

# School of RELIGION & PHILOSOPHY

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*Majors:*

## **Biblical Studies**

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## **Christian Ministries**

*Faculty Members:*

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## **International Studies – Ministry**

*Faculty Members:*

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## **Philosophy**

*Faculty Members:*

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## **Youth Ministry/Adolescent Studies**

*Faculty Members:*

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*Graduate Degrees:*

## **Master of Ministries**

### **Master of Arts in Theological Studies**

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The goals of this school are that students shall:

1. Develop a style of service and ministry which cares for the full range of human needs.
2. Be equipped for immediate ministry vocations in churches, para-church organizations, etc., by balancing biblical and theological education with the practical skills necessary for ministry.
3. Have the necessary foundation on which to pursue theological education at the graduate level.
4. Develop skills in interpersonal relationships which reflect biblical values.
5. Learn how to study the Bible and to relate its message to today's world.
6. Be acquainted with the major philosophies and religious systems of the world.
7. Be especially prepared for ministry within the Missionary Church or the student's own denomination, with an awareness of the whole Body of Christ.

## **HOURS**

### **Biblical Languages Minor**

HEB	151	Elementary Hebrew I	4
HEB	152	Elementary Hebrew II	3
GRK	151	Elementary Greek I	4
GRK	152	Elementary Greek II	3
HEB	251	Hebrew Exegesis	2
GRK	251	Greek Exegesis	2
			<u>18</u>

### **Biblical Studies Major**

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

##### **General Studies**

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
		Art/Drama/Music (recommend MULH 341)	3
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
HEB	151	Elementary Hebrew I	4
GRK	151	Elementary Greek I	4
		College Level Math	3
		Science with Lab	4
HIST	246	Introduction to World Civilization	3
LIT		Literature	3
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
			<u>50</u>

Track I (For students who anticipate entering seminary or graduate school)

##### **Major**

BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL	211	Old Testament I	3
BIBL	212	Old Testament II, or	3
BIBL	213	Old Testament III	(3)
BIBL	214	Old Testament Book Study	2
BIBL	221	New Testament I	3
BIBL	222	New Testament II, or	3
BIBL	223	New Testament III	(3)
BIBL	224	New Testament Book Study	2
BIBL	320	Biblical Theology	3

			<b>HOURS</b>
BIBL	250	Biblical Archeology, or	3
BIBL	330	Intertestamental History & Literature	(3)
BIBL	350	Israel Among the Nations	3
BIBL	470	Contemporary Critical Issues, Biblical Studies	2
HEB	152	Elementary Hebrew II	3
GRK	152	Elementary Greek II	3
HEB	251	Hebrew Exegesis	2
GRK	251	Greek Exegesis	2
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience (four semesters)	0
MIN	441	Homiletics	<u>3</u>
			<b>43</b>

Electives needed to complete the degree 31

Track II (For students who anticipate immediate entrance into ministry.)

Same as Track I, but student must also take the following courses, reducing electives to 21 hours.

THEO	310	Systematic Theology I	3
THEO	313	Systematic Theology II	3
MIN	340	Theory & Practice of Pastoral Care, or	3
MIN	320	Fundamentals of Christian Leadership	(3)
MIN	341	History/Polity of Missionary Church	<u>1</u>
			10

Electives needed to complete degree **20**

## **Biblical Studies Major A.A. Degree**

### **General Studies**

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
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	3
		Math/Science with Lab	3
		Music/Art/Literature/Drama	3
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activity	<u>0.5</u>
			<b>27</b>

### **Major**

BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL	211	Old Testament I	3
BIBL	212	Old Testament II	3
BIBL	221	New Testament I	3
BIBL	222	New Testament II	3
MIN	210	The Christian World Mission	3
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
BIBL	213	Old Testament III, or	3
BIBL	223	New Testament III, or	(3)
BIBL	320	Biblical Theology	<u>(3)</u>
			<b>24</b>

Electives needed to complete the degree 13

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## Biblical Studies Minor

			HOURS
BIBL		Electives in Bible (Other than the	
		General Studies requirements)	14
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	<u>3</u>
			17

## Christian Ministries Major

### General Studies

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
		Art/Drama/Music (recommend MULH 341)	3
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
HEB	151	Elementary Hebrew I	4
GRK	151	Elementary Greek I	4
MATH		College Level Math	3
		Science with Lab	4
HIST	246	Introduction to World Civilization	3
		Literature	3
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	<u>1.5</u>
			50

### Major

BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL	211	Old Testament I	3
BIBL	212	Old Testament II, or	3
BIBL	213	Old Testament III	(3)
BIBL	214	Old Testament Book Study	2
BIBL	224	New Testament Book Study	2
BIBL	221	New Testament I	3
BIBL	222	New Testament II, or	3
BIBL	223	New Testament III	(3)
BIBL	320	Biblical Theology	3
HEB	152	Elementary Hebrew II	3
GRK	152	Elementary Greek II	3
HEB	251	Hebrew Exegesis	2
GRK	251	Greek Exegesis	2
MIN	101	Introduction to Ministry	1
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience (four semesters)	0
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
MIN	320	Fundamentals of Christian Leadership	3
MIN	340	Theory & Practice of Pastoral Care	3
MIN	441	Homiletics	3
MIN	446	Internship in Ministry, or	2
MIN	447	Internship in Missionary Service	(1)
THEO	310	Systematic Theology I	3
THEO	313	Systematic Theology II	3
HIST	445	Church History	3
PHIL	340	Christian Apologetics	<u>3</u>
			59 (58)

### Required Cognate

*MIN	341	History/Polity of Missionary Church	1
Electives needed to complete the degree			14 (15)

Students who desire to pursue ministry must be admitted to the program by the faculty of the Division of Religion & Philosophy. Application must be made during the sophomore year. Admission is based on satisfactory performance in introductory Bible courses, a satisfactory statement of Christian experience and suitability for Christian ministry. See the chairperson for information.

\*Required of Missionary Church students

## Intercultural Studies Major

			HOURS
<b>General Studies</b>			
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
ENGL	101	Written Communication II	3
ENGL	102	Written Communication III	3
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness	0.5
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activities	1.5
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature	3
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	3
		Foreign Language	6 (*8)
LIT		Literature	3
		Art/Drama/Music	3
		College Level Math	3
		Science with Lab	4
PHIL	250	Introduction to Philosophy	3
HIST	246	Introduction to World Civilization	3
PHIL	452	Senior Experience	1
			<b>54 (56)</b>

\*Greek or Hebrew recommended.

### International Studies Core

BADM	341	International Business	3
HIST	341	U.S. Foreign Relations	3
IS	304	Language Acquisition & Cultural Adaptation	3
IS	450	International Studies Capstone	3
MIN	333	World Religious Movements	3
SOC	356	Cultural Anthropology	3
SS		Regional Geography selection	3
SS	277	World Regional Geography	3
			<b>24</b>

**Ministry Concentration (NOTE: The ISP student may choose one concentration from the three separate concentrations: 1) Business; 2) Religion and Philosophy–International Ministry/Missions; 3) Social Science.**

MIN	101	Introduction to Ministry	1
MIN	210	The Christian World Mission	3
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
MIN	334	New Religious Movements	3
MIN	340	Theory & Practice of Pastoral Care	3
MIN	361	Issues in International Ministries	3
MIN	441	Homiletics	3
BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL	235	Church in the New Testament	3
		- Book Study in Acts	3
SOC	301	Sociology of Religion	3
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience	3
		(4 semesters)	0
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## International Learning Experience

Students in the Cultural Studies major must complete a significant international learning experience. (Note: international students may request a waiver of the International Learning Experience requirement.)

The 3 hour International Learning Experience may be met by any combination of :

- Credit earned through a semester abroad approved by the Dean of the School and registered as IS 460 Independent Study in International Studies.
- OR, through shorter trips with an international experience. These might include Bethel Task Force trips, summer mission trips, business tours, Social Science and/or study tours, etc. One hour of credit is generally awarded for two weeks of international experience. Credit is approved by the Dean of the School and registered as IS 460 Independent Study in International Studies.
- The following Internships can be used to meet the International Learning Experience requirement if they are given an international focus:

			HOURS
BADM	427	Internship in Business Administration	1-4
MIN	446	Internship in Ministry	1-4
MIN	447	Internship in Missions	1-4
MIN	448	Internship in Evangelism	1-4
NUR	361	Internship in Health Seminar	1-2
SS	374	Internship in Social Science	1-6

Note: Additional International Learning Experience credit may be earned beyond the 3 hours required.

**Electives or Minor** **15**

## Missions Minor

MIN	210	The Christian World Mission	3
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
MIN	333	World Religious Movements	3
MIN	446	Internship in Ministry, or	2
MIN	447	Internship in Missionary Service	(1)
SOC	356	Cultural Anthropology	3
SS		Elective Culture Study	3-4
			<b>18 (17)</b>

## Philosophy Major

### General Studies

COMM	171	Speech Communication	3
ENGL	101	Written Communication II	3
ENGL	102	Written Communication III	3
		Foreign Language	6
PSYC	182	General Psychology	3
SOC	151	Principles of Sociology	3
HIST		History elective	3
PHED	100	Lifelong Physical Awareness	0.5
PHED	112-136	Physical Education Activities	1.5
		Art/Drama/Music	3
LIT		Literature	3
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PHIL	452	Senior Year Experience	1
MATH		College Level Mathematics	3
		Science with Lab	4
BIBL	215	Old Testament Literature	3

			<b>HOURS</b>
BIBL	216	New Testament Literature	3
THEO	110	Exploring the Christian Faith	3
			<b>51</b>

To complete the Philosophy major, one of two options must be selected

**Option A: Double Major Option**

<b>Major</b>			
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience (four semesters)	0
Historical Courses 9 hours from:			
PHIL	310	Ancient Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	311	Modern Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	312	19th & 20th Century Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	313	Major Philosophers	(3)
Systematic Courses 9 hours from:			
PHIL	301	Symbolic Logic	(3)
PHIL	321	Ethics & Value Theory	(3)
PHIL	330	Theory of Knowledge	(3)
PHIL	341	Metaphysics	(3)
Specialty Courses 6 hours from:			
PHIL	430	Philosophy of Science	(3)
PHIL	440	Philosophy of Religion	(3)
PHIL	441	Philosophy of Mind	(3)
PHIL	461	Seminar in Philosophy	(3)
<b>Major Hours</b>			<b>24</b>

In addition to completion of the above general studies and major courses, a complete second academic major is selected. Any of the baccalaureate majors may be chosen; however, several appropriate examples are listed below.

Biblical Studies	Liberal Studies
Chemistry	Mathematics
Christian Ministries	Math/Computer Science
Communication	Psychology
Drama	Social Science
English	Sociology
History	Sport Studies
Human Services	Studio Art

**Option B: Cognate Option**

<b>Major</b>			
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience (four semesters)	0
30 hours from:			
PHIL	310	Ancient Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	311	Modern Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	312	19th & 20th Century Philosophy	(3)
PHIL	313	Major Philosophers	(3)
PHIL	301	Symbolic Logic	(3)
PHIL	321	Ethics & Value Theory	(3)
PHIL	330	Theory of Knowledge	(3)
PHIL	341	Metaphysics	(3)
PHIL	430	Philosophy of Science	(3)
PHIL	440	Philosophy of Religion	(3)
PHIL	441	Philosophy of Mind	(3)
PHIL	461	Seminar in Philosophy	(3)
<b>Major Hours</b>			<b>30</b>
<b>Required Cognates:</b>			
THEO	310	Systematic Theology I	3
THEO	313	Systematic Theology II	3

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			<b>HOURS</b>
THEO	340	Christian Apologetics	3
HIST		6 hours at 300-400 level	6
LIT		6 hours at 300-400 level	6
SOC	439	Western Social Thought	<u>3</u>
		<b>Cognate Hours</b>	<b>24</b>

**Electives required to complete degree** **19**

## **Philosophy Minor**

PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	2
PHIL	250	Introduction to Philosophy	3
PHIL	452	Senior Experience	1
PHIL		Electives in Philosophy	<u>12</u>
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## **Youth Ministry and Adolescent Studies Major**

### **General Studies**

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
		Art/Drama/Music	3
SOC	151	Principles in Sociology	3
HEB OR		Introduction to Bible Study Tools I	4
GRK	151/152	(Elementary Hebrew or Greek I)	
		Introduction to Bible Study Tools II	3
		(Elementary Hebrew or Greek II)	
		College Level Math	3
		Science with Lab	4
HIST	246	Introduction to World Civilization	3
		Literature	3
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
PHIL	150	Logic & Critical Thinking	<u>2</u>
			<b>49</b>

### **Biblical Studies Core**

BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
BIBL	211-213	Old Testament I, II or III	
		(or Old Testament Literature)	3
BIBL	214	Old Testament Book Study	2
BIBL	221-223	New Testament I, II or III	
		(or New Testament Literature)	3
BIBL	224	New Testament Book Study	2
MIN	201	Spiritual Formation Experience (four semesters)	0
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
THEO	310	Systematic Theology I, or	3
THEO	313	Systematic Theology II	(3)
BIBL	320	Biblical Theology	<u>3</u>
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### **Youth Ministries Core**

YMN	181	Foundations in Youth Ministry/Adolescent Studies	3
YMN	222	Effective Teaching in Youth Ministry	3
PSYC	285	Adolescent Growth & Development	2

			HOURS
YMN	295	Practicum in a Youth Ministry / Adolescent Specific Field I	2
YMN	311	Leadership & Administration in Youth Ministry	3
MIN/YMN	327	Disciplemaking Structures in Ministry	3
YMN	351	Multicultural Youth Ministry	3
YMN	395	Practicum in a Youth Ministry / Adolescent Specific Field II	2
YMN	411	Counseling Teenagers in Crisis	3
YMN	455	Senior Seminar in Youth Ministry/Adolescent Studies	3
YMN	485	Internship in Youth Ministry, Adolescent-specific Field	4
YMN	285	Youth Ministry/Adolescent Studies Saturday Seminars	5

Students pick five from the following:

Each seminar is one credit.

- a. Communicating
- b. Worship
- c. Leadership I
- d. Leadership II
- e. Culture & Youth Ministry
- f. Current Topics I
- g. Current Topics II
- h. Programming

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Education majors may take PSYC 287 in place of PSYC 285.

Electives needed to complete the degree

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**Total Hours**

**58**

### Youth Ministry Minor

PSYC	285	Adolescent Growth & Development, or	2
PSYC	287	School Age Growth & Development	(3)
MIN	310	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
BIBL	201	Biblical Interpretation	3
YMN	181	Foundations of Youth Ministry	3
YMN	222	Effective Teaching in Youth Ministry	3
YMN	285	Youth Ministry – Saturday Seminars (select three)	3

Pick two classes from the following:

YMN	311	Leadership & Administration in Youth Ministry	(3)
MIN/YMN	327	Disciplemaking Structures in Ministry	(3)
YMN	351	Multicultural Youth Ministry	(3)
YMN	411	Counseling Teens in Crisis	<u>(3)</u>

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### 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. Both short-term and complete semester programs are available. The division office can provide complete information.