

# GENERAL STUDIES PROGRAM

The General Studies Program represents an important outgrowth of the concept of education developed at Bethel College. Belief that the liberal arts graduate should have opportunity to explore the areas of learning which are important to all individuals has led to the structuring of a sequence of courses specifically designed to achieve this objective. The courses are taught in such a way that three major skill areas may be developed. These are communicating, problem solving and valuing. The model for curriculum content and skill development is followed throughout the entire curriculum.

**General studies requirements for the B.A. degree are listed below.**

1. Every student takes the Bethel College reading test at the time of entry to the college.
2. Proficiency in basic skills must be demonstrated by test achievements or by passing the required courses within the first 24 semester hours at Bethel College. These skills and their requirements are:

**Reading:** A satisfactory score on the Bethel College reading test, or COL 065, Reading Dynamics, two hours, must be taken in the first semester.

**Writing:** A satisfactory score on the SAT-Verbal (450) or the ACT-English (17), or COL 060, Written Communication I, three hours, must be taken in the first semester.

**Mathematics:** A satisfactory score on the SAT-Quantitative (450) or the ACT-Mathematics (17), or COL 070, Basic Mathematics, three hours, must be taken.

These basic skills courses may not be counted toward a degree or hour requirements.

3. Completion of the following courses:

			<b>HOURS</b>
<b>a. In Communication Skills:</b>			
ENGL	101	Written Communication II (Must earn a "C-" or better grade)	3
ENGL	102	Written Communication III	3
COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
		Foreign Language (two semesters)	6
<b>b. In Social Science and History:</b>			
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
HIST		History Elective	3
<b>c. In Fine Arts and Humanities:</b>			
FA		Music/Art/Drama (Theatre)	3
LIT		Literature	3
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PHIL	250	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL	452	Senior Experience	1
<b>d. In Natural Science and Mathematics:</b>			
MATH		College Level Mathematics	3
		Science with Lab	4

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			<b>HOURS</b>
<b>e. In Bible and Religion:</b>			
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	3
<b>f. In Physical Education:</b>			
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness	0.5
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activities	<u>1.5</u>
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*Certain major programs may require modification in the General Studies Program.*

**General Studies Requirements for the A.A. degree are listed below:**

1. Proficiency in basic reading, writing, mathematical and computer skills must be demonstrated according to the same requirements as the B.A. degree above. The basic skills courses may not be counted toward degree requirements.
2. Completion of the following courses:

			<b>HOURS</b>
<b>a. In Communication Skills:</b>			
ENGL	101	Written Communication II (must earn a "C-" or better grade)	3
COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
<b>b. In Social Sciences and History:</b>			
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
<b>c. In Fine Arts and Humanities:</b>			
		Music/Art/Literature/Drama (Theatre)	3
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
<b>d. In Natural Science and Mathematics:</b>			
		Mathematics/Science with Lab	3
<b>e. In Bible and Religion:</b>			
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature, or	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	(3)
<b>f. In Physical Education:</b>			
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness	0.5
		Physical Education Activity	<u>0.5</u>
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# PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

## Majors and Minors

Following are the degrees offered at Bethel College. Unless otherwise noted, majors and minors are on the baccalaureate degree. Endorsements are for teacher certification.

Accounting.....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
American Sign Language (see Deaf Studies) .....	A.A. Major
.....	Minor
Art .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Studio Art/Interior Design .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art/Photography .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art/Video Technology .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art/ Graphic Design .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art/Web & Interactive Design .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art/Webmaster Designer .....	B.A. Major
Bible & Ministry (Adult Program) .....	B.A. Major
Biblical Languages .....	Minor
Biblical Studies .....	A.A. Major
.....	B.A. Major
Biology.....	B.S. Major
.....	Minor
Environmental Biology.....	B.S. Major
Business Administration .....	MBA Master
.....	B.A. Major
Business Administration/Interior Design.....	B.A. Major
Business Administration/Garden Design.....	B.A. Major
Business Administration/Web & Interactive Design ..	B.A. Major
Business.....	Minor
Business Education .....	B.A. Major
Business—International Studies .....	B.A. Major
Business Management.....	A.A. Major
Business Supervision (Adult Program).....	A.A. Major
Chemistry .....	B.S. Major
.....	Minor
Education .....	Minor
Christian Ministries .....	B.A. Major
Coaching.....	Endorsement
Communication .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Computational Physics.....	B.S. Major
Criminal Justice .....	A.A. Major
.....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Deaf Studies.....	A.A. Major
Drama (see Theatre Arts).....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Driver & Traffic Safety Education.....	Endorsement
Early Childhood Education .....	A.A. Major

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Economics & Finance.....	B.A. Major
Economics.....	Minor
Education .....	Minor
.....	M.A.T. Master
.....	M.Ed. Master
Elementary Education .....	B.A. Major
Engineering (Math/Physics) .....	B.S. Major
Environmental Biology.....	B.S. Major
.....	Minor
English.....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
English Education.....	B.A. Major
Exercise Science .....	B.A. Major
Film & Video – Studio Art .....	B.A. Major
Garden Design – Business Administration .....	B.A. Major
Graphic Design – Studio Art.....	B.A. Major
Health/Physical Education (see P.E.).....	B.A. Major
History .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Human Services (Adult Program).....	A.A. Major
.....	B.S. Major
Information Technology Management.....	B.S. Major
Interior Design/Business Administration.....	B.A. Major
International Studies .....	Minor
Business .....	B.A. Major
Ministry.....	B.A. Major
Social Science .....	B.A. Major
Journalism .....	A.A. Major
.....	Minor
Junior High/Middle School.....	Elementary Endorsement
Senior High/Junior High/ Middle School .....	Standard Secondary License
Liberal Studies.....	A.A. Major
.....	B. A. Major
Mass Media .....	Minor
Mathematics .....	B.S. Major
.....	Minor
Education .....	B.S. Major
Ministry .....	Master of Ministry
Ministry—International Studies.....	B.A. Major
Missions .....	Minor
Music	
Church.....	B.A. Major
Music.....	Minor
Performance.....	B.A. Major
Education (Choral/General).....	B.A. Major
Education (Choral, General, Instrumental) .....	B.A. Major
Education (Instrumental/General) .....	B.A. Major
Nursing .....	A.D.N. Major
.....	B.S.N. Major
(Adult Program).....	B.S.N. Completion
.....	Master of Science

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Organizational Management (Adult Program) .....	B.S. Major
Philosophy .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Photography – Studio Art .....	B.A. Major
Physical Education/Health (also see Sport Studies)	
All grades .....	B.A. Major
Secondary (7-12 grades).....	B.A. Major
Physics-Computational Physics .....	B.S. Major
Physics .....	B.S. Minor
Pre-Law .....	B.A. Major
Pre-Medicine .....	B.S. Major
Psychology .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Radio Broadcast.....	Minor
Science Education	
Physical Sciences .....	B.S. Major
Life Sciences .....	B.S. Major
Sign Language Interpreting .....	B.A. Major
Social Science .....	A.A. Major
.....	B.A. Major
Social Studies Education.....	B.A. Major
U.S. History & Government .....	Required Core Concentration
World History .....	Required Core Concentration
Economics .....	Concentration
Geography .....	Concentration
Psychology .....	Concentration
Sociology .....	Concentration
Sociology .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Spanish .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Sport Management (Interdisciplinary) .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Sport Studies .....	B.A. Major
Studio Art.....	B.A. Major
Teacher Education .....	Certification
Teaching .....	M.A.T. Master
Theatre Arts.....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor
Musical Theatre.....	Minor
Theological Studies .....	MATS, Master
Web & Interactive Media – Studio Art .....	B.A. Major
Webmaster Designer – Business Administration .....	B.A. Major
Webmaster Designer – Studio Art.....	B.A. Major
Writing (Professional Writing).....	A.A. Major
Adult & Traditional Formats	
World Civilization Education.....	Minor
Youth Ministry & Adolescent Studies .....	B.A. Major
.....	Minor

**Numbering of Courses:** Courses numbered 100-199 are primarily for freshmen. Courses numbered 200-299 are primarily for sophomores. Courses numbered 300-399 are primarily for juniors. Courses numbered 400-499 are primarily for seniors. Courses

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numbered 500 and above are primarily for graduate students. Students may not enroll in courses numbered more than one level above their academic classification.

**Schedule of Classes:** A SCHEDULE OF CLASSES to be offered in a given semester or session is printed and distributed in advance of each registration. The college reserves the right to withdraw or change any scheduled course.

## **Arrangement of Courses**

The arrangement and departmental abbreviations for the courses are as follows:

### **Division of College Studies**

COL College Studies

### **Division of Business**

ACCT Accounting  
BADM Business Administration  
CAPP Computer Applications  
ECON Economics

### **Division of Education**

DRED Driver & Traffic Safety Education  
ECED Early Childhood Education  
EDUC Education  
ELED Elementary Education  
PHED Physical Education & Health  
SCED Secondary Education

### **Division of Fine Arts**

ART Studio Art  
FA Divisional Courses  
MUAP Applied Music  
MUED Music Education and Methods  
MUEN Music Ensembles  
MULH Music Literature and History  
MUTH Music Theory  
THTR Theatre Arts

### **Division of Language & Literature**

ASL American Sign Language  
CHI Chinese  
COMM Communication  
ENGL English  
FREN French  
GER German  
INT Interpreting  
JRNL Journalism  
LANG Language  
LIT Literature  
SPAN Spanish  
WRIT Professional Writing

### **Divisions of Mathematics, Computer Science & Natural Sciences**

MATH Mathematics  
BIOL Biology  
CHEM Chemistry  
ITSC Information Technology Science  
NS Divisional Courses  
PHYS Physics

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### **Division of Nursing**

NUR Nursing

### **Division of Religion & Philosophy**

BIBL Biblical Studies  
 GRK Greek  
 HEB Hebrew  
 MIN Ministry  
 PHIL Philosophy  
 THEO Theology  
 YMN Youth Ministries

### **Division of Social Sciences**

CRMJ Criminal Justice  
 HIST History  
 HS Human Services  
 PSYC Psychology  
 SOC Sociology  
 SS Social Science

### **Division of Graduate Studies**

BBST Biblical Studies  
 CHMN Church & Ministry  
 DRED Driver Education  
 EDAD School Administration Licensure & Leadership  
 EDLT Education Literacy Cognate  
 EDTR Transition to Teaching  
 EDUC Education  
 MBAD Business Administration  
 MNUR Nursing  
 THES Theology, History, Ethics & Society

### **Division of Adult Programs**

ORGM Organizational Management

## **Liberal Studies Major**

### **B.A. Degree**

			<b>HOURS</b>
<b>General Studies</b>			
COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
ENGL	101	Written Communication II	3
ENGL	102	Written Communication III	3
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness	0.5
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	3
		Foreign Language	6
		History Elective	3
		Art/Drama/Music	3
		Literature	3
		College Level Mathematics	3
		Science with Lab	4
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PHIL	250	Introduction to Philosophy	3
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
PHIL	452	Senior Experience	1
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activities	1.5
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<b>Major</b>	Primary Concentration in one subject area*	15
	Secondary Concentration in one subject area*	12
	Secondary Concentration in another subject area*	<u>9</u>
		<b>36</b>

\*All courses in a concentration area must be of the same course prefix letters (with the exception of music concentrations where any two music prefixes may be combined) and may not be required within the General Studies. At least 18 semester hours within the concentration areas must be completed at Bethel College. All courses in concentration areas must received a C- or better.

Electives needed to complete the degree	34
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## **Liberal Studies Major**

### **A.A. Degree**

			<b>HOURS</b>
<b>General Studies</b>			
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
ENGL	101	Written Communication II	3
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness 0.5	
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature, or	3
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature	(3)
		Mathematics/Science with Lab	3-4
		Art/Drama/Literature/Music	3
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activity	<u>0.5</u>
			<b>27-28</b>

<b>Major</b>	Primary Concentration in one subject area* (At least nine hours must be taken at Bethel in the primary concentration area)	15
	Secondary Concentration in one subject area*	9
	Secondary Concentration in another subject area*	<u>6</u>
		<b>30</b>
Electives needed to complete the degree		4-5

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## College Studies (COL)

- 060. Written Communication I 3 Hours**  
This course is designed to strengthen basic writing skills, including those of grammar, mechanics, punctuation and spelling. The writing of effective sentences, paragraphs, short themes and journals is also stressed. (Required for students whose SAT verbal score is below 450 or ACT verbal score is below 17.) *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.*
- 065. Reading Dynamics 2 Hours**  
This course stresses various reading strategies that will prepare the student to read and comprehend college-level texts successfully. Attention is given to vocabulary building, study techniques, reading speed and comprehension. (Required for students whose scores on the Nelson-Denney Reading Test fall below the satisfactory level.) *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.*
- 066. English as a Foreign Language 2 Hours**  
The purpose of this course is to prepare international students to demonstrate a proficiency in the skills of the English language, including reading, writing, listening and speaking. The course will focus on the reading and comprehension of a variety of written texts. Students will also develop their skills in written and oral expression. (Required for international students whose scores on the Nelson-Denney Reading Test fall below the satisfactory level.) *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.*
- 070. Basic Mathematics 3 Hours**  
A review of the basic functions of arithmetic, numeration systems, fractions, problem solving, elementary statistics and introduction to algebra. (Required for all students whose SAT math score is below 450 or ACT math score is below 17.) *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.*
- 075. Basic Algebra 3 Hours**  
A review of the basic functions of algebra. *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.*
- 085. Methods of Learning 2 Hours**  
This course is designed to strengthen disciplines necessary to be successful at the collegiate level, including basic study skills, test taking, time management, note taking, and reading college-level materials. Emphasis is placed on motivational techniques and critical thinking. Required of all students admitted on probation. *Credit hour does not count toward graduation.*
- 090. Academic Strategies 2 Hours**  
This course serves as an accountability tool (for problem students) and provides instruction, record keeping, support and individual assistance. The skills of self-motivation, test taking, time management and general study organization are presented and practiced. Required for all continuing students on probation. *Credit hours do not count toward graduation.* (Required of all probationary students.)
- 181. Adult Orientation 1 Hour**  
An orientation designed to acquaint adult students with college policies and procedures. Students will learn to access information by developing skills in computer proficiency and library research. Emphasis will be given to learning strategies and study techniques.
- 300. Prior Learning Assessment 1 Hour**  
This course is designed to teach the student how to prepare and present non-collegiate prior-learning experiences for academic credit at Bethel College. It includes the actual preparation, evaluation and revision of materials supporting a petition for credit in a particular discipline area. Assignments and classroom presentations and activities sharpen critical thinking and written communication skills. *Available to adult students only.*

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## **Off-Campus Semester Programs**

Several programs are available for students to spend a semester of study away from campus.

### **Christian Center for Urban Studies**

Through an affiliation with the Olive Branch Mission in Chicago, Bethel and a dozen other Wesleyan colleges offer a Chicago urban experience with the following course options:

The City in Christian Perspective	3
Urban Issues	2-4
Rebuilding the Church	3
Ministry/Service Immersion	4-8

### **Jerusalem University College**

Through the college's membership in the Jerusalem University College, students have the opportunity for extended study in the Holy Land as part of the program in Biblical Studies. The Religion and Philosophy division office can provide complete information.

### **Bethel College Programs**

Currently Bethel operates programs in:

Ecuador  
China  
Pacific Rim  
Romania  
Russia  
Jamaica

For more information concerning these programs, contact the director of off-campus programs.

## **The Council for Christian Colleges & Universities**

As a member of the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities (CCCU), an association of over 100 Christian colleges and universities, Bethel offers semester-long opportunities for study such as the Los Angeles Film Studies Program, the American Studies Program in Washington, D.C., the Contemporary Christian Music Program at Martha's Vineyard and several others. These off-campus, interdisciplinary, learning opportunities are available to upperclass students and offer 16 hours of credit. For further information, contact the director of off-campus programs.

## **Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) Programs**

Bethel College offers the opportunity to combine the pursuit of an academic degree with earning an officer's commission in either the United States Army or Air Force. Students enrolled in any of the college programs may participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) housed on the University of Notre Dame's campus.

The college accepts a maximum of 18 free elective credits from the military science courses. This will include two laboratory credits if the ROTC program is completed. First-year students enrolled in any of the ROTC programs are exempted from two credits of physical education. PHED 100 1/2 hour and all other general studies courses at Bethel College are required.

Full financial aid may be available to acceptable candidates.

### **Military Science**

*Chair and Professor:* Lt. Col. David A. Mosinski, USA; *Assistant Professors:* Maj. Gary Masapollo, USAR; Capt. Bartholomew J. Hennessey, USA; Maj. David M. Wood, USA

The Army ROTC Program develops leadership ability and prepares students for the challenges and responsibilities they will face as Army officers and civilian leaders. Through a series of classroom courses and practical exercises, cadets learn self-confidence, time management and decision-making skills. The role of the professional officer in the preservation of peace and national security is emphasized, with particular attention placed on ethical conduct and the officer's responsibilities to society. The program culminates in an officer's commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Active Army, Army Reserve or Army National Guard. Opportunities for follow-on post-graduate study also exist.

List of courses:

- 111. Orientation to Military Science, 1 hr.
- 112. Basic Military Leadership, 1 hr.
- 211. Applied Leadership I, 2 hrs.
- 212. Applied Leadership II, 2 hrs.
- 311. Advanced Leadership I, 2 hrs.
- 312. Advanced Leadership II, 3 hrs.
- 411. The Professional Officer, 2 hrs.
- 412. Military Management, 2 hrs.
- 413. Military History, 1 hr.

There are additional course requirements students must be sure to include in their studies. Students also have the opportunity to participate in a variety of ROTC activities at Notre Dame, the host university. Bethel students in the ROTC programs are also eligible for several awards and prizes.