

Channel Islands Bible College & Seminary

Independent Studies Department



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President's Message

Channel Islands Bible College & Seminary was born out of a desire to provide for the "...equipping the saints for the work of the ministry..." Although every believer has a ministry to perform, there has been very little training provided to equip them for ministry. Effective training has been reserved for those believers who are going into vocational ministry and have the resources to afford Christian Higher Education. This lack of training has seriously hindered the work of the church. The primary reason for the lack of training is the high cost.

Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary operates on a grace basis. That means that tuition and registration fees are not charged. Those fees would prevent most Christians from getting the training they need and desire. The School is supported by contributions from those who have both the ability and the desire to contribute.

Cost of operation is kept at a minimum by using the facilities and resources of Nyeland Community Church, the governing body. The faculty and staff is made up of volunteers of qualified believers who have this grace conviction and share our vision.

All contributions are tax deductible. Envelopes are provided at the back of the classroom in order for students to contribute without any embarrassment to those who are unable. Until the school has completed the process of establishing its own tax exempt status financing is channeled through Nyeland Community Church. Checks should be made out to Nyeland Community Church not Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary. In order to receive a statement for tax deductible contributions, your contribution should be submitted in an envelope with your name on it. All contributions will be used for the operational cost of the school. Contributions small and large provide the necessary finances to develop a full time curriculum at Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary as it stands along side the churches in this area to "...equip the saints for the work of the ministry...."

Because of His Grace,

**Troy S. Welch, Th.D., Ph.D.,
President**

Membership and Recognition

Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is a school of theology and operates as a non-profit organization under the oversight of Nyeland Community Church. We are presently re-structuring our organization and charter in order to comply with Section 94303 (B) of the California State Education Code as an exempt institution, and are in the process of incorporating so as to function independent of Nyeland Community Church.

Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is fully accredited for issuing degrees with membership in Accrediting Commission International for Schools, Colleges, and Seminaries. ACI is an accrediting body as noted in the Library of Congress (TXI-191-5760) and is the largest non-governmental accrediting association.

Our Heritage

Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is a non-denominational Christian equipping center organized for the purpose of equipping the saints for the work of ministry. It began as a vision of Nyeland Community Church in January of 1999 and opened its doors for the spring semester in February of 1999.

Although we are in the infant stages of operation we are already making an impact upon the area churches and are confident God has great things in store in the years to come.

Our Objectives

Mission Statement

Simply stated, the mission of Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is, to equip the saints for the work of ministry. The school nurtures the development of the believer in the principles of spiritual growth, in a Christian environment, in order for the believer to become equipped for his or her life's work.

This equipping is accomplished through:

- 1. The teaching of the Word of God**
- 2. The teaching of related subjects from a biblical perspective**
- 3. The teaching of character building principles**
- 4. The teaching of principles and techniques of ministry and leadership**
- 5. The teaching of skills through hands on practical experience**

This equipping is provided on a grace basis with no registration or tuition fees being

charged in order to make the training available to all that desire it regardless of their financial ability. Support for the school comes from those who have both the means and the desire.

Spiritual Objectives

The primary Spiritual Objective of Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is based on Ephesians 4:11-12.

11 *And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;*

12 *For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:*

We believe at the moment of salvation each believer is given at least one spiritual gift through which he or she is to serve Christ, and that these gifts are unique abilities to perform the ministry God has assigned them. The Apostle Paul describes the church as *“the body of Christ”* with each member of the *“body”* having a functional purpose. Therefore, it is our objective to assist each believer in living out that designed ministry by:

1. Teaching the Bible as the authoritative Word of God given to instruct the believer in the very *“mind of Christ.”*
2. Teaching other related subjects, such as language and skills, in order to assist the believer in living a godly life by utilizing the biblical techniques found in the Word of God.
3. Teaching instructional courses designed to help the believer *“stir up the gift of God”* (II Timothy 1:6). And to learn how he or she can best use his or her Spirit given abilities as a faithful steward of that ministry.
4. Providing college level training for every member of the body of Christ, not just those who are training for vocational ministry.

We determine to do this *“...Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love....”* (Ephesians 4:13-15).

Academic Objectives

Concerning academics, it is the objective of Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary to contribute to the preparation of workers in Christian vocations.

Understanding that the human mind has been designed by the Creator as an organ for understanding human phenomena, and that those who have experienced “spiritual birth” have the capacity to understand and relate to spiritual phenomena (I Corinthians 2:14), we endeavor to present an academic program which will stimulate the potential of the student in academics related to both God and man.

Recognizing the need for the development of the whole person, we seek to provide an educational program of sufficient breadth so as to challenge the student in social awareness, character growth and intellectual achievement.

Believing that each believer has been appointed to a stewardship, we attempt to lead the student toward a disciplined behavior marked by diligence and reliability in all areas of his or her life.

Vocational Objectives

While we believe every Christian is called to “full-time Christian Service,” we recognize that there is a distinction between spiritual gifts which identify some as being designed for vocational ministries while others serve earning their livelihood in the secular work place.

Therefore, we exist to equip both categories of Christian workers. On the one hand, we welcome those who seek a better understanding of biblical truth and the Christian life in order to develop a sound base for their spiritual service. On the other hand, we seek to provide effective vocational training for those God has called and gifted for the pulpit, mission field, educational work, or assisting ministries, within the structure of the church.

Fulfilling These Objectives

Our accomplishment of these objectives will provide the student basic principles and training which can be translated into interpersonal actions in daily life enabling the believer to become Christ-like. The training set forth by these objectives, when coupled with submission to the control of the Holy Spirit, results in the student becoming equipped to meet the challenges of spiritual, educational, and vocational objectives in his or her personal life.

Through the grace of God, and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary attempts to graduate men and women who are effective in living out their designed ministries because they are:

- Grounded in the Word of God**
- Spiritually and emotionally mature**

- **Socially gracious and given to hospitality**
- **Intellectually perceptive and aware**
- **Dispositionally humble, gentle, yet bold**
- **Thoroughly furnished to every good work**
- **Convicted and committed to dedicated spiritual service**

Doctrinal Statement

All courses of instruction will be taught in harmony with the doctrinal statement of Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary. These are expressed in our Articles of Faith.

Articles of Faith

We believe the Bible, both the Old and the New Testaments, to be verbally inspired of God, infallible and God-breathed, and is the final authority for faith and life (II Timothy 3:16; 17; II Peter 1:16, 21).

We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19).

We believe that God is an eternal person having no beginning and no ending. He is creator of all, infinite and infallible (John 4:24).

We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and God the Son, that He is the only Savior of mankind (Acts 4:12). He is God incarnate in human flesh, that He is God of very God, for whom and by whom all things were created. We believe in His virgin Birth, His holy, sinless life, His vicarious death and His bodily resurrection. We are looking forward to His Second Coming, which we believe is imminent. We believe that He will reign on this earth as King of Kings and Lord of Lords upon the throne of His father David for a millennium (John 1:1-3, Hebrews 1:8, Colossians 1:15-19, Isaiah 9:6-7).

We believe that the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity. That He is God of very God (Acts 5:3-4), that He came on the day of Pentecost in 30 AD to baptize all believers into the body of Christ (I Corinthians 12:13), that He indwells every believer (Romans 8:9), fills (controls) the obedient (I John 1:9), and is the believers guide into all truth (John 16: 7-15).

We believe that man was created in the likeness and image of God, but through the sin of Adam in the garden fell from his sinless state, and is no longer born in the likeness and image of God, but is born in sin, and alienated from God (Psalm 51:5, Isaiah 53:6, Romans 3:23).

We believe that man is justified by faith in the finished work of Christ on the cross where He shed His blood for the sins of the whole world (John 3:16, Romans 5:1-9), that man is saved apart from his own works (Ephesians 2:8-9), that there is no salvation apart from Christ and His shed blood (Hebrews 9:22; I John 1:7).

We believe in the personal, imminent, pre-tribulation and pre-millennial coming of the Lord Jesus Christ for the saved; and in His subsequent return to establish His Millennial Kingdom following the Tribulation.

We believe in the bodily resurrection of all men, the saved to eternal life, and the unsaved to judgment and everlasting punishment.

We believe that Satan is a person, that he is the deceiver of mankind and that at a later date God will cast him into the lake of fire (Revelation 12:9-10; Matthew 25:41; Revelation 20:10).

We believe that Hell is a place prepared for the Devil and his angels as well as those who die in unbelief. (Matthew 25:41; Luke 16:19-31).

We believe that baptism and communion are the two ordinances of the church. We believe that these ordinances are only for those who are believers in Christ. We believe that Baptism is an act of obedience to the command of Christ and a testimony to the world of one's faith in Christ. (Romans 6:1-3, Matthew 28:19-20).

We believe that Communion is a memorial looking back to the death of Christ and forward to His return. It is a time of renewed dedication to the Lord.

We believe in the autonomy of the local Church, that it is a body of believers saved by faith in the shed blood of Christ.

The Campus

The campus of Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is located in the facilities of Nyeland Community Church at 3326 Nyeland Avenue, Oxnard California.

We are located off Highway 101 between the Rice/Santa Clara and Del Norte exits. Highway 101 runs east and west through Ventura County and we are one half (1/2) block off the north side of the highway on Nyeland Avenue. You can reach the campus by taking Santa Clara Avenue exit north to Eucalyptus. Turn right on Eucalyptus one block to Nyeland Avenue. Make a right on Nyeland and the campus

will be on your left about 300 yards down the street. Or, you may take the Del Norte exit north where it becomes Ventura Boulevard (and forms the frontage road). Continue along the frontage road west to Nyeland Avenue (the third street). Turn right on to Nyeland and the campus will be on your right about 300 yards up the street.

Oxnard is situated on the California coast, in Ventura County, between Los Angeles and Santa Barbara.

There is no student housing available on campus.

Student Life

When you enter Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary you identify with those who are preparing for a lifetime of spiritual service. We are committed to those disciplines, which manifest Christ-likeness and object to those attitudes, and actions, which nullify an effective witness.

Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary recognizes the priesthood of the believer and the believer's personal accountability to God. Therefore, we attempt to avoid legalism and the imposition of man made rules in establishing standards of conduct, appearance and behavior. However, we encourage the student to maintain those standards, which are befitting a child of God in both dress and behavior.

A student's enrollment at Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary signifies to us that he will contribute to the spiritual health of the school by upholding those biblical standards, which manifest godliness.

Violations of those biblical standards will be dealt with in a manner in keeping with discipline as outlined in the Word of God. The administration reserves the right to dismiss any student considered to be out of harmony with the goals, standards, and spirit of the school.

The student body is organized to provide opportunity for students to participate in a variety of activities including assistance in the classrooms, library, and offices. Students desiring to volunteer for these special projects need to contact the school office.

Student Responsibility

Operating on a grace basis, without charging registration or tuition fees, requires an individual sense of responsibility from our students. Students of institutions charging tuition and registration fees are often motivated to complete the courses they have begun by the fact that they have paid for those courses. That motivation

will not apply to students at Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary. You will have to be motivated by a sincere desire to become effectively equipped for spiritual service without the danger of forfeiting tuition. Therefore, those registering for classes will be required to assume responsibility for committing themselves to faithful attendance and adherence to a high standard of academic excellence. Chronic absenteeism will affect a student's grade and or continued enrollment.

Admission and Registration

The Basis of admission at Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary is inseparably linked with the purpose of this institution. It is our purpose to admit students who have a desire to become better equipped in order to accomplish the ministry for which God has gifted them.

The diversity of spiritual gifts and individualized ministries necessitates diversity in the training of students. Some need only a basic understanding of Scripture and biblical technique to perform their role in the church, while others need more intense training in order to perform the ministries to which they have been called.

Therefore, the standards for admission also reflect this diversity. For those who seek formal training, resulting in a degree, there must be one standard, while for those who seek only a greater knowledge of God's Word and biblical technique there can be another.

However, regardless of the objective of the student, a high level of academics shall be maintained. Faculty members, courses of instruction, and students shall all be held to those standards which God's Word requires and deserves. Therefore the following standards of admission are established.

Standards of Admission

In a desire to equip every saint for the work of the ministry, admission to classes at Channel Islands Bible College and Seminary will be open to all who desire to attend regardless of age or education. We recognize that God saves and calls individuals from all walks of life and with varied educational backgrounds. Yet, all need to receive training in order to be more effective in their spiritual service. However, each student registering will be required to sign a statement of responsibility concerning attendance and academic endeavor.

The following programs are offered:

“Certificate of Audit”

The “*Certificate of Audit*” program is designed for those who have no desire to earn credit for the class but simply want to audit the course in order to understand the subject. These students will not be required to take tests and will not receive a grade or credit toward a degree. However, the student will receive a “*Certification of Audit*” for attending the course

There is no age or educational requirement for those enrolled in the “*Certificate of Audit*” program.

“Degrees”

For those students desiring to pursue course credit and/or a degree program the admission standards require a High School Diploma or equivalent.

The Following Degree Programs Are Offered:

- (1). **Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies:** (60 Credits)
- (2). **Bachelor Degrees:** (120 Credits)
 - (a). **Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies**
 - (b). **Bachelor of Arts in Ministry**
 - (c). **Bachelor of Arts in Theology**
- (3). **Masters Degrees:** (Bachelor Plus 30 Credits)
 - (a). **Master of Arts in Biblical Studies**
 - (b). **Master of Arts in Ministry**
 - (c). **Master of Arts in Theology**
- (4). **Doctorate Degrees:** (Masters Plus Dissertation)
 - (a). **Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies**
 - (b). **Doctor of Philosophy in Ministry**
 - (c). **Doctor of Philosophy in Theology**

COURSE REQUIREMENT FOR DEGREES

1. ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES: (60 Credits)

The following courses are the required lower division courses and must be completed in order to receive the Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies:

Bible: (39 Credits)

Old Testament Survey	3 Credits
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The Pentateuch	3 Credits
The Historical Books of The Old Testament	3 Credits
The Major Prophets	3 Credits
The Minor Prophets	3 Credits
The Poetical Books of The Old Testament	3 Credits
A Harmony of The Gospels	3 Credits
The Acts of The Apostles	3 Credits
The Pauline Epistles	3 Credits
The General Epistles	3 Credits
The Revelation	3 Credits
Textual Criticism	3 Credits

Theology: (13 credits)

Basic Bible Doctrine 101	3 Credits
Basic Bible Doctrine 102	3 Credits
Theology: Dispensations vs. Covenant	3 Credits
Introduction to Language	4 Credits

General Education: (6 Credits)

<i>English/Developmental Writing 101</i>	3 Credits
<i>Math/Church Finance</i>	3 Credits

Elective: 3 Credits

**Courses in italics are not offered through Independent Studies, but may be transferred from an accepted educational institution.*

2. BACHELOR DEGREES: (120 Credits)

(a). Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies: (Bible Major)

The student must meet the requirements for the Associate of Arts In Biblical Studies and earn an additional 60 credits - 30 of which must be from the Bible Curriculum.

(b). Bachelor of Arts in Ministry: (Ministry Major)

The student must meet the requirements for the Associate of Arts In Biblical Studies and earn an additional 60 credits - 30 of which must be from the Ministry curriculum. Various majors may be pursued in Ministry including a degree in Biblical Counseling.

(c). Bachelor of Arts in Theology: (Theology Major)

The student must meet the requirements for the Associate of Arts In Biblical Studies and earn an additional 60 credits - 30 of which must be from the Theology Curriculum.

16 Credits of New Testament Greek is also required for the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Theology.

3. MASTER DEGREES: (Bachelors Degree Plus 30 Credits)

(a). Master of Biblical Studies

A Bachelor Degree plus 30 Credits - 15 which must be from the Bible curriculum.

(b). Master of Ministry

A Bachelor Degree plus 30 Credits - 15 which must be from the Ministries curriculum.

(c). Master of Theology

A Bachelor Degree plus 30 Credits - 15 which must be from the Theology curriculum.

Students with an earned bachelor's degree that did not require Greek will be required to earn 8 credits of New Testament Greek in order to earn a Masters in Theology.

4. DOCTORATE DEGREES: (Masters Degree Plus Dissertation)

(a). Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies

A Masters Degree plus a Dissertation on approved subject and defense of that dissertation before a Faculty Panel.

(b). Doctor of Philosophy in Ministry

A Masters Degree plus Dissertation on approved subject and defense of that dissertation before a Faculty Panel.

(c). Doctor of Philosophy in Theology

A Masters Degree plus Dissertation on approved subject and defense of that dissertation before a Faculty Panel.

Students with an earned Masters Degree that did not require Greek will be required to earn 8 credits of New Testament Greek in order to earn a Doctorate in Theology.

Current Administration and Faculty Administration

Troy S. Welch, Th.D., Ph.D.
Todd R. Bounds
Minnie Welch
Joan Jepsen
Heidi Naumann
James R. Abram, D. Admin.
Jean Alstot

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Ind. Studies Manager
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Librarian
Assistant Librarian

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Virgil L. Kilpatrick, M.A.
Dorothy Morris, M.A. in Sacred Music
Suzanne Rowe, B.S.
Dale Klugman, M.Div.

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Gary Matthews, Instructor
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Jeffrey Cassell, B.A.
Todd R. Bounds, A.A.
Cornelius Ward, Instructor

Board of Regents

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Jean Alstot
Minnie Welch

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DEPARTMENT OF INDEPENDENT STUDIES

Recognizing that all who desire to become effectively equipped for ministry cannot attend classes on a regular basis, an independent studies department is provided. Those desiring to register in courses offered each semester can apply for participation in this program by contacting the registrar. The student taking courses through the independent study program is required to listen to the tapes and submit the work for each course in a manner consistent with the requirement of that course. Because the student is not required to attend classes on a regular basis, the written work requirements are more stringent than that expected of students attending classes. The number of students admitted to our independent studies department is limited by the availability of staff and personnel to facilitate the program.

The Internet has opened up a major highway in the area of communications and our independent studies program is preparing now to enter that highway with courses to be offered. We will begin slow but envision a worldwide ministry in the near future.

CATEGORIES OF INDEPENDENT STUDIES STUDENTS

There are two categories of independent students currently enrolled in this department.

We have local students that take some courses on campus and supplement the on campus classes with independent studies. Because the college is in the early stages of development, not all courses can be offered each semester, so, students are able to pick-up needed courses through independent studies. These students pick up their material and submit their work while they are on campus attending other classes.

Then, we have students from other states and nations who are unable to attend classes on campus but are able to become equipped for the work of ministry through the Independent Studies Department. These students are presently able to receive and submit materials through the mail.

As mentioned earlier in this Handbook, independent studies by way of the Internet are on the horizon. Equipment has been purchased and is being installed while personnel are being trained to provide independent studies via the internet. This program will begin with a limited number of students and as God provides the workers to facilitate the program the ministry will become worldwide.

Thus, regardless on ones geographical location, he or she is able to become better equipped, or even earn a degree through our independent studies department.

This handbook is designed to provide inquiring students with information

concerning the provisions and requirements for independent study.

GUIDELINES FOR INDEPENDENT STUDIES

The following guidelines have been established for the Independent Studies program:

1. The Program operates separate from the semester structure.

The independent studies program will operate separate from the classroom structure of established semester dates. Due to the nature of the program it will function year round with enrollment open as long as there are volunteer personnel to facilitate the program and materials. Thus, a student may request enrollment at anytime.

2. The program is only open to credit students (no audit students).

Because of limited personnel the independent studies program will be limited to students taking the course for credit. Audit only students will not be accepted into the program at this time. The time and work required to provide this program is the major factor contributing to this requirement at this time

3. Students must complete studies in a seventeen week period.

Each student will be required to complete all course requirements in a seventeen week period that begins with the sending of the course materials to the student. This provides ample time for the student to listen to the tapes, complete all reading assignments, and submit the required written work. An "Incomplete" will be entered on the transcript of the student not meeting this requirement. There is no minimal time limit imposed allowing a student to work as quickly as he or she is able.

4. Submission of required work.

Work may be submitted periodically as a student completes it or it may be submitted in totality upon completion of the course assignments. However the student must bear in mind the date of required completion and have all materials in by the required date.

- 5. A student cannot be enrolled in more than three classes at a time (except through Administrative approval in unusual cases relative to graduation).**

Independent study students may not be enrolled in more than three classes at a time. This limitation is intended to eliminate a student being overloaded with course work and not being able to complete his or her work in a timely manner.

- 6. Independent Study is only open in courses for which tapes and materials are already available (No independent study will be offered in courses that are in the process of being taught for the first time.)**

Courses offered in the independent studies program at the present time will be limited to courses which have been previously taught at Channel Islands and for which there are complete sets of class room tapes and study materials. A student may not enroll in a current class room course for which a complete set of tapes and study materials is not available.

- 7. A Student may withdraw from a course during the first three weeks following enrollment. However, a student withdrawing from an independent study course will not be allowed to re-enroll in the same course until a period of 17 weeks have elapsed since the previous enrollment.**

In the event that a student should withdraw from a course, that student is prohibited from re-enrolling in that same course for a period of 17 weeks from previous enrollment, the normal time it takes for course completion. However, this does not prohibit the student from enrolling in another course.

COURSES CURRENTLY AVAILABLE FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY

DEPARTMENT OF THE BIBLE

Bible - Old Testament Courses

(Bi OT 100) Old Testament Survey (3 Credits)

This is a survey course designed to provide the student with a general overview of the Old Testament. It examines the culture and historical setting of the Old Testament period and provides a brief review of the content of each book.

(Bi OT 101) The Pentateuch (3 Credits)

A study of the origin of life on the earth and God's plan for man as presented in the first five books of the Old Testament. The study focuses on the origin of the nation of Israel as the stewards through whom God revealed His plan. Their history is traced from the call of Abram until their entrance into the Promised Land.

(Bi OT 102) - Historical Books of The Old Testament (3 Credits)

This is an interpretive examination of the historical books of the Old Testament, Joshua through Esther. The material covers approximately 1,000 years, from the entrance of Israel into the Promised Land until its return from exile. The background, structure, and the content of each book are examined.

(Bi OT 103) Poetical Books of The Old Testament (3 Credits)

This is a review of the Old Testament books of Poetry including Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and The Songs of Solomon. The study will explore the beauty and message of these books of poetry of The Old Testament.

(Bi OT 104) Major Prophets of The Old Testament - (3 Credits)

This course will examine the prophetic books of the Old Testament commonly referred to as the Major Prophets: Isaiah; Jeremiah; Lamentations; Ezekiel; and Daniel.

(Bi OT 105) Minor Prophets of The Old Testament - (3 Credits)

This course will examine the prophetic books of the Old Testament commonly referred to as the Minor Prophets: Hosea; Joel; Amos; Obadiah; Jonah; Micah; Nahum; Habakkuk; Zephaniah; Haggai; Zechariah; and Malachi.

(Bi OT 300) The Annual Feasts of Israel (3 Credits)

This study explores the seven annual feasts of Israel as they present a prophetic overview of the person, work, and character of the Messiah.

(Bi OT 402) - Exposition of Daniel (3 Credits)

An exposition of the book of Daniel exploring the content and interpretation of this Old Testament book of prophecy written during the period of the exile.

Bible - New Testament Courses

(Bi NT 100) - New Testament Survey (3 Credits)

This is a survey course designed to provide the student with a general overview of the New Testament. It examines the culture and historical setting of the New Testament period and provides a brief review of the content of each book.

(Bi NT 101) A Harmony of The Gospels (3 Credits)

This study features the four aspects of Christ as presented through the four gospels: Matthew - Christ as King; Mark - Christ as Servant; Luke - Christ as Man; John - Christ as God. This course enables the student to develop an understanding of the harmony of the Gospels in a chronological sequence of the life of Christ.

(Bi NT 102) Acts of The Holy Spirit (3 Credits)

This course investigates the work of the Apostles as empowered by the Holy Spirit and establishes the early history of the church. The student will explore the significant events and locations of the advancement of the gospel.

(Bi NT 103) The Pauline Epistles (3 Credits)

This is a survey course designed to examine the general themes and doctrines of the epistles of Paul. The study will identify key passages and events in each of the epistles Paul wrote.

(Bi NT 104) The General Epistles (3 Credits)

This is a survey course designed to examine the general themes and doctrines of the Epistles of Hebrews, Peter, James, John, and Jude

(Bi NT 105) Revelation (3 Credits)

This is a survey of the Book of Revelation providing an overview of the book and examining the structure and chronological sequence of events described in this New Testament book of prophecy. This study will also provide a harmony between this book and other eschatological passages in the Bible.

(Bi NT 202) The Beatitudes (3 Credits)

This summer module features a thorough expositional examination of The Beatitudes as found in Christ's Sermon on The Mount. These proclamations of our Lord establish basic attitudes for those in the kingdom. The student will discover the blessings associated with the personal application of each of these attitudes.

(Bi NT 401) Exposition of Romans (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of Romans that will examine the spiritual truths of this great dissertation on grace. This course will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 402) Exposition of I Corinthians (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of I Corinthians that will examine the spiritual truths of this first epistle to the believers at Corinth. This course will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 404) Exposition of Galatians (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of Galatians that will examine the spiritual truths of this epistle to the churches in the province of Galatia. This course will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 405) Exposition of Ephesians (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of Ephesians that will examine the spiritual truths of this epistle which forms a synopsis of biblical truth for the Christian life, both in doctrine and application. This course will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 406) Exposition of Philippians (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of Philippians that will examine this epistle that is addressed to the believers at Philippi. The believers at Philippi were noted for their spiritual maturity. This course will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 407) Exposition of Colossians (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of Colossians that will examine the spiritual truths of this epistle which addresses the same basic issues as the Book of Ephesians, but in an abridged form. This will be a thorough investigation of this Pauline Epistle.

(Bi NT 410) Exposition of I Timothy (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of I Timothy. This course will explore the doctrinal truths found in this epistle written by the apostle Paul to the young preacher Timothy.

(Bi NT 411) Exposition of II Timothy (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of II Timothy. This course will explore the doctrinal truths found in this second epistle written by the apostle Paul to the young preacher Timothy.

(Bi NT 414) Exposition of Hebrews (3 Credits)

This verse by verse study of the Epistle of Hebrews provides a basic understanding of the gospel from the Jewish perspective. It unveils the distinctions between the Age of Law and the Age of The Church with an emphasis on the priesthood of Christ.

(Bi NT 415) Exposition of James (3 Credits)

This verse by verse exposition of the Epistle of James examines one of the earliest writings in the Church Age. This Epistle focuses on the practical aspects of Christian living.

(Bi NT 418) Exposition of The Epistles of John (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse exposition of the Epistles of I, II, and III John. This course will investigate each of the three epistles. I John has a strong emphasis on the fellowship of the believer with God. II John identifies the love expected of the believer. III John focuses on Christian hospitality.

(Bi NT 419) An Analytical Exegetical Study of Jude (3 Credits)

This is a verse by verse analytical exegetical investigation of the Epistle of Jude. Through the use of Greek accidence and syntax the student will explore this short thesis on apostasy and examine its relevance to the church today.

Bible - General Courses

(Bi GB 201) Hermeneutics (3 Credits)

This is a study of the science and art of biblical interpretation. This course includes the principles for discovering the meaning of a document (science) and the qualifications and preparation of the interpreter (art). Application of hermeneutical principles and rules is emphasized.

(Bi GB 302) Eschatology (3 Credits)

Using the Books of Daniel and Revelation as the main basis of this study the student will explore the doctrine of Last Things.

(Bi GB 303M) A Focus On End Times (2 Credits)

This course will be a brief synopsis of eschatology and will focus on prophecies and happenings concerning end times. Students will benefit from this brief exposure to the events and circumstances of end time prophecy.

DEPARTMENT OF THEOLOGY

Theology - Basic

(Th B 101) Bible Doctrine I (3 Credits)

This basic Bible doctrine course examines such subjects as: How we got our Bible; The character of God; Grace; Faith; Position in Christ relative to both salvation and fellowship; Maintaining fellowship; Divine discipline; and, The will of God.

(Th B 102) Bible Doctrine II (3 Credits)

This second semester basic Bible doctrine course examines such subjects as: Spiritual maturity; Spiritual gifts; Techniques of the Christian life; Prayer; Heathenism; Dispensations; The foreknowledge of God; Election; Predestination; Foreordination; and Eschatology.

(Th B 201) Dispensations (3 Credits)

This course presents the dispensational approach to the interpretation and application of Scripture. This doctrine understands that in eternity past, God outlined specific periods of time to which He has appointed specific stewards and given them specific revelation for which they have an accountability.

Theology - Applied

(Th AP 101) Introduction to Apologetics I (3 Credits)

This course is designed to enable the Bible student to defend his or her faith. This study will provide an explanation to some of the basic questions relative to Scripture and the reality and activity of God. It is designed to enable the believer to know what he believes.

(Th AP 102) Apologetics II (3 Credits)

This course is designed to enable the Bible student to defend his or her faith. This study will provide an explanation to some of the basic questions relative to Scripture and the reality and activity of God. This study is designed to enable the believer to know why he believes.

(Th AP 201) Apologetics III (3 Credits)

This is a survey of the main approaches to apologetics, and an examination of evidences for the Christian faith from such fields as science, history, archaeology, and philosophy.

(Th AP 202) Apologetics /Apologetic Systems (3 Credits)

This is a study of major approaches to apologetics, especially presuppositionalism and evidentialism. The course will involve a comparison of apologists such as Aquinas, Butler, Paley, Van Til, Clark, Camel, and Schaeffer.

(Th AP 303M) Apologetics / Consequences of Ideas (2 Credits)

This course is based on a video series by R.C. Sproul. The purpose of the course is to assist the believer in his defense of the faith.

Theology - Systematic

(Th ST 201) Systematic Theology I (3 Credits)

Systematic Theology I is an introduction to systematic theology, including Bibliology and Theology

(Th ST 202) Systematic Theology II (3 Credits)

Systematic Theology II investigates the doctrines of Angelology, Demonology, Anthropology, Harmartiology, and Soteriology

Theology - Practical

(Th PT 201) Spiritual Gifts (3 Credits)

This course of study will provide an in-depth investigation into the doctrine of spiritual gifts. It will explore the various practices and interpretations concerning gifts. The class will include a workshop designed to help individuals identify and channel their personal gifts.

(Th PT 202) Spiritual Maturity (3 Credits)

This study of spiritual maturity investigates the process of development from the perspective of a biblical framework which must be developed in the life of the believer. While it will explore various levels of growth, the major emphasis, will be upon the structural development of biblical information resulting in the understanding and application of principles which will result in spiritual maturity.

(Th PT 302) Trials and Testings (3 Credits)

This Summer Module Course provides assistance to the student in dealing with the trials and testings from a biblical perspective. The promises and fundamentals of biblical truth establish a foundation for dealing with these issues.

DEPARTMENT OF MINISTRIES

Ministries - General

(Min G 301) Personal Evangelism (3 Credits)

This course is designed to explore the various methods and approaches to personal evangelism. It will emphasize attitude and techniques of sharing ones faith with others.

(Min G 301M) Raising The Standards In Doctrinal Leadership (2 Credits)

This summer module course is designed to provide training in leadership with a focus on life-style. Students examine various roles of leadership including; doctrinal influence, attitude, quality, cost, heart, objectives and disciplines from both the front line cutting edge and behind the scenes in the development of excellent leadership.

(Min G 304) Evangelistic Outreach and Ministry (6 Credits)

Both personal and group evangelism are the focus of this course. Students learn from classroom study and experience in the field the fundamentals of sharing their faith with others. This is a six (6) credit course that requires participation in activities outside of the weekly classroom time.

(Min G 305) Preparation for Evangelism/Missions I (3 Credits)

This is a course designed to equip students for evangelism and missions. Each student will be exposed to the need for and methods of short term mission / long term mission service. The course is a must for the student who is interested in missions. Methods of service and opportunities to serve will be explored.

(Min G 306) Preparation for Evangelism/Missions II (3 Credits)

This is a continuation of a course designed to equip students for evangelism and missions. Each student will be exposed to the need for and methods of short term mission / long term mission service. The course is a must for the student who is interested in missions. Methods of service and opportunities of service will be explored.

Ministries - Preaching

(Min PR 201) Homiletics I (3 Credits)

This is an introduction to homiletics and is designed to give the student an overview of homiletics in general. The student will study the three basic homiletic techniques; Isagogics, Exegesis and Categorical. This student will prepare outlines and preach in class sessions.

(Min PR 202) Homiletics II - Evangelistic Preaching (3 Credits)

The focus of this homiletic course will be developing sermons and opportunities for evangelistic preaching. The student will explore the tools and techniques of effective evangelistic preaching. There will be opportunities for involvement in preaching opportunities.

(Min PR 301) Homiletics III - Textual Preaching (3 Credits)

This course will examine the techniques for the preparation and delivery of textual sermons. It will focus on the development of outlines from a textual perspective.

(Min PR 302) Homiletics IV - Expository Preaching (3 Credits)

This course will explore expository preaching. Although the theory of expository preaching will be explored, this will be a hands on course with workshops in hermeneutics, exegesis and preaching.

(Min PR 401) Homiletics V - Categorical Preaching (3 Credits)

This course has been developed to acquaint the student with the tools and techniques for the organization and delivery of biblical truth in categorical order. The student will participate in preparation and delivery of categorical sermons.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

(Ht 201) Old Testament History 201 (3 Credits)

This course will focus on the historical aspects of the Old Testament period from Genesis until The entrance of the Children of Israel Into The Promise Land. The student will explore Old Testament events in their geographical setting and focus on the significance of specific dates and events.

(Ht 202) Old Testament History 202 (3 Credits)

This course will focus on the historical aspects of the Old Testament period from The entrance of the Children of Israel into The Promise Land to the time of Christ. The student will explore Old Testament events in their geographical setting and focus on the significance of specific dates and events.

(Ht 203) New Testament History 203 (3 Credits)

This New Testament course will explore the New Testament from an historical perspective with a view of the chronological order and the cultural aspects of period. The course is designed as an overview of the entire history of the church, beginning on the day of Pentecost in 30 AD and continuing until the church is raptured from the Earth and translated into Heaven.

(Ht 301) Early Church History (3 Credits)

This is a study of the early church as it is presented in the biblical account. Using the Book of Acts as a foundation, the student will explore the beginnings of the Church Age as it is documented in the Word of God.

(Ht 302) Late Church History (3 Credits)

This course will explore the history of the church in the post-biblical era. The class will investigate the historical record of the church in the extra biblical account in various periods such as, persecution, paganization, reformation, evangelism, and modernism.