

# Bachelor of Arts in RELIGIOUS STUDIES

## Discover the Divine.

The Religious Studies Program will teach students to think profoundly and communicate clearly about societal issues and existential human questions through research, reading, writing, and discussion. Students will develop a mature understanding of Judeo-Christian traditions and a deep appreciation for other major religions.

The Religious Studies major prepares students for responsible participation in a pluralistic, globally-oriented society, within the framework of the diverse learning community that is NC Wesleyan University.



### PERSONAL

Our faculty has real-world professional experience to ensure you are challenged and supported through mentoring and the connections we provide.



### PRACTICAL

Develop lifelong skills through your educational opportunities that are broadly useful, fully transferable and applicable to any challenge or career.



### PURPOSE-DRIVEN

Use your degree as a stepping stone to pursue accredited certifications offered at leading organizations or post-graduate study programs.

### CAREER AREAS:

- Clergy
- Counseling
- Family Counseling
- Government Work
- Lawyer
- Missionary
- Non-Profit Organization
- Teacher
- Writer
- Youth Director



### PAY TRENDS:

The median annual wage\* for the **Theology** field of degree is:



\*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook. Not entry level - varies based on location, education and experience. Recent graduates would need to earn experience and advance in career to earn a higher salary.

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*Minor in Religious Studies available.*

### General Graduation Guidelines:

- Total of 120 semester hours, 39 of which must be numbered 300 or 400 (Other programs may require coursework beyond 120 semester hours)
- At least 9 semester hours of courses designated as writing intensive
- A declared major
- A cumulative GPA average of C (2.00) and at least a C average in the graduation major

## WHAT YOU WILL LEARN:

- Examine religious beliefs, feelings and actions, to provide the student with the tools to understand the religious dimension of life, with particular concern for the Judeo-Christian tradition
- Study of Judaism, Christianity and Islam - the major religions in the Abrahamic tradition
- Tools and techniques of Biblical interpretation
- Examine modern Christian faith; selected problems in theology, the Biblical and Modern-Christian concepts of man, the person and work of Jesus Christ, faith and reason and the nature of the church
- Study of the Christian movement, its organization, leadership, literature and theological development
- Basic principles and assumptions of the Christian concept of the good life and applications to contemporary life
- Study of Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism and Confucianism, the major religions of the East
- Study of the indigenous religions of the Americas, including modern-day South and Central America and Canada

### ADMISSIONS CRITERIA:

Applying to NC Wesleyan is as easy as **1-2-3**. You will have direct contact with a personal admissions counselor who will assist you every step of the way.

- Apply online for FREE
- Submit your high school transcript (*2.5 GPA or higher*)
- Complete your FAFSA at ***studentaid.gov*** (*School code is 002951*)

When we receive your application and transcript, we will provide you with an admissions decision and which scholarships you may be qualified to receive.

*For more information on admission requirements, visit [ncwu.edu/admissions](https://ncwu.edu/admissions).*



### APPLY TODAY!

*Scan the QR code to fill out your **FREE** application.*

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