

CATALOGUE OF ELECTIVE DISCIPLINES
8D02203 – Religious studies

Cycle of disciplines	Name of disciplines and their description the main sections	Number of credits(ECTS)
PD1	CYCLE OF PROFILE DISCIPLINES (PD)	43
1	Religious anthropology and thanatology	5
	Methodological problems in the study of religious anthropology. The formation of Christian anthropology and his view of thanatology. Catholic, Orthodox, and Catholic anthropology. The doctrine of man in the Qur'an. Views on death in religious philosophy. Teachings on man and modern syncretic religious movements. Theology and philosophy of the essence and existence of man. Theological thanatology.	
2	Comparative methods and methods in religious studies	5
	Comparative studies of Abrahamic religions (Judaism, Christianity and Islam). Comparative studies of the Scriptures of the major religions of the world (Hinduism, Buddhism, Zoroastrianism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam). Comparative analysis of moral representations of different religious traditions. Modern religions, cults, movements and teachings. Emphasis in religious worldview and mythology, specificity of religious practices and institutions.	
3	Islamophobia and stereotypes on religious grounds	5
	Countering intolerance of discrimination against Muslims: Definitions and conceptual approach. Fighting Islamophobia through education. Methodological principles and approaches to combating Islamophobia. Religion and equality. Islamophobia in Europe and Asia. Islamophobia in Kazakhstan. Islam is a religion of peace and goodness.	