why religion @Bethany?

Luther believed that every person is called by God to service in an earthly vocation. Bethany College’s religion major offers opportunities for students who believe that their discerned vocation is in direct service to congregations, church organizations in the United States, and missions around the world.

The Religion major offers two concentrations. Each concentration provides opportunities to develop the fundamental knowledge and skills necessary for success in leading religious communities into the 21st century:

• **History & Doctrine** prepares students for seminary education and gives students a solid grounding in theological thinking.

• **Ministry of Service** equips students to articulate their sense of vocation and prepares them to serve in youth and family ministry, religious non-profits, or wider church missions.

Some students will choose to complete studies in another specific discipline or profession and also remain vitally interested in service to the church. For these students, the religion minor provides the opportunity to study the field of religion more deeply and think about how their future profession connects to religious thinking and awareness. The religion minor can be combined with any Bethany major.

**mission**

The Religion Program strives to support students in becoming astute interpreters of sacred texts; bearers of historical, institutional, and personal religious convictions for an increasingly pluralistic world; partners in conversations that engage faiths and beliefs that are not one’s own; servants sensitive to the needs of others; and academics prepared for future graduate study in the field of religion.
program courses
- Christianity in its global context
- Literature and thought of the Hebrew Bible and New Testament
- Introduction to world religions
- Music in worship
- Problems in Christian ethics
- Marriage
- Love in literature, film, and theology
- Science and theology
- Political theology
- Additional courses

career opportunities
- Chaplain
- Church Musician
- Director of Christian Education
- Missionary Professional
- Outdoor Ministry
- Pastor & Ordained Minister
- Political Advocate
- Private School Teacher
- Social Service Agency
- Teacher & Professor of Religion
- Youth Director

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43 Majors
30 Organizations
19 NAIA Sports + 2 Emerging
Student-Faculty Ratio = 11:1
Average Class = 11
Student Body = over 700
Students from 31 States
Students from 31 Countries

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