56-credit Theology major along with an additional second major.

RELB115, 210, 214, 335, 406, 476; RELT100, 226, 250, 308, 340; BIBL211, 212, 311, 312, 321, 322. Competence in Greek equivalent to the level represented by BIBL312 is required. RELP200 (Twice), 240, 331, 442.

Required cognates (6 credits): HIST404, RELH317.

Minimum grades of C- must be earned in HIST404 and in all RELB, RELH, RELP, and RELT courses to apply to major requirements.

BA: Religion—31

RELB110, 115, 214, 335, 406, 476; RELT226, 308; RELP200 (Twice), 331, 442. The following four general education courses are also required: RELB210; RELT100, 250, 340. Minimum grades of C- must be earned in HIST404 and in all RELB, RELH, RELP and RELT courses to apply to major requirements.

Those electing a biblical language to meet the foreign language requirement must take Greek I and Greek II or Hebrew I and Hebrew II.

BA: Religion—35

(Distance Education)

The distance education degree requires a minimum of 124 semester credits including all general education, major, and graduation requirements. The required courses are RELB210, 304, 305, 335, 374, 375; RELT225, 235, 290, 308; RELP441; HIST404.

Those electing Greek to meet the foreign language requirement must take Greek through the intermediate level.

Note: Students planning to enter the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary should select a major in theology, a religion major may be selected but must be supplemented with Seminary prerequisite courses. For entrance requirements, see the Theological Seminary section of this bulletin.

AA: Personal Ministries—32**(Distance Education)**

This degree prepares students for personal outreach ministries, including Bible instruction, offers an opportunity to study a broad spectrum of courses covering both Old and New Testament. The courses listed below are required for distance education students only.

Requirements: RELB210, 304, 305, 335; RELT225, 290, 308, 320, 340; HIST404, choose one of the following: RELB374 or 375.

See course descriptions.

Students may earn only **one** General Studies associate degree.

Minor in Religion—20

6 upper-division credits, 15 credits in Biblical Studies (RELB) or Theology (RELT). The remaining 5 credits may be taken from any Religion & Biblical Languages Department offerings subject to consultation with the Department.

Minor in Biblical Languages—22

BIBL211, 212, 311, 312, 321, 322, 427, and 4 credits in BIBL495.

Minor in Missions—20

ANTH200; RELG360; RELP240, 235, 325, 340, one or two courses from FDNT469, HLED420; one or two courses from EDTE165, BSAD365, 450; ENGL465; one course from GEOG260, COMM436, FMST350.

Courses**(Credits)**

See inside front cover for symbol code.

BIBLICAL LANGUAGES**BIBL204 V (4)****Elementary Greek I**

AU/HSI course. See content of BIBL211. BIBL204H and 205H must be taken successively.

BIBL205 V (4)**Elementary Greek II**

AU/HSI course. A continuing study of the elements of the language of the New Testament in the context of a good working vocabulary and carefully selected readings. Prerequisite: BIBL204H or equivalent. BIBL204H and 205H together are equivalent to BIBL211.

BIBL211 (3)**Elementary Greek I**

Elements of grammar of the *koine* Greek of the New Testament, including vocabulary, translation, and reading. Weekly lab required. *Fall*

BIBL212 (3)**Elementary Greek II**

Instruction in intermediate grammar and reading of selected portions of the New Testament. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite: BIBL211. *Spring*

BIBL304 V (3)**Intermediate Greek I**

AU/HSI course—intermediate course in Greek to provide a fair working knowledge of the New Testament in the original language. Prerequisite: BIBL205H or equivalent.

BIBL305 V (3)**Intermediate Greek II**

AU/HSI course. Continues to refine the student's working knowledge of the New Testament in the original language. Prerequisite: BIBL304H or equivalent. BIBL304H and 305H together are equivalent to BIBL212.

BIBL311 (2)**Intermediate Greek I**

Syntax of the *koine* Greek New Testament including practical application. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite BIBL212. *Fall*

BIBL312 (2)**Intermediate Greek II**

Application of the principles of the *koine* Greek grammar and syntax to the exegesis of selected passages from the Greek New Testament. Emphasis placed upon practical and scholarly application of the text. Prerequisites: BIBL311 and RELB115. *Spring*

BIBL321 (3)**Hebrew I**

Fundamentals of Biblical Hebrew including a practical vocabulary, an understanding of the grammatical structure of the language, and practice in translation. Provides ministers with a practical study tool. Weekly lab required. *Fall*

BIBL322 (3)**Hebrew II**

Development of reading ability in narrative portions of the Hebrew Bible. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite: BIBL321. *Spring*

BIBL427 (2)**Hebrew Exegesis**

Application of the principles of Hebrew lexicography, grammar, syntax and style to the exegesis of selected passages of the Hebrew Old Testament. Emphasis placed upon practical and scholarly application of the text. Prerequisites: BIBL322, RELB115. *Fall*

BIBL495 (1-3)**Independent Study**

Provides opportunity for further and independent investigation of the history, development, and exegesis of the biblical text. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

BIBLICAL STUDIES**RELB110 (3)****Biblical Backgrounds**

Archaeological, cultural, geographical, and historical backgrounds of the Old and New Testaments. *Spring*

RELB115 (3)**Hermeneutics**

An introduction to the presuppositions beneath various interpretive approaches to the biblical text and application of the principles of interpretation to texts representing the various genres of the Old and New Testaments. *Fall*

RELB210 (3)
Jesus in His Time and Ours
 Details the mission, the message and the meaning of Jesus Christ for His day and for ours. What is it about the Christian story that captured the attention of so much of world history? Also examines the connection between Christ's first Advent and His second. Prerequisite: RELT100. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

RELB210 V (3)
Jesus in His Time and Ours
 AU/HSI course—see content above. Available in standard and EEC formats (see p. 43).

RELB214 (4)
Law and Writings of the Old Testament
 An introduction to The Pentateuch and the "Writings" (historical books, Psalms, and Wisdom literature). *Fall*

RELB304 V (3)
Studies in Daniel
 AU/HSI course—see RELB406.

RELB305 V (3)
Studies in Revelation
 AU/HSI course—see RELB406.

RELB335 (4)
Acts and Epistles
 Brief introduction to principles of New Testament interpretation; a study of Acts, the Pauline Epistles, Hebrews, and the General Epistles. Research paper may be required. *Spring*

RELB335 V (3)
Acts and Epistles I
 AU/HSI course—see content above.

RELB374 V (3)
Old Testament Prophets, Early
 AU/HSI course. Includes the history of prophecy, the pre-writing prophetic figures, and the books of the writing prophets of the 8th and early 7th century B.C. Research paper may be required.

RELB375 V (3)
Old Testament Prophets, Later
 AU/HSI course. Includes the books of the writing prophets of the 7th century B.C. to the end of the prophetic canon. Research paper may be required.

RELB406 (4)
Studies in Daniel and Revelation
 Study of the background, content, and construction of these biblical books with emphasis upon the interpretation of prophecy, apocalyptic imagery and symbols. *Fall*

RELB476 (4)
Prophets of Israel
 Includes the history of prophecy, the pre-writing prophetic figures, and the books of the writing prophets. Research paper may be required. *Spring*

GENERAL RELIGION

RELG160 (1-3)
Topics in Religion
 Designed to add flexibility to the department offerings and to

meet diverse student needs. Repeatable as topics vary. Consult the class schedule for the current topic. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

RELG248 (1-3)
Workshop
 Provides flexibility for the occasional workshop where it is appropriate to offer religion credit. Workshop requirements must be approved by the department. *Fall, Spring*

RELG360 S (1-3)
Topics in Religion
 Designed to add flexibility to the department offerings and to meet diverse student needs. Repeatable as topics vary. Consult the class schedule for the current topic. This course qualifies for a deferred grade when it requires research. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

RELG360 V (3)
Topics in Religion: World Religions
 AU/HSI course. Surveys the major religious traditions of the world. Study includes an overview of origins, major philosophical and theological underpinnings, typical aspects of worship and ethics, and major social, cultural and political influences. Study is done from a consciously Christian framework. Available in standard and EEC formats (see p. 43).

RELG380-50 (1-3)
Honors in Religion (topic specified)
 Readings and seminar observations on various topics. Area of study announced in advance. Repeatable as topics vary. *Fall, Spring*

RELG496 (1-3)
Special Projects in Religion
 By special permission of the Department of Religion and Biblical Languages. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

CHURCH HISTORY

RELH316 (3)
History of the Christian Church I
 Surveys the internal and external developments and conflicts which Christianity has experienced in time and space from the time of Christ up to the Reformation. Special attention given to those developments that relate to Seventh-day Adventist theological heritage. Aims to enable the student to develop a broader historical perspective through which to see the outworking of the great controversy through the centuries, especially as it relates to issues the church faces today. Prerequisite: HIST117 or permission of instructor. Not applicable to the General Education requirements in religion nor a major or minor in religion. *Fall*

RELH316 V (3)
History of the Christian Church I
 AU/HSI course—see content above.

RELH317 (3)
History of the Christian Church II
 Surveys the history of the church from the Protestant Reformation to current time. Special attention is given to the Protestant Reformation, the Catholic counter-reformation, Puritanism, Rationalism, Evangelicalism, the rise of modern denominations, the world-wide mission expansion, and ecumenism. Prerequisite: HIST118 or permission of instructor. Not applicable to the General Education requirements in religion. *Spring*

RELH317 V (3)
History of the Christian Church II
 AU/HSI course—see content above.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

RELP200 (5)
Pastoral Practicum
 A weekly seminar giving instruction in the many aspects of ministering in churches. Includes assignment to one of the area churches. Required of all theology/religion majors. Registration for RELP331, 332, 333 or 334 also fulfills this requirement. Students register and are graded once for the entire year. Minimum requirement of 1 credit. *Fall, Spring*

RELP235 (2)
Christianity in a World Context
 An introduction to the status and role of Christianity and mission worldwide. Includes a brief history of Christian mission, current facts about mission needs, Christian and mission relationships to world religions, political ideologies, national development, and non-Western cultures. *Fall*

RELP240 (0-3)
Christian Witnessing/Public Evangelism Seminar
 Acquaintance with the dynamics of Christian witnessing in the neighborhood, at work, and in the friend-to-friend approach of personal Bible study. Christ's example of witnessing is highlighted. Includes participation in the departmental summer field school. *Spring, Summer*

RELP290 V (3)
Introduction to Pastoral Counseling
 AU/HSI course. Understanding that pastoring includes counseling, this course introduces both the actual skill of counseling and the acquisition of knowledge and insights based on reading and experience.

RELP325 (2-6)
Preparation for Mission Service
 An orientation of mission candidates to contemporary mission. A maximum of 3 credits is allowed for student missionaries and 4-6 credits for appointees to the Mission Institute. A maximum of 3 credits is applicable to the General Education religion requirement. *Fall, Spring*

RELP331 (1)
Homiletics I—Introduction to Preaching
 Lays the foundation for biblical sermon construction and delivery. Includes participation in the weekly Religion Round Table seminars, a practicum assignment, and supervised field preaching. Weekly lab required. *Fall*

RELP332 (1)
Homiletics II—Biblical Preaching
 Addresses the crucial nature of expository preaching, stressing proper principles of interpreting and applying the text to practical life. Includes participation in the weekly Religion Round Table seminars, a practicum assignment, and supervised field preaching. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite: RELP331. *Spring*

RELP333 (1)
Homiletics III—Advanced Biblical Preaching
 Explores further methods of expository preaching such as narrative, induction, and great themes of the Scriptures. Includes partic-

ipation in the weekly Religion Round Table seminars, a practicum assignment, and supervised field preaching. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite: RELP332. *Fall*

RELP334 (1)
Homiletics IV—Evangelistic and Special Events Preaching
 Addresses the needs of special preaching events such as evangelistic crusades, weddings, funerals, and dedications. Includes participation in the weekly Religion Round Table seminars, a practicum assignment, and supervised field preaching. Weekly lab required. Prerequisite: RELP333. *Spring*

RELP335 (3)
Foundations of Youth Ministry
 Designed for the youth specialist who wishes to work as a youth pastor, youth director, academy Bible teacher, or in any other youth-training capacity. *Fall*

RELP340 (2)
Strategies for Service
 Creates the vision that all Christians can serve in mission. Shows how to witness in cross-cultural situations and introduces students to ways they can do mission in any occupation. Alternate forms of mission like tent-maker ministries, non-resident missionaries, urban ministry, and work with refugees and foreign students are addressed. *Spring*

RELP400 S (3)
Senior Seminar: Health Professions
 A capstone seminar for health profession majors which addresses theoretical and practical spiritual issues pertaining to those working in the health professions. *Fall*

RELP441 (2)
Introduction to Pastoral Ministry
 A study of the minister as leader of worship, as nurturing pastor, as administrator of the church and as evangelist. *Spring*

RELP441 V (3)
Introduction to Pastoral Ministry
 AU/HSI course. A study of good church administration, combining pastoral leadership with church management. Addresses the four-dimensional role of the pastor—person, administrator, church leader, and priest.

RELP442 (2)
Introduction to Church Leadership
 A study of the principles of leadership as applied to pastoral ministry. *Fall*

THEOLOGY

RELT100 (3)
God and Human Life
 How God confronts human beings—includes the process of revelation, principles of interpreting Scripture and similarly inspired material, the nature of God and His expectations for humans, and the evaluation of these concepts as presented in Scripture and the classic literature of various religions. *Fall, Spring, Summer*

RELT100 V (3)
God and Human Life
 AU/HSI course—see content above. Available in standard and EEC formats (see p. 43).

- RELT216** (2)
Workshop in Prayer
Study of faith, private prayer, family worship, conducting prayer groups, public prayer, and prayer as a ministry. Not applicable toward the theology concentration or major in religion. *Fall, Spring*
- RELT225** (3)
Doctrines of the Adventist Faith
Defines and clarifies the Biblical doctrines of the Seventh-day Adventist faith, distinguishing them within the background of the Judeo-Christian tradition. Student can earn general education credit in either RELT225 or 226, but not in both. Prerequisite: RELT100. *Fall, Spring, Summer*
- RELT225** V (3)
Doctrines of the Adventist Faith
AU/HSI course—see content above.
- RELT226** (3)
Advanced Adventist Theology
Examines fundamental Seventh-day Adventist teachings regarding the Sabbath, Second Advent, and Sanctuary in the context of such interrelated doctrines as the nature of man, Christ's atoning sacrifice and heavenly ministry, and the pre- and post-Advent judgments. Designed to help students appreciate more fully not only the validity of these doctrines, but also their relevance for their Christian life. Research paper may be required. Student can earn general education credit in either RELT225 or 226, but not in both. *Fall*
- RELT235** V (3)
Principles of Bible Instruction
AU/HSI course to help students develop necessary skills and expertise vital for success in Bible instruction.
- RELT250** (3)
Personal Spirituality and Faith
A study of the Biblical perspective on the act of faith and the life of faith. How does a person begin and nurture one's own personal spiritual and devotional life? Also studies the meaning of spiritual nurture in various lifestyle and work settings. Personal spiritual growth is fostered through involvement in organized church activities and/or witnessing outreach. Prerequisite: RELT100. *Fall, Spring, Summer*
- RELT308** (2-3)
Gift of Prophecy
Study of the prophetic manifestation in Bible and church to include the ministry and writings of Ellen G. White. Research paper may be required. *Fall*
- RELT308** V (2)
Gift of Prophecy
AU/HSI course—see content above.
- RELT320** V (3)
Personal Evangelism
AU/HSI course. The dynamics of personal evangelism with primary emphasis on instruction rather than exhortation. A clear biblical perspective on the priesthood of all believers; practical counseling for leading someone to Christ; a strategy for visitation; a Bible study methodology; and techniques in getting decisions.
- RELT340** (3)
Religion and Ethics in Modern Society
Considers how the Judeo-Christian tradition confronts the moral complexities of a highly technical society. Are there universal absolutes that cross all cultural boundaries, or are all values relative? Designed to help students articulate what molded their value system and what should help to shape it. Students are expected to participate in some organized church/civic/social service activities. Student can earn general education credit in either RELT340 or 390, but not in both. Prerequisite: RELT100. *Fall, Spring, Summer*
- RELT340** V (3)
Religion and Ethics in Modern Society
AU/HSI course—see content above.
- RELT348** S (3)
Christians and the Environment
A religious, philosophical, and activist approach to environmental issues, analyzing ideological causes of environmental degradation, and offering philosophical and theological perspectives which inform and sensitize the student to the Christian's environmental responsibility. Qualifies as an "S" course for General Education Service Learning. Contains a service component. *Spring*
- RELT390** (3)
Christian Business Ethics
Designed for the student to examine differing ethical models and to develop a personal model that will serve as the basis on which a Seventh-day Adventist Christian will make personal value decisions. The developed model is used in examining actual ethical issues which confront people in daily affairs of business life. Student can earn general education credit in either RELT340 or 390, but not in both. Prerequisite: RELT100. (Open only to upper division BBA students). *Spring*
- RELT400** (2)
Theology Seminar
Designed for the senior theology major as a means to address current issues and doctrines in the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Students present the results of their scholarly research in a seminar format. *Spring*