









RELIGIOUS STUDIES, CONCENTRATION

 - General Education Course

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Major

The Core Curriculum is designed to foster critical thinking skills and introduce students to basic domains of thinking that transcend disciplines. The Core applies to all majors. Information on specific classes in the Core can be found at <https://www.marshall.edu/gened/>.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Curriculum		
<i>Core 1: Critical Thinking</i>		
FYS 100	First Yr Sem Critical Thinking	3
MTH 121 	Concepts and Applications (CT) Critical Thinking Course	3
<i>Core 2</i>		
ENG 101 	Beginning Composition	3
ENG 201  	Advanced Composition	3
CMM 103 	Fund Speech-Communication	3
MTH 121 	Concepts and Applications (CT)	3
	Core II Natural/Physical Science	4
	Core II Humanities: RST Intro course	3
	Core II Social Science	3
	Core II Fine Arts	3
<i>Additional University Requirements</i>		
	Writing Intensive	3
	Writing Intensive	3
	Multicultural or International	3
	Capstone (400-level Interdisciplinary Major Elective)	3
College-Specific		
	Foreign Language 101	3
	Foreign Language 102	3
	Foreign Language 203	3
	Foreign Language 204	3
	300/400 COLA Literature	3
	COLA Literature	3
	300/400 COLA Humanities	3
	300/400 COLA Social Science	3
	COLA Social Science	3
	COLA Social Science	3
	COLA Natural/Physical Science	4
	300/400 COLA International	3
	300/400 COLA Multicultural	3
Major-Specific		
	<i>RST Introductory Course (Core II Hum)</i>	
	Select one of the following:	3

RST 205  Religious Trads of West

RST 206  Religious Traditions Asia

RST 300  The Nature of Religion

<i>CL Introductory Course</i>	3
Any 200-level course except: CL 200	
<i>PHL Introductory Course</i>	3
Any 200 or 300 level course, except: PHL 302, PHL 304	
<i>Major Contract Courses</i>	
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
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<i>Electives</i>	
300/400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective	3
300/400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective	3
400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective (Capstone)	3
300/400 Free Elective	3
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Major Information

- The total number of free electives will depend on the amount of double and triple counting of requirements.
- See course attributes each semester for courses that meet multiple requirements.
- Questions about requirements should be directed to the College of Liberal Arts (304-696-2350). Core II and COLA requirements may not be double counted.
- Students must earn a C or better in ENG 201 Advanced Composition and all foreign language courses.
- Forty-eight credit hours (sixteen 3-hour courses) must be at the 300/400 level.
- Minimum of 120 hours to graduate.

The program consists of 33 hours of coursework in three parts:

- Three courses introducing the specific goals and methods of the three disciplines (9 hours). These courses place special emphasis on the particular discipline's approaches to knowledge, critical thought, skills of expression, and human development. Students must choose from those listed, one for each discipline.
- Department-Approved Courses (15 hours) to be chosen by the student, usually with the advice of a committee of faculty members. Each major may select a small advisory committee to assist with course selection, advising, and long-range planning.
- Three interdisciplinary, team-taught courses (9 hours), in any combination of levels, but including at least one at the 400 level as the senior capstone experience.

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Four Year Plan

The Humanities major offers concentrations in Classics, Philosophy, and Religious Studies (CL/PHL/RST). This major is unique in two ways: Students may choose coursework equivalent to a major in a single department or create a broader curriculum of their choice from various humanities courses, and our program also has a strong interdisciplinary side. The goal of the program is to help us deepen our understanding of ourselves and our culture by exploring the way human beings find meaning in their experience. We explore these ways by studying both our own individual insights and the artistic, philosophical and religious works that have expressed and shaped human experience.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
CMM 103 🌱	Fund Speech-Communication	3
ENG 101 🌱	Beginning Composition	3
FYS 100	First Yr Sem Critical Thinking	3
	Core II Social Science	3
	Core II Fine Arts	3
UNI 100	Freshman First Class	1
	Credit Hours	16
Second Semester		
ENG 201 🌱🎓	Advanced Composition	3
	Multicultural/International	3
	Critical Thinking	3
MTH 121 🌱	Concepts and Applications (CT)	3
	Core II Humanities: RST Intro Course	3
	Credit Hours	15
Second Year		
First Semester		
	Core II Physical/Natural Science	4
	300/400 COLA International	3
	Foreign Language 101	3
	PHL Introductory Course	3
	COLA Social Science	3
	Credit Hours	16
Second Semester		
	Writing Intensive	3
	Foreign Language 102	3
	COLA Social Science	3
	300/400 COLA Humanities	3
	CL Introductory Course	3
	Credit Hours	15
Third Year		
First Semester		
	300/400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective	3
	COLA Physical/Natural Science	4
	300/400 Free Elective	3
	300/400 COLA Multicultural	3

Foreign Language 203	3
Credit Hours	16
Second Semester	
Writing Intensive	3
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
Foreign Language 204	3
300/400 COLA Social Science	3
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
Credit Hours	15
Fourth Year	
First Semester	
400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective (capstone)	3
300/400 COLA Literature	3
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
300/400 Free Elective	3
300/400 Free Elective	3
Credit Hours	15
Second Semester	
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
300/400 Major Contract Course	3
300/400 Interdisciplinary Major Elective	3
COLA Literature	3
Credit Hours	12
Total Credit Hours	120