GONZAGA UNIVERSITY  
College of Arts and Sciences  
Department of Religious Studies  

Degree: B. A. in Religious Studies  

Religious Studies majors will be able to:  

1. Interpret the Biblical text theologically, literally, and historically by the applying the exegetical methods of literary and narrative analysis, form criticism, source criticism, and historical analysis.  

2. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the discrete content of Scripture.  

3. Identify, interpret, and explain the central religious themes of each course in Christian theology.  


5. Identify, explain and apply basic moral principles of Christian Ethics to selected contemporary issues in economics, politics, medicine, sexuality, and/or the environment.  

6. Write a research paper that:  
   a) articulates and defends a thesis statement in a cogent and persuasive manner,  
   b) makes good use of primary and secondary sources, and  
   c) correctly employs the MLA or Chicago Manual of Style.  

7. Present oral arguments that are informed, clear, and persuasive.