

BIBLICAL STUDIES MAJOR

The Biblical Studies major is designed to prepare students to interpret the Bible accurately and to apply the Bible wisely in a wide variety of settings. The major prepares students for graduate study at a seminary or university, for positions of leadership in the church, or for a variety of other ministry positions at home or abroad. Students also pursue the Biblical Studies major to provide them with a firm biblical foundation for any vocation.

This program is offered in-person and at a distance (hybrid).

Program Outcomes

Students graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in *Biblical Studies* will be able to:

- analyze biblical texts in their historical, grammatical, and theological context and interpret the Scriptures faithfully by applying linguistic, historical, theological, and philosophical methods (*Biblical Interpretation*);
- identify the basic elements of Christian ethics, exhibit Christian maturity and professionalism (integrity, responsibility, etc.), and be able to describe their responsibilities in the context of ministry or other vocations (*Biblical Living*);
- develop a Christian worldview that describes how biblical truths apply to contemporary settings in order to be culturally relevant (*Biblical Contextualization*); and
- explain the major doctrines of Christianity and articulate his or her own theological convictions by integrating scriptural interpretation, biblical philosophy, and critical thinking (*Theological Integration*).

Code	Title	Hours
Core Requirements		
BI 210	Biblical Interpretation	3
BI 275	Teaching the Bible	3
BI 302	Pentateuch	3
BI 304	Old Testament Prophetic Books	3
BI 306	Old Testament Poetic Books	3
BI 308	Old Testament Historical Books	3
BI 312	Life of Christ	3
BI 335	Theology of the General Epistles	3
BI 336	Theology of the Pauline Epistles	3
BI 430	The Book of Acts	3
Choose three of the following courses:		9
BRS 332	Biblical Theology	
BRS 340X	History of Christianity	
BRS 341	Theology: Prolegomena, Scripture, Theology Proper	
BRS 342	Theology: Christ, Humanity, Sin, Salvation	
BRS 343	Theology: Holy Spirit, Church, Last Things	
Choose three of the following courses:		9
BRS 330	Christian Evidences	
	or PH 190 Introduction to Apologetics	
CM 211	Theology and Practice of Pastoral Ministry	
CM 321	Theology and Practice of Evangelism	
CM 375X	Foundations of Christian Counseling	

CM 331	Theology and Practice of Discipleship	
CM 341	Theology and Practice of Leadership	
Total Hours		48