

RELIGIOUS STUDIES (B.A.) (COMBINED B.A./M.A.T. WITH TEACHER CERTIFICATION IN GRADES K-6 AND TEACHER OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES)

A Combined Degree program enables undergraduate students to enroll in graduate courses in their senior year, which can be counted towards the completion of both their Bachelor's and Master's degree requirements.

The ability to take these "swing courses" allows students to earn both their Bachelor's and Master's degrees in a shortened period of time, typically within five years. Undergraduate students interested in this option can find more information regarding program requirements on the University's Combined Programs website (<https://www.montclair.edu/combined-programs/programs-of-study/>).

The Combined Degree with Dual Certification program is a 5-year program that leads to teacher certification in Elementary School Teacher in Grades K-6, teacher certification in Teacher of Students with Disabilities, a baccalaureate degree and a master's degree. Interested students must apply to and be admitted to the Teacher Education Program as an undergraduate. Students must successfully complete the undergraduate portion of the program in order to be admitted to The Graduate School and complete the one-year master's portion of the program.

Please visit the Teacher Education Program website (<https://www.montclair.edu/center-of-pedagogy/>) for the required undergraduate professional sequence of courses, overall course outline, and other important Program requirements, guidelines, and procedures. Students also are strongly advised to review the Teacher Education Program Handbook.

120 credits of coursework is required for the baccalaureate degree with a minimum 3.0 overall GPA. Major GPA requirements differ depending on field of study. Consult the Teacher Education Program Handbook for more information.

Degree Requirements Overview

Code	Title	Credits
	New Student Seminar	1
	SEEDS General Education Requirements	21-24
	Major Requirements	36
	Teacher Education Program Requirements	51
	Free Electives	11-8
	Total Credits	120

Major Requirements

Requirements for the graduate portion of this combined program can be found here (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/teaching-teacher-certification-grade-k-6-students-disabilities-combined-ba-mat/>).

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
RELG 100	Religions of the World	3

RELG 101	Understanding Religion	3
RELG 275	Inter-religious Encounters	3

Texts

Complete two courses from the list below. 6

Issues

Complete two courses from the list below. 6

Approaches

Complete two courses from the list below. 6

Global Traditions

Complete two courses from the list below. 6

Seminar

Complete one course from the following: 3

RELG 400	Seminar	
RELG 405	Engaged Learning Project	

Total Credits 36

Texts

Code	Title	Credits
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Texts

Complete two courses from the following: 6

RELG 200	Old Testament/Hebrew Scriptures	
RELG 204	New Testament/Christian Scriptures	
RELG 207	American Religious Texts	
RELG 208	The Qur'an	
RELG 214	Asian Texts	
RELG 282	Study in Religious Texts	
RELG 382	Special Topics in Religious Texts	

Total Credits 6

Issues

Code	Title	Credits
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Issues

Complete two courses from the following: 6

RELG 102	Religious Ethics	
RELG 218	Death, Dying and Afterlife	
RELG 220	Religion and Ethical Issues	
RELG 225	Religion and Social Activism	
RELG 232	Body and Soul	
RELG 267	Women and Religion	
RELG 273	The Holocaust: Religious Perspectives	
RELG 301	Spirituality and Mysticism	
RELG 304	Feminist Views of Religion	
RELG 322	Religion and Peacemaking	
RELG 325	Atheism	
RELG 328	Jihad, Just War and the Prospect of Peace	
RELG 386	Special Topics in Religious Issues	

Total Credits 6

Approaches

Code	Title	Credits
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Approaches

Complete two courses from the following: 6

RELG 221	Religion and Culture
RELG 284	Religion and Society
RELG 304	Feminist Views of Religion
RELG 324	Religious Experience
RELG 332	Myth, Meaning and Self
RELG 362	Philosophy of Religion
RELG 363	Psychology of Religion
RELG 364	Religion, Culture, and Society
RELG 384	Religion and Society

Total Credits 6

Global Traditions

Code Title Credits

Complete one course from the following: 3

RELG 185	The Arab World and Religion
RELG 240	Asian Religions
RELG 246	Islamic Religious Traditions
RELG 250	African Religions
RELG 252	Africana Religions in the Americas
RELG 254	Native American Religion
RELG 256	Religion in Latin America

Complete one course from the following: 3

RELG 209	Introduction to Greek and Roman Religion
RELG 213	Buddhism
RELG 215	Hinduism
RELG 217	Taoism
RELG 223	Religion in the United States
RELG 240	Asian Religions
RELG 246	Islamic Religious Traditions
RELG 250	African Religions
RELG 252	Africana Religions in the Americas
RELG 254	Native American Religion
RELG 256	Religion in Latin America
RELG 301	Spirituality and Mysticism

Total Credits 6

Teacher Education Program Requirements

Teacher Education Program Requirements for Combined Degree Programs with Grades K-6 and Teacher of Students with Disabilities Certification (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/combined-bx-mat-teacher-education-program-requirements-k6-tsd/>)

New Student Seminar

Code Title Credits

Students in the Adult Learner program must take GNED 100.

Complete one course from the following. Some courses may be restricted by major. Consult with an academic advisor. 1

ADVS 198	Pathways to Success
CHEM 190	Freshman Seminar in Chemistry
FYS 100	First Year Seminar
GNED 100	Adult Academic Success Seminar
GNED 199	New Student Seminar

HPEM 199	Freshman Seminar in Health and Physical Education
IDS 155	Pathways to Adult Learning
JUST 199	New Student Seminar
MATH 102	New Student Experience for Mathematical Sciences
MUGN 199	Freshman Seminar for Music Majors
NURS 199	Introduction to Nursing
POLS 199	Freshman Seminar in Political Science and Law

SEEDS General Education Requirements

Click here for a list of courses that fulfill the SEEDS requirements. (<http://catalog.montclair.edu/programs/seeds-general-education-requirements/>)

Code Title Credits

Foundations

Effective Writing I

Complete one Effective Writing I course. 3

Effective Writing II

Complete one Effective Writing II course. 3

Interactive Communication

Complete one Interactive Communication course. 3

Quantitative Reasoning

Fulfilled by MTHM 201 in the co-major.

Political and Civic Life

Fulfilled by ECEL 200 in the co-major.

World Language

Complete two sequential classes in one World Language when starting at the Beginner I or Beginner II level. Complete one class when starting at the Intermediate/Advanced Level. 3-6

Exploration

Complete one course from four different Exploration categories 9

Analyzing Cultures and Societies

Creative Expression

Ethical Inquiry

Historical Thinking

Literary and Artistic Analysis

Fulfilled by READ 209 in the co-major.

Scientific Reasoning

Total Credits 21-24