



**School of Biblical Studies
&
School of Ministerial
Studies**

Academic Catalog

School of Biblical Studies

Curriculum

First Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|---|-------------|
| Bible Survey | 4 |
| Systematic Theology 1 | 4 |
| Bible Exposition | |
| Acts | 2 |
| General Epistles (James, Johannine Epistles & 1 Peter) | 3 |
| Ephesians | 1 |
| Daniel | 1 |
| OT Poetical Books | 1 |
| Galatians | 1 |
| Cults and World Religions | 1 |
| Field Ministry | 1 |
| Music Theory/Choir | 2 |
| Biblical Counseling 1 | 2 |
| Christian Character 1 | 2 |
| Total | 25 |

Term Two Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Bible Survey 2 | 4 |
| Systematic Theology 2 | 4 |
| Bible Exposition | |
| Revelation | 2 |
| Romans | 2 |
| I Corinthians | 2 |
| Pastoral Epistles | 2 |
| Creation Science | 1 |
| General & Phil Church History | 2 |
| OT Major Prophecy | 2 |
| Choir | 2 |
| Christian Character 2 | 2 |
| Total | 25 |

Term Three Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| New Testament Survey | 2 |
| Systematic Theology 3 | 4 |
| Bible Exposition | |
| Hebrews | 2 |
| Colossians | 1 |
| Philippians | 1 |
| Isaiah | 2 |
| Ezra/Nehemiah | 1 |
| Elective | 1 |

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|------------------------|----|
| Life of Christ | 4 |
| Missions/Eternity Week | 1 |
| Counseling 2 | 2 |
| Choir | 2 |
| Christian Character 3 | 2 |
| Total | 25 |

Term Four

| | Credit Hour |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Summer Institute of Camping | 6 |

- The list of courses may vary in terms of titles and date of offering

Course Descriptions

(One Credit Hour is equal to 500 minutes of class work and exams)

Bible Survey 1-3

The three Bible Survey courses together give an overview of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Pertinent background and introduction material is covered. The theme and main teaching of each book are considered. The particular contribution of each book to the canon is noted. Time permitting, difficult or vital passages of each book are explained.

Systematic Theology 1-3

This course includes Theology Proper as well as Bibliology, Angelology, Anthropology, Christology, Soteriology, Pneumatology, Ecclesiology and Eschatology. These three courses give an overview of the doctrines of orthodox Christianity.

Biblical Counseling 1 & 2

This course gives the students a foundation for Biblical counseling. The main textbook is the Self-Confrontation Manual of Biblical Counseling Foundation.

Christian Character 1, 2, & 3

This course provides a tool for the staff counselor and a measuring stick for the student to gauge his/her character as observed through the eyes of others. Approximately 50% of the grade will be objective: Scripture memory, book reports, and Christian service assignments. The rest is subjective: evaluation by Deans, Dorm Supervisor, other students and student himself/herself. The student is trained in the areas of quiet time, prayer and devotional talks.

Field Ministry

During the first term, experienced evangelists prepare the students for witnessing with weekend seminars. At the middle of the first term and thereafter, the students are led on witnessing trips by the staff.

Bible Exposition

Acts

The start of the church is traced and timely lessons for leadership and discipleship are emphasized.

General Epistles

Second Peter and Jude emphasize the dangers of personal and corporate apostasy. James is a personal challenge to a pure Christian life. First Peter reveals the heart of Peter and exhorts believers to endure in the Christian life.

Prison Epistles

Three instructors teach this course. Two teach Ephesians and Colossians where the unique make-up of the church is discussed and the primacy of Christ is emphasized. The third lecture teaches Philippians that challenges the personal attitudes of the believer.

Daniel

Many of the foundations of dispensationalism can be traced to this book. Special attention is devoted to the role of a strong testimony in a decadent society.

Psalms

This course is designed so that the students will learn how to classify, interpret and apply the different types of Psalms.

Galatians

This epistle provides warnings against the dangers of mixing works with grace and challenges believers to godly Christian living through the power of the indwelling Spirit.

Revelation

The signs and symbols of this prophetic book are presented within a dispensational framework.

Romans

The Book of Romans is the classic treatise on justification by faith. Students should be able to use selected verses from Romans in soul winning. Emphasis is placed on Israel's relationship to the Church. Students should also recognize the practical results of justification in Christian life and service.

I Corinthians

This Epistles addresses several problem areas for the church. Paul's view on the proper use of spiritual gifts is a major emphasis.

1, 2, 3 John

These books have been chosen for their contribution to practical living. There will be a detailed exposition of these timely Epistles. The student will study the three books verse-by-verse.

Hebrews

This masterful explanation of the superiority of Christ is taught in the light of the background of the book of Leviticus. The new Covenant is a major emphasis.

Pastoral Epistles

1 and 2 Timothy and Titus are taught with the goal of showing the exegetical basis for church organization and function. Special emphasis is placed on the qualifications for elders and deacons.

Isaiah

This course is a biblical and theological study of the major passages of Isaiah. The student develops an understanding of the prophet's historical message and its futuristic aspect.

Ezra/Nehemiah

The course is designed as a survey of Ezra and Nehemiah. Attention is given to the theological, textual and interpretative issues of the books from an exegetical, grammatical and historical perspective.

Creation Science

This course gives the student the Biblical viewpoint on science. It is from a literal six-day Creation standpoint.

Poetry and Prophecy

A survey of the historical background, literary structure, precise content and doctrinal contribution to the Book of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes and Song of Solomon.

Life of Christ

A synthetic approach to the four gospels as they relate to the significance of Christ's earthly ministry.

Mission/Eternity Week

This is a week of evangelistic meetings in a place with a slightly different culture. The student will be exposed to different types of evangelism and be given an opportunity to share his/her testimony in different settings. This is the highlight of the year.

Church History

Two weeks are spent in providing the outline of church history. The student should gain an appreciation for the faithful personalities of the past, aspiring to learn more and become more like them.

Cults & World Religion

This course will study the cults youth workers will face dealing with youth people. This study will include Jehovah Witnesses, Mormonism, Moonies, Hare Krishna, the New Age Movement, Iglesia Ni Kristo, etc.

Camp Counseling

The student is exposed to the Word of Life philosophy of camping. The skill that will be gained in this course will help him/her to be a good camp counselor.

Summer Institute of Camping

This ministry provides six weeks of intensive practical training and experience in the operation of a Christian camp. Two hours are awarded for the counseling classes, two hours for counseling experience and two hours for supervisory skills.

Music Theory/Choir

A study of music notation, scales, intervals, key signatures and music terminology. Drill and preparation are given for sight reading. SBS students are required to attend the choir classes as a preparation for rendering special music on different ministry opportunities.

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Curriculum

Second Year

First Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Homiletics | 2 |
| Hermeneutics II | 2 |
| Evangelism I | 1 |
| Missions I | 1 |
| Pastoral Theology I | 2 |
| Land of Israel | 1 |
| Spiritual Warfare | 1 |
| Music Theory | 2 |
| Christian Education I | 3 |
| Greek Grammar I | 2 |
| Doctrine I | 2 |
| Gospel of John | 2 |
| Themes from the Book of Acts | 1 |
| Christian Service I | 1 |
| Christian Character I | 1 |
| Total | <u>24</u> |

Second Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Homiletics II | 4 |
| Hermeneutics II | 2 |
| Evangelism II | 1 |
| Missions II | 1 |
| Pastoral Theology II | 2 |
| Greek Grammar II | 2 |
| Biblical Philosophy of Youth Work | 1 |
| Song Leading | 2 |
| OT Theology | 2 |
| Christian Education II | 3 |
| Principles of Discipleship | 1 |
| Doctrine II | 1 |
| Themes from Ephesians | 1 |
| Practical Issues from I Corinthians | 1 |
| Christian Service II | 1 |
| Christian Character II | 1 |
| Total | <u>26</u> |

Third Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|--|-------------|
| Methods of bible Study | 2 |
| Teaching the Bible | 2 |
| Missions III | 1 |
| NT Theology | 2 |
| Pastoral Counseling | 1 |
| Doctrine III | 1 |
| Christian Education III | 3 |
| Choral Conducting | 2 |
| Greek Grammar III | 2 |
| Church Management | 1 |
| Culture and Customs in the Bible Times | 1 |
| Thematic Study of the Book of Romans | 2 |
| Christian Service III | 1 |
| Christian Character III | 1 |
| Total | <u>22</u> |

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Third Year

First Term courses

| | Credit Hour |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Dispensationalism | 1 |
| Theological Issues | 1 |
| Doctrine IV | 2 |
| Christian Education IV | 4 |
| Youth Counseling | 1 |
| Genesis | 2 |
| Hebrew Grammar I | 4 |
| Messianic Themes from Isaiah | 2 |
| Christian and Competing Worldview | 2 |
| Christian Character IV | 1 |
| Christian Service I | 1 |
| Total | <u>22</u> |

Second Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Doctrine V | 1 |
| Life of Apostle Paul | 1 |
| Principles of Church Growth | 1 |
| Hebrew Grammar II | 4 |
| Christian Education V | 2 |
| People Management | 1 |
| Ezekiel | 2 |
| Roman Catholicism | 2 |
| Research Method | 1 |
| Christian Ethics | 2 |
| Christian Character V | 1 |
| Christian Service II | 1 |
| Total | <u>19</u> |

Third Term Courses

| | Credit Hour |
|--|-------------|
| Doctrine VI | 2 |
| Apologetics | 1 |
| Non-Christian Religions | 1 |
| Research Method II | 2 |
| Christian Education VI | 3 |
| Principles of Leadership from Nehemiah | 1 |
| Proverbs | 2 |
| Jeremiah | 2 |
| Greek VI (Exegesis of I Peter) | 2 |
| Christian Character VI | 1 |
| Christian Service III | 1 |
| Total | <u>18</u> |

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Fourth Year

Professional Internship

Course Descriptions

Ministry Courses

Evangelism I

This is an introduction to the theology and philosophy of evangelism. This course gives the students a biblical basis for the work of evangelism in personal and corporate evangelism.

Evangelism II

The student is trained to present the Gospel in public using the sketch board. This is also called open-air evangelism. This is a course deals also on different methodologies of presenting the gospel in personal and corporate level.

Missions I

Missions I will cover the Biblical basis, history and basic philosophy of missions including an examination of the Great Commission.

Missions II

Missions II will cover some of the recent issues and trends in missions as well as some old issues still debated today. Some of the topics are missiology itself, recent trends, the missionary call, the mission board, the missionary family and missionary support.

Mission III

Mission III will cover the local church's responsibilities and challenges in missions. We will explore the mission budget, support philosophy, youth and mission, a mission's conference and praying for missionaries.

Biblical Philosophy of Youth Work

This course will give an overview of the biblical philosophy of youth ministry. Several wrong philosophies of youth ministries will be studied. The student will develop his own philosophy of youth work and will learn to correct common problems in youth ministry.

Homiletics I

The intent of this course is to introduce to the students the three basic types of sermon outlines. Definitions, explanation and illustrations are discussed to note the distinctions and uniqueness of each type. A homiletical structure is introduced and each point (from introduction to application) is analyzed and its relationship and progression discussed.

Homiletics II

This course is designed to teach students the uniqueness and indispensability of expository preaching. A detailed study of how to prepare an expository outline is discussed. Illustrations are given as examples to aid students to a clearer understanding of expounding or exegeting a passage.

Pastoral Theology I

A study of the biblical concept of the pastoral office specifically as it regards the responsibilities involved in caring for people in a pastor-people relationship. Emphasis is placed on the development of the expertise needed for faithful performance of pastoral duties in relationship to the individual, the church and the community.

Pastoral Theology II

A continuation of Pastoral Leadership I but emphasis is placed on the practical aspect of the pastoral duties and responsibilities.

Christian Education I

Children's ministry is an important aspect of the ministry of the church. This course centers then on the children. Students in this course will develop curriculum that is geared toward ministering to the children. Curriculum for evangelism, follow-up and discipleship will be emphasis.

Christian Education II

This course centers on the young people of the church. Its emphasis is on developing a curriculum designed for the youth. Students will be introduced to WOL Bible Club curriculum and materials and will be encouraged to work hand in hand with WOL Bible Club.

Christian Education III

This course is designed to help students develop a curriculum that will meet the needs of the adult group in the church. Thus students are encouraged to put creativity in a curriculum that is exciting and challenging that will evangelize, disciple and develop the leadership capability of the adults. The aims are to help adults grow and mature in the knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and express that relationship in a dynamic church involvement.

Christian Education IV

This course will aid the students understand Biblical principles concerning the Local Church which will prepare them to how to properly involve themselves in the Local Church. Students will be exposed on how the program on the different aspects within the Local Church operates in the theoretical and practical sense.

Christian Education V

This course is focused on the different Teaching Techniques, Approaches and Agencies that will equip the students communicate the Word of God effectively and

creatively which will results to a changed-life within or outside the Local Church.

Christian Education VI

This course will assist and guide the students understand the Biblical Teachings about communicating ministry and its needs. The students will be introduced to different strategies and ways on how to effectively raise ministry in a Biblical perspective.

Principles of Church Growth

This course will deal with biblical principles that will help the pastor to shepherd a church that will develop into a strong, Christ-honoring church. It will study and evaluate programs and curriculums of churches that are already successful and analyze if the same approach or methodology is adaptable to our own culture. Students will be encouraged to interact at the same time develop a program that will help his/her church experience growth in quality and quantity.

People Management

This is a course designed to help pastors manage God's people and the whole of the church ministry according to the biblical principles. It deals with principles that encourage people to be counted for the Lord in doing the ministry, principles which encourages God's people to contribute to the whole program of the church. It is a course designed to encourage the pastor to do the work of the ministry according to God's gifts. It will also consider pitfalls to quality management.

Church Management

This course deals with the structure, organization and running of a local church. It will include a discussion of the role of Pastors, Elders, Deacons and Lay Leadership. The various departments of the local church will be described along with a suggested chain of command and organizational chart.

Pastoral Counseling

Nouthetic Counseling is applied to different problems and age group in the local church.

Youth Counseling

Nouthetic Counseling is applied to youth problems such as emotional, relational, family, educational, vocational, addictions, sexual and disorders.

Research Method I and II

This course is designed to help students develop skill in doing quality standard research. Research Method I will be theoretical in nature and Research Method II will be practical. The nature of a pastoral ministry demands in skill research. Thus this course will enhance greatly a pastor's ministry. It will also help students if they pursue advanced studies in the near future.

Music Theory

(See under Music Theory in SBS Course Description)

Song Leading

This course is a study of techniques for leading congregational and sacred music. Hymns gospel song arrangements and easy anthems which are appropriate for church setting are studied and assigned for students to practice.

Choral Conducting

This is a study of techniques for conducting congregational and sacred choral music. Standard choral literature is assigned for student's practice. Tone, diction, style, interpretation and rehearsal technique are studied.

Discipleship

This course will emphasize the need and techniques of directive Biblical counseling. It will also demonstrate the importance of one-on-one Discipleship. Models of discipleship will be studied with a practical principle of discipleship in a local church structure.

Bible Courses

Themes from the Book of Acts

This is a thematic study of the Book of Acts. It includes the development of the church, the doctrine of subsequence and apologetics in the Book of Acts. The student will derive principles of evangelism and discipleship from the Book.

The Gospel of John

Two weeks are given to the exposition of this book. Special emphasis is given to John's purpose for writing the book – that people might know that Jesus is the Son of God and that believing they might have life through His name.

Themes from the Book of Ephesians

This study of the book of Ephesians will center on the dominant themes of Ephesians with an emphasis on their application in church work.

Culture and Customs in the Bible Times

This course will cover the customs at mealtime, dress and ornamentation, marriage customs, death in oriental lands, slavery in Bible times and other related topics with the purpose of training the students how to understand and interpret the Bible.

Thematic Study of the Book of Romans

A thematic approach on the Book of Romans will help the student to understand better the theology of Paul. The students derive applications of these themes.

Bible Geography

This 10-hour course is an introductory material on the physical features of the Holy Land and how the environmental features of Israel and its surrounding nations affects human activity during Bible times so as to enhance the understanding of the Bible itself.

Genesis

This course is designed to give the student a comprehensive understanding of the content and concepts in the Book of Genesis. This study will try to relate this foundational book to the rest of the Scriptures.

Land of Israel

This course uses lectures, slides and videos to consider God's specially designed land of Israel. The course focuses on the land of Israel in the past in Bible times, the Land of Israel today and the land of Israel in prophecy. The major physical and political divisions of the land are highlighted.

Messianic Themes of Isaiah

This study of the Book of Isaiah centers on Messianic themes and Millennial Kingdom in dispensational viewpoint.

Life and Epistles of Paul

The student will study the dates, locations of events and the influence of Apostle Paul's life. This course is designed to strengthen the student's comprehension of the content of Paul's epistles.

Jeremiah

This course will cover two things: the life of Jeremiah and the basic message of the Book. The students will study and gather the ministry principles that Jeremiah had to be applied to the students' personal lives and ministries.

Ezekiel

This course will study the basic message of the book of Ezekiel. The life of Ezekiel will be examined and the prophetic portions of the Book will be studied in a dispensational framework.

Principles of Leadership from Nehemiah

The course examines the life and ministry of Nehemiah. Leadership principles are derived by the students and apply to their contemporary and future ministries.

Proverbs

The student is introduced to Old Testament wisdom literature. Proverbs is a great source of practical and relevant wisdom. The first nine chapters will be surveyed and the rest of the Book will be covered topically.

Hermeneutics I

This course is designed to help students see the importance of Bible interpretation. The course will cover the historical background of interpretation, attitudes to the Bible, the cultural setting of the Bible and how it affects our interpretation and the importance of grammatical interpretation.

Hermeneutics II

This course deals with the literary aspect of the Bible; it's used of figures of speech, types and symbols, interpretation of parables and analysis of allegories. This course also deals with theological analysis – the relationship of a passage to the total pattern of God's revelation. It also deals with prophecy, the use of the Old Testament in the New Testament and application of God's Word in today's world.

Methods of Bible Study

A study of the various accepted methods of the Bible study with Particular emphasis on the analytical method of as to develop the student's skill in independent study. Likewise, students will be able to see the true message of the text under consideration and be able to apply the divine message to their lives and share the same with others. The Book of Mark and chosen Pauline Epistles will be used for practical demonstration in the class.

Teaching the Bible

This course is designed for the students to have first hand classroom experience on teaching the Bible thus gaining knowledge on what "Christian Teaching" is. This course will give some approaches on how to make a good lesson plan and to expose the students to the various teaching methods and use them effectively in the ministry.

Preaching Laboratory

Principles learned in Homiletics and Expository classes are put into practice in this class. Each student's are given substantial opportunities to preach.

Theology Courses

Doctrine I

The doctrine of the Bible, God and Jesus is covered in this course. Other current and local theology issues on these loci are incorporated in the course.

Doctrine II

The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit is studied in this course. Relevant issues such as speaking in tongues, the cessation of sign and revelatory gifts and the sign and wonders movement is discussed in detail. This course is taught in cessationist and non-charismatic vantage point.

Doctrine III

The origin of man, his nature and man's sin is studied in this course.

Doctrine IV

This course covers the teaching on salvation. The doctrine of sin, savior and salvation is integrated in this course.

Doctrine V

The teaching concerning the beginning, nature, polity and purpose of the church is explored in this course. Practical issues and principles are also incorporated in the course.

Doctrine VI

This course is a study on the last things. The course is taught in a pre-tribulational, pre-millennial return of Jesus Christ and dispensational viewpoint.

Old Testament Theology

This is an introduction to the study of Old Testament Biblical Theology. The theology of the different eras in the Old Testament is discussed and the unifying theme is identified. This course studied in detail the covenants of God found in the Old Testament.

New Testament Theology

This is an introduction to the study of New Testament Theology. The theologies of the different New Testament writers are studied.

Spiritual Warfare

This one-week course looks at spiritual warfare from the angle of the sovereignty of God, the sufficiency of the Scriptures, and the three sources of our warfare (the world, the flesh and the devil). Consideration is also given to the Christians' armor as well as priorities and prohibitions for the believer today.

Christian Ethics

This course is an examination of the nature and basis of Christian conduct.

Christian and Competing Worldview

This course is an introduction to Christian perspective of life and reality. Other worldviews are examined and analyze according to Biblical perspective.

Dispensationalism

The Christian philosophy of history will be discussed and the Dispensational system of interpretation presented as the best way to understand God's program on planet earth, both for "Church" and "Israel".

Apologetics

This course tackles the Theology of Evangelism: how to approach the secular mind with the claims of Christ. The course investigates the various theories of Christian Apologetics: Rational, Semi-Rational and Presuppositional concluding with support for the Presuppositional approach. Various "Rational" presentations will be

considered for the sake of “pre-evangelism” such as: The Historicity of the Scriptures, Jesus Christ and His resurrection, Prophecy and the Law Averages and the contribution of Archeology.

Contemporary Theological Issues

A course designed to help students understand and respond to current theological and biblical issues within Philippine ministry context.

World Religions/Non-Christian Religions

The three world religions, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism are studied with suggestions on how to best present the gospel to each group.

Roman Catholicism

This course will deal on the doctrine and history of Roman Catholicism in the Philippines. Suggestion on how to present the gospel to Roman Catholic will also be presented.

Language Grammar

Greek Grammar I, II & III

This course will study the historical background of the language and will progress to its grammatical study. Students will be required to memorize vocabulary and to familiarize oneself with its grammatical structure. It aims to create in the students an appreciation for the language and a basic working knowledge of its grammar. Students will be required to do exercises as an application of each lesson.

Hebrew Grammar I, II & III

These series of Hebrew grammar classes will equip the students with a basic vocabulary and a grasp on the phonology, morphology and syntax of Biblical Hebrew.

Professional Internship

The student is immersed in a specific local church/parachurch organization under a designated supervisor to learn and apply the basics of ministry in a practical setting. The student spends a minimum of eight months to a maximum of one year to satisfy all the course requirements.

GRADING SYSTEM

The office issues grades when the teachers submitted all the grades. An explanation of grades is as follows:

| <u>Percent</u> | <u>Grade</u> | <u>Points/Hour</u> |
|----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 93-100 | A | 4.00 |
| 89-92 | B+ | 3.50 |
| 85-88 | B | 3.00 |
| 81-84 | C+ | 2.50 |
| 77-80 | C | 2.00 |
| 74-76 | D+ | 1.50 |
| 60-73 | D | 1.00 |
| 0-59 | F | 0 |

All grades issued at the end of the quarter are final and are placed on the student’s transcript.

When grades are computed, students may be placed in one several classification depending upon their grade point average: Dean’s Honor List (3.50 or above), Dean’s List (3.00 - 3.49), Academic Probation (2.00 or below) and

Academic Discipline (below 1.50 at the end of first quarter to below 2.00 by middle of the third academic quarter). Details of Academic Probation, Discipleship or Dismissal are found in the Student Handbook.

Students are involved in a full schedule of classes, a six to eight hour per week work program, daily chapel services, a personal quiet time and weekly ministries. The schedule normally provides for morning classes. Afternoons are occupied with work assignments and physical education activities. Schedules are altered sometimes to allow for special opportunities.

Saturdays and Sundays are occasionally devoted to special seminars and practical experiences in a various ministry areas. Special emphasis is given to expose each student to many different ministry opportunities.