

CRITERIA FOR COURSE CREDIT TRANSFER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS STUDIES

(RLGN 100T, 200T, 300T)

A. A course in the field of religious studies taken at an institution other than CWRU may be eligible for transfer course credits according to the following criteria:

1. The institution at which the course is taken is an accredited college or university;
2. The course is a seminar, lecture or tutorial that meets on a regular basis;
3. At least one-third of the course is devoted to theory and method in the study of religion.

B. Online courses will normally not be approved for transfer credit. Exceptions to this rule must be recommended by the faculty member who has expertise in the subject matter of the course and be approved by the departmental faculty.

C. Courses that are essentially theological or denominational in character will normally not be approved for transfer credit. Exceptions to this rule must be recommended by the faculty member who has expertise in the subject matter of the course and be approved by the departmental faculty.

D. The level of the course transfer credit (100T, 200T, 300T) will be determined by the Department chair. In general, a course will be deemed at the 100-level if it is primarily introductory; at the 200-level if it is centered on methods or theories in the study of religion and/or on a particular religious tradition or a group of related religious traditions; and at the 300-level if it is more narrowly focused on a particular methodological, theoretical or religious issue.

E. Credit hours will be awarded according to the following scheme:

1. a minimum of 13 contact hours = 1 transfer credit hour;
2. a minimum of 27 contact hours = 2 transfer credit hours;
3. a minimum of 42 contact hours = 3 transfer credit hours;