

Department of

Religious Education



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Introduction

The study of religion is the core of academics at BYU-Idaho. It provides the basis for our very existence as one of the Lord's universities, and every student is expected to make Religion classes an integral part of their studies.

Details showing the University requirements for Religion are shown in the University Requirements section in the front of this catalog or go online to the Religion home page and click on Graduation Requirements. To view the courses and the requirements they fill, click on the View Graphic link at the side of the chart.

A seminary Pre-Service program for prospective Seminary teachers is now offered. Interested students who are beginning their junior year at BYU-Idaho should take the Introduction to Teaching Seminary course, Religion 370. For more information, contact the Pre-Service Director at 496-1594 or 221-6171, or his secretary Kathy Baldwin at 496-1593.

Course Descriptions**Credits*****FDREL 100 Introduction to Mormonism****(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: For individuals of other faiths and new members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

A fundamental course concerning the doctrines, history and organization of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. This class is for those individuals belonging to religions other than The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and new members of the Church.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 121 Book of Mormon**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Required for graduation. A study of the origin, content and teachings of the Book of Mormon from 1st Nephi through Alma 29.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 122 Book of Mormon**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Required for graduation. A study of the content and teachings of the Book of Mormon from Alma 30 through Moroni.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 130 Missionary Preparation**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A course designed to help prepare students for missionary service, utilizing principles that reflect and supplement the emphasis taught in the "Preach My Gospel" missionary approach. This course is highly recommended for all pre-missionaries.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 150 Provident Living**(2:1:2)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A course designed to assist students in applying gospel principles in their personal lives. It is composed of classroom instruction in doctrinal and temporal matters, coupled with a lab where principles of provident living are put into practice.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 190 Special Topics in Scripture**(1-3:0:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: By permission of Instructor only.

For BYU-Idaho students facing special credit situations and for BYU-Idaho travel study students, taught in the term of the travel study, with topics selected which will focus on history, scripture, and culture of those lands visited.

(Upon Request)

FDREL 200 Family Foundations**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A course that centers on "The Family: A Proclamation to the World" and develops gospel doctrines and principles pertaining to marriage and family life. Practical skills required to achieve and sustain provident living will also be demonstrated and practiced.

(Fall, Winter, Spring)

FDREL 211 New Testament**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of Matthew through Revelation, and Joseph Smith Matthew.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 215 Scripture Study Skills - The Power of the Word**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A course designed to help students gain confidence in understanding the scriptures. The focus is on gaining skills for successful personal scripture study.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 221 Book of Mormon For Prospective Missionaries**(4:4:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: Not for returned missionaries.

A study of the origin, content and teachings of the Book of Mormon from 1st Nephi through Moroni from a missionary viewpoint. This class may not be taken, or retaken by returned missionaries. This class also fills the requirement for Religion 121 and 122.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 234 Preparing for Eternal Marriage**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: For unmarried students.

This class allows the student to examine the many different issues that lead to one's being successfully sealed in the temple of the Lord.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 235 Building an Eternal Marriage**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: For married students.

A study of the doctrines, principles and practices which will establish a successful, gospel-centered eternal marriage.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 261 Introduction to LDS Family History**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Introduction to the Family History program of the Church, which emphasizes identifying ancestors in the first few generations for whom temple ordinances have not been completed and the use of resources to simplify temple and family history activities.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 264 Family History Research**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: Rel 261, or competency with PAF, or consent of instructor.

Using documents or original records of various countries to identify and submit names for temple ordinances.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 301 Old Testament**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the books of Moses, Abraham, and Genesis through Deuteronomy.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 301H Old Testament--Biblical Hebrew 1**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the Old Testament by learning Biblical Hebrew. To increase the student's understanding of the Old Testament (Genesis through Deuteronomy) by learning to read Biblical Hebrew through an inductive approach.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 302 Old Testament**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the Old Testament from Joshua through Malachi.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 302H Old Testament--Biblical Hebrew 2**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Prerequisite: Rel 301H

A study of the Old Testament by learning Biblical Hebrew. To increase the student's understanding of the Old Testament (Joshua through Malachi) by learning to read Biblical Hebrew through an inductive approach.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 324 Doctrine and Covenants**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

The entire Doctrine and Covenants, including the Official Declarations, will be covered in this course.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 333 Teachings of the Living Prophets**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

This course is concerned with the calling and function of the living prophets, with emphasis on principles taught in recent conference reports.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 341 Latter-day Saint History from 1805-1844**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the history and doctrine of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints up to and including the martyrdom of the prophet Joseph Smith.

(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 342 Church History**(3:3:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the history and development of the Church from 1844 to the present.
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 351 The Gospel and World Religions**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of religions of the world such as Buddhism, Islam, Hinduism and Judaism.
Designed to introduce members of the Church to the beliefs of other world faiths and their development with an emphasis on their relationship to the doctrines of the restored church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 352 The Gospel and Christian History**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the history and doctrines of Christianity from the Roman period through the early development of the Catholic and Orthodox churches, the Middle Ages, the Reformation, and up to modern times. Emphasis is placed upon principles and doctrines regained through the restoration.
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 360 History of Western Religion**(4:4:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

Travel Fee: \$25.00

A history of religion in the western world from the beginning to the modern period. This course starts with Genesis and examines-through art, literature, and myth-the religious traditions of ancient Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece, Canaan, and Rome as well as, Norse mythology. It then traces the development of Judaism and Christianity up through modern times
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 370 Introduction to Teaching Seminary**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

This course is an introduction to religious education as a profession. It focuses on basic teaching concepts and the CES hiring process. Students taking this course should be in their junior year.
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 431 Doctrines of the Gospel**(2:2:0)**

Fulfills Foundations/GE Religion requirement.

A study of the basic doctrines of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints as taught in the scriptures and by Latter-day prophets.
(Fall, Winter, Summer)

FDREL 471 Methods of Teaching Seminary**(3:3:0)**

Prerequisite: FDREL 370 and Instructors consent. For prospective Seminary teachers only.

This course helps trainees become more effective teachers. It prepares trainees to teach the scriptures and involves them in a brief seminary teaching experience.
(Fall, Winter, Spring)

FDREL 475 Seminary Teaching Seminar**(2:2:0)**

Prerequisite: FDREL 471 and Instructors consent. For prospective Seminary teachers only.

This course deals with current teaching issues and needs. Trainees are also employed part-time and may teach from one to three classes of seminary each day. Trainees are evaluated to determine whether they should be considered for a full-time seminary teaching position.
(Fall, Winter, Spring)

Religious Studies
14 Religion Credits required

4 Credits from the Book of Mormon

Course # Credit

121	2	I Nephi 1 – Alma 29
122	2	Alma 30 – Moroni 10

OR

221	4	Nephi 1 – Moroni 10 Missionary Preparation
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Plus 2 Credits from the Family Foundations 200 course

Plus a minimum of 6 credits from the following courses:

Course # Credit

211 NT	3	Matthew – Revelation; JS Matthew
301 OT	3	Moses; Abraham; Genesis – Deuteronomy
302 OT	3	Joshua – Malachi
324 D/C	3	D/C Sections 1-138; Official Declarations

Pearl of Great Price is incorporated into other scripture courses

Plus 2 additional Credits of your choice

Additional Doctrine

Course # Credit

333	2	Teachings of the Living Prophets
431	2	Doctrines of the Gospel

Seminary – Pre Service

Course # Credit

370	2	Intro. To Teaching Seminary
471	3	Methods of Teaching Seminary
475	2	Seminary Teaching Seminar

Historical/Comparative

Course # Credit

341	2	Church History 1805-1844
342	3	Church History 1844-Present
351	2	World Religions
352	2	Christian History
360	4	History of Western Religion

Preparation Courses

Course # Credit

100	2	Introduction to Mormonism
130	2	Missionary Preparation
150	2	Provident Living
215	2	Scripture Study Skills
234	2	Preparation for Eternal Marriage
235	2	Building an Eternal Marriage
261	2	Family History
264	2	Family History Research