



Bachelor of Arts: Christian Studies Major (Biblical Literature and Interpretation)

The Christian Studies Program enables students to become life-long agents of transformative change in the world. In the program, students not only study and experience the Christian faith, but also reflect upon the relevance of this faith for their own lives and the world in which they live.

All students take a core of foundational courses in Bible, Christian History and Thought, and Christian Spirituality. After the completion of 30 credits, students focus on one of these three streams enabling further study of and reflection upon various aspects of their chosen area. Finally, a significant moment of the program is the opportunity to participate in a 'Down Ancient Paths' travel study venture which provides life-changing exposure to biblical landscapes and ancient Christian traditions.

Program Planning Guide

This program planning guide is designed to help you plan your degree program. When you have met a requirement, place a check mark beside it. When all of the requirements are checked, you should be eligible for graduation.

Please remember that this is only a guide—the Academic Calendar is the final authority on academic questions, including academic policies and program requirements. Students are responsible for the accuracy of their own programs. This is not a graduation check or an application for graduation.

General Requirements

- Completion of 120 credits
- Completion of core requirements
- Completion of degree requirements
- A minimum of 72 credits taken at the 200 level or higher
- A minimum of 3 credits taken in 6 different disciplines
- A maximum of 72 credits taken in any one discipline
- At least 102 credits in the Arts and Sciences
- A cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of at least 2.0 is required to graduate, with a GPA of at least 2.0 in all religion courses.

Core Requirements

The following courses fulfill the requirements of the Ambrose University College core. These courses are common to all Bachelor of Arts degrees at Ambrose and reflect our approach to liberal arts education.

- EN 110 Effective Writing
- 3 credits in English at the senior level
- 3 credits in Fine Arts (ART, FA, MU, TH)
- PH 125 Introduction to Philosophy
- HI 141 World Civilizations to 1500 **or** HI 142 World Civilizations since 1500
- SO 121 Introduction to Sociology
- PS 121 Introduction to Psychology

6 credits in Science (BIO, BOT, CHE, CS, GEO, MA, PHY, SC, ZOO):

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REL 105 Introduction to the Bible

REL 260 Theology I: God and Word

REL 261 Theology II: Spirit and Church

Christian Studies Requirements

REL 130 Introduction to World Religions

REL 205 Traditions & Turning Points

REL 485 Christian Studies Capstone Seminar

REL 495 Senior Research Project

HI 260 Christian History to the Reformation **or** HI 261 Christian History since the Reformation

6 credits in religion at the 300 level or higher. Cannot be any class listed under Biblical Literature and Interpretation Electives.

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Biblical Literature and Interpretation Requirements

REL 315 Hermeneutics

6 credits in biblical languages

GR 100 New Testament Greek I

GR 101 New Testament Greek II

HEB 100 Biblical Hebrew I

HEB 101 Biblical Hebrew II

12 credits in biblical literature and interpretation electives:

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Arts and Science Electives

24 credits

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Open Electives

18 credits

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Biblical Literature and Interpretation Electives

- GR 100 New Testament Greek I
- GR 101 New Testament Greek II
- GR 200 New Testament Greek III
- HEB 100 Biblical Hebrew I
- HEB 101 Biblical Hebrew II
- HEB 200 Biblical Hebrew III
- REL 210 Life and Letters of Paul
- REL 220 Pentateuch
- REL 230 Genesis
- REL 231 Isaiah
- REL 240 Synoptic Gospels
- REL 250 Paul's Pastoral Epistles
- REL 252 Corinthian Correspondence
- REL 253 The Book of Hebrews
- REL 325 Topics in the Old Testament
- REL 331 Job
- REL 332 Psalms
- REL 333 Proverbs
- REL 334 Prophetic Books of the Old Testament
- REL 349 Gospel of Matthew
- REL 350 The Book of Revelation
- REL 351 Letters from Prison
- REL 352 Gospels and Letters of John
- REL 355 Topics in the New Testament
- REL 353 Gospel of Mark
- REL 354 Romans
- REL 401 Biblical Theology
- REL 405 Special Topics (where it is related to stream)
- REL 440 Greek Text Book Study
- REL 441 Hebrew Text Book Study