



PROVIDENCE

PROGRAM OUTCOMES FOR BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (3-Year and 4-Year Advanced)

The Biblical Studies Program is multidisciplinary in approach. We draw on the insights of other academic fields to assist opening the biblical text for contemporary readers in the Christian tradition. We research and teach the Bible and its reception in the church, the academy, and in popular culture. We also investigate its language, historical settings, transmission, enculturation, and the symbiotic relationship between the interpreter's social setting and the interpretation of the text. While the diversity of this study places an emphasis on methods, we remain committed to an articulation of biblical theology consistent with our confession of the Bible as the Word of God. Courses include those focused on biblical books such as The Pentateuch, Former Prophets, Hebrew Prophets, Wisdom Literature, Pauline Literature, Mark, and Revelation. Additionally, the department features interdisciplinary courses drawing on a broad range of approaches including Animals in the Bible, Gender in the Hebrew Bible, Bible and the Arts, and Monsters in the Bible. This program prepares students entering church or para-church ministry as well as those pursuing graduate studies in Religion. A full review of the program occurs every three years.

Program Goals	Measurement Means	Cycle	Next Collection Date	Persons Responsible
Students will understand academic biblical and theological studies more fully. Supporting Academic Goal 1	DIRECT: 70% of students will achieve 75% or higher on research paper in a .3x level course. INDIRECT: Student feedback on course and instructor form for .3x classes.	DIRECT: Once per academic year INDIRECT: Done at the end of each semester	DIRECT: May 15, 2023 INDIRECT: Jan 15, 2023 and May 15, 2023	DIRECT: Dr. Heather Macumber INDIRECT: Academic Support Assistant



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<p>Students will articulate and communicate the relevance of the Bible and Christian Theology for, and its impact on contemporary society. Supporting Academic Goal 3 and 4</p>	<p>DIRECT: 70% of students will achieve 75% or higher on a creative project (e.g. presentations, game design, newspaper, podcast). See rubrics provided.</p> <p>INDIRECT: Student response sheet (feedback) explaining process of moving from academic to contemporary application.</p>	<p>DIRECT: Once per academic year.</p> <p>INDIRECT: At the end of each semester.</p>	<p>DIRECT: May 15, 2023</p> <p>INDIRECT: Jan 15, 2023 and May 15, 2023</p>	<p>DIRECT: Dr. Heather Macumber</p> <p>INDIRECT: Academic Support Assistant</p>
<p>Students will develop vocational skills relevant to pastoral ministry and/or graduate studies in Religion. Supporting Academic Goal 5</p>	<p>DIRECT: Data collection of graduates' employment or further studies.</p> <p>INDIRECT: Alumni survey regarding employment rates and further studies.</p>	<p>DIRECT: Once per academic year.</p> <p>INDIRECT: DONE at the end the academic year.</p>	<p>DIRECT: May 15, 2023</p> <p>INDIRECT: Oct 1, 2023</p>	<p>DIRECT: Dr. Greco</p> <p>INDIRECT: Grace Sandulak, Alumni Relations Coordinator</p>