

INTERFAITH STUDIES, EMPHASIS

Requirements

Complete 12 semester credit hours (four 3-semester-credit-hour courses), with a grade of “C” or better, plus a co-curricular course (0 semester credit hours). Completion of the emphasis also meets the requirements for Engaged Learning. The courses are distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Hours
Introductory Course		
RELS 2285 or THEO 2235	Religion in United States Interreligious Dialogue	3
Co-curricular Course		
INQ 1111 or LCOM 1112	Interfaith Oral History Archives ¹ Catholic-Muslim Dialogue	0
Elective Courses		
Select three approved courses from the list below (p. 1) ²		9
Total Hours		12

¹ INQ 1111 Interfaith Oral History Archives is a one-semester, 0 semester credit hour, P/F, Engaged Learning course requiring previous completion of (or co-enrollment in) either THEO 2235 Interreligious Dialogue or RELS 2285 Religion in United States. LCOM 1112 Catholic-Muslim Dialogue is a one-semester, 0 semester credit hour, P/F, Engaged Learning Course. Students will participate in a bi-weekly lunch dialogue to discuss current events and study scripture together.

² Three elective courses, chosen from any of the approved courses on the list below. Only courses in which a student has earned a grade of “C” or better may be applied to the certificate. Any credit completed for the certificate may also be applied to fulfill general education, major or minor requirements.

Approved Courses

Code	Title	Hours
BIOL 3313	Evolution	3
HIST 2273	Classical Islamic Civilization, 1000-1700	3
HIST 2291	Topics (History of the Silk Road)	1-6
HIST 2291	Topics (Apocalypses and World History)	1-6
HNRS 2201	Catholic and Benedictine Intellectual Traditions	3
IDS 2201	Catholic/Benedictine Traditions (History of Christian-Muslim Relations)	3
IDS 2201	Catholic/Benedictine Traditions (Search for Origins)	3
IDS 2201	Catholic/Benedictine Traditions (Jesus & Mary in Qur’an & Bible)	3
IDS 3301	Human Dignity/Common Good	3
INQ 1111	Interfaith Oral History Archives	0
LCOM 1112	Catholic-Muslim Dialogue	0
LITR 1150	Themes in Literature (Muslim Women’s Literature)	3
LITR 1150	Themes in Literature (Qur’an as Literature)	3
LITR 2279	U. S. Multiethnic Literature	3

MKTG 3348	Content Development & Search Engine Optimization	3
PLSC 2247	Politics and Religion in the United States and Beyond	3
PLSC 2216	Genocide: The Politics of Hate, Fear, Terror and Power	3
RELS 2120	Religions of Asia	3
RELS 2130	Abrahamic Traditions	3
RELS 2230	Introduction to Judaism	3
RELS 2265	Eastern Christianity	3
RELS 2285	Religion in United States	3
THEO 2235	Interreligious Dialogue	3
THEO 2252	Business Ethics in the Context of Catholic Social Teaching	3

Objectives

Students in the Interfaith Studies (Emphasis) will achieve the following student learning outcomes (SLO):

Student Learning Outcome 1: Demonstrate the ability to speak across religious, cultural, and other differences in a variety of settings.
• University SLO: 3. Communication Skills; 7. Civic engagement and social responsibility

Student Learning Outcome 2: Compare the teachings and practices of at least two world religions.
• University SLO: 1. Disciplinary competence and skills; 6. Global awareness and cultural competence

Student Learning Outcome 3: Understand interreligious topics in an interdisciplinary manner.
• University SLO: 2. Critical and creative thinking skills