

# **Secretarial** Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies

## **Total Program Hours: 120 Credit Hours**

The Bachelor of Biblical Studies program delivers a strong biblical foundation applied your way. Loaded with Bible and Theology courses and a generous pool of Free Electives, this program is designed to work for you, whether designing a custom path or transferring credit in from another school.

### **Program Outcomes**

# Students who complete this degree program will be able to:

- 1. Develop a biblical hermeneutic approach that engages the Scriptures as the authoritative power for life and practice.
- 2. Apply exegetical skills to Scripture for a clear understanding of what the text says, what it means, and its implications for life.
- 3. Articulate the contextual message of the whole of Scripture and the relation of each part to the whole.
- 4. Communicate Scriptures formally or informally through preaching, teaching, discussion, or in writing, with a view to helping others hear, consider, and respond to its teachings and their implications.
- 5. Acquire knowledge and analytical skills to engage a variety of perspectives and experiences from a biblical worldview.
- 6. Assess and weigh moral and cultural beliefs and practices and their applications to ethical dilemmas.
- 7. Systematically question and analyze problems, issues and beliefs.
- 8. Venture beyond established patterns of thought in imaginative and creative ways.
- 9. Exchange information and ideas through writing, speech, and visual and digital media.

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Delivery: On-campus, online



# **GENERAL EDUCATION (36 Credits)**

## ENG101 – How to Write a Speech I (3 credits)

Introduces foundational skills in organizing, writing, and delivering speeches within a biblical framework. Emphasis on persuasive speech and sermon preparation.

## ENG102 – How to Write a Speech II (3 credits)

Builds on ENG101 by advancing structure, rhetorical techniques, and integrating Scripture in speech writing. Includes peer review and public presentation.

## **COM101 – Public Speaking in a Congregation (3 credits)**

Covers practical techniques for public speaking, focusing on delivery, clarity, audience engagement, and the use of biblical content in congregational settings.

## **MAT101 – Church Finances – Proper Counting (3 credits)**

Explores stewardship, budgeting, and financial accountability within a church setting. Students learn basic accounting principles for ministry leaders.

#### SCI101 – Science and Theology (4 credits)

Investigates how scientific understanding intersects with Christian theology, including creation, miracles, and bioethics from a biblical worldview.

## HIS201 – History of the Church (3 credits)

Surveys major movements, people, and developments in church history from the early church to the modern era, emphasizing theological impact.

## PHI201 – Philosophy of Religion (3 credits)

Introduces major philosophical questions about God, faith, and reason, and evaluates responses from a Christian theological perspective.

## PSY101 – Pastoral Psychology (3 credits)

Focuses on psychological principles relevant to pastoral care, including counseling skills, human development, and emotional resilience.

## **SOC101 – The Church and Community Today (3 credits)**

Examines the church's role in shaping and responding to modern societal issues. Topics include poverty, justice, family, and education.

# **CSC101 – Digital Communication in the Church (2 credits)**

Teaches the use of digital tools and platforms for ministry communication, including social media, livestreaming, and ethical digital engagement.

## **HUM201 – World Religions (3 credits)**

Provides an overview of major world religions, their core beliefs, and practices, with comparisons to Christianity for effective interfaith dialogue.

## ETH301 – Religious Social Ethics (3 credits)

Explores ethical principles from Scripture applied to contemporary social issues such as abortion, racism, sexuality, and economic justice.

# **■ BIBLICAL STUDIES CORE (30 Credits)**

## **BIB101 – Old Testament Survey (3 credits)**

Overview of the Old Testament books, their historical context, major themes, and theological significance.

## **BIB102 – New Testament Survey (3 credits)**

Covers the background, structure, and key teachings of each New Testament book, emphasizing their application to Christian life.

### **BIB201 – Pentateuch (3 credits)**

In-depth study of Genesis through Deuteronomy, focusing on creation, covenant, and God's law.

## BIB202 – Historical Books of the OT (3 credits)

Analyzes Joshua through Esther with an emphasis on leadership, obedience, and God's providence.

# BIB203 - Wisdom and Poetic Literature (3 credits)

Examines Psalms, Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon, highlighting their poetic form and theological insights.

# BIB204 – Gospels: Life and Teachings of Jesus (3 credits)

Focuses on the four Gospels and presents the message, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

## **BIB205 – Pauline Epistles (3 credits)**

Studies Romans through Philemon, exploring Paul's theology, missionary work, and instruction to early churches.

# **BIB301 – Biblical Hermeneutics (3 credits)**

Introduces principles of interpretation, genre analysis, and contextual application of Scripture.

## **BIB401 – Apocalyptic Literature (3 credits)**

Explores Revelation and Old Testament apocalyptic texts, emphasizing symbolism, prophecy, and eschatology.

## **BIB402** – **Biblical Ethics (3 credits)**

Applies biblical principles to moral decision-making and contemporary ethical issues from a scriptural worldview.

# **THEOLOGY & DOCTRINE (18 Credits)**

## THE201 - Theology I: God, Scripture, and Creation (3 credits)

Covers doctrines of God, revelation, creation, and humanity's role as image-bearers.

## **THE202 – Theology II: Christ and Salvation (3 credits)**

Focuses on Christology and soteriology including incarnation, atonement, justification, and sanctification.

## **THE301 – Theology III: Church and Eschatology (3 credits)**

Explores the church's nature and mission, and biblical teaching on end times.

## **THE302** – Historical Theology (3 credits)

Traces the development of key doctrines throughout church history and their theological impact.

## THE303 – Christian Apologetics (3 credits)

Equips students to defend the faith using logical arguments and Scripture against contemporary objections.

## THE304 – Theology of the Holy Spirit (3 credits)

Investigates the person, work, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, and His role in the life of the believer and the church.

# **MINISTRY & PRACTICAL THEOLOGY (24 Credits)**

## MIN201 – Introduction to Christian Ministry (3 credits)

An overview of pastoral roles and responsibilities, including preaching, sacraments, and shepherding.

# MIN202 – Spiritual Formation & Discipleship (3 credits)

Guides students in developing a personal spiritual growth plan and understanding biblical discipleship.

# MIN301 – Christian Leadership I (3 credits)

Examines biblical principles of leadership, vision, and servant-leadership for ministry.

## MIN302 – Christian Leadership II (3 credits)

Builds on Leadership I with case studies in leading teams, managing conflict, and strategic planning.

## MIN303 – Christian Leadership III (3 credits)

Focuses on advanced leadership topics such as organizational development, mentoring, and transformational leadership.

#### MIN304 – Evangelism and Missions (3 credits)

Equips students to share the gospel effectively and develop mission strategies for diverse contexts.

## MIN305 – Preaching and Teaching the Bible (3 credits)

Trains students in sermon construction, biblical exposition, and teaching techniques.

## MIN306 – Church Administration (3 credits)

Covers ministry operations including scheduling, volunteer coordination, HR, and facilities management.

# **©** CAPSTONE & INTERNSHIP (3 Credits)

# CAP401 – Capstone Research or Ministry Internship (3 credits)

A final project or field-based internship that demonstrates integration of academic and ministry training.

# **♦ OPEN ELECTIVES (9 Credits)**

## **COU301 – Introduction to Biblical Counseling (3 credits)**

Provides foundational counseling principles for helping others biblically in personal and spiritual struggles.

# MIS301 – Cross-Cultural Ministry (3 credits)

Explores effective communication of the gospel across cultural and ethnic boundaries.

## WOR301 – Worship and the Arts (3 credits)

Examines biblical worship principles and the role of music and art in glorifying God and building the church.