REL 3080. Foundations of Christian Thought. 3-4 Unit.
This course explores the influences of various cultures and individuals on the gradual evolution of the Christian perspective. It incorporates the findings of the recently discovered texts known as the Gnostic Gospels, as well as the newly translated Gospel of Judas. The course takes an historical approach, exploring the worlds of the ancient Egyptians, Canaanites and others as well as ancient Judaism. It takes up some of the Greek influences derived from Plato and Aristotle and show how they were intimately entwined into the matrix of Christian belief. The Romans, the medieval philosophers and the 20th century with its new discoveries of texts related to the New Testament are also considered. The course proceeds from the premise that Christianity did not develop in a vacuum but is deeply reflective of a confluence of many influences and ostensibly random historical events. Grasping this rich matrix that contained and shaped early Christianity leads to a better understanding of Christian belief.

REL 3500. Prior Learning: Religion. 1-5 Unit.

REL 3510. Independent Study. 1-5 Unit.

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REL X4000. Religion / Humanities Domain. 1-9 Unit.
General Education Transfer Credit Equivalency: Do not make any sections from this course.

REL X4004. Religion & Psych / Hum Domain. 1-9 Unit.
General Education Transfer Credit Equivalency: Do not make any sections from this course.

REL X4005. Religion & UCE / Hum Domain. 1-9 Unit.
General Education Transfer Credit Equivalency: Do not make any sections from this course.