

# Religious Studies and English Literature

University of Edinburgh

## Venues

Central Campus

## Content

Studying religion and literature prepares you to contribute to a society in which an understanding of texts of all kinds is crucially important.

You will develop an understanding of the main phenomena of religion, such as belief systems, rituals, mythology, iconography and ethics, through a variety of methodologies as well as an understanding of the main genres and interpretive practices of English literature.

Year 1:

You study two core religion courses, covering a range of contemporary traditions, and can choose from a range of additional courses on particular religious traditions including Asian traditions, Christianity and Islam. You can also normally choose to study a language such as Arabic, Hebrew, New Testament Greek or Sanskrit. If you are studying Religious Studies and Literature, you will also study English Literature 1.

Year 2:

You study two core religion courses, which deal with theories and methods in the study of religion, and another course in a religious tradition or language. If you are studying Religious Studies and Literature you will also study English Literature 2. You can also choose courses from other University subject areas.

Year 3:

You continue to study one or more religious traditions and will take other courses in the study of religion. Students on the MA Religious Studies and English Literature programme will take courses in both subjects. MA Religious Studies students have the option of graduating after the third year, with an ordinary degree.

Year 4:

You choose further advanced courses and will complete a dissertation on a subject of your choice. Students combining Religious Studies and English Literature will take Literature and Religious Studies courses, including an honours dissertation.

## Start Date

September

## Qualification

Degree

## Study Method

Full time

## Award Title

MA Hons

## UCAS Code

VQ63

## Course Length

4 years

## Faculty

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

## Department

Divinity

## Entry Requirements

2026 entry requirements

Standard entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (first sitting) or AAB/ABBBB (two sittings) including English.

Widening access entry:

4 Highers at ABBB (two sittings) including English. Highers at BBB must be achieved in one sitting.

## SCQF Level

10

## Progression Routes

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## Combination Courses

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