

# Religion, Theology and Spirituality BA (Hons)\*

**UCAS Code: Combined Honours only** (please see website for details)

**Duration: 3 years | Full-time | Hope Park | 2026/2027**

Placement year opportunities available



## Course Overview

Liverpool, with its two iconic cathedrals, the oldest mosque in England, and a long history shaped by faith and cultural diversity, is the ideal setting for the Religion, Theology and Spirituality degree. This city is home to vibrant religious communities and a thriving cultural scene, making it the perfect backdrop to explore the wisdom, mysticism, and practices of Christianity, Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, and Buddhism, alongside contemporary spiritual identities that go beyond traditional faiths.

The Religion, Theology and Spirituality course at Liverpool Hope offers the opportunity to study ancient wisdom, rituals, and sacred texts while critically engaging with pressing modern debates. You will examine profound ethical and theological questions around life, death, gender, sexuality, evil, suffering, ecology, violence, radicalisation, interfaith dialogue, secularisation, and spirituality in today's world.

Through visits to places of worship and explorations of cultural expressions such as art, music, and even football, the Religion, Theology and Spirituality degree allows you to understand how communities create meaning, hope, and identity. The course also equips you with critical skills for careers where understanding diverse beliefs and navigating ethical challenges are key, including education, politics, community work, and the civil service.

## Entry Requirements

This course follows the standard University entry requirements. Please see the website for further information.

*\*Subject to validation*

## Fees and Additional Costs

The tuition fees for 2026/2027 are £9,790 for full-time undergraduate courses.

On top of your tuition fees, you also need around £150 to purchase key textbooks throughout your Degree.

You will also need to consider the cost of your accommodation each year whilst you study at university. Visit our accommodation webpages for further details about our Halls of Residence:

[www.hope.ac.uk/halls](http://www.hope.ac.uk/halls)



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# Religion, Theology and Spirituality Curriculum

## Year One

The first year lays the foundations for your studies by introducing you to some of the key ideas of the course:

- Theories of Religion
- Religious and Mystical Experience
- Introduction to Spirituality
- Introduction to Sacred Texts (Bible, Quran, Hindu Scriptures)
- Imagery, symbol and Ritual (inter-religious)
- Introduction to Christian Traditions
- Introduction to Judaism and Islam
- Art, literature, film and music.

## Year Two

In the second year you take a closer focus on the human dimension of theology, religion and spirituality:

- Religious Ethics and Spirituality
- The Human the divine; understanding the person of Jesus Christ
- Sacred space and time (pilgrimage - different traditions)
- Religion and Health (including disability, Islamic psychology)

- Reformation and Enlightenment
- Islamic Law and Society
- Gender, sexuality and spirituality
- Death and the afterlife
- Environment and spirituality.

## Year Three

The third year takes you into some of the most important issues at play today in this field:

- The darkness of God
- Contemporary Eastern Theology
- Judaism in the Shadow of the Shoah
- Religion, Reconciliation and Conflict
- Fundamentalism, politics and secularism
- Virtual Religion and spirituality
- Research Project

## COURSE STRUCTURE

Teaching on this degree is structured into lectures, where all students are taught together, and smaller groups of seminars and tutorials.

### Year 1

3 x 1- hour lectures; 2 x 1- hour seminars; 1 x 1-hour small group tutorial per week.

### Year 2

2 x 1- hour lectures; 2 x 1- hour seminars; 1 x 1-hour small group tutorial per week.

### Year 3

2 x 1- hour lectures; 2 x 1- hour seminars per week, plus regular research supervision (some in small groups, some one-to-one).

## ASSESSMENT AND FEEDBACK

You will have a number of assessments throughout your studies, including essays, presentations, vivas, exams (in your 2nd and 3rd years) and textual analyses.



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