



LAKEHEAD UNIVERSITY

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND HUMANITIES

HISTORY

CHANGE REQUEST REPORT

Change Request Tracking Number: 2025-SOC-9157

Title of Change Request: Comparative Religion Minor UG Course Switch

Status of Change Request: In Workflow

Change Request can't be split

CHANGE REQUEST CONTENTS

#	Type	Title
1.	New Version of a Degree	Minor in Comparative Religion

**CHANGE REQUEST HISTORY**

Workflow Stage	Action Type	Action Taken By	Change Made	Action Rationale	Date
Initiator	Approved	Michael Stevenson	Yes	This request updates the list of courses eligible to be applied to the minor in Comparative Religion based on the Department of Philosophy's discontinuance of PHIL 2811 and its replacement with PHIL 3614. See 2025-SOC-9085.	11/13/2025, 06:31 AM
Submission Review (Manager of Curriculum Development)	Approved	Submission Review	No	ok to move forward in workflow.	11/13/2025, 09:02 AM

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

None.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS AUDIT TRAIL**

None.

**CHANGE REQUEST COMMENTS**

Date	User	Change Request Comment
11/13/2025, 06:29 AM	Michael Stevenson	This request updates the list of courses eligible to be applied to the minor in Comparative Religion based on the Department of Philosophy's discontinuance of PHIL 2811 and its replacement with PHIL 3614. See 2025-SOC-9085.

<b>1.</b>	<b>New Version of a Degree</b>	<b>Minor in Comparative Religion</b>
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**Justification**

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**DEGREE DETAILS****MODIFY A PROGRAM FORM (less significant changes).**

NOTE TO USER about this form:

This "Modify a Program" form is used to make less significant modifications to a program. If you plan to make a major modification to a program, please use the form "Major Modification to Program". Visit this link to learn more about Major Modifications

The following is information that is displayed in the University Calendar

**Location:****Title of Program:** Minor in Comparative Religion**Program Requirements:**

The Minor in Comparative Religion consists of 3 FCEs:

a) Religious Studies 1100 Introduction to World Religions;  
and

b) any 2 FCE electives from the list below:

Religious Studies 2501 – Introduction to the Bible

Religious Studies 2715 Special Topic

Religious Studies 3705 Special Topic

Religious Studies 3715 Special Topic

Anthropology 3718 – Anthropology of Magic and Religion

Philosophy 2811–3614 – Asian–Eastern Philosophy

Philosophy 3813 – Philosophy of Religion

**The following is information for Committee Review**

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**Program Code:** MINOR.CORE**Calendar Start Term. When  
this change should be  
displayed in the Calendar:** 20222027–2328**Calendar End Term. When is  
the last calendar year  
this should be displayed?:** No Specified End Date Use No Specified End date unless you  
are removing it from the calendar.**Faculty or Institution****Unit:**

- Lakehead University
- Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities

**Academic Level:** Undergraduate**Total number of credits  
for the degree:****Transcript Title of  
Program:** Minor in Comparative Religion**Degree Type:**

**Pedagogical rationale for  
this proposal. Why are you  
submitting this request?:** This program involves the flagging courses already routinely  
taught by their home academic units in a way that allows  
students to earn a minor. The Department of Philosophy has  
discontinued one of its courses--PHIL 2811 Asian  
Philosophy--originally applied to the minor in Comparative  
Religion and replaced it with PHIL 3614 Eastern Philosophy.  
This request, therefore, revises the list of courses that  
can be applied to the minor in Comparative Religion based on  
this change. See 2025-SOC-9085 for the Navigator entry from  
the Department of Philosophy involving PHIL 2811 and PHIL  
3614.

**The following is information for Senate Budget Committee Consideration**

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NOTE: Complete each section and provide full explanations  
for both "yes" and "no" answers. This will not be displayed  
in the calendar but will be used by the Senate Budget  
Committee when considering approval of this proposal. The  
creator of this proposal may be asked to attend a committee  
meeting to discuss this proposal. Contact the Chair of the

Senate Budget Committee if you wish to discuss any of the questions below.

<b>Will this program impact student enrolment in another program within the same faculty/unit?:</b>	<del>All of the courses involved in this program are taught in regular rotation as part of their host department's degree offerings, with the exception of the Religious Studies courses for which there is no associated degree program. The availability of a minor might result in a marginal increase in enrollment for the courses concerned. We expect that the impact will be marginal.</del> No
<b>Will this program impact student enrolment in another program in a different faculty/unit?:</b>	<del>Yes, two courses on the list for the minor are housed in the Faculty of Science and Environmental Studies.</del> No
<b>Will additional resources be required (space, staff, equipment, etc.)?:</b>	<del>No additional resources — human, financial or physical — will be required.</del>
<b>How will this impact existing teaching loads within this faculty/unit?:</b>	<del>No impact. No courses will need to be timetabled that are not already being run as part of degree programs.</del>
<b>What is the impact on the demand for teaching support services (library, computers, staff, etc.)?:</b>	<del>Negligible.</del> None
<b>Will this require outside support? If yes, please outline the amount and timing of the funding:</b>	<del>No.</del>