

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Religious studies explores the beliefs, practices, and cultural significance of religions worldwide, examining their historical development and impact on societies. It encompasses critical analysis of religious texts, rituals, and the role of spirituality in individual and collective experiences.

COMMON JOB TITLES * additional education or certification required post graduation

ENTRY & MID LEVEL POSITIONS

Academic Advisor*
Religious Community Leader
Counselor*
Lobbyist*
Lawyer*
International Aid Worker
Museum Curator
Ethnographer
Historian*

Elderly Care Specialist*
Teacher/Professor*
Refugee Resettlement Assistant
Social Services Assistant
Health Care Professional*
Human Resource Generalist
Archivist
Fundraising Coordinator
Non-profit Management*

AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT: WHERE DO RELIGIOUS STUDIES MAJORS TYPICALLY WORK?

Corporations: AmeriCorps, Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Religious Organizations: Candlewood Church, Plymouth Church

Law Firms: BCG Attorney, Legal Aid Nebraska

Nonprofit Organizations: Lutheran FS, Essential Pregnancy Services

Universities/Colleges: UNO, Creighton University, College of St. Mary

International Organizations: Save the Children, United Nations

Government: Chugach Government Solutions, IRS

Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs): Faith Regional Health Services

Museums: The Durham Museum, The Joslyn Art Museum, El Museo Latino

Libraries: Omaha Public Library, UNO Criss Library

IMPORTANT QUALITIES:

Transferable Skills Gained:

Cultural Competency
Global Understanding
Ethical Reasoning
Critical Thinking
Interpersonal Skills
Communication

Concrete Skills Gained:

Microsoft Office
Academic Research
Historical Text Analysis
Writing
Initial Data Analysis

HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS :

Join a **UNO Religious Studies Student Organization** to connect with other students & participate in meaningful discussions

Attend a **Lecture Series** or another community engagement **event** to hear from **professionals**

Consider **Studying Abroad** to develop new perspectives & gain more knowledge about other religions & cultures

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MAJOR + MINOR SPECIALIZATION: HOW CAN I SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING BEFORE I GRADUATE?

Religion Studies + Political Science minor = Lobbyist*

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Religion Studies + International Studies minor = International Aid Worker

Religion Studies + Art History minor = Archivist

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK:

Fundraisers

Archivists & Curators

Social Service Assistants

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

Check out daily job postings on **Handshake** related to accounting jobs, internships, and opportunities to boost your student experience

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:

A **Masters degree** or **Doctoral Degree** may be beneficial or required after graduation depending on your desired career path. Advanced degrees offer opportunities for research, specialization, and development

More information:

UNO Graduate Programs A-Z

OTHER RESOURCES :

UNO Department of Religious Studies

Career Exploration in Career Services

U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: Occupational Outlook Handbook

NEED SOME EXTRA HELP?

Book an appointment with Career Services

Book an appointment with your Advisor

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