



BA IN BIBLICAL STUDIES INTERDISCIPLINARY—PROGRAM PLAN

2019–2020

Chicago Campus

This program plan is a suggested sequence of courses for students who changed their program or were admitted during the 2019–2020 academic year. Adjustments may be made as needed based on course availability, prerequisite courses, and transfer credits. Students are responsible to satisfy all program requirements by their expected graduation date.

First Year—Fall

BI-1111	Old Testament Survey	4
FE-1100	Introduction to Ministry	1
GSU-1110	College Writing	3
LF-1100	Principles of Lifetime Fitness	1
MS-1100	Spiritual Life in Community	3
TH-1110	The Church and Its Doctrines	3
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Spring

BI-1112	New Testament Survey	4
GSU-1112	Research Writing	3
MS-1101	Introduction to Disciplemaking	2
MS-1102	Studying and Teaching the Bible	3
MU-1130	Exploring Music	3
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Second Year—Fall

BI-2230	Bible Introduction	3
GSU-1120	Speech Communication	3
GSU-2221	Christianity and Western Culture I	3
GSU-2250	Introduction to Philosophy	3
LF-XXXX	Lifetime Fitness Activity	1
MS-1103	Christian Missions	3
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Spring

BI-2280	Hermeneutics/Bible Study Methods	3
GSU-2222	Christianity and Western Culture II	3
GSU-XXXX	Literature elective	3
XX-XXXX	Math/Science elective	3
XX-XXXX	Social Science elective	3
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Third Year—Fall

BI-2270	Life in Bible Times	3
TH-3330	Systematic Theology I	4
XX-XXXX	Biblical Theology*	3
XX-XXXX	Interdisciplinary elective	3
XX-XXXX	Language I†	3
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Spring

BI-XXXX	Bible elective	3
TH-3340	Systematic Theology II	4
XX-XXXX	Advanced Communication elective	3
XX-XXXX	Interdisciplinary elective	3
XX-XXXX	Language II†	3
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Fourth Year—Fall

BI-4410	Romans Or BI-4411 Romans in Greek	3
BI-XXXX	Bible elective	3
BI-XXXX	Bible elective	3
FE-4400	Ministry Internship (summer)	3
TH-4451	Apologetics	3
XX-XXXX	Interdisciplinary elective	3
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Spring

BI-4490	Senior Seminar	3
BI-XXXX	Bible elective	3
LF-4400	Wellness Seminar	1
TH-XXXX	Theology elective	3
XX-XXXX	Interdisciplinary elective	3
XX-XXXX	Open elective	3
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Total Program Credits 127

*Select one: BI-3355 Old Testament Biblical Theology, BI-3356 New Testament Biblical Theology, or TH-3332 Introduction to Biblical Theology.

†Only offered in the semester listed.

Refer to the [Undergraduate Approved Electives](#) list for elective options.

Undergraduate Approved Electives

The following electives (all 3 credits) may be taken if the course is not already a core requirement for a student's major:

Advanced Communication Electives**†

CM-2230	Oral Interpretation	CM-3344	Public Discourse and Critical Thought
CM-2235	Creative Arts in Ministry	ED-2200	Teaching the Bible Practicum
CM-2240	Message Preparation for Women	PS-3330	Communication of Biblical Truth
CM-3305	Advanced Speech		

Bible Electives (Old or New Testament)**†

BI-2270	Life in Bible Times	BI-4418	Daniel and Revelation
BI-3353	Introduction to Biblical Archaeology	BI-4455	Biblical Perspectives on Human Sexuality
BI-3342	Biblical Theology of Suffering	BI-4462	Topics in Biblical Theology
BI-4401	Topics in Biblical Studies	TH-3332	Introduction to Biblical Theology

Bible Electives (Old Testament)**†

BI-3301	Ancient Near Eastern Backgrounds & the OT	BI-3355	Old Testament Biblical Theology
BI-3305	Conquest to Kingdom: Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Sam.	BI-3371/3372	Hebrew Exegesis I/II
BI-3307	Decline & Fall of Davidic Kingdom: 2 Sam., 1-2 Kings	BI-4417	Major Prophets II
BI-3308	Exile to Expectation: 1-2 Chron., Ezra, Neh., Esther	BI-4422	Minor Prophets
BI-3311	The Pentateuch	BI-4452	Messianic Prophecy
BI-3312	Genesis	BI-4458	Topics in Old Testament Studies
BI-3313	Psalms	BI-4483/4484	Advanced Hebrew Reading I/II
BI-3316	Major Prophets I	BI-4460	Topics in Old Testament Theology

Bible Electives (New Testament)**†

BI-2210	Gospel of John	BI-3356	New Testament Biblical Theology
BI-2214	Acts	BI-3383/3384	Greek Exegesis I/II
BI-3323	Life of Christ	BI-4459	Topics in New Testament Studies
BI-3325/4427/4432	Pauline Epistles I/II/III	BI-4485/4486	Advanced Greek Reading I/II
BI-3326	General Epistles	BI-4461	Topics in New Testament Theology
BI-3333	Hebrews		

Language Electives*

BI-2271/2272	Hebrew Grammar I/II	GSU-1157/1158	Elementary Russian I/II
BI-2281/2282	Greek Grammar I/II	GSU-1159/1160	American Sign Language I/II
GSU-1151/1152	Elementary Spanish I/II	MI-2241	Introduction to Language and Phonetics
GSU-1153/1154	Elementary French I/II	MI-2242	Second Language Acquisition
GSU-1155/1156	Elementary German I/II		

Literature Electives**†

GSU-2200	Special Topics in Literature	GSU-2217	Contemporary Jewish Fiction
GSU-2201	Writing & Reading Children's Literature	GSU-2218	Ethnic Literature
GSU-2211	American Literature	GSU-2223	Forbidden Knowledge & the Monstrous in the Novel
GSU-2212	British Literature	GSU-2224	Listening for God in Fiction
GSU-2214	Violence and Grace in the Novel	GSU-2225	The Fiction of C.S. Lewis
GSU-2216	Images of Christ in the Novel		

Math/Science Electives***†

GSU-2208	Introduction to Probability and Statistics
GSU-2231	Quantitative Reasoning
GSU-4400	Contemporary Issues in Science and Christian Thought

Social Science Electives**†

ED-2220	Human Development	GSU-2210	Introduction to Psychology
ED-3305	Disability, Society, and the Church	GSU-2213	Introduction to Sociology
ED-3340	Marriage and Family Systems	MI-3311	Intercultural Communication

Theology Electives*

BI-3342	Biblical Theology of Suffering	TH-3352	Classical and Contemporary Ethics
BI-3355	Old Testament Biblical Theology	TH-3361	Early Christian Thought
BI-3356	New Testament Biblical Theology	TH-3362	History of Ecumenism
BI-4455	Biblical Perspectives on Human Sexuality	TH-3363	The European Reformations
BI-4460	Topics in Old Testament Theology	TH-3365	History of American Protestantism
BI-4461	Topics in New Testament Theology	TH-4411	Global Theology
BI-4462	Topics in Biblical Theology	TH-4471	Topics in Systematic Theology
TH-3310/3320	Historical Theology I/II	TH-4472	Topics in Theology and Intercultural Studies
TH-3332	Introduction to Biblical Theology	TH-4481	Topics in Historical Theology
TH-3343	Issues in Dispensationalism	TH-4491	Topics in Apologetics/Philosophical Theology
TH-3351	Philosophy of Religion		

Open Elective†

Any course not required for a degree program. Credits from any academic division will apply as an open elective.

*Refer to major requirements for any variations (or required courses) in the Bachelor of Arts Degree Core Requirements.

**Any three credits of Math/Science courses may be taken to fulfill this requirement.

†This course is not required for BA in Music