WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN…?

RELIGION

OVERVIEW

Religion studies examine spiritual belief, practices, and worship activities. Undergraduate courses in philosophy and religion are geared toward the preparation for life rather than a specific type of work, and provide an excellent background for a variety of careers. A background in philosophy and religion can help develop character and personal skills which are extremely important in most job situations.

Religion majors pursue a variety of career opportunities. Some occupations may require additional education and training. Further information including skills to develop, strategies for contacting employers, graduate school information, and where to get assistance may be obtained by making an appointment with a Career Services advisor.

RELATED CAREERS

Administrative Assistant
Anthropologist
Arts Consultant
Associate Pastor
Author
Campus Minister
Campus Religious Coordinator
Chaplain
Career/Vocational Counselor
Church Administrator
Church Building Engineer
Church Camp Director
Church Secretary
Claims Adjustor
Clergy
Collection Agent
Columnist
Community Service Agency Worker
Consultant
Counselor
Credit Analyst
Curator Assistant
Day-Care Center Worker
Denominational Executive
Diplomat
Director of Religious Activities
Director of Religious Education
Editorial Assistant
Entrepreneur
Evangelist
Family/Marriage Counselor
Federal Service
Financial Consultant
Fund-Raiser
Grant Administrator
Grant Writer
Greek/Latin Instructor
Hospice Director
Hospital Administrator
Hospital/Military/Prison Chaplain
House Parent
International Social Services
Journalist
Labor Relations Specialist
Lawyer
Legal Assistant
Lobbyist
Management Analyst
Management Trainee
Mediator
Merchandiser
Minister
Minister of Music
Missionary
Newspaper/Magazine Journalist
NGO Administrator
Nursing Home Director
Paralegal
Pastor
Peace Corps Volunteer
Personnel Interviewer
Priest
Production Assistant
Professor
Public Affairs Director
Public Policy Manager
Public Relations Representative
Psychologist
Rabbi
Rehabilitation Counselor
Relief Worker
Religious Education Director
Religious Bookstore Manager
Religious Researcher
Religious Staff Writer
Research Assistant
Salvation Army Worker
Seminary Administrator
School Guidance Counselor
Social Worker
Student Activities Director
Technical Writer
Theological Professor
University/Seminary Administrator
Vocational Training Manager
Volunteer Coordinator
Writer
YMCA/YWCA Worker
Youth Activities Director
Youth Minister
**Major Skills**

- Listen Carefully and Critically
- Critical Thinking
- Analyze/Interpret Data
- Oral and Written Communication
- Open-Mindedness
- Organizational Skills
- Self-Discipline
- Curiosity
- Logical Thinking
- Efficient
- Work Independently or in Teams
- Objectivity

**RELATED WEB SITES**

**Job Postings:**
- Simply Hired [http://www.simplyhired.com/a/jobs/list/r-Religion](http://www.simplyhired.com/a/jobs/list/r-Religion)

**Professional Organizations:**
- Association for the Sociology of Religion [http://www.sociologyofreligion.com](http://www.sociologyofreligion.com)
- North American Association for the Study of Religion [http://people.ucsc.edu/~rehbock](http://people.ucsc.edu/~rehbock)
- Religious Education Association [http://www.religiouseducation.net](http://www.religiouseducation.net)