

RELIGION

AND

THEOLOGY

SEARCH

FOR SOMETHING

MORE



Huron
AT WESTERN

LEADERS *with heart*

EXPLORE HOW RELIGION INFLUENCES LIFE & CULTURE

IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO HAVE THE SKILLS TO THINK, SOLVE AND LEAD. TODAY'S WORLD NEEDS LEADERS WITH HEART, PRINCIPLED MEN AND WOMEN WITH MORAL COMPASSES WHO ARE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND OUR COMPLEX WORLD.

Huron's roots in the study of social justice, spiritual and ethical thought challenge you to think not just about yourself but the world beyond you.

Religion and Theology at Huron provides you with experiences to understand the way religious and theological issues have evolved and continue to influence contemporary life and culture. All in a context that encourages discussion, reflection and research.

ELORAH FANGRAD

2016 BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

Pursuing graduate studies
in Indigenous wellness and
addiction prevention
Hometown: Muskoka, Ont.

"I became accidentally interested in theology after signing up for first-year theology as an elective. I learned as a discipline, theology provided a way to explore my beliefs through academics. I saw theology offered a foundation for many careers and further academic programs, as it is such a broad discipline. As Huron allows students to take credits at Western's other campuses, I was able to complete a Minor in First Nations Studies, which complimented my theological studies really well." ■■



FIRST YEAR: **UNLIMITED** **POSSIBILITIES**

Your first year is designed to be all about exploration and discovery. During this time, there are minimal required courses, so you can try out a wide variety of subjects and disciplines. Learn about something completely new. **Find your passion.**

PROGRAM OPTIONS

	Honors Specialization	Specialization	Major	Minor
Religion and Theology			✓	✓

FIRST-YEAR COURSES

RELIGION, THEOLOGY, AND GLOBAL ISSUES

Topics include theological and religious perspectives on culture(s), politics, economics, sexuality, violence, identity and community, and spirituality.

RELIGION AND DIFFERENCE

This course considers the way religious beliefs and practices draw distinctions, create boundaries, and establish limits.

RELATED AREAS OF STUDY

As a Huron student, you can combine any program with a minor, major, or specialization from another Huron program or a major or minor in many of the programs offered at Western, Brescia, or King's, such as:

English & Cultural Studies
Philosophy
Political Science
History

Centre for Global Studies
Psychology
Business

EARN WHILE YOU **LEARN**

HURON'S COORDINATOR OF CAREERS & INTERNSHIPS
WILL HELP YOU FIND **PAID INTERNSHIPS**
RELEVANT TO YOUR AREA OF STUDY.

UNIQUE COURSE OFFERINGS

CHRISTIAN THOUGHT, CULTURE & PRACTICES

Approaches to the Bible, the formation of doctrine, the development of ethics, the use of philosophy, iconographic expression and the sacraments.

BODY, RELIGION & THE SACRED

How religious concepts of the body interact with contemporary conceptions of gender, tradition, culture and sexuality.

THE EARLY HISTORY OF GOD: ORIGINS OF MONOTHEISM

Where does the idea of one true God come from? This class will examine Egyptian, Mesopotamian and Greek concepts of deities, the invention of monotheism in Egypt and later developments including Satan, the Logos and the Trinity.

ISLAM & POLITICS

This course examines Islamic political thought and practice from the Medina Charter and the early Caliphate through to contemporary movements and developments.

ANTI-RELIGIOUS THOUGHT

A study of selected anti-religious thinkers from the beginnings of modernity to the present day.

RELIGION, ETHICS & THE ENVIRONMENT

Do we owe the environment anything individually and collectively? This course traces historical and contemporary interactions between religious thought and practices and environmental issues.

COURSES IN RELIGION AND THEOLOGY

Living Religions of the World
 New Testament Greek
 Science & Theology
 Interpreting the Qur'an

Angry God: The Bible and War
 Constructing Jesus
 Biblical Hebrew
 Judaism & the Holocaust

The Early Church
 Sacred Space in Public Places
 Faith in Sound, Stone, and Paint
 Spirituality of Muslim Women

SAMPLE FIRST-YEAR TIMETABLE

Recommended courses Elective courses

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9:30am – 10:30am Religious Studies 1010F Religion, Theology & Global Issues <i>0.50 credit</i>	11:30am – 12:30pm Political Science 1020E Intro to Political Science Tutorial <i>1.00 credit</i>	9:30am – 10:30am Religious Studies 1010F Religion, Theology & Global Issues <i>0.50 credit</i>	11:30am – 1:30pm Political Science 1020E Intro to Political Science <i>1.00 credit</i>	9:30am – 10:30am Religious Studies 1010F Religion, Theology & Global Issues <i>0.50 credit</i>
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1:30pm – 2:30pm Psychology 1100E Method & Theory in General Psychology Lab <i>1.00 credit</i>	3:30pm – 4:30pm Sociology 1020 Intro to Sociology <i>1.00 credit</i>		3:30pm – 5:30pm Sociology 1020 Intro to Sociology <i>1.00 credit</i>	

WHY STUDY RELIGION?

Whether or not you practice a faith tradition, studying religion can help you understand the complex world we live in. Religious beliefs and practices have a huge impact on how individuals and groups make social, economic, and political decisions.

If you are religious, you can learn more about your own faith and those of others by studying in an academically rigorous university setting. At Huron, our Religion and Theology modules encourage interdisciplinary approaches to learning by making it easy to include courses in Social Sciences and Humanities. We encourage you to dig deep and explore the literature, history, and current practice of Judaism, Christianity, Islam, and more.

WHAT DO OUR GRADS DO?

A BA in Religion and Theology will prepare you for many diverse paths, including professions in:

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| Teaching | Foreign service |
| Community and public service | Politics |
| Advocacy and social justice | Ministry |
| Business | Journalism |
| | Law |
| | Government |

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Students in the Living Religions of the World course connect with religious communities outside their typical experience to broaden their exposure as they study the origins, historical development, teachings and practices of religions. Students present their research and experiences at a final conference.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND THEOLOGY: WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

RELIGIOUS STUDIES looks comparatively at different religions and their practices, views, literature, and structures as social phenomena using methodologies such as historical analysis, literary study, and social-scientific approaches.



THEOLOGY as an academic discipline uses the same methods, but takes more of a deep dive within a particular religious tradition. This can be interesting and useful not only for adherents of that religion, but also for others who are not.

SECOND-ENTRY PROGRAMS

Some specialized programs in Theology at Huron do not begin in first year, and require three to four years of university study prior to entry.

THE MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

The Master of Theological Studies is a post-baccalaureate program that will prepare you for theological engagement and leadership in a variety of settings.

THE MASTER OF DIVINITY

The Master of Divinity is a professional ministry degree that provides you with the knowledge and skills to be an effective and holistic ministry leader. This program prepares individuals for ordained ministry and for responsibilities of general pastoral and religious leadership in congregations and other settings.

THE MA IN THEOLOGY

The MA in Theology is a graduate research degree that will prepare you for doctoral studies, or serve as a superior terminal degree in theology. The program is flexible enough to allow specialization in one of the theological disciplines.

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**HARVARD
BUSINESS SCHOOL**

As the only HBX CORe partner in Ontario, Huron students can earn a Credential of Readiness from Harvard's Business School.



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EXPERIENCE WHAT STUDYING

RELIGION AND THEOLOGY

AT HURON CAN OFFER BY TAKING
A CAMPUS TOUR, SITTING IN ON A
CLASS, TALKING TO A PROFESSOR
OR MEETING A CURRENT STUDENT.

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