

College of Arts and Sciences

BIBLICAL AND THEOLOGICAL STUDIES MAJOR - B.A.

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The Biblical and Theological Studies major studies the Bible in the light of its linguistic, historical, and cultural background and of its theological implications. This major is designed to prepare the student for a rich ministry in lay church leadership and teaching and to provide a sound basis for seminary and other graduate study in theology, biblical studies, religion, and related disciplines. It also satisfies the recommendations of the Association of Theological Schools for admission to study at the seminary level.

The program seeks to lay a firm biblical foundation for a Christian worldview that integrates faith and learning. In addition to a unified overview of Old and New Testament revelations, biblical book studies, the acquisition of interpretational tools, and theological interfacing with the liberal arts, the program also provides the student with a thorough knowledge of biblical Greek, the language of the New Testament. This major is unique in that it directly aims to lead the student to know, love, and obey God in preparation for living the Christian life in a variety of occupations. Some students may want to opt for an Interdisciplinary Major (B.A. or B.S.) which combines Bible with another field of study.

126 credit hours, distributed as follows, are required for the Bachelor of Arts degree:

Liberal Arts and Science Core Component 49*

*Foreign Language Component (12 credits)

GRK 101-102 or HEB 101-102 - Elementary Greek or Hebrew (6 credits)

GRK 231/312 or HEB 221/222 - Rdgs Greek/Exegesis or Hebrew Rdgs I/II (6 cr)

OR

English Bible

2 years or intermediate level (12 credits) of the same language

Bible and Ministry Minor Curriculum..... 15

Major Field Component (36 credits)

BIB 331 - Hermeneutics 3

NT elective or BIB 365 - Romans 3

Old Testament elective 3

Systematic Theology elective (THE 342,347,349, 441,445,446, or 450)..... 3

Historical Theology elective (THE 321,323, 328, or 428)..... 3

Bible or Theology elective..... 12

HIS 321 - Ancient History or HIS 342 – History of Christianity 3

THE 470 - Seminar 3

Biblical and Theological Studies

Worldview elective 3
Miscellaneous Elective Component (26 credits)
Miscellaneous electives..... 26
Recommended courses:
PMN 340 - Alliance Doctrine and Polity (for those intending Alliance ministry)
PMN 311-312 - Homiletics (for those intending Alliance ministry)
PMN 442 - Pastoral Methods (for those intending Alliance ministry)
Total credits required 126

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Suggested Program Plan***

FIRST YEAR: Fall

PMN 101-Intro to Spiritual Form. ...2
INT 112-Found. for Excellence2
ENG 101-College Writing I.....3
HIS 113-Hist. of World Civ. I.....3
Language Requirement.....3
MAT-elective.....3

SECOND YEAR: Fall

BIB 201-New Testament Lit.3
ENG 201 or 202-Global Lit. I or II.3
Language Requirement.....3
PMN 201-Nyack Heritage.....1
Electives6

THIRD YEAR: Fall

BIB 301 or 302-Biblical Doc I or II.3
BIB 331-Hermeneutics.....3
HIS 321 or 342-Ancient Hist or Hist
of Christianity3
SOC 347-Multicultural America.....3
Elective3

FOURTH YEAR: Fall

NT elect or BIB 365-Romans3
Worldview elective.....3
BIB/THE-elective.....6
THE-Historical THE-elective3

FIRST YEAR: Spring

BIB 102-Old Testament Lit.3
ENG 102-College Writing II.....3
HIS 114-Hist. of World Civ. II3
Language Requirement3
Social Science elective3
INT 101-Info Literacy1

SECOND YEAR: Spring

Language Requirement3
PHI 101-Intro. to Philosophy3
Laboratory Science.....4
Electives.....6

THIRD YEAR: Spring

BIB-Elective (for Core).....3
BIB/THE-Elective6
Fine Arts requirement.....3
Electives.....5

FOURTH YEAR: Spring

BIB-Elective (O.T.)3
THE 470-Theology Seminar3
THE-Systematic theology-elective .3
Electives..... 6

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Research Bible Concentration (available at the NYC Campus only)

Liberal Arts and Science Core Component	49*
Bible and Ministry Minor Curriculum	15
*Foreign Language Component (12 credits)	
GRK 101-102 - Elementary Greek I and II (6 credits)	
GRK 231 - Readings in Greek and GRK 312 - Exegesis (6 credits)	
Major Field Component (40 credits)	
BIB 274 - Intro Intertestamental Literature	3
BIB 331 - Hermeneutics	3
BIB 369 - John or BIB 365 -Romans	3
HIS 321 - Ancient History	3
BIB 390 - Land of the Bible	3
BIB 470 - Theology Seminar.....	3
Worldview elective	3
<i>Research Bible Concentration (19 credits)</i>	
HEB 101-102 - Elementary Hebrew I/II	6
HEB 221-222 - Hebrew Readings I/II.....	6
GRK 331 - Septuagint.....	3
BIB 385 - Israel Field Study	4
Miscellaneous Elective Component (22 credits)	
Miscellaneous electives.....	22
Total credits required	126

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FIRST YEAR: Fall

PMN 101-Intro to Spiritual Form. ...2
INT 112-Found. for Excellence2
ENG 101-College Writing I.....3
HIS 113-Hist. of World Civ. I.....3
GRK 101-Elem Grk I3
MAT-elective.....3

SECOND YEAR: Fall

BIB 201-New Testament Lit3
ENG 201 or 202-Global Lit. I or II.3
GRK 231-Greek Readings3
PMN 201-Nyack Heritage.....1
HEB 101-Elem Hebrew I.....3
Electives.....3

THIRD YEAR: Fall

BIB 301 or 302-Biblical Doc I or II.3
BIB 202 Intertestamental Lit.....3
HIS 321-Ancient History 3
SOC 347-Multicultural America.....3
HEB 221 Hebrew Rdgs I.....3

FOURTH YEAR: Fall

BIB 385-Israel Field Study.....4
Worldview elective.....3
BIB 331-Septuagint3
Electives.....6

FIRST YEAR: Spring

BIB 102-Old Testament Lit.3
ENG 102-College Writing II.....3
HIS 114-Hist. of World Civ. II3
GRK 102-Elem Grk II.....3
Social Science elective3
INT 101-Info Literacy.....1

SECOND YEAR: Spring

GRK 312-Exegesis.....3
PHI 101-Intro. to Philosophy3
Laboratory Science.....4
BIB 369 or 365-John or Romans3
HEB 102-Elem Hebrew II.....3

THIRD YEAR: Spring

BIB 331-Hermeneutics.....3
BIB 390-Intro to the Holy Land.....3
Fine Arts requirement.....3
HEB 222- Hebrew Rdgs II.....3
Electives.....4

FOURTH YEAR: Spring

BIB/THE elective3
THE 470-Theology Seminar.....3
Electives..... 9