



SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN FOR RELIGIOUS STUDIES

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Note: In addition to completing 33 credits of course work that includes four required courses (REL 112, REL 251 or 252, REL 270, and REL 490 or 491), Religious Studies majors are required to take at least one additional course from each of three areas (theological, biblical, and moral), and to complete a portfolio of major papers and exams. Note also that many courses are offered only in alternate years; students should adjust their program depending on the year they matriculate to Loras. *Please check the current issue of The Loras College Undergraduate Bulletin.*

JANUARY TERM

Students admitted Fall 2007 or later are required to complete a minimum of two January terms.	CR
Transfer students who transfer in 40 credits or more are required to complete at least one January term.	
REL 260 Martyrs, Mendicants, Masterpieces (AC)	3
PHIL 234 Philosophy and the Rise of Christianity or Elective	3

FIRST YEAR FALL SEMESTER

FIRST YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

Title	CR	Title	CR
LIB 100 Modes of Inquiry	3	Catholic tradition (LIB 130 or 135)	3
Writing requirement (LIB 105 or ENG 111) or speaking requirement (LIB 110)	3	Writing requirement (LIB 105 or ENG 111) or speaking requirement (LIB 110)	3
Math Modeling (LIB 112, MAT 113, 115, 117, 124 150, 170) or General Elective	3-4	Math Modeling (LIB 112, MAT 113, 115, 117, 124 150, 170) or General Elective	3-4
Take first REL requirement if possible: REL 112 Intro to Religious Studies and Theology	3	REL elective	3
General Elective	3	General Elective	3

SOPHOMORE YEAR FALL SEMESTER

SOPHOMORE YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

Title	CR	Title	CR
LIB 220 Democracy & Global Diversity or Catholic tradition (LIB 130 or 135)	3	LIB 220 Democracy & Global Diversity or Advanced General Education course	3
REL requirement: REL 251 Does Land Belong to Israel? (AC) or REL 112 Intro to Religious Studies and Theology	3	REL requirement: REL 270 Introduction to Christian Values (AV)	3
REL elective	3	REL elective	3
General Electives	6	General Elective	6

JUNIOR YEAR FALL SEMESTER

JUNIOR YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

Title	CR	Title	CR
REL requirement: Take course in a) Theological or b) Biblical or c) Moral Studies	3	REL requirement: Take course in a) Theological or b) Biblical or c) Moral Studies	3
REL elective if needed	3	REL elective if needed	3
Advanced General Education and/or General Electives	9	Advanced General Education and/or General Electives	9

SENIOR YEAR FALL SEMESTER

SENIOR YEAR SPRING SEMESTER

Title	CR	Title	CR
Meet REL requirement: Take course in a) Theological or b) Biblical or c) Moral Studies	3	REL 490 Parish Practicum or REL 491 Thesis	4-6
LIB 305 Portfolio	1	General Electives	8-10
General Electives	9		