



RANDOLPH COLLEGE

Founded as Randolph-Macon Woman's College in 1891

Religious Studies

Integral to the configuration and exercise of political power, gender, labor, war, sexual relationships, etc., religion shapes the institutional order and the individuals who dwell therein. Course offerings in religious studies reflect a multidisciplinary and cross-cultural approach to religious forms of life past and present, with an eye for the cultivation of informed, thoughtful engagement in an increasingly global public square. Focus areas include the historical and theological foundations of Western thought, philosophical theology, American religious history, religious literatures and textual traditions, and religion and culture. A broad introduction to religions of the East is also provided.

Career Options for the Religious Studies Undergraduate

Ministries

Youth Ministries
Adult Ministries
Family Life Center Manager
Counselor
Recovery Counselor
Missionary Outreach
Counseling & Recovery
Religious Education
Children and Adult Day Care
Military Chaplaincy

Social Services

Counseling
Social Work
Advocacy
Crisis Services
Camp Administration
Human Rights Advocacy
*Gerontologist
*Psychologist

Health & Welfare Ministries

Residential Living
Religious Activity Programming
Chaplaincy
Mental Health or Pastoral Counseling
Community Center Administration
Hospital Administration
Campus Ministries
Hospital Social Worker
Hospice

Private Sector & Government

Refugee Agency
Peace Corps
Journalist
Editor
State Department Areas Specialist
Historian

**Denotes Careers that may require a Graduate Degree.*

Job Outlook for these Careers:

National: U.S. Department of Labor
www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm

Virginia:
www.vaview.vt.edu/

Randolph Internship Opportunities

Adult Probation Parole Board
MUSC Institute of Child Psychology
Rappahannock Regional Jail

RMWC Alumnae Office
First United Methodist Church
Caskie & Frost (Legal Services)

Employers of Alumnae

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
Vassar Brothers Hospital
Terry Children's Psychiatric Center

Justice Center of Atlanta
Habitat for Humanity
Bureau of National Affairs, Inc.

Liberal Arts Skills

Understanding Society

Acknowledging different value systems on an international scale
Knowing how societies and religion interact
Understanding historical aspects of present societies
Remaining sensitive to ethical concerns

Cross-cultural Perspective

Familiarity with other cultures
Developing a global perspective
Identifying assumptions/presuppositions
Using knowledge of non-Western cultures and religions in problem-solving
Remaining aware of different approaches and perspectives

Interpersonal Relations

Describing issues and concerns
Writing effectively
Accepting the spiritual dimension of others
Conveying complex information
Assisting others to clarify values & attitudes

Analysis

Analyzing social behavior
Weighing values
Humane critical thinking
Comparing beliefs & social systems
Performing literary analysis

Graduate Programs Alumnae attended in the U.S.

Harvard University
Colorado State University
Princeton University

Penn State College
University of Virginia
Vanderbilt University

Additional Sources of Information:

Career Development Center
West Hall 434-947-8116
www.randolphcollege.edu/cdc/