2011-2012
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester, 2011

Traditional classes begin ...........................................August 25, Thursday
Last day for late registration ...............................August 31, Wednesday
Labor Day – no classes .................................................September 5, Monday
Spiritual Emphasis Week ..September 12-16 (MWF-10 AM, T-9:30 AM
..........................................................Th-11 AM, MTWR evening-8 PM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes..September 28, Wednesday
Service Day ............................................................October 4, Tuesday
Fall Break.............................................................October 13-14, Thursday-Friday
Second half of semester begins .......................October 17, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes...........October 21, Friday
Registration for spring semester begins ............October 24, Monday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes........November 4, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ...November 18, Friday
Thanksgiving Break ....................November 23-25, Wednesday-Friday
Last day of classes ..................................................December 9, Friday
Final examinations ..............................................December 12-16, Monday-Friday
Semester ends after examinations ..........December 16, Friday

Spring Semester, 2012

Traditional classes begin.......................................January 5, Thursday
Last day for late registration .................................January 11, Wednesday
Martin Luther King Day ........January 16, Monday (No classes 1-6 PM)
World Christian Action ConferenceJanuary 23-27, Monday-Friday (M-8 PM,
.......................................................................T-2 & 8 PM, R-9:30 AM,)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes...February 8, Wednesday
Spring Break..................................................February 27 – March 2, Monday-Friday
Second half of semester begins .....................March 5, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes........March 9, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes .........March 16, Friday
Registration for fall semester begins ...............March 26, Monday
Deeper Life Series .....................March 26-28 (MW-10 AM, T 11:00 AM)
Easter Break..................................................April 5-6, Thursday-Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ....April 6, Friday
Last day of classes ..............................................April 20, Friday
Final examinations ..............................................April 23-27, Monday-Friday
Graduation ..................................................April 28-29, Saturday-Sunday

Summer Semester, 2012

Non-Traditional Session 1, 2012 .......................April 30 - June 23
May Session, 2012 ..................................................May 7 - 25
June/July Session, 2012 ........................................June 4 - July 19
Non-Traditional Session 2, 2012 ......................June 25 - August 15
Tentative 2012-2013
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester, 2012
Traditional classes begin August 23, Thursday
Last day for late registration August 29, Wednesday
Labor Day – no classes September 3, Monday
Spiritual Emphasis Week September 10-14 (MWF-10 AM, T-9:30 AM, MTWR evening-8 PM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes September 26, Wednesday
Service Day October 2, Tuesday
Fall Break October 11-12, Thursday-Friday
Second half of semester begins October 15, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes October 19, Friday
Registration for spring semester begins October 22, Monday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes November 2, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes November 16, Friday
Thanksgiving Break November 21-23, Wednesday-Friday
Last day of classes December 7, Friday
Final examinations December 10-14, Monday-Friday
Semester ends after examinations December 14, Friday

Spring Semester, 2013
Traditional classes begin January 10, Thursday
Last day for late registration January 16, Wednesday
Martin Luther King Day January 21, Monday (No classes 1-6 PM)
World Christian Action Conference January 28-Feb 1, Monday-Friday (M-8 PM, T-2 & 8 PM, R-9:30 AM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes February 13, Wednesday
Spring Break March 4-9, Monday-Friday
Second half of semester begins March 11, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes March 15, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes March 22, Friday
Easter Break March 28-29, Thursday-Friday
Registration for fall semester begins April 1, Monday
Deeper Life Series April 1-5 (MW-10 AM, T 11:00 AM)
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes April 12, Friday
Last day of classes April 26, Friday
Final examinations April 29-May 3, Monday-Friday
Graduation May 4-5, Saturday-Sunday

Summer Semester, 2013
May Session, 2013 May 13-31
June/July Session, 2013 June 11-July 26
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INTRODUCTION

Our Mission

Bethel College, affiliated with the Missionary Church, is a Christian community of learners dedicated to building lives of commitment for leadership in the church and the world. Bethel provides liberating academic and co-curricular programs to challenge the mind, enlarge the vision and equip the whole person for lifelong service.

Our Heritage & Community Ethos

Bethel College, founded in 1947 as a Christian liberal arts college by the Missionary Church, a denomination with roots in both the Mennonite and Methodist traditions, is a study of God’s blessing coupled with visionary leadership and effective management. Throughout its early history Bethel was a relatively small residential college with enrollment between 400 and 500 hundred students. In recent years, however, Bethel College has experienced a renaissance of sorts marked by a period of rapid enrollment growth, development of new academic programs and expansion of the college’s physical campus. Bethel now welcomes more than 2,000 students to campus each year.

At the undergraduate level, Bethel offers majors in the liberal arts and sciences as well as professional programs in the fields of education, business, nursing and pastoral ministry. In addition, Bethel offers the following degrees at the Master’s level: Business Administration (M.B.A.), Education (M.A.T., M.Ed.), Ministry (M.Min.), Theological Studies (M.A.T.S.), and Nursing (M.S.N.).

Bethel is a college of deep Christian commitment—a place where an open and joyful emphasis is placed on Christian values and principles in everyday life. We believe that Christian education is more than teaching theology based on biblical truths; it is teaching students how to apply those truths and values in their day-to-day lives. Consistent with the college’s strong evangelical emphasis, co-curricular programming includes a broad variety of international ministry trips and local community service opportunities. In addition, Bethel offers a strong slate of study abroad programs within the formal curriculum.

Our Educational Philosophy

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To these ends, we desire that each Bethel graduate should possess:

- an awareness of the accumulating body of knowledge as an incentive for study and research;
- the ability to think analytically and critically, to appreciate the thinking and culture of others, and to communicate effectively and creatively;
- an understanding of the factors in the physical, mental and spiritual development in one’s own personal growth;
- social and civic attitudes which lead to responsible participation in human relationships and stewardship of the created natural order;
• a heart of compassion for people from differing religious, racial, ethnic and economic contexts while recognizing our world citizenship;
• an appreciation of God’s creation and of humanity’s cultural achievements in the arts and sciences as an outgrowth of increased understanding; and,
• competence through acquired understanding and skills considered fundamental to certain professions or areas of specialization.

We propose to accomplish this mission by:
• creating quality teaching-learning experiences which consist of studies in common areas of learning, combined with studies which develop knowledge and skill in one or more particular curricula;
• encouraging all members of the college community to develop personal relationships that foster and sustain growth in spiritual, intellectual, physical and social dimensions, as well as in professional competence;
• offering experiences beyond the classroom which contribute to the development of the broadly educated individual and the competent professional;
• fostering a spirit of scholarship, inquiry and independent study which provides stimulus and a foundation for a life of learning;
• striving to prepare students to serve the church, the community and society at large; and,
• challenging everyone within the Bethel College community to pursue a life of total Christian commitment.

Our Vision

Bethel College is a growing, dynamic, progressive institution committed to its mission as an evangelical Christian college and its covenant with the Missionary Church. The strategic vision for Bethel College focuses on a 10-year horizon. This vision is intended to provide clear direction for the college’s plans, actions, priorities and assignment of resources. Fundamentally, it is our vision that Bethel College retain its most valued characteristics of Christian community while it grows in stature and expands its influence.

To these ends, with Christ at the helm, we intend to focus our energies and resources toward developing an institution known for the following:

• **Vibrant Community**—Bethel College will be an institution of Christian higher education known for its spiritual vitality and vibrant community ethos. Programming in the areas of spiritual formation, life calling, social life, fitness and wellness, arts and culture, and intercultural competence will be further strengthened and developed over the next decade.

• **Excellence in Teaching and Learning**—It is our intent to build upon the college’s strong foundation as an institution committed to quality teaching and the model of faculty members who serve as guides to the educational journey of our students. We will invest and improve in the areas of outcomes assessment, qualified and effective faculty, and learning environments.
• **Service to Others**—We will strengthen our service to others on two fronts. First, we commit ourselves to strengthening our service to students by applying the principles of continuous quality improvement throughout the institution’s administrative and academic support systems. Second, we will seek to expand the college’s service to the community as a witness and testimony of our Christian faith through expanded programming in the areas of service learning, international ministry, and the investment of our personnel, facilities, expertise and reputation.

**Bethel Is Accredited By**

- The Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association, 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400, Chicago, IL 60602, (800) 621-7440
- Indiana Division of Professional Standards, 251 East Ohio Street, Suite 201, Indianapolis, IN 46204-2133
- The International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE), P.O. Box 3960, Olathe, KS 66063
- National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), 2010 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036-1023
- National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, 3343 Peachtree Road, NE, Suite 850, Atlanta, GA 30326, 409-975-5000 or www.nlnac.org
- Indiana State Board of Nursing, Health Professions Bureau, 402 W. Washington Street, Room W066, Indianapolis, IN 46204
- National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), 11250 Roger Bacon Dr., Suite 21, Reston, VA 20190
- Public Laws 16, 346, 550 and 894, for training veterans and their survivors

**Bethel Is a Member Of**

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing
- Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)
- Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges of Teacher Education
- AuSable Institute of Environmental Studies
- Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCU)
- Council of Independent Colleges (CIC)
- Independent Colleges of Indiana (ICI/ICIF)
- Indiana Commission for Higher Education (ICHE)
- Jerusalem University College
- National League for Nursing
- National Organization of Associate Degree Nurses (N-OADN)
- North American Association of Summer Sessions
- Northern Indiana Consortium for Education (NICE)
Academic Support Center

The Academic Support Center (ASC) seeks to serve both students and faculty. It provides special needs consultation and accommodations, facilitates a tutoring program, administers make-up tests, and serves as a residual ACT testing site. In addition, classes are taught to help students improve their study skills, time management, test taking, or reading speeds.

Writing Center

The Bethel College Writing Center assists traditional, non-traditional and graduate students with all phases of their academic writing. Trained student tutors are available to facilitate the writing process of essay and research papers during convenient afternoon and evening hours. Appointments are recommended; walk-ins are welcome. The Writing Center makes good writers better.

Athletics

**Varsity Athletics** at Bethel College include competition in baseball for men; softball, cheerleading and volleyball for women; and basketball, cross-country, soccer, golf, track and tennis for both. Bethel College is a member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and adheres to the academic and social standing prescribed by the association. The college also holds membership in the Mid-Central College Conference and the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA).

The **Intramural Program** provides opportunities for both men and women to participate in organized competitive and recreational activities. Various methods are used to organize students and faculty members into teams for such activities as flag football, volleyball, basketball, dodgeball, indoor soccer, badminton and indoor bouldering (rock climbing). Exercise and weight rooms are available in Goodman Gymnasium and Sailor Residential Center for students, faculty and staff to use, with proper identification.

Bethel College 21st Century Scholars Support Services

Twenty-first Century Scholars are provided with a multifaceted support system while attending Bethel College. During the freshman year they participate in the Freshman Year Experience Program. Students are placed in a small group and assigned a professor and an upper-class student who serve as mentors. The group also remains together for a block of core coursework. This program is designed to assist students in making a smooth transition to college life.

Also available are the resources of the Academic Support Center (ASC). The ASC provides peer tutoring, individual help in writing essays and research papers, assistance in time management techniques and tips on study skills or test taking.

The ASC also helps students locate other needed services. Students who experience a high degree of test anxiety may be referred to the Bethel College Counseling Center for assistance with stress management. Students who exhibit signs of a learning disability may be referred to a local educational psychologist for testing or to another medical professional for vision or hearing testing. Those students with documented learning disabilities are provided with special assistance in taking exams (i.e., untimed tests, oral exams, computer assisted tests).

Students who are on academic probation arrange individual study plans with the ASC director.
Bethel Living

Our students share the experience of a college program aimed at development in the spiritual, intellectual, physical, social/psychological and professional competence areas. Whether it’s sharpening your professional skills in a club with like-minded students, participating in musical, dramatic or athletic activities, or simply enjoying campus life, a concert or outing, it’s happening at Bethel. These activities are designed with you in mind so you may be assisted in developing a sense of purpose, a greater degree of autonomy and a satisfying network of relationships with other people.

A few of the groups that might appeal to your particular interests:

- **American Sign Language (ASL) Club** is a distinctive organization created to build students’ signing skills, knowledge, confidence and cultural sensitivity through serving Deaf and hard of hearing people in the Michiana area. ASL Club seeks to provide and interactive, supportive, cohesive environment that promotes professional development, socialization and spiritual growth.

- **The Art Association of Bethel College** is open to both art majors and nonart majors. The association is dedicated to the appreciation of art and its promotion through school related projects and special events.

- **Bethel Uniting Fitness and Fun Club (B.U.F.F. Club)** is a club that advocates physical fitness as part of Bethel’s commitment to developing the whole person. In conjunction with the physical education department, B.U.F.F. plans activities and promotes physical wellness events.

- **The Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)** has the purpose of confronting athletes and coaches with the challenge and adventure of following Christ and serving Him through the fellowship of the church and in their vocations. FCA activities include huddle meetings, social events and service projects.

- **The Hawaiian Fellowship** is open to any student with interest in or a desire to learn more about Hawaii. Its purpose is to provide support and guidance for the students from Hawaii and to enhance students’ knowledge of the culture and differences found in the state of Hawaii.

- **International Student Fellowship** exists to assist international students in their educational experience at Bethel College. In both a collective setting as well as in a one-on-one setting, the International Student Fellowship advisor assists students with legal documents, INS interpretations and other issues common to international students. The International Student Fellowship also sponsors social events throughout the year. Advisor: Sheila Galloway (Represented on Student Multicultural Life Committee)

- **Kingdom Mobilizers** exist to increase missions awareness and involvement on the Bethel College campus. Anyone interested in global missions is encouraged to attend the weekly meetings every Thursday at 9:00 p.m. in the Shiloh Prayer Chapel. Advisor: Bill Jones (Represented on Spiritual Life Committee)

- **MU KAPPA International** (Greek letters for M & K) is a unique new ministry organized by missionary kids themselves specifi-
cally to address their own felt needs. “By MKs for MKs” aptly describes its overriding focus. The purpose of MU KAPPA International is to help MKs in their cultural transitions; to promote growth, unity and Christian fellowship among chapter members; and to help coordinate the efforts of missions and para-mission organizations to maximize the potential of over 30,000 MKs.

- **Rotaract** is the “college equivalent” of Rotary, one of the leading service organizations in the world. Designed to challenge students through informative meetings, Rotaract introduces students, ages 18-30, to a world in need and challenges all to be a part of solving the greatest problems. Rotaract meets twice a month on campus for planning and to hear from an informative guest speaker, plugs into the local South Bend Rotary Club (over 280 members and one of the largest programs in the country), allowing great opportunities to network and grow professionally, and is involved in service projects locally and internationally. Advisor: Terry Zeitlow.

- The Bethel chapter of the **Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)** aims to provide students with the opportunity to job shadow; meet and network with area business professionals, faculty, alumni and other students; learn practical skills that can be applied in the business world; and develop proper business etiquette. Through close contact with local professionals, we hope to develop a rapport with area businesses that would lead to internship in all areas of business for Bethel Students. In these internships, students would gain practical hands-on experience and be given the opportunity to apply their faith in a business setting.

### Bowen Library

The Otis R. and Elizabeth Bowen Library supports the educational mission of Bethel College with a rapidly growing collection of resources and a variety of services.

Special collections may be found in the Bowen Museum and Archives, the Missionary Church Archives and Historical Collections, and the Bethel College Archives.

The Bowen Library provides access to its resources through the on-line public access catalog and circulation system, operated under the umbrella of the University of Notre Dame’s automated on-line database system. Forty database systems are available. The library also has access to international bibliographic databases through OCLC, World CAT and the Internet.

Traditional inter-library loan service is offered by the Bowen Library. Additionally, borrowing privileges are available to students and faculty at the libraries of the following local institutions: the University of Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s College and Holy Cross College. Students and faculty can borrow throughout other academic libraries through the ALI (Academic Library Indiana) Consortium.

### Career and Internship Services Center

Services are available to assist students in developing understanding and awareness of their skills, interests, personalities and values as they relate to career development. The CISC provides one-on-one and group training that teaches students the skills they need to conduct job and internship searches. These include writing a résumé and cover letter, interviewing and networking skills, and job search strategies.
The CISC also maintains credential files for our graduates and provides a variety of online services. These include the ability for students to post résumés and cover letters online that can be accessed by approved businesses and organizations, along with a variety of job postings that include part-time, full-time, seasonal and internship positions.

Dramatic Productions

- **Major Productions**: Each year the Department of Theatre Arts presents three main stage productions on the Earl Reimer Stage of the Everest-Rohrer Auditorium. The season typically consists of a comedy such as *The Butler Did It*, *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* or *Arsenic and Old Lace*; a musical such as *Fiddler On The Roof*, *Peter Pan*, or *Thoroughly Modern Millie*; and a dramatic work as part of the Living Literature Series. Past productions for this series include *The Diary of Anne Frank*, *Romeo and Juliet* and *The Crucible*.

- **The Genesians**: This religious drama troupe travels extensively throughout the Midwest giving performances that emphasize the message of Christ. Churches, civic groups, and young people at camps and youth conventions have been very responsive to such presentations. The Genesians’ repertoire has included such works as *The Light is Too Dark*, *Bridge of Blood*, *The Magician’s Nephew* and *The Long Road Home*. Recently the troupe has added a repertoire that offers opportunities for performances in public schools.

- **Studio Classics Theatre**: The newest addition to the Department of Theatre Arts program presents plays considered as or destined to be classics in theatre literature. Arthur Miller’s *All My Sons*, Samuel Beckett’s *Endgame* and Sophocles’ *Antigone* have been presented in this series. These performances are presented on the Earl Reimer Stage.

- **Left of Center**: Each year, theatre students direct or perform in one-act plays as part of the directing or acting classes. More than 50 people have been involved as directors, actors and crew for these productions.

- **Summer Dessert Theatre**: During two weekends in the summer, the Department of Theatre Arts presents a theatre production in the Dining Commons that includes exotic desserts, music and a comedy. Past presentations have included *The Saga of Gold Hill Gulch*, *Shakespeare at the Shamrock Cafe* and *Don’t Tell Mother*.

Education Resource Center

The Education Resource Center houses curriculum and juvenile books for grades K-12. The center also provides a laboratory for making projects and classroom games. Instructional aids and kits are available for field experiences. The center is intended for Education majors, but all Bethel students and staff are encouraged to make use of the equipment and supplies. It is housed in the Bowen Library.
Just for Fun

The Student Council’s **Social Life Committee**, in conjunction with the activities
director, plans various all-school activities, adding a light touch to the school year.
These include the annual Harvest Hoontenanny, Ambush, Midnight Breakfasts, and Film
Festival. Of course, spontaneous day-to-day fun is available in the Acorn recreation
area where students gather for snacks, games or TV viewing, as well as in Sufficient
Grounds, the college’s coffee house.

On Standards

As a Christian institution, Bethel College has as its purpose the education of the
whole person. We recognize that our students represent a wide range of backgrounds,
apptitudes, needs and goals. Each person is viewed as an individual with certain respon-
sibilities to the college community.

Bethel is committed to the integration of faith, learning and living in an ongoing
process. Bethel strives to assist students in developing into mature Christian men and
women who are equipped to meet all of life’s challenges and opportunities. While we
seek to strengthen each member of the community, we realize that not all student con-
duct may fit into the Bethel College community. If the conduct of any member of the col-
lege community is found to be detrimental, either to one’s own personal development
or to that of other members of the community, we seek to aid that member. However, if
that member shows serious or continued violation of responsibility, the college will dis-
miss that member from the community.

All students should have a working knowledge of the college Community Life
Covenant and other expectations as outlined in the Student Handbook. Admission to
Bethel College signifies an agreement with the institution to comply with its policies and
regulations. As members of the college community, all students agree to uphold these
policies and standards both on and off campus. The Student Handbook also describes
the policy for appeals of disciplinary decisions.

The compelling motive for good order and discipline at Bethel College flows from
Christian convictions held by faculty, staff and students. As a community, we recognize
both the power and potential of life lived under the grace of Jesus Christ. Recognition
of this fact is a challenge to students to be responsible and to strive for the highest stan-
dards of Christian conduct.

All members of the Bethel College community are expected to honestly conduct
their own lives in terms of the following:

1. Scripture commends certain qualities of right, and these, there-
fore, are to be encouraged. They include love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-
control, honesty, forgiveness, humility, service to others, non-
discrimination and fairness.

Scripture condemns such sins of attitude as greed, jealousy,
pride, lust and hatred. Although these are more difficult to dis-
cern, they lie at the heart of the relationship between God and
humankind and can lead to unacceptable behavior.

Similarly, there are certain actions that are expressly prohibited
in Scripture and that cannot be tolerated for members of the
Bethel College community. These include theft, dishonesty,
gossip, profanity, vulgarity (including crude language), sexual
prurientity (including adultery, homosexual behavior, premar-
tal sex), drunkenness, immodesty of dress and occult practices.
2. The Bethel College community recognizes the danger to one’s physical and/or psychological well-being in the use of certain products. Therefore, members of the Bethel College community are to refrain from the use of pornography, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, hallucinogenic drugs (including marijuana) and narcotics not authorized by a physician. Under no circumstances are the above to be used on or off campus, or in transit to or from any college-related activity.

3. Because of the traditional evangelical Christian view that social dancing is not considered an acceptable activity, social dancing is not permitted on campus, nor will the college or affiliated organizations sponsor social dances. However, acceptable forms of experience and/or expression include ethnic games, worship choreography and the use of routines in drama, musical productions, athletic events and other formal academics.

4. Consideration for others and standards of good taste are a prime concern within the Bethel College community. Therefore, the display of affection in public and/or in lounges must be within these limits. Likewise, one’s dress should reflect modesty, cleanliness and simplicity.

5. As part of the Bethel College community and its purpose to educate the whole person, attendance at chapel is required and recorded. Adjustments in attendance requirements must be approved through the student development office. Attendance at Sunday services is expected for each individual at the church of his/her choice.

6. All activities and campus public programs sponsored by individuals or student groups must be approved in advance by the student development office. Advisors are to be present for all club and organization activities.

7. Automobiles must be registered with the student development office and must be insured. Freshmen living on campus are not allowed to have cars on campus. Exceptions for extenuating circumstances are only granted through an appeal process.

Opportunities in Music

- **The Concert Choir** is a truly outstanding musical organization. Composed of 70 to 100 selected voices, the choir performs a broad spectrum of musical literature. The Concert Choir is in demand for performances in the local area and tours each year throughout the United States.

- **Women’s Chorale, Small Choral Ensembles, Music Ministry Teams and Opera Workshop** offer a wide variety of opportunities for participation in the music program. These groups provide music for churches, youth groups and service organizations.

- **The Concert Band** performs repertoire of the highest quality from original band compositions to orchestral transcriptions. The Concert Band provides opportunities for students to continue their instrumental growth and development. The Concert
Band meets for rehearsal each week, performs two concerts on campus, and is open to all interested students.

- **The Percussion Ensemble** is an exciting ensemble that performs music in a variety of idioms, including: traditional concert percussion, novelty pieces, and hand drumming.

- **The Jazz Ensemble** performs on and off campus each semester and tours regionally each year. It draws on the broad spectrum of jazz styles including: Swing, Bebop, Latin, Rock and Fusion styles. **The Jazz Combo**, comprised of musicians selected from the Jazz Ensemble, focuses on the development and refinement of improvisational skills.

- **The String Chamber Orchestra** is open to all students who play an orchestral instrument. The orchestra performs a concert on campus once each semester and joins the concert choir for the Christmas concert. The string quartet and other instrumental ensembles are open to interested students by audition or appointment by the director.

**Photograph Usage**

While on campus, Bethel students may be photographed via still photography or video. These pictures may be included in college-related materials unless students tell administrators otherwise.

**Programs of Study**

Bethel College offers programs of study leading to the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.), Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.), Master of Education (M.Ed.), Master of Science in Nursing for Nurse Educators and Administrators (M.S.N.), Master of Ministries (M.Min.), Master of Arts in Theological Studies (M.A.T.S.), Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Bachelor of Science (B.S.), Bachelor of Science in Nursing (B.S.N.), Associate of Arts (A.A.) and Associate Degree in Nursing (A.D.N.) degrees. Minors are optional unless specifically required to support a given major. In such cases the description of the major includes this requirement.

**Publications**

*The Bethel Beacon*, the award-winning student newspaper, is published by the Bethel College Student Association. It provides a student view of activities at the college and is in general circulation on the campus.

*Crossings* is Bethel’s literary magazine, produced by students and issued by the language & literature division. *Crossings* not only publishes the winners of the annual Bethel Writing Contest but also highlights poetry, short fiction and nonfiction prose of other Bethel students, faculty and staff.

*The Helm* is Bethel’s award-winning yearbook produced by the communication department and is a pictorial record of the year’s activities. *The Helm* has received numerous awards for excellence in competition with other college yearbooks for the past several years.
Residence Life

All students under 21, except those who live in their own homes, are expected to live in the college residence halls and to board at the dining hall during their first four semesters at Bethel. Housing preference is given to single students ages 18-24 and international students receiving scholarships from the college. Policies concerning campus life follow the standards stated above and are embodied in the Student Handbook and Residence Hall Guidelines, which is given to every student during the orientation program.

Life in each residence hall is overseen by the resident director and a staff of student resident assistants. This residence hall staff provides immediate counseling and leadership in the activities of the residence hall.

Spiritual Life

Bethel desires to foster Christian insight, growth and commitment. Some of the regularly featured events are chapel services, vespers, Spiritual Emphasis Week and mentoring discipleship programs.

**Chapel Services** are held three times a week, uniting the faculty, staff and students in a common experience of worship. These 50-minute services are chiefly religious in emphasis, although occasionally the chapel period is devoted to academic or social events.

**Vespers** are conducted each Wednesday evening on the campus under the direction of the Spiritual Life Committee of the Student Council. Both students and faculty share in the fellowship of the Vespers services.

**Sunday Worship** is conducted both morning and evening in numerous churches in the South Bend/Mishawaka area. Students are expected to attend and participate in the services and activities of a local church on a regular basis.

**Spiritual Emphasis Services** are held each fall. During this period a guest speaker ministers at the chapel hour and in specially scheduled evening services.

**World Christian Action Conference** is held over a week each January and emphasizes God’s work and mission throughout the world. Various seminars are offered which provide students an opportunity to delve into specific missional themes that may be of interest.

**Deeper Life Conference** is a three-day event scheduled in late March/early April, during which a guest speaker addresses three chapels and two evening services for the purpose of challenging believers to a deeper commitment of faith.

Student Government

All full-time students (12 hours or more) of Bethel College are voting members of the Bethel College Student Association. The governing body of the association is the **Student Council** (StuCo).

StuCo promotes student and college-community interests through self-government and student organizations. Membership in the council includes its four executive officers (president, vice president, treasurer, and recording secretary) five students from the freshman and sophomore classes (underclass officers), five students from the junior and senior classes (upperclass officers), four resident assistants, and the chairpersons of the four permanent student committees (Student Spiritual Life, Social Life, Multicultural Life, and Media). Through its standing committees, StuCo works with Student Development and the Alumni Board to plan and promote traditional student activities, as well as aid student-founded clubs and organizations achieve their goals. StuCo also provides student representatives for permanent faculty committees.
Wellness Center

Counseling services are available to all traditional-age, full-time Bethel College students. It is the primary purpose of the Wellness Center to assist the student to develop his/her fullest potential in personal, emotional and spiritual areas of life while here at Bethel College. The Center is under the direction of the student development office, with specialists available in health care counseling, therapeutic counseling, spiritual counseling and other specific areas of wellness.

Nondiscrimination Policy

Within the context of its religious principles, heritage and mission, Bethel College admits students of any race, national or ethnic origin, age or gender to its programs and activities. It does not discriminate in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic programs or other college administered programs. The college makes every reasonable attempt to accommodate students with limiting physical impairments; however, each division reserves the right to examine applicants for suitability for participation in the educational activities of the division.

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