

The individual programme of each student depends on her former curriculum and her optional choice as regards with religion thematics and/or disciplinary approaches; A large number of varied optional courses is offered to meet the interests of each student. The Master programme requires completing a minimum of 120 credits distributed over two years, corresponding to 60 credits each one.

SREL2M Programme

Detailed programme by subject

CORE COURSES [90.0]

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- Activity with requisites
- 🌐 Open to incoming exchange students
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- [FR] Teaching language (FR, EN, ES, NL, DE, ...)

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Year

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○ Core courses (62 credits)

○ Disciplinary Approach (16 credits)

○ LFILO2132	Philosophy of Religion (Special Questions)	Jean Leclercq Marc Maeschalck	FR [q2] [30h+0h] [4 Credits] 🌐	X	
○ LSREL2230	Religions, law and societies in Europe	Louis-Léon Christians	FR [q1] [30h] [4 Credits] 🌐	X	
○ LPOLS1329	Sociology of Religion	Brigitte Maréchal	FR [q1] [30h] [4 Credits] 🌐	X	
○ LPSP1338	Psychology of religion	Moïse Karim			

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☒ LRELI1278	God and atheism	Benoît Bourguine	LRELI1347 [30h] [4 Credits] ⓘ ⓘ		x
☒ LRELI1347	Hinduism				

Supplementary classes

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⊗ LCOPS1125	Psychology and Social Psychology	Coralie Buxant Olivier Corneille Karl-Andrew Woltin	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LESPO1113	Sociology and Anthropology of the Contemporary Worlds	Jean De Munck Hugues Draelants	FR [q1 or q2] [40h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LFIAL1430	Critical Examination of Information and Critical Thinking	Jean Leclercq Laurence Van Ypersele	FR [q2] [45h+10h] [4 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LFILO1140	Moral Philosophy	Olivier Depré	FR [q2] [45h] [4 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LFILO1360	Philosophy of Culture and Intercultural Dialogue	Marc Maesschalck	FR [q2] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐 > English-friendly
⊗ LPOLS1225	Social and cultural anthropology	Julie Hermesse	FR [q2] [30h] [4 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LPSP1007	Sociology: education, health and work	Marc Zune	FR [q1] [30h] [3 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LRELI1190	Introduction to History : critical history	Luc Courtois	FR [q2] [15h] [2 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LRELI1320	Introduction to the History of Religions	Philippe Cornu	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐
⊗ LRELI1380	Questions of Canon Law	Louis-Léon Christians	FR [q2] [30h] [5 Credits] 🌐

Course prerequisites

There are no prerequisites between course units (CUs) for this programme, i.e. the programme activity (course unit, CU) whose learning outcomes are to be certified and the corresponding credits awarded by the jury before registration in another CU.

The programme's courses and learning outcomes

For each UCLouvain training programme, a [reference framework of learning outcomes](#) specifies the the skills expected of every graduate on completion of the programme. Course unit descriptions specify targeted learning outcomes, as well as the unit's contribution to reference framework of learning outcomes.

	- introduction to religion - historical criticism
Autres bacheliers de la Communauté française s'ils ont suivi une mineure en sciences des religions (30 crédits).	Access based on application

Bachelors of the Dutch speaking Community of Belgium

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Foreign Bachelors

	Access based on application
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Non university Bachelors

> Find out more about [links](#) to the university

Diploma	Access	Remarks
Tout bachelier délivré dans un cursus de type court - crédits supplémentaires entre 45 et 60	Les enseignements supplémentaires éventuels peuvent être consultés dans le module complémentaire .	Type court

Holders of a 2nd cycle University degree

Diploma	Special Requirements	Access	Remarks
"Licenciés"			
Licenciés en sciences religieuses		Direct access Access based on application	Max. 15 credits in the following subjects (unless they have been studied as part of a previous programme): - philosophy -epistemology - sociology - psychology - introduction to religion - historical criticism

Access based on application : access may be granted either directly or on the condition of completing additional courses of a maximum of 60 ECTS credits, or refused.

Admission and Enrolment Procedures for general registration

Teaching method

Interdisciplinarity is at the very heart of the programme, where religions are always thought of in direct association with philosophy, socio-anthropology, psychology, law and theology.

The core course activities provide an introduction to methodology in each of the main disciplines covered by the term 'sciences des religions', the chance to learn a pluridisciplinary method of analysis of religious facts in seminars led by a team of teachers, which are themselves pluridisciplinary. By anchoring religious questions in highly contemporary problems, the course allows students to conduct case studies, and approach issues on a problem-by-problem basis, which involves combining varied types of knowledge and skills, etc.

In the part of the programme dedicated to free choice courses, the student can focus on some disciplines and religions, in order to gain strong expertise in the field as well as the standard of knowledge and skills required to consider embarking on doctoral research.

This Master's programme is unique in French-speaking Belgium in its capacity to bring together the various strands of human sciences in its approach to the religious phenomenon, less in its historical dimension (which, of course, is not excluded) than in the crucial questions that it currently puts to western society. The legal part of the programme in particular provides an approach which is as fundamental as it is innovative.

Evaluation

The evaluation methods comply with the regulations concerning studies and exams (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/decouvrir/rgee.html>). More detailed explanation of the modalities specific to each learning unit are available on their description sheets under the heading "Learning outcomes evaluation method".

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The modes of evaluation are laid out in the syllabus for each activity. Roughly speaking, students are evaluated by written work with formative evaluation or oral exams.

Mobility and/or internationalisation

At the Master's stage, Erasmus exchanges will be encouraged. At regional level, it is possible to select activities in the programmes of the Facultés universitaires Saint- Louis - FUSL, the Académie Louvain, the Université Libre de Bruxelles - ULB (Institut des religions et de la laïcité), the Université de Liège - ULg, the ICHEC Brussels Management School - and the KULeuven.

UCL's faculty of theology is developing a partnership at Master's level with the theology faculties (Protestant and Catholic) from Strasbourg's Université Marc Bloch where the study of religion is granted special attention; it is possible to extend this partnership where religious sciences are concerned. Other partnerships have been developed by the faculties and departments associated with this Master, from which students of religious sciences can benefit.

Mobility and/or Internationalisation outlook

At a national level master courses may be chosen out the programs of the Free University Brussels (ULB - Institute of religions and secularism), Liège State University (Ulg), ICHEC -Brussels Management School - and the KULeuven (up to 20 credits).

European Erasmus exchanges (<https://uclouvain.be/fr/facultes/theologie/international-ti.html>) are promoted within the framework of the master in Religious Sciences. The Faculty of Theology (UCLouvain) has organized a partnership with the Protestant and Catholic Faculties of Theology of the University of Strasbourg, where the study of religions is of special interest. An extension of this partnership is possible with regard to Religious Studies. Other partnerships are organized by the associated faculties. Student in Religious Studies may take benefit of all of them.

Certificates

A university certificate in religious studies (SREL 9CE) offers a 30-credit programme consisting of activities included in this programme. is an open possibility.

A minor in religious studies is open to students of all UCLouvain bachelors in humanities.

Contacts

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Sector	Human Sciences (SSH)
Acronym	CISR
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