



CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES—PROGRAM PLAN

2015–2016

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First Year—Fall

<i>Session 1</i>	BI-1103	Reading the Old Testament	4
	BI-1104	Reading the New Testament	4
<i>Session 2</i>	TH-1105	The Old Testament and Theology	3
	TH-1106	The New Testament and Theology	3

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Spring

<i>Session 1</i>	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	BI-4405	Interpreting Isaiah for Teaching	3
<i>Session 2</i>	BI-4406	Interpreting Romans for Teaching	3
	BI or TH	Bible or Theology Elective	3

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Total Program Credits 26



ASSOCIATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES—PROGRAM PLAN

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First Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1107	Foundations of Learning	3
	BI-1103	Reading the Old Testament	4
Session 2	BI-1104	Reading the New Testament	4
	TH-1105	The Old Testament and Theology	3

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Spring

Session 1	TH-1106	The New Testament and Theology	3
	GSU-1115	The Story and Structure of the Bible	3
Session 2	GSU-2202	Introduction to Critical Thinking	3
	GSU-2203	Self and Social Identity in Christianity	4

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Second Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1110	College Writing	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3

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Spring

Session 1	BI-2260	Historical Geography of Ancient Israel	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	BI-3302	Second Temple Jewish Backgrounds	3
	BI-3301	Ancient Near Eastern Backgrounds and the Old Testament	3

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Third Year—Fall

Session 1	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3

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Total Program Credits 60



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First Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1107	Foundations of Learning	3
	BI-1103	Reading the Old Testament	4
Session 2	BI-1104	Reading the New Testament	4
	TH-1105	The Old Testament and Theology	3
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Spring

Session 1	TH-1106	The New Testament and Theology	3
	GSU-1115	The Story and Structure of the Bible	3
Session 2	GSU-2202	Introduction to Critical Thinking	3
	GSU-2203	Self and Social Identity in Christianity	4
			13

Second Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1110	College Writing	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
			12

Spring

Session 1	BI-2260	Historical Geography of Ancient Israel	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	BI-3301	Ancient Near Eastern Backgrounds and the Old Testament	3
	BI-3302	Second Temple Jewish Backgrounds	3
			12

Third Year—Fall

Session 1	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	TH-3302	Method for Biblical Theology	3
Session 2	BI-4402	Teaching the Scriptures	4
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
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Spring

Session 1	BI-4405	Interpreting Isaiah for Teaching	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	BI-4406	Interpreting Romans for Teaching	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
			12

Fourth Year—Fall

Session 1	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	TH-1110	The Church and Its Doctrines	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
			12

Spring

Session 1	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
			12

Fifth Year—Fall

Session 1	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
			12

Spring

Session 1	BI-4404	Applying Scripture in the Contemporary World	3
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
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Total Program Credits 121



BS IN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP—PROGRAM PLAN

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First Year—Fall

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	BI-1103	Reading the Old Testament	4
Session 2	BI-1104	Reading the New Testament	4
	TH-1105	The Old Testament and Theology	3
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Spring

Session 1	TH-1106	The New Testament and Theology	3
	GSU-1115	The Story and Structure of the Bible	3
Session 2	GSU-2202	Introduction to Critical Thinking	3
	GSU-2203	Self and Social Identity in Christianity	4
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Second Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1110	College Writing	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
			12

Spring

Session 1	PS-4463	Cultural Dynamics of Congregational Ministry	3
	PS-4410	The Church and the Community	3
Session 2	ED-3340	Marriage and Family Systems	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
			12

Third Year—Fall

Session 1	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	PS-3382	The Care of the Ministry Leader's Soul	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
			12

Spring

Session 1	PS-3330	Communication of Biblical Truth	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	BI-4406	Interpreting Romans for Teaching	3
	PS-3342	Ministry Leadership and Staff Relationships	3
			12

Fourth Year—Fall

Session 1	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
Session 2	PS-3310	The Church and Its Ministries	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
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Spring

Session 1	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
			12

Fifth Year—Fall

Session 1	ED or PS	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	ED or PS	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
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Spring

Session 1	ED or PS	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	ED or PS	Concentration course	3
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Total Program Credits 120



BS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES—PROGRAM PLAN

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	TH-1105	The Old Testament and Theology	3

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Spring

Session 1	TH-1106	The New Testament and Theology	3
	GSU-1115	The Story and Structure of the Bible	3
Session 2	GSU-2202	Introduction to Critical Thinking	3
	GSU-2203	Self and Social Identity in Christianity	4

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Second Year—Fall

Session 1	GSU-1110	College Writing	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	TH-3302	Method for Biblical Theology	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3

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Third Year—Fall

Session 1	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
Session 2	TH-1110	The Church and Its Doctrines	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	TH-2201	The Theological Task and Bibliology	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	TH-3304	Father, Son, and Holy Spirit	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Fourth Year—Fall

Session 1	TH-4401	Christian Anthropology and Hamartiology	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
Session 2	TH-4402	The Church and Salvation	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Fifth Year—Fall

Session 1	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3

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Spring

Session 1	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3
	XX-XXXX	Concentration course	3

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*The Christian Thought concentration will end with three concentration courses for 4 credits each.



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Session 1	GSU-1107	Foundations of Learning	3
	GSU-1110	College Writing	3
Session 2	GSU-1115	The Story and Structure of the Bible	3
	CUL-2201	Understanding Worldviews	3

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Second Year—Fall

Session 1	CUL-2200	Introduction to Cultural Studies	3
	GSU-2203	Self and Social Identity in Christianity	4
Session 2	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Third Year—Fall

Session 1	TH-3305	Theology of Social Justice and Righteousness	3
	OWC-XXXX	Oral and Written Communication course	3
Session 2	CUL-3300	Communicating in a Globalized World	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3

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Fourth Year—Fall

Session 1	TH-4401	Christian Anthropology and Hamartiology	3
	CRI-XXXX	Critical Thinking and Math course	3
Session 2	XX-XXXX	Elective	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Fifth Year—Fall

Session 1	CUL-4401	Leading Cultural Change	3
	MN-4400	Planning New Ministry Ventures	3
Session 2	CUL-4402	Innovation and Cultural Challenges	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	GSU-2202	Introduction to Critical Thinking	3
	GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
Session 2	BI-2201	Interpreting Scripture	3
	TH-3302	Method for Biblical Theology	3

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Spring

Session 1	TH-2210	Theology and Culture	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3
Session 2	TH-2211	Theology in a Globalized World	3
	HUM-XXXX	Humanities course	3

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Spring

Session 1	CUL-3301	Analyzing Cultural Challenges: Action Research	3
	CUL-4400	Discourse and Globalization	3
Session 2	TH-4406	The Trinity and the Christian Life	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	TH-4407	Thinking Theologically About World Systems	3
	SOC-XXXX	Social and Behavioral Sciences course	3
Session 2	TH-4409	God and Politics: Kingdom, Sovereignty, and Freedom	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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Spring

Session 1	CUL-4403	Cultural Studies Project Research	3
	MN-4401	Executing Strategy	3
Session 2	CUL-4404	Cultural Studies Major Project	3
	XX-XXXX	Elective	3

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MA IN APPLIED BIBLICAL STUDIES—PROGRAM PLAN

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First Year—Fall

Session 1	BI-5527	Christian Character in Biblical Interpretation**	1
	TH-5525	Theological Foundations for Biblical Interpretation	3
Session 2	BI-5528	Methods for Biblical Interpretation	3

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Spring

	BI-5561	Character and Family†	0
Session 1	BI-6612	Interpreting the Pentateuch	3
Session 2	BI-6613	Interpreting Old Testament Historiography	3

6

Summer

	BI-5562	Character and Culture†	0
Session 1	BI-6614	Interpreting Old Testament Poetic and Wisdom Literature	3
Session 2	BI-6615	Interpreting Old Testament Prophetic Literature	3

6

Second Year—Fall

	BI-5563	Character and Talents†	0
Session 1	BI-6616	Interpreting the Gospels	3
Session 2	BI-6617	Interpreting Acts and the Epistles	3

6

Spring

	BI-5564	Character and Suffering†	0
Session 1	BI-7700	Action Research*	3
Session 2	BI-6618	Interpreting Apocalyptic Literature	3

6

Summer

	BI-6619	Christian Character Portfolio‡	1
Session 1	BI-7702	Biblical Interpretation Capstone: Use of the Old Testament in the New Testament	4

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Total Program Credits 36

*BI-7700 Action Research is a 14-week course; BI-6618 Interpreting Apocalyptic Literature is taken concurrently during the second spring session.

**BI-5527 Christian Character and Biblical Interpretation I is a 2-week course taken concurrently with TH-5525 Theological Foundation for Biblical Interpretation.

†BI-5561, BI-5562, BI-5563, and BI-5564 are 1-week non-credit component requirements prior to the 7-week session.

‡BI-6619 Christian Character Portfolio is a 1-week course that incorporates BI-5561, BI-5562, BI-5563, and BI-5564 assignments into a portfolio.



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First Year—Fall

Session 1	TH-5525	Theological Foundations for Biblical Interpretation	3
Session 2	BI-5528	Methods for Biblical Interpretation	3

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Spring

Session 1	BE-5501	Hermeneutics for Preaching	3
Session 2	BE-5502	Communicating Scripture	3

6

Summer

Session 1	BE-5503	Preaching Narrative and Parabolic Literature	3
Session 2	BE-6601	Preaching Poetic and Prophetic Literature	3

6

Second Year—Fall

Session 1	BE-6602	Advanced Homiletics	3
Session 2	TH-6601	Church and Culture	3

6

Spring

Session 1	BE-6603	Preaching and Culture	3
Session 2	BE-7701	Contextualized Preaching	3

6

Summer

Session 1	BI-7700	Action Research*	3
Session 2	BE-7702	Theology and Preaching	3

6

Total Program Credits 36

*BI-7700 Action Research is a 14-week course; BE-7702 Theology and Preaching is taken concurrently in the second summer session.