ABOUT A DEGREE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Religious Studies provides students with an opportunity to examine different religions and how they interact. Students will have enhanced understanding of cultural diversity and complexity of diverse world views. International and historical perspectives will in turn provide the wider context for students’ understanding of their own culture, as well as provide preparation for careers in international relations, development, and commerce.

RELATED SKILLS

- Strong knowledge base of religious perspectives
- Maintaining cross-cultural awareness
- Ability to incorporate diverse perspectives
- Critical thinking and observation
- Collecting and analyzing data
- Communicating ideas from both broad and specific viewpoints
- Communicating clearly and effectively, verbal and written
- Expressing ideas and emotions creatively
- Collecting, organizing, and presenting data
- Researching and analyzing resources and information
- Understanding of human, spiritual, and social needs
- Thinking critically
- Evaluating resources and information
- Creating entertaining and influential messages

HIRING INSTITUTIONS

- Universities/Colleges
- Faith-Based Social Services Agencies
- International Aid Organizations
- Domestic Humanitarian Organizations
- Business Corporation
- Non-Profit Organizations
- Private Schools
- Department of Education
- Immigration & Naturalization Services
- Churches
- Library Science
- Travel & Tourism
- Foreign Affairs
- Commerce
- Government Agencies
- Federal Trade Commission
- Museums

RELATED WEBSITES

- OU Department of Religious Studies
- Why Study Religion?
- American Academy of Religion
- Association of Religion Data Archives
- HigherEdJobs
- Non-Profit Career Network
- www.ou.edu/religiousstudies
- www.studyreligion.org
- www.aarweb.org
- www.thearda.com
- www.higheredjobs.com
- www.nonprofitcareer.com