

# BIBLE, RELIGION & MINISTRY

## DIVISION



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*Division Chair*

Courses in the Bible, Religion & Ministry (BRM) Division prepare students to deal with foundational issues of life and, upon this foundation, students will be ready to build their future academic or vocational plans.

Teaching from a strong biblical perspective, our faculty enable students to construct a Christian worldview based on Scripture and guide students to develop ministry skills and spiritual disciplines for life. Students receive a foundational understanding of Scripture along with the tools necessary to study and apply Scripture for themselves.

The majors and minors in the Bible Division give students an opportunity to design a program which fits their needs and expectations for the future. The Bible major provides excellent preparation for seminary or related postgraduate training. The Ancient Studies major is an interdisciplinary degree that focuses on ancient Mediterranean cultures, including Israel, Egypt, Greece and Rome. The Art of Ministry major prepares students for various vocations such as youth, children, camp, sports, parachurch, young adult and urban ministries.

## DEGREES

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)  
Bachelor of Science (B.S.)

## MAJORS

Ancient Studies (B.A.)  
Art of Ministry (B.S.)  
Bible (B.A./B.S.)  
Inter-Cultural Studies (B.S.)

## MINORS:

Art of Ministry  
Bible  
Educational Ministries  
Greek  
Intercultural Studies  
Religion

## CRITERIA FOR GRADUATION AS A DIVISION MAJOR:

See the Academic Information section under Graduation Requirements.

Degree information for the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees along with major and minor listings by division can be found in the catalog section entitled Degree Information.

## ADMISSION TO THE BIBLE, RELIGION & MINISTRIES PROGRAMS

Admission to the BRM programs occurs after matriculation and while enrolled in REL-236 New Testament Literature & History.

To be admitted to the program, a student must have a minimum cumulative G.P.A. of 2.5, complete an application which includes one reference from a professor outside the BRM division and one reference from a pastor, complete an interview with a BRM professor and be recommended by the BRM committee on Program Admissions.

Students who maintain the minimum academic standards and show Christian maturity will continue in the program. Assistance in these areas can be obtained from your academic adviser, the BRM faculty, Spiritual Formation, the Learning Center and Career Services.

## FACULTY

**Mohrmann, Douglas C.**, Division Chair, Associate Professor of Religion (2001); B.A. (1984), Evangel University; M.A. (1991) Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary; Ph.D. (2001) University of Durham

**Banashak, Jeanette**, Assistant Professor of Ministry and Creativity (2007); B.S. (1998), Taylor University; M.A.T. (2009), Aquinas College

**Bustrum, Philip A.**, Professor of Educational Ministries (1996); B.A. (1967) Bob Jones University; M.S. (1976) Portland State University; Ph.D. (1995) Biola University/Talbot School of Theology

**Duff, John H.**, Associate Professor of Bible (1997); B.A. (1980), Cedarville College; M.A. (1985), Western Kentucky University; M.T.S. (2001), Grand Rapids Theological Seminary; Ph.D. (cand.), Calvin Theological Seminary

**Marko, Jonathan**, Visiting Assistant Professor of Theology, B.S. (2000), University of Akron; M.Div. (2005), Ashland Theological Seminary

**Nguyen, Kimberly**, Assistant Professor of Old Testament (2011); B.S. (1987), University of Houston – Central Campus; M.Div. (1998), Alliance Theological Seminary; M.A. (2002), University of Wisconsin; Ph.D. (2010), University of Wisconsin

**Perini, Donald P.**, Associate Professor of Ministry and Creativity (2003); B.A. (1989) Biola University; M.A. (1999) Talbot School of Theology; M.F.A. (2009), National University

**Smith, Andrew L.**, Associate Professor of Bible (1985); B.A. (1977), Grand Rapids Baptist College; M.Div. (1981), Grand Rapids Theological Seminary; M.A. (1983), Western Kentucky University, D.Th. (cand.), UNISA (University of South Africa)

## BACHELOR OF ARTS MAJORS & MINORS

**General Education Core:** Requirements for the B.A. are listed in the Degree Information section (see page 50).

### ANCIENT STUDIES MAJOR

This program focuses on Mediterranean antiquity with an emphasis on ancient languages, along with the history of ancient Judaism, Greece and Rome. It combines the depth of multiple academic disciplines to the study of these languages through courses in Religious Studies, History, Linguistics and Philosophy. This program will provide outstanding preparation for a number of fields in graduate studies.

Required Courses	Credit Hours
GRK-101	Greek Grammar I .....4
GRK-102	Greek Grammar II .....4
HEB-101	Hebrew I .....4
HEB-102	Hebrew II .....4
LAT-101	Latin I .....4
LIN-225	Introduction to Linguistics.....3
GRK-201	Semantic Analysis I.....4
GRK-202	Semantic Analysis II.....3
PHI-213	Plato and Aristotle.....3
HIS-332	The Classical World: Greece and Rome .....3
REL/HIS-338	Second Temple Judaism and the Dead Sea Scrolls .....3
REL-412/HIS-432	History and Religions of the Ancient Near East .....3
HIS-451	Historiography.....2
REL/HIS-481 & -482	Thesis Project I & II .....4
	Total..... 48

### Ancient Studies Major Four Year Program Illustration

#### Freshman year

REL-130	Old Testament Literature	3
GRK-101	Greek Grammar	4
GRK-102	Greek Grammar	4
HIS-114	World Civilization II	3
IDS-101	Creativity, Innovation & Problem Solving	2
IDS-103	CU Foundations	1
IDS-104	CU Foundations II	1
KIN-100	Foundations of Wellness	2
KIN-1XX	Activities Course	1
COM-112	Communications in Culture	3
Electives		6
Total Freshman Hours (Approx.)		30

#### Sophomore year

REL-236	New Testament Literature	3
LAT-101	Latin I	4
GRK-201	Semantic Analysis I	4
GRK-202	Semantic Analysis II	3
LIN-225	Introduction to Linguistics	3
PHI-211	Philosophy in Culture	3
PHI-213	Plato and Aristotle	3
ENG-212	Writing in Culture	3
Electives		6
Total Junior Hours (Approx.)		32

#### Junior year

HEB-101	Hebrew I	4
HEB-102	Hebrew II	4
HIS-332	Classical World: Greece & Rome	3
HIS-338	Second Temple Judaism and the DSS	3
REL-352	Christian Beliefs and History	3
SCI-311	Science in Culture	3
IDS-311	Imagination in Culture	3
Electives		8
**Study Abroad**		
Total Junior Hours (Approx.)		31

#### Senior year

REL-412	History and Religion of the ANE	3
HIS-451	Historiography	2
REL-481-2	Thesis Project	4
PSY-XXX or SOC-XXX Course		3
Electives		19
Total Senior Hours (Approx.)		31
<b>Ancient Studies Major (B.A.) Total</b>		<b>129</b>

## BIBLE MAJORS AND MINORS

(As a second major or minor for any B.A. program. All other B.A. major and minor requirements must also be met.)

B.A. requires one year of foreign language.

Art of Ministry and I.C.S. students choose between the Biblical Languages Track and the Philosophy Track.

Humanities majors choose between the Biblical Languages Track and the Ministry Track.

## BIBLE MAJOR (Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science)

### Core Classes

	<b>Credit Hours</b>	
REL-103	Biblical Hermeneutics	3
REL-130	Old Testament Literature (substitute for core class)	3
REL-236	New Testament Literature (substitute for core class)	3
REL-354	Theology I (substitute for core class)	3

### Required Courses

	<b>Credit Hours</b>	
REL-212	Religions of the World	3
REL-356	Theology II	3
REL-380	Internship	3
REL-43X	Bible Analysis Course	3
REL-462	Senior Seminar	2

One of the following:.....3

- REL-330 Mosaic Literature
- REL-333 Wisdom Literature
- REL-334 Prophetic Literature
- REL-357 Old Testament History & Theology

One of the following:.....3

- REL-339 Gospel Literature
- REL-335 Pauline Literature
- REL-338 Second Temple Literature & the D.S.S.
- REL-358 New Testament History & Theology

Sub Total..... 20

Choose one of the following tracks for the Bible major:

<u>Biblical Languages Track</u>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
GRK-101	Greek I .....	4
GRK-102	Greek II .....	4
HEB-101	Hebrew I .....	4
HEB-102	Hebrew II .....	4
Biblical Languages Track Total .....		16
Bible Major Total .....		36

<u>Ministry Track</u>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
CMI-221	Learning, Liturgy & Technology .....	3
CMI-252	Interpersonal & Intrapersonal Relationships in Ministry .....	3
CMI-334	Spiritual Formation .....	3
CMI-481	Counseling Families .....	3
Ministry Track Total .....		12
Bible Major Total .....		32

<u>Philosophy Track</u>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
PHI-213	Plato and Aristotle .....	3
PHI-215	Augustine and Aquinas .....	3
REL-411	Philosophy of Religion .....	3
PHI-353	Philosophical Ethics.....	3
Philosophy Track Total .....		12
Bible Major Total .....		32

## ANCIENT STUDIES MINOR

<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
Choose one of the following one year language studies:		
GRK-101	Greek Grammar I.....	4
GRK-102	Greek Grammar II.....	4
HEB-101	Hebrew I.....	4
HEB-102	Hebrew II .....	4
LAT-101	Latin I.....	4
LAT-102	Latin II.....	4
Choose any four of the following:.....		3
PHI-213	Plato and Aristotle .....	12
REL-33x	Biblical Literature Course.....	3
HIS-332	Classical World: Greece and Rome .....	3
REL/HIS-338	Second Temple Judaism and the DSS.....	3
HIS-341	Medieval History .....	3
REL-412/HIS-432	History and Religions of the Ancient Near East.....	3
HIS-451 & 452	Historiography .....	3
Total.....		20

## BIBLE MINOR

(As a second minor for any B.A. program. All other B.A. major and minor requirements must also be met.)

<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
REL-130	Old Testament Literature & History for BRM majors* .....	3
REL-236	New Testament Literature & History for BRM majors* .....	3
REL-352	Christian Beliefs and History* .....	3
REL-33X	Biblical Literature Course.....	3
REL-43X	Bible Analysis Course.....	3
One of the following:.....		3
REL-357	O.T. History and Theology	
REL-358	N.T. History and Theology	
Total.....		18

\*Cornerstone Core courses.

## GREEK MINOR

Required Courses	Credit Hours
GRK-101 Greek I .....	4
GRK-102 Greek II .....	4
GRK-201 Semantic Analysis I.....	4
GRK-202 Semantic Analysis II .....	3
GRK-336 Septuagint Studies .....	3
Total.....	18

## RELIGION MINOR

Required Courses	Credit Hours
REL-212 Religions of the World.....	3
One of the following combinations:.....	6
REL-354/356 Theology I and II	
REL-357/358 O.T. and N.T. History and Theology	
Religion Electives (300 or above; not 32X; 33X or 43X).....	12
Total.....	21

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE MAJORS & MINORS

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The aims of the Bachelor of Science majors are to bring the student to a comprehensive understanding of the Bible as a whole, to achieve reasonable competency in independent Bible study and to develop skills in the communication and ministry of the Word of God.

It is designed for students choosing upon graduation to enter staff ministries such as youth pastors, assistant pastors, Christian education directors, Christian camp directors, missionary service or student ministries.

The degree may also be elected by pre-seminarians who prefer a more extensive base of biblical studies than that offered in the B.A. majors or who desire to work in Christian ministry while pursuing further education.

These majors can lead to licensure, ordination or commissioning for Christian ministry by the student's church constituencies.

**General Education Core** requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree are listed in the Degree Information section (see page 51). Ministry and Interdisciplinary majors must also take Bible as a second major.

## INTERCULTURAL STUDIES MAJOR

(Missions) (Bachelor of Science. Requires Bible second Major. Choose between Biblical Languages Track and Philosophy Track.)

Required Courses	Credit Hours
CMI-223 Cultural Anthropology .....	3
CMI-311 Evangelism and Discipleship .....	3
CMI-334 Spiritual Formation.....	3
CMI-384 Pre-Field Inter-Cultural Internship .....	1
CMI-385 Intercultural Internship.....	3
REL-462 Senior Seminar.....	2
One of the following:.....	3
LIN-225 Introduction to Linguistics	
LIN-371 Second Language Acquisition	
LIN-372 Sociolinguistics	
REL-243 The Intercultural Mandate.....	3
Total.....	21

**Electives**

Five of the following.....		15
CMI-211	Educational Ministries of the Church	
CMI-222	Urban Ministries – Poverty and the City	
CMI-342	Spiritual Conflicts in Cross-Cultural Contexts	
CMI-434	Short-Term Missions	
CMI-444	Intercultural Strategy for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	
LIN-225	Introduction to Linguistics*	
LIN-371	Second Language Acquisition*	
LIN-372	Sociolinguistics*	
REL-212	Religions of the World	
REL-414	Islam	
SOC-352	Intercultural Communication	
	Total for Bible and Intercultural Majors.....	69

\*Unless taken as part of the required courses.

**INTERCULTURAL STUDIES MINOR (Missions) (Bachelor of Science)**

Cannot be used as first B.A. minor with any liberal arts major.

<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
CMI-223	Cultural Anthropology .....	3
CMI-311	Evangelism and Discipleship .....	3
CMI-334	Spiritual Formation.....	3
REL-243	The Intercultural Mandate.....	3
Two of the following: .....		6
CMI-222	Urban Ministries – Poverty and the City	
CMI-414	Islam	
CMI-434	Short-Term Missions	
CMI-444	Intercultural Strategy for the 21 <sup>st</sup> Century	
LIN-225	Introduction to Linguistics	
LIN-371	Second Language Acquisition	
LIN-372	Sociolinguistics	
REL-212	Religions of the World	
REL-342	Spiritual Conflicts in Cross-Cultural Contexts	
SOC-352/COM-311	Intercultural Communication	
	Total.....	18

**THE ART OF MINISTRY MAJOR**

(Bachelor of Science. Requires Bible Second Major. Choose between Biblical Language Track and Philosophy Track.)

This degree is designed to equip students for practical ministry in the church or parachurch setting. It seeks to train students by providing a curriculum that is biblically based, theoretically sound, holistic and useful. Intentional aspects of the program are to empower students to become innovative leaders, to seek emotional health, to pursue personal integrity, to understand and engage the emerging postmodern culture and to mature spiritually.

The Art of Ministry recognizes the need for specialization and allows each student to focus on a particular ministry interest. Therefore, students choose a specific emphasis where all their coursework and projects will be directed. We offer a focus in youth, children, camp, sports, parachurch, young adult and urban ministries.

<b>Required Courses</b>		<b>Credit Hours</b>
CMI-151	Lifespan Development .....	3
CMI-221	Learning, Liturgy & Technology .....	3
CMI-222	Poverty & Justice.....	3
CMI-252	Interpersonal & Intrapersonal Relationships in Ministry.....	3
CMI-334	Spiritual Formation.....	3
CMI-336	Integrated Leadership .....	3
CMI-381*	Internship I: Career Development.....	3
CMI-382	Internship II: Teacher & the Teaching Task.....	3
CMI-418	Art of Ministry.....	3
CMI-481*	Counseling Families in Ministry .....	3
IDS-101	Creativity, Innovation & Problem Solving .....	2

Two of the following:		6
CMI-223	Cultural Anthropology	
CMI-311	Evangelism & Discipleship	
CMI-321	Camp Philosophy & Administration	
CMI-383	Internship III: Specialization	
CMI-434	Short-Term Missions	
CMI-480	Current Issues/Critical Concerns	
MGT-231	Principles in Management	

\* CMI-381 takes the place of REL-380 and CMI-481 takes the place of REL-462 within the Bible major.

Total..... 35

## THE ART OF MINISTRY MINOR

(Bachelor of Science.) (Cannot be used as first B.A. minor with any liberal arts major.)

This degree is designed to equip students for practical ministry in the church or parachurch setting. It seeks to train students by providing a curriculum that is biblically based, theoretically sound, holistic, and useful. Intentional aspects of the program are to empower students to become innovative leaders, to seek emotional health, to pursue personal integrity, to understand and engage the emerging postmodern culture and to mature spiritually.

Required Courses		Credit Hours
CMI-151	Lifespan Development .....	3
CMI-221	Learning, Liturgy & Technology .....	3
CMI-252	Interpersonal & Intrapersonal Relationships in Ministry.....	3
CMI-418	Art of Ministry.....	3
CMI-481	Counseling Families in Ministry .....	3
One of the following:		6
CMI-222	Poverty & Justice	
CMI-334	Spiritual Formation	
CMI-336	Integrated Leadership	
CMI-480	Current Issues/Critical Concerns	
Total.....		18

### Art of Ministry Major Four Year Program Illustration

#### Freshman year

IDS-101	Creativity, Innovation & Problem Solving .....	2
IDS-103	CU Foundations I .....	1
COM-112	Communication in Culture .....	3
KIN-100	Foundations of Wellness .....	2
KIN-1XX*	Activity Course .....	1
HIS-113	World Civilizations II .....	3
REL-103	Biblical Hermeneutics .....	3
REL-130	Old Testament Literature for BRM Majors.....	3
CMI-151	Lifespan Development.....	3
CMI-222	Poverty and Justice.....	3
IDS-104	CU Foundations II .....	1
Lab Science Course*	.....	4
Total Freshman Hours (Approx.)	.....	29

#### Sophomore year

ENG-212	Writing in Culture .....	3
PHI-211	Philosophy in Culture .....	3
REL-236	New Testament Literature for BRM Majors.....	3
REL-212	Religions of the World.....	3
CMI-221	Learning, Liturgy and Technology .....	3
CMI-252	Inter/Intrapersonal Relationships .....	3
Global Studies Requirement*	.....	3
PSY-XXX or SOC-XXX Course	.....	3
REL Bible Track Course	.....	3
REL Bible Track Course	.....	3
Total Sophomore Hours (Approx.)	.....	31

#### Junior year

IDS-311	Imagination in Culture .....	3
SCI-311	Science in Culture .....	3
REL-354	Theology I .....	3
REL-356	Theology II.....	3
CMI-381	Internship 1: Career Development (Pre: Junior Status) .....	3
CMI-382	Internship 2: Teacher & the Teaching Task (Pre: Junior Status) .....	3
REL Bible Track Course	.....	3
Minor or Elective	.....	3
Minor or Elective	.....	3
Youth Ministry Major Elective*	.....	3
Total Junior Hours (Approx)	.....	30

#### Senior year

REL-330, 333, 334, 357	.....	3
REL-339, 335, 338, 358	.....	3
REL-43X	Bible Analysis Course .....	3
CMI-334	Spiritual Formation .....	3
CMI-418	Art of Ministry .....	3
CMI-481	Counseling Families (Pre: Junior Status) .....	3
REL Bible Track Course	.....	3
Youth Ministry Major Elective*	.....	3
Minor or Elective	.....	3
Minor or Elective	.....	3
Minor or Elective	.....	1
Total Senior Hours (Approx.)	.....	31
<b>Bible Major (B.S.) Total</b>	.....	<b>120</b>

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Dept./Level Course Name

Credits/Frequency

(See page 53 for codes)

## CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

**CMI-151 Lifespan Development and Ministry** 3/2

A survey of physical, cognitive, emotional and moral development and current trends and issues related to adolescents and adults. Students will analyze lifespan development with the intent of developing ministries that meet the specific needs of youth and adults.

**CMI-221 Learning, Liturgy and Technology** 3/2

A study in learning theory, liturgical practices and the use of technology in ministry. Students will design lessons with special consideration for ways to communicate biblical truths through a variety of creative teaching methods. Students will analyze current curriculum, learn basic hermeneutical skills and create curriculum that is experiential, interactive, multi-sensory and communal.

**CMI-222 Poverty and Justice** 3/2

This course will equip students for urban ministry in the cities of North America and around the world. With an emphasis on race and class, students will develop a Biblical, historical and socio-cultural foundation for ministry in the city while engaging different strategies for effective relationships and Christian community development.

**CMI-223 Cultural Anthropology** 3/4

An introductory course in the tradition of culture designed for students pursuing intercultural vocational work. The course addresses the nature of peoples in their culture, their worldview, cultural change, cultural adaptation, social organization, language, religion and other related topics.

**CMI-252 Interpersonal and Intrapersonal Relationships in Ministry** 3/2

A practical study in developing healthy relationships with adolescents, leadership staff, parents and volunteers. Includes conflict management, inner dialog issues, making meaning of everyday experiences, and special attention is given to communication skills within small groups.

**CMI-311 Evangelism and Discipleship** 3/2

Designed to guide the student in the development of a personal commitment to and involvement in evangelism and discipleship ministries. Integrates New Testament principles with varied techniques for a practical orientation.

**CMI-321 Camp Philosophy and Administration** 3/4

Basic administration, philosophy, and methodology of Christian camping with emphasis on principles of decentralization. Attention to objectives, staff personnel, campsite, equipment, facilities, problem-solving, and evaluation. Offered alternate fall semesters.

**CMI-334 Spiritual Formation** 3/2

Provides a biblical foundation for spiritual development. Special consideration is given to spiritual disciplines, scriptural meditation, contemplative prayer and spiritual listening.

**CMI-336 Integrated Leadership** 3/2

An examination of leadership as it relates to the development of individuals and organizations. The emphasis on leadership will include such issues as personal character, styles of leadership, vision, creativity and teamwork. Students will also analyze, interpret and build theories on leadership. The focus on administration will cover issues including finances, correspondence, conducting meetings and planning events.

**CMI-342 Spiritual Conflicts in Cross-Cultural Contexts** 3/4

Gives an understanding of spiritual beliefs and conflicts from a Biblical and theological perspective in order to appreciate and recognize current worldviews and spiritual activity. This course presents Biblical guidelines for dealing with spiritual beliefs and conflicts.

**CMI-381 Internship I: Career Development** 3/1

Designed to help the student discover their gifts, talents, calling, interest and abilities as it relates to youth ministry and parachurch settings. A minimum of 140 hours in supervised ministry is required. (Prerequisite: Junior status)

**CMI-382 Internship II: Teacher and the Teaching Task** 3/1

Designed to help the student develop the skills necessary for teaching youth. Emphasis on writing objectives, preparing lesson plans, using creative illustrations, storytelling, gestures and delivery. Students will be teaching in the class and in a field setting where they will be video taped. A minimum of 140 hours in supervised ministry is required. (Prerequisite: CMI-381)

**CMI-383 Internship III: Specialization** 3/1

Designed to help the students study and experience specialized topics that relate to youth ministry or parachurch settings. A minimum of 140 hours in supervised ministry is required. (Prerequisite: Junior status)

<b>CMI-384</b>	<b>Pre-Field Inter-Cultural Internship</b>	<b>1 /2</b>
This course introduces the student to intercultural internships giving them pre-field awareness. The student is introduced to the relationships between the sending church, mission agency, the receiving missionary, national church and nationals.		
<b>CMI-385</b>	<b>Intercultural Internship</b>	<b>3 /1</b>
This course gives the missions student an opportunity to integrate class work with practical experience in an overseas or inner city setting with an approved agency and supervisor along with a Cornerstone University mentor. (Prerequisite: CMI-384 and Faculty Adviser approval)		
<b>CMI-418</b>	<b>Art of Ministry</b>	<b>3/2</b>
An interactive framework that allows students to investigate distinct philosophical and ecclesiological views regarding how ministry relates to the church at large. Each student will design his/her own philosophy of ministry within the context of the local church and parachurch ministries. (Prerequisite: CMI-151, Junior status)		
<b>CMI-434</b>	<b>Short-Term Missions Leadership</b>	<b>3/4</b>
A study of the Biblical basis for short-term mission including philosophy, history and strategy. Students will evaluate short-term missions and learn how to implement and lead a short-term missions trip.		
<b>CMI-444</b>	<b>Intercultural Strategy for the 21st Century</b>	<b>3/4</b>
This course assesses inter-cultural missions strategy and discusses possible strategy for the future. Topics such as church leadership development, partnerships, national missionaries, frontier missions and micro enterprises are discussed as means of fulfilling the great commission. Emphasis is given on how to reach the unevangelized and unreached people groups of the world.		
<b>CMI-470</b>	<b>Readings in Christian Ministries</b>	<b>1 - 3/1</b>
Guided readings and reports in the student's area of interest and need.		
<b>CMI-480</b>	<b>Current Issues/Critical Concerns</b>	<b>3/-</b>
Designed to address current issues or critical concerns that relate to youth ministry. Studies will specialize in various topics not covered in the catalog. May be taken two times with different emphasis.		
<b>CMI-481</b>	<b>Counseling Families in Ministry</b>	<b>3/2</b>
An in-depth look of the issues related to providing counseling to children, adolescents and their parents. Focus will be on addictive behaviors, abnormal development, intervention, spiritual abuse and awareness of when and to whom to refer individuals for professional therapy. (Prerequisite: Junior status)		
<b>CMI-490</b>	<b>Independent Study</b>	<b>3 - 6/1</b>
Consult with division chair and instructor in Christian ministries concerning possible studies.		
<b>GREEK</b>		
<b>GRK-101</b>	<b>Greek Grammar I</b>	<b>4/2</b>
An introduction to Greek grammar of Koine Greek.		
<b>GRK-102</b>	<b>Greek Grammar II</b>	<b>4/2</b>
A continuation of GRK 101, completing the basic grammar and beginning the reading of simple selections of ancient Greek.		
<b>GRK-201</b>	<b>Semantic Analysis I</b>	<b>4/2</b>
Review of grammar, reading in selections of Greek, and a study of intermediate Greek grammar. Prerequisite: GRK-102 or equivalent.		
<b>GRK-202</b>	<b>Semantic Analysis II</b>	<b>3/2</b>
A continuation of GRK-201 including a study of the structure of selected Greek texts and exegetical methodology.		
<b>GRK-336</b>	<b>Septuagint Studies</b>	<b>3/2</b>
A study of select passages in the Septuagint (Greek Old Testament) with a view to advancing the student's facility in reading, translation and semantic analysis.		
<b>GRK-470</b>	<b>Readings in Greek</b>	<b>1-3/6</b>
Guided readings and reports in the student's area of interest and need.		
<b>GRK-471</b>	<b>Advanced Greek Reading</b>	<b>1-3/6</b>
<b>GRK-480</b>	<b>Advanced Topics Seminar: Greek</b>	<b>3/6</b>
Formal class dependent upon student demand and interest of the professor. May deal with a particular biblical book or issues of interpretation and methodology.		
<b>GRK-490</b>	<b>Independent Studies in Greek</b>	<b>1-3/6</b>
Consult with Division Chair and instructor in Greek concerning possible studies.		

## HEBREW

- HEB-101 Hebrew I** 4/4  
The fundamentals of biblical Hebrew with special attention to orthography, morphology, vocabulary, and the translation of simple texts.
- HEB-102 Hebrew II** 4/4  
A continuation of Hebrew I with emphasis given to grammar and expansion of vocabulary by means of translation of simple passages from the Old Testament.
- HEB-470 Readings in Hebrew** 1-3/6  
Guided readings and reports in the student's area of interest and need.
- HEB-480 Advanced Topics Seminar: Hebrew** 3/6  
Formal class dependent upon student demand and interest of the professor. May deal with a particular biblical book or issues of interpretation and methodology.
- HEB-490 Independent Studies in Hebrew** 1-3/6  
Consult with Division Chair and instructor in Hebrew concerning possible studies.

## RELIGION

- REL-103 Biblical Hermeneutics** 3/1  
This course examines the basic issues in biblical hermeneutics, including the nature of historical-grammatical interpretation, genre analysis, historical and cultural background, literary analysis, and application. This course examines what it means for humans to have God's word inscripturated into language.
- REL-104 Old Testament Literature** 3/1  
This course guides the student in the use of interpretive/hermeneutical skills in a study of the Old Testament. Torah (Pentateuch) is established as the foundation for the rest of the Old Testament. The historical books trace God's dealing with his people as Israel struggles with the privileges and responsibilities of being the covenant people. Hymnic literature and Wisdom books respond to the revelation of Yahweh through worship and daily living. The course concludes with an examination of the role and message of the Prophets. Prerequisite: REL-103
- REL-130 Old Testament Literature for BRM Majors** 3/2  
This course focuses on the content of the Old Testament and introduces methods for studying the Bible. Particular attention is paid to learning the various genres of the Old Testament and to the introduction of critical issues for Biblical Studies. Alongside the coverage of the biblical narrative, the students will study major historical and cultural developments in the ancient near east that cast light on the Old Testament. Critical thinking and research skills are introduced. Pre-requisite: REL-103
- REL-204 New Testament Literature** 3/1  
New Testament Literature continues the purposes of Old Testament Literature and Hermeneutics: to integrate a Christian worldview with bible study and scripture. In this course, the student will continue to learn how to read the Bible, while studying the inter-testamental period and the New Testament. Prerequisite: REL-103 and REL-104
- REL-212 Religions of the World** 3/4  
An introduction to the major non-Christian religious systems including their historical developments, belief systems and worldview. Special emphasis is given to understanding these religions in light of Christianity, current methods of evangelism and discipleship and strategy. Some of the following will be studied: Buddhism, Chinese religions, Hinduism and Islam.
- REL-236 New Testament Literature for BRM Majors** 3/2  
This course focuses on the content of the New Testament and continues developing methods for studying the Bible. Particular attention is paid to the various genres of the New Testament while introducing critical issues for Biblical Studies. Major historical and cultural developments in the Mediterranean area of the Hellenistic period are surveyed. Work will continue on the critical thinking and research skills. Pre-requisite: REL-104 or REL-130 and REL-103
- REL-243 The Intercultural Mandate (Missions)** 3/1  
An overview of the global inter-cultural mandate as outlined in Scripture and emphasized in the Great Commission noting the Biblical, theological, and historical foundation for missions, the framework for the missionary undertaking today, and the task of the missionary in our world with an emphasis on the missionary career track.
- REL-245 Issues In Hermeneutics** 3/2  
An advanced interpretation course that assumes the knowledge of the material covered in inductive Bible studies. This course applies the inductive method to the various types of biblical literature, carefully considering rules of interpretation essential to a proper understanding of those types of literature. Emphasizes principles of interpretation and provides time to apply such principles and methods to personal understanding of Scripture. Required of all Bible majors. Prerequisite: REL-104, REL-204, or REL-130, REL-236.

- REL-313 Religion in America** 3/4  
An overview of the history of American Christianity. Concentrates on Roman Catholicism, primary Protestant denominations, and indigenous cults via a social historical approach that includes the analysis of primary theological tenets and distinctives as well as ecclesiological structure.
- Literature Courses (33X)**  
These courses are designed to provide an in depth synthesis of a given portion of the Scriptures. They are intended for: Bible majors and minors Liberal arts students who desire Bible course electives Religion majors who include Bible in the electives of their major.  
Prerequisite: REL-104 and REL-204 or REL-130 and REL-236.
- REL-330 Mosaic Literature** 3/2  
A study of the history of redemption from Adam to Moses as set forth in the Pentateuch. Special attention is given to God's purposes in the call of Abraham and the establishment of the Mosaic economy.
- REL-333 Wisdom Literature** 3/4  
An analysis of the form and content of the poetic books from Job to the Song of Solomon with special emphasis on the theological, devotional, and ethical themes that reveal the inner spiritual life of the Old Testament believer. Offered alternate spring semesters.
- REL-334 Prophetic Literature** 3/4  
An analysis of the form and content of the Old Testament prophets. The course gives an overview of the history of Israel from the divided monarchy to the post-exilic period, and an overview of the office and function of the prophet. Representative books from different eras are selected for analysis emphasizing interpretive methodology, prophetic theology and making presentations of prophetic material. Offered alternate spring semesters.
- REL-335 Pauline Literature** 3/2  
An analysis of the writings of Paul for the purposes of constructing a Pauline theology on such doctrines as man, redemption, incarnation, the church, and last things.
- REL-336 General Epistolary Literature** 3/4  
A synthetic study of the General Epistles from Hebrews through Jude. Places particular emphasis on the ethical contributions of James and the basic motifs of the Johannine and Petrine epistles.
- REL-338 Second Temple Judaism and the Dead Sea Scrolls (HIS-338)** 3/4  
An examination of the historical and religious significance of Khirbet Qumran and the literary materials recovered near the Dead Sea, including Qumran, Murabba'at, Nahal Hever, and others. The study will be situated in the religio-historical setting of the Levant from 586 BCE – 70 CE. Attention will be given to a range of issues arising from the materials, such as paleography, textual criticism of Jewish biblical and non-biblical writings, changing political landscapes, and religious developments in Judaism vis-a-vis Hellenism and Zoroastrianism.
- REL-339 Gospel Literature** 3/2  
A study of the four Gospels, including their backgrounds, themes, outlines and distinguishing features, and distinctive portraits of Christ, as well as a study of the life and ministry of Christ as set forth in the Gospel of Mark.
- REL-352 Christian Beliefs and History** 3/1  
A survey of the primary teachings of Christianity. Taught from a practical viewpoint, the course is designed to aid the junior level student in his/her development of a Christian philosophy of life based on the great truths of the Bible. Prerequisites: REL-104, REL-204 or REL-130, REL-236 and PHI-211, and Junior standing.
- REL-354 Theology I** 3/2  
A Biblical, historical, and systematic statement and study of the doctrines of theological truths of the Christian faith for those contemplating vocational ministry upon college graduation. Fall semester studies bibliography, theology proper, anthropology, and Christology. Prerequisites: REL-104, REL-204 or REL-130, REL-236 and PHI-211, and Junior standing.
- REL-356 Theology II** 3/2  
A continuation of Theology I in methodology with concentration on the doctrines of Pneumatology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology. Prerequisites: REL-104, REL-204 or REL-130, REL-236 and PHI-211, and Junior standing.
- REL-357 Old Testament History and Theology** 3/2  
A study of the periods of Israel's history from the Patriarchs to the Restoration in relation to the surrounding nations of the Near East and the unfolding theological revelation of these periods centered in the Abrahamic Covenant, the Mosaic institutions, Israel's response of apostasy and formalism, and the prophetic reactions to that defection. Prerequisite: REL-130.
- REL-358 New Testament History and Theology** 3/2  
The inter-testamental period is considered in its historical development as a bridge to the New Testament era. The New Testament is set in its historical, political, cultural, social, economic and religious environments. Considers the major biblical theological themes that emerge from the New Testament in their historical development and presentation. Prerequisite: REL-236.

<b>REL-380</b>	<b>Internship</b>	<b>1-6/1</b>
This course is required of Ancient Language, Interdisciplinary Studies and Religion majors in one of two formats: internship with various ministry possibilities, primarily churches; or field study, including trips to significant places of religious practice, interviews of clergy of different religions, attendance at religious conferences sponsored by colleges, universities, interfaith dialogue groups, and others. Field study participants will be expected to share their study in a public forum that is deemed appropriate to the campus community.		
<b>REL-411</b>	<b>Philosophy of Religion</b>	<b>3/4</b>
An analysis of the major philosophical problems of religion in the twentieth century. Emphasis is placed on the problem of religious knowledge in relation to faith and reason, traditional arguments for the existence of God, and contemporary difficulties of religious language and verification. Prerequisite: PHI 211.		
<b>REL-412/HIS-432</b>	<b>History &amp; Religions of the Ancient Near East</b>	<b>3/4</b>
Examines the geo-political framework of the Near East from 3,500-323 B.C., including Semitic peoples such as the Babylonians, Assyrians, Arameans and Hebrews as well as the Semite's neighbors, such as the Egyptians, Hittites and Persians. Special attention is given to their religions and to major cultural developments. Introductory matters for historical and religious inquiry into the materials of the time and region are also covered. Prerequisite: Junior standing or professor's permission.		
<b>REL-414</b>	<b>Islam</b>	<b>3/4</b>
A précis of the Islamic religion including its history, beliefs and current practices. This course will give a basis for understanding the current unrest in the Middle East. Islam will be contrasted with Christianity and the student will gain an appreciation of the Muslim people, their culture and practices as well as how to interact with them for the cause of Christ.		
<b>Biblical Analysis Courses (43X)</b>		
Bible Analysis courses focus upon a specific book of the Bible – treating content and exegetical issues.		
<b>REL-431</b>	<b>Gospel of Luke</b>	<b>3/4</b>
An exegetical examination of the Gospel of Luke with concentration on its message, the biblical theology of Luke, the historical background of the events and Luke's use of narrative material to present Jesus as Savior of all humanity in fulfillment of Old Testament promise.		
<b>REL-436</b>	<b>Revelation</b>	<b>3/4</b>
An analysis of the Book of Revelation with emphasis on interpretive methodology and the implication of the church of the events foretold in Revelation, from a pre-millennial standpoint.		
<b>REL-437</b>	<b>Acts</b>	<b>3/4</b>
An exegetical examination of the Acts of the Apostles with concentration on the biblical theology of the Book of Acts, the historical background of the events, and the theological emphasis of the speeches. Special attention is given to the relationship between the church and Israel in the early church era.		
<b>REL-438</b>	<b>Romans</b>	<b>3/4</b>
This course on Romans is built upon the hermeneutical and Biblical Literature courses. The seminar aims to develop the student's ability to grasp the textual content and application of this important book of the Bible. Emphasis is on the analytical and textual work of the student supplemented by the insight of the professor.		
<b>REL-441</b>	<b>Apologetics</b>	<b>3/2</b>
Emphasizes issues of religious epistemology that must be considered in any philosophical and factual defense of the Christian faith. Emphasis will be put on a balanced and eclectic approach that stresses both faith and reason, both presuppositions and facts, both philosophy and history. Prerequisite: PHI-211.		
<b>REL-462</b>	<b>Senior Seminar</b>	<b>2/2</b>
A capstone experience that puts into perspective various issues dealing with vocational ministry. Students will assimilate previous work from other courses to create a portfolio that includes philosophy of ministry, resume, lesson plans, personal biography and program ideas.		
<b>REL-470</b>	<b>Readings in Religion or Biblical Studies</b>	<b>1-3/1</b>
Guided readings and reports in the student's areas of interest and need.		
<b>REL-480</b>	<b>Advanced Topics Seminar</b>	<b>3/6</b>
Formal class dependent upon student demand and interest of the professor. May deal with particular issues of Christian theology, religious epistemology, modern religious thought, or the writings of a particular theologian or religious thinker. May deal with a particular biblical book or issues of interpretation and methodology.		
<b>REL/HIS-481</b>	<b>Ancient Studies Thesis Project I</b>	<b>2/6</b>
<b>REL/HIS-482</b>	<b>Ancient Studies Thesis Project II</b>	<b>2/6</b>

**REL-490 Independent Studies**

Consult with division chair in religion concerning possible studies.

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