

Associate of Science in Christian Leadership & Community Engagement

Total Program Credit Hours: 60

Leadership is facilitating God-designed growth in the people and organizations in our sphere of influence. The Christian Leadership (A.S.) program is designed to lay the foundation for a lifetime of effective biblical leadership in the personal and professional life of the student.

Students who complete this degree program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate core skills to engage and interpret the Bible accurately as the foundational source of truth for life and leadership.
2. Exercise leadership encourages and facilitates collaborative learning at all levels of the organization.
3. Apply a solid understanding of organizations that creates and maintains a productive community of growth-oriented learners.
4. Develop comprehensive strategies using skills in evaluation, adaptation, and integration of new and existing strategies for the efficient and effective pursuit of organizational goals.
5. Recruit, develop, and mobilize staff and volunteers as effective teams.



Program Breakdown

- **General Education Requirements** – 30 Credit Hours
- **Biblical Studies Core Courses** – 27 Credit Hours
- **Electives** – 3 Credit Hours



GENERAL EDUCATION (30 Credits)

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

Introduces foundational writing skills for crafting speeches. Emphasizes structure, clarity, and persuasive communication from a biblical worldview. Students practice developing outlines, thesis statements, and engaging introductions.

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

Builds on ENG101 with a focus on advanced speech composition and delivery techniques. Includes rhetorical devices, audience analysis, and integrating Scripture into effective presentations.

COM101 – Public Speaking in a Congregation (3 credits)

Prepares students for public speaking in ministry settings. Covers sermon preparation, delivery techniques, storytelling, vocal dynamics, and using Scripture effectively in congregational contexts.

SCI101 – Science and Theology (4 credits)

Explores the relationship between scientific discovery and Christian faith. Topics include creation, bioethics, environmental stewardship, and how to engage scientific culture through a theological lens.

HIS201 – History of the Church (3 credits)

Surveys major movements and figures in church history from the early church to the modern era. Emphasis on theological developments, historical context, and relevance to contemporary faith practice.

PHI201 – Philosophy of Religion (3 credits)

Examines philosophical arguments related to the existence of God, the problem of evil, faith and reason, and religious experience. Encourages critical thinking and engagement with classical and contemporary views.

PSY101 – Pastoral Psychology (3 credits)

Introduces key concepts in psychology with application to pastoral care. Topics include emotional health, counseling principles, personality, and human development from a Christian perspective.

SOC101 – The Church and Community Today (3 credits)

Studies the social role of the church in modern culture. Topics include community engagement, social justice, demographics, and how churches can respond to contemporary societal issues.

CSC101 – Digital Communication in the Church (2 credits)

Explores the use of digital tools in ministry, including websites, social media, livestreaming, and visual presentations. Students learn to communicate the gospel effectively in a digital age.

HUM201 – World Religions (3 credits)

Provides an overview of major world religions including Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, and indigenous beliefs. Focuses on their key doctrines and contrasts them with the Christian gospel.



BIBLICAL STUDIES CORE COURSES (27 Credits)

BIB101 – Old Testament Survey (3 credits)

An overview of the Old Testament books, major themes, key figures, and God's covenantal work through Israel. Emphasis on understanding the Old Testament's relevance for the New Covenant believer.

BIB102 – New Testament Survey (3 credits)

Surveys the books of the New Testament with focus on historical context, theological themes, and the life of the early church. Includes study of gospel narratives, epistles, and apocalyptic literature.

BIB103 – Life and Teachings of Jesus (3 credits)

Examines the person, ministry, and message of Jesus Christ through the Synoptic Gospels and John. Emphasis on His role in God's redemptive plan and implications for discipleship.

BIB104 – Acts and the Early Church (3 credits)

Explores the Book of Acts and the formation of the early church. Topics include the role of the Holy Spirit, missionary expansion, leadership development, and community life.

BIB201 – Hermeneutics: Principles of Biblical Study (3 credits)

Teaches students how to interpret Scripture faithfully. Focus on literary context, grammar, historical background, and application using sound hermeneutical methods.

BIB202 – Theology I: God, Scripture, and Humanity (3 credits)

Introduces foundational doctrines such as the nature of God, the authority of Scripture, and the creation and purpose of humanity. Encourages theological reflection rooted in biblical texts.

BIB203 – Theology II: Christ, Salvation, and the Church (3 credits)

Builds upon Theology I with study of Christ's person and work, the doctrine of salvation, and the nature and mission of the Church.

MIN201 – Introduction to Christian Ministry (3 credits)

Provides an overview of vocational ministry, including pastoral roles, servant leadership, evangelism, and spiritual gifts. Encourages personal reflection on calling and ministry readiness.

MIN202 – Spiritual Formation (3 credits)

Explores the process of spiritual growth and maturity. Topics include prayer, Scripture meditation, disciplines, community, and becoming more like Christ through the work of the Spirit.

**ELECTIVES (3 Credits)**

Choose one from the following options:

MIS101 – Introduction to Missions (3 credits)

Examines the biblical basis of missions and global evangelism. Topics include the Great Commission, cross-cultural challenges, and the role of the local church in world outreach.

WOR101 – Foundations of Worship Ministry (3 credits)

Introduces the theology and practice of worship leadership. Topics include planning worship services, music ministry, congregational dynamics, and developing a theology of worship.

LEA101 – Biblical Leadership Basics (3 credits)

Covers essential leadership principles from Scripture. Includes servant leadership, vision casting, conflict resolution, and personal integrity in leadership roles.

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