

PhD in Religious Studies

Your 5 (or 6) Years

Year One

Coursework	R S 383M -R S area courses and languages -At least one course outside RS
Other Responsibilities	-Attend department and area colloquia -Get to know potential faculty advisers -Apply for grants and fellowships, if applicable -Discuss your MA report with a faculty supervisor -Make a plan for completing language requirements
Review	No review

Year Two

Coursework	Registration in appropriate MA course (for thesis or for report); complete remaining RS and outside coursework
Other Responsibilities	-Attend department and area colloquia -Choose a faculty adviser to supervise your MA by the fall semester -Complete MA requirements by end of spring semester -Apply for MA graduation -Finalize Qualifying Exam Committee prior to summer and begin making reading lists -Apply for grants and fellowships, if applicable -Make progress toward language requirements
Review	2 nd -Year Review completed during first semester of year three; kept in department files

Year Three

Coursework	R S 384D; R S 381 for qualifying exams
Other Responsibilities	-Attend department and area colloquia -Finalize Exam Lists -Study for exams -Take exams in spring -Apply for grants and fellowships, if applicable -Make progress toward language requirements
Review	No formal review process, but examinations serve as informal review

Year Four

Coursework	R S 999R (first semester of dissertation; after candidacy); R S 999W (second semester of candidacy and beyond)
Other Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Complete requirements to enter doctoral candidacy<ul style="list-style-type: none">-All languages completed-Designate dissertation supervisor and 4 additional committee members (at least 3 from RS Graduate Studies Committee and 1 from <i>outside</i> GSC)- Dissertation Prospectus completed, defended at Colloquium, and approved- Apply for candidacy online with the graduate school-Dissertation Research-Apply for grants and fellowships, if applicable
Review	4 th -Year Review completed at end of spring semester; kept in file

Year Five

Coursework	R S 999W
Other Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Write and finish dissertation-Dissertation defense-Submit dissertation to graduate school by last class day-Apply for grants and fellowships, if applicable; find funding or employment for 6th year, if not yet finished.
Review	No Review

Year Six (if needed)

Coursework	R S 999W
Other Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">-Write and finish dissertation-Dissertation defense-Submit dissertation to graduate school by last class day
Review	Review at end of 6 th year if dissertation not completed.

Other Professionalization Activities

Presentations at conferences (especially AAR/SBL)

Publications

Teaching experience as TA or AI

Grant and fellowship applications