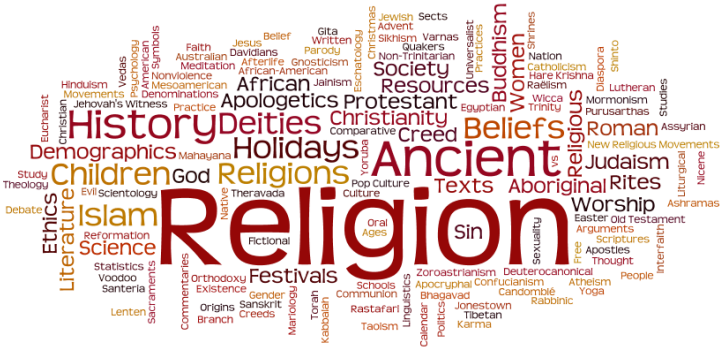
STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY

CAREER CENTER

Religious Studies



The Program in Religious Studies offers an interdisciplinary approach to the analysis of religion in its many forms and aspects. To the variety of religious traditions, both living and historical, the program brings the techniques and questions of philosophy, history, literature, and the human sciences. Designed for flexibility in meeting students' interests and needs, the Religious Studies program offers a major, a minor, an honors program, and a variety of electives useful for broadening one's knowledge of religious phenomena, for supplementing the major program in many related fields of humanities and social science, and for meeting general education requirements.

The major in Religious Studies is an attractive option for students seeking a general liberal arts education with strength in humanities. It develops skills in reading texts with sophisticated critical awareness, and in expressing complex ideas orally and in writing. It affords insight into the fundamental traditions that shape historic cultures, East and West, and forms habits of tolerance and appreciation of unfamiliar ideas and values.

Transferable Skills

- Analytical and critical thinking abilities
- Writing and rhetorical skills
- Research skills
- Extensive technical and analytical writing abilities
- Cultural empathy
- Worldliness
- Didactic skills
- Oratory skills
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Leadership and teamwork skills
- Synthesizing information
- Rhetorical skills

Career Communities to Consider

- Arts & Communications
- Education & Helping Professions
- Business
- Public Service