BGS in Religious Studies

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BGS in Religious Studies. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill Core 34 Goals, please visit the KU Core 34 page (https://catalog.ku.edu/core34/).

Freshman

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
REL 104 (Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE))[060]*	3	REL 100+ Specific Religious Traditions, Major Requirement[1]	3
Core 34: English (SGE)[010]	3	Core 34: English (SGE)[010]	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE)[050]	3	Core 34: Communications (SGE)[020]	3
Core 34: Social and Behavior Science (SGE)[050]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
	15		**15**

Sophomore

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
REL 100+ Religion in Specific Regions, Major Requirement[1]	3	REL 300+ Elective (1 of 4), Major Requirement	3
Core 34: Math and Statistics (SGE)[030]	3	Core 34: Natural and Physical Sciences (SGE)[040]	4-5
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Core 34: Global Culture (SGE)[070]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
	15		**16-17**

Junior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
REL 100+ Thematic Approaches to Religion, Major Requirement[1]	3	REL 300+ Elective (3 of 4), Major Requirement[1]	3
REL 300+ Elective (2 of 4), Major Requirement[1]	3	Core 34: Arts and Humanities (SGE)[060]	3
Core 34: US Culture (SGE)[070]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
	15		**15**

Senior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
REL Elective 300+ (4 of 4), Major Requirement[1]	3	REL 490 (Capstone Requirement, Major Requirement)	3
BGS Career Course (BGSC)	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours[2]	2
	15		**14**

Total Hours 120-121

[1] Refer to the Degree Requirements tab for a list of courses that can fulfill this major requirement.

[2] Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through Core 34, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

*Courses with a * designate courses that are degree requirements but can also be taken to fulfill the KU Core 34 requirement. If another course if used to fulfill the Core 34 requirement, the course listed is still required as a degree requirement.

Notes:

* - This course is a Required major course and is also part of Core 34: Systemwide General Education. If this course is not taken to fulfill the Core 34:SGE requirement, it must be taken in place of elective hours.

** - This course is a Recommended Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This specific course is not required but is recommended by the program's faculty.

*** - This course is a Required Core 34: Systemwide General Education course. This program is approved by the Kansas Board of Regents to require this specific Core 34:Systemwide General Education course. If a student did not take this course it must be taken in addition to other degree requirements.