2014-2015
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester, 2014

Traditional classes begin ........................................... August 21, Thursday
Last day for late registration ........................................ August 27, Wednesday
Labor Day – no classes ............................................. September 1, Monday
Spiritual Emphasis Week ... September 8-12 (MWF-10 AM, T-9:30 AM, Th-11 AM, MTW-8 PM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes . September 24, Wednesday
Service Day ............................................................ October 7, Tuesday
Fall Break ............................................................. October 9-10, Thursday-Friday
Second half of semester begins ................................. October 13, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes ............... October 17, Friday
Registration for spring semester begins ................. October 20, Monday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes ............. October 31, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ......... November 14, Friday
Thanksgiving Break .............................................. November 26-28, Wednesday-Friday
Last day of classes ............................................... December 5, Friday
Final examinations ............................................ December 8-11, Monday-Thursday
Semester ends ....................................................... December 11, Thursday

Spring Semester, 2015

Traditional classes begin ........................................... January 8, Thursday
Last day for late registration ...................................... January 14, Wednesday
Martin Luther King Day .......... January 19, Monday (No classes 1-6 PM)
World Christian Action Conference ............ January 26-29, Monday-Thursday (M-8 PM, T-2 & 8 PM, Th-9:30 AM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes ... February 11, Wednesday
Spring Break ......................................................... March 2-6, Monday-Friday
Second half of semester begins ......................... March 9, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes .......... March 13, Friday
Registration for fall semester begins ................. March 16, Monday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes ........ March 20, Friday
Deeper Life Series .... March 30-April 3 (MW-10 AM, T 11:00 AM, MT-8 PM)
Easter Break ......................................................... April 2-3, Thursday-Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ...... April 10, Friday
Last day of classes ............................................... April 24, Friday
Final examinations .............................................. April 27-April 30, Monday-Thursday
Graduation .......................................................... May 2, Saturday

Summer Session, 2015

Full Summer Session ............................................. May 3 – August 15, 2015
Adult & Graduate Session 1 ................................. May 3 – June 20
May Session .......................................................... May 11 – May 29
Adult & Graduate Session 2 ................................. June 20 – August 15
Tentative 2015-2016
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Fall Semester, 2015

Traditional classes begin ......................................August 20, Thursday
Last day for late registration ..................................August 26, Wednesday
Labor Day – no classes ..............................................September 7, Monday
Spiritual Emphasis Week ..............................................September 14-18 (MWF-10 AM, T-9:30 AM, Th-11 AM, MTW-8 PM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes ..........September 23, Wednesday
Service Day .............................................................October 6, Tuesday
Fall Break .............................................................October 8-9, Thursday-Friday
Second half of semester begins ..........................October 12, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes ..........October 16, Friday
Registration for spring semester begins ...............October 19, Monday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes ..........October 30, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ...November 13, Friday
Thanksgiving Break ..............................................November 25-27, Wednesday-Friday
Last day of classes ...................................................December 4, Friday
Final examinations ...........................................December 7-10, Monday-Thursday
Semester ends .......................................................December 10, Thursday

Spring Semester, 2016

Traditional classes begin .......................................January 7, Thursday
Last day for late registration ....................................January 13, Wednesday
Martin Luther King Day ..........January 18, Monday (No classes 1-6 PM)
World Christian Action Conference ..........Jan 25-28, Monday-Thursday
(M-8 PM, T-2 & 8 PM, Th-9:30 AM)
Last day to withdraw from 1st 7-week classes ...February 10, Wednesday
Spring Break ............................................................February 29-March 4, Monday-Friday
Second half of semester begins .........................March 7, Monday
Last day to register for 2nd 7-week classes ..........March 11, Friday
Last day to withdraw from 15-week classes ...........March 18, Friday
Easter Break .........................................................March 24-25, Thursday-Friday
Registration for fall semester begins .................March 14, Monday
Deeper Life Series ...........................................March 28-April 1 (MW-10 AM, T 11:00 AM, MT-8 PM)
Last day to withdraw from 2nd 7-week classes ......April 8, Friday
Last day of classes ....................................................April 22, Friday
Final examinations ...........................................April 25-April 28, Monday-Thursday
Graduation ...........................................................April 30, Saturday

Summer Session, 2016

May 2 - August 12
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History & Contemporary Society 574.807.7661
Kinesiology 574.807.7661
Life Sciences 574.807.7803
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Music 574.807.7575
Nursing 574.807.7235
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Student Financial Services 574.807.7415
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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;
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- 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
- Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, 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 W072, Indianapolis, IN 46204
- National Association of Schools of Music (NASM), 11250 Roger Bacon Dr., Suite 21, Reston, VA 20190
- The Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL), 55 East Monroe Street, Suite 1930, Chicago, IL 60603
- 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)
Student Success Center

The Student Success Center promotes student retention and degree completion by equipping students for success in the classroom and beyond through collaborative services and programs aimed at Academic Success, Real World Readiness, and an Awareness of Life Calling.

The Katherine J. Gribbin Learning Commons (LC) is a study space designed for individual and group work with access to technology and tutors in a learning-oriented environment. Committed to collaboration, creativity, excellence, hospitality, and service, the LC is as a “one-stop shop” for student academic and technological support where students are empowered to attain their learning goals. Peer tutors in a variety of subject areas are available in the Learning Commons, and students may drop-in for a tutoring session or reserve time with a peer tutor to meet in-person or online through our web-based schedule. Small study rooms that comfortably seat groups of 2-4 are ideal for collaborative learning and team projects. Our laptop bar has easily accessible electric and Ethernet outlets. The Student Conference Room can be reserved for official or unofficial student groups of six or more. For an appointment or more information, contact us at 574-807-7788 or learningcommons@BethelCollege.edu.

The Office of Career Services (OCS) assists students with identifying strengths, discovering career options, researching internships and job opportunities and developing résumés. The OCS hosts multiple events on campus to help students find potential employment, internships and service opportunities. The OCS helps prepare students to enter the job market before graduating. To set up an appointment with a career development specialist, you may contact us at 574-807-7096 or careerservices@BethelCollege.edu.

Please note that the Adult & Graduate Studies Office offers specialized career services for adult and graduate students. These services are similar to those offered by the Office of Career Services but address the unique needs of adults that are looking for a new job, transitioning between industries, or currently unemployed. Adult and graduate students should contact the Director of Prior Learning and Career Services at 574-807-7507 or pla@bethelcollege.edu.

The Center for Academic Success (CAS) equips students for academic success by providing individualized accommodations for students with disabilities. Our testing center is specifically designed to facilitate accommodated testing and is outfitted to serve as a learning lab with accessible software and hardware to support all aspects of the learning process. The CAS also serves as a resource to help Bethel students who want to do better in their studies. Our professional staff is available to help you with effective academic strategies such as time management, study skills, reading improvement and dealing with test anxiety. For an appointment or more information, contact us at 574-807-7460 or academic.support@BethelCollege.edu.

The Office of Service Learning (OSL) helps students utilize their talents for the Lord through serving others. The center does this by offering students ways to connect
locally, respond nationally and serve globally. An online posting of current community volunteer needs is maintained by the OSL and provides students with the opportunities to serve in the local Michiana community. Also, campus-wide service events are offered throughout the year such as Service Day, Operation Christmas Child and Labor for Your Neighbor. Additionally, disaster or poverty relief trips over spring break and in May, as well as international mission trips during May term are offered through this office. The OSL seeks to engage the Bethel community in kingdom building beyond the campus. You can get involved by contacting the office at 574-807-7414 or servicelearning@BethelCollege.edu.

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

- **American Sign Language Club (ASL Club):** The ASL club exists to increase opportunities for ASL students to practice American Sign Language in settings outside the classroom; to host events and trips relevant to students wishing to learn about ASL and the culture which surround it; to encourage fellowship among Deaf, hard of hearing and hearing people. Any student interested in and with a basic knowledge of ASL skills (knows the manual alphabet and basic introductory phrases) is invited to join.

- **Bethel College Specialty Coffee and Tea Club:** It is the purpose of the Bethel College specialty coffee and tea club to explore enjoyment of coffee and tea. We seek to do this through coffee roasting and blending, tea blending, attending cuppings, and actively researching and practicing the aforementioned activities.

- **Black Student Fellowship:** The black student fellowship serves to create, cultivate and challenge students at Bethel College through community service, philanthropic ventures, entertainment and quality programs. We aim to educate the Bethel College community about the culture and heritage of African-Americans. All students of Bethel College, regardless of ethnic background, who possess an interest and concern for the African-American heritage, are eligible for membership.

- **Education Club:** The purpose of the education club is to provide opportunities for out of classroom skill development and to give students a chance to hear from current professionals on topics that are relevant to students entering diverse classrooms.

- **Ignorant:** Ignorant is a student club whose goal is to bring awareness and encourage advocacy for social justice issues. Each week the club screens documentaries about an ongoing conflict in a foreign country, an issue within our own country or a story of hope. Students are invited to use the information gained from documentaries as a starting point for learning how to make a difference in our world.

- **International Student Fellowship:** 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. The International student fellowship also sponsors social events throughout the year.

- **Mu Alpha Theta (Math Club):** The purpose of this organization is to learn about careers in mathematics and to build relationships among current math students, math faculty, and others with an interest in mathematics. In addition, the club exists to connect students to math-related service projects in the surrounding community as well as discover how mathematics intersects our world.
• **Psychology Club:** The psychology club is a student-led organization, open to all those on Bethel College’s campus; specifically those who may have a particular interest in the study of psychology. The mission of the club is to create an opportunity for students to learn how to integrate Christianity into the field of psychology. These opportunities include, but are not limited to: meeting to discuss thoughts on the psychology and/or Christian arenas, becoming active members in the community, encouraging others to embrace leadership roles, building confidence of fellow members, and hearing from professionals in the field to gain academic and career insight.

• **Students for Life:** The purpose of Students for Life shall be to defend and promote human life in all forms. This will be accomplished through education of the Bethel College community about the issues of bioethics, and through providing and facilitating opportunities for the Bethel College community to serve, pray, and engage in peaceful political activism.

• **Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE):** SIFE is a worldwide organization that works with leaders and university students to create positive change in the business and professional world. At Bethel, we desire to create not just positive change, but also real impact for the Kingdom of God. Because of this, Bethel SIFE has the goal of developing leaders who are committed to serving God with their future profession. To accomplish this goal, Bethel SIFE will identify and meet needs in the community to the best of our ability. Through participation in Bethel SIFE, the student will gain real experience in how to serve the Lord through business.

**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.

**Dramatic Productions**

• **Major Productions:** Each year the Department of Theatre Arts present two main stage productions on the Earl Reimer Stage of the Everest-Rohrer Auditorium. The season typically opens with a comedy such as *The Butler Did It*, *A Midsummer Night’s Dream* or a dramatic work as part of the Living Literature, such as *The*
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Diary of Anne Frank, Anne of Green Gables or Romeo and Juliet. Our second production is a musical such as Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, Fiddler On The Roof, Peter Pan or Thoroughly Modern Millie.

- **The Genesians**: This drama troupe travels extensively throughout the Midwest giving performances that emphasize the message of Christ. The Genesians’ repertoire has included such works as The Light is Too Dark, Bridge of Blood, and The Long Road Home. Recently the troupe has added a repertoire that offers opportunities for performances in public schools with such plays as Click, Clack, Moo, Cows That Type and The Magician’s Nephew.

- **Studio Theatre**: The newest addition to the Department of Theatre Arts program presents plays in a smaller venue often focusing on classic works like Arthur Miller’s All My Sons, Samuel Beckett’s Endgame and Sophocles’ Antigone. These performances are presented on the Earl Reimer Stage and often are designed and directed by students.

- **Left of Center**: Each year, theatre students direct or perform in one-act plays as part of Advanced Performance Workshop. More than 50 people may be involved as directors, actors and crew for these productions.

- **Summer Theatre**: During the summer the Department of Theatre Arts presents a theatre production in the Everest –Rohrer Auditorium proceeded in the dining commons with a full course meal and music. Past presentations have included; You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown, Fools, Leaving Iowa, The Saga of Gold Hill Gulch 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 Hootenanny, 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 cafe.

**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, aptitudes, needs and goals. Each person is viewed as an individual with certain responsibilities 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 conduct may fit into the Bethel College community. If the conduct of any member of the college 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 dismiss 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 standards 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, therefore, 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 discern, 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 promiscuity (including adultery, homosexual behavior, premarital 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 through campus safety via the Bethel website and must be insured. Freshmen living on campus are not permitted to have cars on campus. Exceptions for extenuating circumstances may be requested through the student development office.

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.

- **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 Wind Ensemble** performs repertoire of the highest quality from original band compositions to orchestral transcriptions. The ensemble provides opportunities for students to continue their instrumental growth and development. The ensemble 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, ethnic pieces, 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 often 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 online by the Bethel College Student Association. It provides a student view of activities at the college.

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 division of language & literature 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 participate in a meal plan during their first four semesters at Bethel. Housing is available for single students ages 17 and older, and preference is given to those 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, StuCoworks 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 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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