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2012 Alumni Survey Insert**

Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies (Religious Studies Majors Only)

intro1 Before answering a few questions specific to your experiences in the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies, all students who graduated from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences are being asked just a few questions about their experiences in the College.

CHASS1 Below is a list of skills associated with your coursework in the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. In the first column, rate how well your coursework enhanced your skills in each of the following areas. In the second column, rate how important these skills are to you now in your work and/or everyday life.

	HOW WELL COURSEWORK ENHANCED SKILLS					IMPORTANCE TO YOU CURRENTLY						
	Extremely well (5)	Very well (4)	Moderately well (3)	Slightly (2)	Not at all (1)	Rate Enhancement (.)	Very important (5)	Important (4)	Moderately important (3)	Of limited importance (2)	Not important (1)	Rate Importance (.)
Oral presentation skills (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Writing skills (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The ability to be creative and think 'outside the box' (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The ability to synthesize information/ideas from multiple sources (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The ability to integrate knowledge in your major with knowledge from other disciplines outside your major (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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CHASS6 Please briefly share your thoughts on how the College of Humanities and Social Sciences helped prepare you to be successful in your current endeavors.

CHASS7 Please briefly share your thoughts about what the College of Humanities and Social Sciences could do to better prepare its students.

outro1 Please now click on the arrow to go to the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies questions.

intro2 The Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies has a few questions we would like you to answer based on your experiences in your specific major. Your opinions are very important in our department's programming and planning efforts. We appreciate your taking the time to answer these additional questions.

REL1 As you think back on your overall educational experience in Religious Studies, how satisfied were you with the education you gained in this program?

- Very satisfied (5)
- Moderately satisfied (4)
- Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied (3)
- Moderately dissatisfied (2)
- Very dissatisfied (1)

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REL2 Please indicate how important each area has been in your current professional position, including graduate studies.

	Very important (5)	Important (4)	Moderately important (3)	Of limited importance (2)	Not important (1)	Not applicable (0)
Developing an awareness of and appreciation for the diversity of religious perspectives (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thinking and communicating critically about religious texts, traditions and practices (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Applying various analytical methods to the study of religion (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Critically assessing academic writings on and	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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theories about religion (4)						
Understanding key developments and ideas in the history of religions (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Using analytical and critical skills to address problems and draw clear and reasonable conclusions (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Writing and speaking clearly and effectively (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Studying a subject you found interesting (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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REL3 Please determine how well you think you were prepared in each area through your program at NC State.

	Excellent  preparation (5)	Good preparation (4)	Average  preparation (3)	Fair  preparation (2)	Poor  preparation (1)	Not  applicable (0)
Learning about the history, beliefs and practices of religious traditions (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Thinking and writing critically about religion (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Applying various analytical methods to the study of religion (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Making an effective and valid argument about religion, one	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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that successfully establishes a premise and supports the premise with appropriate and persuasive evidence (4)						
Critically assessing academic writings on religion (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Identifying key issues and problems in the study of religion and generating critical or theoretical responses to these problems (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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REL4 If you were beginning over, would you choose the same major again?

- Yes (1)
- Maybe (2)
- No (3)
- Do not know (4)

REL5 Why did you choose to major in Religious Studies?

REL6 Of the courses that you took in Religious Studies, which three were most influential or most important? Please explain.

REL7 What other classes at NCSU did you find to be most valuable for your education? Why?

REL8 Which classes at NCSU did you find to be least valuable? Why?

REL9 What do you think are the greatest strengths of the major?

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REL10 Please suggest one or two things about the Religious Studies program that you would want to see changed.

Answer If insert2 Is Equal to NONE

outro2 Thank you for completing the Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies Survey! You must click on the 'submit' button in order for your responses to be saved. You will not be able to return to this survey once you submit your responses.

Answer If insert2 Is Not Equal to NONE

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