

Biblical Studies, Christian Education, and Philosophy

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The purpose of the biblical studies, Christian education, and philosophy department is to provide students with a solid understanding of the foundation of the Christian faith to enhance any vocation, to prepare for church or para-church ministry, or to prepare for graduate study. This preparation is two-fold: First, the department provides a significant portion of the “faith” side of the integration of faith and learning by teaching four general education courses required of the entire student body. These four courses (BIB 110 and 210, REL 313, and PHI 413) are sequenced with each successive course serving as the prerequisite for the next. As a whole, these general education courses are designed to equip students with enough theological and philosophical substance to be able to integrate biblical truth within their respective disciplines as well as think and live “Christianly” in our post-modern world. A.W. Tozer said, “The history of mankind will probably show that no people has ever risen above its religion, and man’s spiritual history will positively demonstrate that no religion has ever been greater than its idea of God.” Thus, the ultimate goal of the general education courses taught within this department is that the student know and love God with all his or her heart and mind (John 17:31; Luke 10:27) and become more Christ-like in thought, speech and action (Romans 8:29).

Second, the department offers three majors—biblical literature, Christian educational ministries, and philosophy—to prepare students who will demonstrate competence in biblical, educational, and philosophical truth in preparation for graduate studies and lifelong servant/leadership roles in professional Christian ministries. In addition, eight minors are offered in biblical languages, biblical literature, Christian educational ministries, philosophy, intercultural studies/missions, applied missions, youth ministry, and ethics. These majors and minors are designed to complement other majors, and consequently, students are encouraged to consider adding a second major or a minor from the BSCEP department to enhance their primary program of study.

Many students with the department choose to take advantage of Taylor’s affiliation with Jerusalem University College and spend a semester studying in Jerusalem. Men and women anticipating seminary study should also select other electives in their undergraduate course of study that encompass the world of ideas, nature and human affairs.

Biblical Studies

The biblical studies major is designed for students who desire a robust intellectual understanding of the foundation of the Christian faith. In the process of the major, students study significant portions of the biblical text and explore various approaches to understanding it. The goal is that the student understand the traditional view of the biblical text and why it has endured, and be able to critically evaluate alternative explanations.

Students who take this major anticipating graduate study and professional ministry should also take an introductory course in philosophy and logic and be able to read at least one theologically significant foreign language. The primary language is Greek, although Hebrew is also recommended. Students who plan to pursue seminary study should seek the counsel of the department faculty and consult with the appropriate denominational authorities to determine which graduate school(s) would best prepare them for their anticipated career. Early in their senior year, students should correspond with the school(s) to which they intend to apply.

Biblical Literature (BA)

The bachelor of arts degree with a major in biblical literature requires 33 hours beyond BIB 110 and 210; two years of sequential study in one foreign language; at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses; and the writing, presenting and defending of a scholarly paper in the senior year to meet the comprehensive exam requirement. At least 24 of the 33 major hours must be in biblical literature. Students are encouraged to fulfill their language requirements by studying two years of Greek or Hebrew.

Major Requirements

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
BIB 320	3	Pentateuch
BIB 341	3	The Gospels
BIB 462	3	Biblical Theology
BIB 480	3	Seminar in Biblical Literature

Select one course from the following:

PHI 262	3	Contemporary Issues
PHI 371	3	Principles of Ethics

Electives

Select nine hours of BIB electives.

Select six additional elective hours from BIB, CED, PHI, or REL courses.

Must earn at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses: IAS 110, BIB 110, BIB 210, REL 313, PHI 413, IAS 495.

Biblical Literature/Systems (BS)

The bachelor of science degree with a major in biblical literature/systems consists of the 33-hour biblical literature major (beyond BIB 110 and 210) and curriculum requirements in systems analysis; at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses; and the writing, presenting and defending of a scholarly paper in the senior year to meet the comprehensive exam requirement. *All systems curriculum courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better.*

COS 120	4	Introduction to Computer Science I
IAS 330	3	Human Relations in Organizations
MAT 151	4	Calculus I
MAT 382	3	Advanced Statistical Methods
SYS 101	3	Introduction to Systems
SYS 390	3	Information Systems Analysis
SYS 392	1	Systems Seminar
SYS 394	3	Information Systems Design
BIB 393	3-4	Practicum

Select one course from the following:

COS 121	4	Introduction to Computer Science II
COS 240	3	Business Application Programming

Select one course from the following:

MAT 210	4	Introductory Statistics
MAT 352	4	Mathematical Statistics

Select one course from the following:

*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation

Systems Electives

Select at least three hours of electives in addition to those required in the major or systems.

COS 265	3	Data Structures and Algorithms
COS 382	3	Language Structures
MAT 230	4	Calculus II
MAT 240	4	Calculus III
MAT 245	4	Linear Algebra
MAT 251	4	Differential Equations
SYS 214	3	Principles of Human Computer Interaction
SYS 310	3	E-Commerce
*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation
SYS 403	3	Operations Management

*Courses in both areas may count only once.

Must earn at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses: IAS 110, BIB 110, BIB 210, REL 313, PHI 413, IAS 495.

Biblical Literature Minor

A minor in biblical literature requires 15 hours of credit beyond the general education required courses of BIB 110 and 210. Courses in both areas may count only once.

Minor Requirements

Select six hours of Old Testament courses from:

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
BIB 320	3	Pentateuch
BIB 340	3	Hebrew Prophets
BIB 350	3	Poetic and Wisdom Literature
BIB 362	3	Jewish Literature of the Second Temple Period
BIB 420	3	Apocalyptic Literature of the Bible
BIB 452	3	Old Testament Historical Literature
BIB 462	3	Biblical Theology
BIB 480	3	Seminar in Biblical Literature

Select six hours of New Testament courses from:

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
BIB 330	3	Acts and the Early Church
BIB 331	3	Pauline Epistles
BIB 332	3	Hebrews and General Epistles
BIB 341	3	The Gospels
BIB 362	3	Jewish Literature of the Second Temple Period
BIB 420	3	Apocalyptic Literature of the Bible
BIB 462	3	Biblical Theology
BIB 480	3	Seminar in Biblical Literature

Select at least one 3-hour BIB, REL, or CED course.

Biblical Languages Minor

A minor in biblical languages consists of 23 credit hours. Primarily, these courses enable one to read and study the Bible in the original languages. Enrichment of historical concepts of communication, depth and breadth of Christian perspective and cultural appreciation of the biblical world are secondary concerns of biblical language studies. Two years study of Greek or Hebrew meets the language requirement for graduation and satisfies or exceeds language entrance requirements for most seminaries.

Minor Requirements

Select one option:

Option 1

GRK 201	4	Elementary New Testament Greek I
GRK 202	4	Elementary New Testament Greek II
GRK 301	3	Greek Grammar and Syntax
GRK 302	3	Exegesis of the Greek New Testament
GRK 450	3	Seminar in Biblical Languages
HEB 211	3	Elementary Old Testament Hebrew I
HEB 212	3	Elementary Old Testament Hebrew II

Option 2

GRK 201	4	Elementary New Testament Greek I
GRK 202	4	Elementary New Testament Greek II
GRK 450	3	Seminar in Biblical Languages
HEB 211	3	Elementary Old Testament Hebrew I
HEB 212	3	Elementary Old Testament Hebrew II
HEB 311	3	Hebrew Syntax and Lexicography
HEB 312	3	Hebrew Exegesis

Christian Educational Ministries

The purpose of the Christian educational ministries program of Taylor University is to provide a foundation for students who are pursuing careers in church, para-church ministry, or graduate school. In addition to the major, students often pursue one of the following interdisciplinary areas of concentration: youth ministry, children's ministry, intercultural ministry, urban ministry, camping and recreational ministry, administrative ministry or music ministry. The Christian educational ministries program at Taylor University is characterized by a whole-person focus. Courses balance theory and practice as the biblical, theological, historical, philosophical and educational foundations of ministry are explored. Spiritual formation in the context of a learning community is emphasized. Students learn collaborative thinking, planning, programming and evaluation strategies while they are encouraged to identify and use their spiritual gifts in ministry. Students are encouraged to study in an off-campus program for at least one semester.

Students may apply for admission to the Christian educational ministries program upon completion of CED 100 and 262 and one semester of experience in a departmentally approved ministry. Students are considered for acceptance if they meet the following criteria: major GPA of 3.00; cumulative GPA of 2.50; at least one semester of experience in a departmentally approved ministry; and an interview with members of the Christian educational ministries faculty.

The application process includes the following components: (1) complete a written application; (2) submit letters of recommendation from a pastor, ministry supervisor, and for residential students, a residence-life staff person [nonresidential students must provide an additional character reference]; and (3) participate in an interview with the Christian educational ministries faculty.

Christian Educational Ministries (BA)

A bachelor of arts degree with a major in Christian educational ministries requires 48-49 hours in the major; two years of sequential study in one foreign language; four semesters of a departmentally approved ministry; at least a grade of C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses; and the writing of a scholarly paper in the senior year to meet the comprehensive exam requirement. Students are encouraged to fulfill their language requirements by studying two years of Greek.

Major Requirements

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
BIB 462	3	Biblical Theology
CED 100	3	Introduction to Christian Educational Ministries
CED 232	3	Historical and Theological Foundations for Christian Educational Ministries
CED 242	3	Psychological and Educational Foundations for Christian Educational Ministries
CED 262	3	Personal Foundations for Ministry
CED 351	3	Teaching and Learning Strategies
CED 352	3	Program and Curriculum Development
CED 371	3	Leadership Development
CED 393	3-4	Practicum
CED 421	3	Philosophy and Strategies for Christian Educational Ministries
CED 493	3	Christian Educational Ministries Senior Capstone
PSY 250	3	Life Span Development

Select one course from the following:
 PHI 262 3 Contemporary Issues
 PHI 371 3 Principles of Ethics

Electives
 Select two BIB elective courses.

Must earn at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses:
 IAS 110, BIB 110, BIB 210, REL 313, PHI 413, IAS 495.

Christian Educational Ministries/Systems (BS)

A bachelor of science degree with a major in Christian educational ministries/systems consists of the 48-49 hour Christian educational ministries requirement and curriculum requirements in systems analysis; four semesters of a departmentally approved ministry; at least a grade of C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses; and the writing of a scholarly paper in the senior year to meet the comprehensive exam requirement. All systems curriculum courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better.

COS 120	4	Introduction to Computer Science I
IAS 330	3	Human Relations in Organizations
MAT 151	4	Calculus I
MAT 382	3	Advanced Statistical Methods
SYS 101	3	Introduction to Systems
SYS 390	3	Information Systems Analysis
SYS 392	1	Systems Seminar
SYS 394	3	Information Systems Design
CED 393	3-4	Practicum

Select one course from the following:

COS 121	4	Introduction to Computer Science II
COS 240	3	Business Application Programming

Select one course from the following:

MAT 210	4	Introductory Statistics
MAT 352	4	Mathematical Statistics

Select one course from the following:

*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation

Systems Electives

Select at least three hours of electives in addition to those required in the major or systems.

COS 265	3	Data Structures and Algorithms
COS 382	3	Language Structures
MAT 230	4	Calculus II
MAT 240	4	Calculus III
MAT 245	4	Linear Algebra
MAT 251	4	Differential Equations
SYS 214	3	Principles of Human Computer Interaction
SYS 310	3	E-Commerce
*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation
SYS 403	3	Operations Management

*Courses in both areas may count only once.

Must earn at least a C- in all general education spiritual foundation courses: IAS 110, BIB 110, BIB 210, REL 313, PHI 413, IAS 495.

Christian Educational Ministries Minor

A minor in Christian educational ministries requires at least 18 credit hours and two semesters of experience in departmentally approved ministry.

Minor Requirements

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
CED 100	3	Introduction to Christian Educational Ministries
CED 262	3	Personal Foundations for Ministry
CED 351	3	Teaching and Learning Strategies
CED 352	3	Program and Curriculum Development
CED 371	3	Leadership Development

Philosophy

The purpose of a major in philosophy is to provide students with a basic understanding in the main areas of philosophical inquiry, thereby furthering their skills in reasoning, oral and written expression, and the formulation of an informed Christian world view.

Philosophy (BA)

The bachelor of arts degree with a major in philosophy requires two years of one foreign language; at least 30 hours in the major; and the writing of a scholarly paper in the senior year that meets the comprehensive exam requirement.

Major Requirements

PHI 201	3	Logic
PHI 202	3	History of Philosophy I
PHI 203	3	History of Philosophy II
PHI 413	3	Contemporary Christian Belief
PHI 452	3	Philosophy of Religion

Select 15 hours from:

PHI 110	3	Introduction to Philosophy
PHI 262	3	Contemporary Issues
PHI 322	3	World Religions: Western Tradition
PHI 323	3	World Religions: Eastern Tradition
PHI 342	3	Aesthetics
PHI 355	3	Metaphysics
PHI 371	3	Principles of Ethics
PHI 432	3	Epistemology
PHI 445	3	Philosophy of Mind
POS 361	3	Political Philosophy
POS 362	3	Christian Political Thought

Philosophy/Systems (BS)

A bachelor of science degree with a major in philosophy/systems requires the 30-hour philosophy major requirements; curriculum requirements in systems analysis; and the writing of a scholarly paper in the senior year to meet the comprehensive exam requirement. *All systems curriculum courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better.*

COS 120	4	Introduction to Computer Science I
IAS 330	3	Human Relations in Organizations
MAT 151	4	Calculus I
MAT 382	3	Advanced Statistical Methods
SYS 101	3	Introduction to Systems
SYS 390	3	Information Systems Analysis
SYS 392	1	Systems Seminar
SYS 394	3	Information Systems Design
PHI 393	3-4	Practicum

Select one course from the following:

COS 121	4	Introduction to Computer Science II
COS 240	3	Business Application Programming

Select one course from the following:

MAT 210	4	Introductory Statistics
MAT 352	4	Mathematical Statistics

Select one course from the following:

*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation

Systems Electives

Select at least three hours of electives in addition to those required in the major or systems.

COS 265	3	Data Structures and Algorithms
COS 382	3	Language Structures
MAT 230	4	Calculus II
MAT 240	4	Calculus III
MAT 245	4	Linear Algebra
MAT 251	4	Differential Equations
SYS 214	3	Principles of Human Computer Interaction
SYS 310	3	E-Commerce
*SYS 401	4	Operations Research
*SYS 402	4	Modeling and Simulation
SYS 403	3	Operations Management

*Courses in both areas may count only once.

Philosophy Minor

A minor in philosophy requires the completion of 16 hours.

Minor Requirements

PHI 201	3	Logic
PHI 413	3	Contemporary Christian Belief

Select one course from the following:

PHI 202	3	History of Philosophy I
PHI 203	3	History of Philosophy II

Select seven hours of PHI electives. POS 361 and 362 may also count as electives for the minor.

Ethics Minor

A minor in ethics requires the completion of 18 hours.

Minor Requirements

PHI 371	3	Principles of Ethics
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Select 15 credit hours from the following:

BIO 410	3	Bioethics
COS 311	2	Ethics in Computer Science
ENS 383	4	Environmental Ethics
MGT 311	3	Business Law
MGT 442	3	Business Ethics
PHI 262	3	Contemporary Issues
PHI 370	1	Ethics Bowl
PSY 210	2	Ethics in Psychology
SOC 210	3	Contemporary Social Issues

Intercultural Studies/Missions Minor

A minor in intercultural studies/missions requires the completion of 20 credit hours and prepares students for effective and committed service in cross-cultural ministry or missions mobilization.

Minor Requirements

BIB 330	3	Acts and the Early Church
REL 311	3	Foundations of Christian World Mission
REL 391	3	Preparation and Strategy for Christian World Mission
REL 432	2	World Mission Area Studies
SOC 200	3	Cultural Anthropology

Select one course from the following:

PHI 322	3	World Religions: Western Tradition
PHI 323	3	World Religions: Eastern Tradition

In addition, the student must complete a cross-cultural experience that may or may not be for credit. Suggestions include involvement in Taylor World Outreach/Lighthouse, a semester abroad, Christian Center for Urban Studies or the REL 393 practicum. Approval is to be secured in advance from the department through the program director.

The final course must be approved by the program director and must enhance the purpose for selecting the minor program. Previous course selections have included offerings in communication–new media, environmental science, biblical literature, linguistics and history and geography of a particular region.

Applied Missions Minor (Ireland)

The Irish applied missions minor is administered in Galway, Ireland at *An Tobar Nua*, in conjunction with the Irish Studies Program and requires the approval of the department chair and completion of 18 hours.

Minor Requirements

Courses taken at Taylor:

ISP 310	1	Preparation for Cross Cultural Study
REL 311	3	Foundations of Christian World Mission

Courses taken at An Tobar Nua, Galway, Ireland:

REL 391	3	Preparation and Strategy for Christian World Mission
REL 432	2	World Mission Area Studies
ISP 320	2	Living Cross-Culturally
ISP 350	3	History and Culture of Ireland
XXX 393	4	Practicum (<i>in missions or field of choice</i>)

Students who took ISP 225 or 325 as part of the Ireland Studies Program do not need to take ISP 350 in Galway.

Youth Ministry Minor

The minor in youth ministry is an academic program for students from various baccalaureate majors interested in developing their skills in ministering to youth. This program also provides Christian educational ministries majors with an optional area of specialization in youth ministry. The minor in youth ministry helps prepare graduates for ministries such as InterVarsity, Campus Crusade, Young Life and Youth for Christ.

In addition, the minor may be earned in combination with any major as an ideal way for students to integrate career and ministry goals. Students majoring in biblical literature, Christian educational ministries or philosophy who plan to work with youth may strengthen their credentials by adding the minor. The student must complete 18-24 credit hours.

Minor Requirements

BIB 272	3	Inductive Study of the Bible
CED 100	3	Introduction to Christian Educational Ministries
CED 221	3	Ministry to Youth
CED 312	2	Evangelism in Youth Ministry
CED 322	2	Discipleship in Youth Ministry
CED 393	2-4	Practicum

Select one of the following:

*PSY 250	3	Life Span Development
*PSY 340	3	Adolescent Psychology

*Students majoring in Christian educational ministries and minoring in youth ministry must complete both PSY 250 and 340 or complete a second 3-hour practicum.

Certificate in Missions

The BSCEP department awards a Certificate in Missions to students in any baccalaureate major program. Students are required to complete 14 hours. Students desiring to work for the Missions Certificate must complete an application, which is available through the program director or the BSCEP program assistant. The student will be responsible for demonstrating his or her completion of the certificate requirements by submitting a completed application along with a copy of his or her transcript to the program director no less than 30 days prior to graduation. Work in progress will be accepted. This certificate is awarded by the department and does not include a transcript entry.

Certificate Requirements

BIB 330	3	Acts and the Early Church
REL 311	3	Foundations of Christian World Mission
REL 391	3	Preparation and Strategy for Christian World Mission
REL 432	2	World Mission Area Studies

Select one course from the following:

PHI 322	3	World Religions: Western Tradition
PHI 323	3	World Religions: Eastern Tradition

In addition, the student must complete a cross-cultural experience that may or may not be for credit. Suggestions include involvement in Taylor World Outreach/Lighthouse, a semester abroad, Christian Center for Urban Studies and the REL 393 practicum. Approval is to be secured in advance from the department through the program director.

The final course must enhance the purpose for selecting the minor program and may be selected from a number of course offerings throughout the University. This course must be approved by the program director.

Master of Arts in Religious Studies (MARS)

The BSCEP department also offers a Master of Arts degree in Religious Studies. This 36-hour program currently offers two concentrations: Biblical Studies and World Religions. Complete information on this program may be found on the MARS web site (<http://www.taylor.edu/mars>). During their senior year Taylor undergraduates may take graduate-level courses that may be applied to their Biblical Studies major as well as count toward the MARS degree. For further information including the required GPA and courses available, students should consult with the MARS program chair or director.

Biblical Literature Courses

BIB 103 3 hours Introduction to Holy Land Studies

A study of the biblical background and contemporary significance of Israel. Taught in Israel during January, this travel-study course may count for either BIB 110, 210 or a departmental elective. Offered January interterm—when available.

BIB 110 3 hours Biblical Literature I

A course that has as its primary content the Old Testament, with special attention given to the law, the prophets and the history of Israel. BIB 310 is designed primarily for transfer students and has additional requirements. Meets general education requirement.

BIB 170 1-4 hours Selected Topics

A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

BIB 203 3 hours In the Footsteps of Paul

A study of the biblical background and contemporary significance of cities Paul visited and wrote to in Greece and Turkey or Greece and Italy. Taught during January, this travel-study course may count for BIB 210 or a departmental elective. Offered January interterm.

BIB 210 3 hours Biblical Literature II

A course that includes a foundation in New Testament study with focus on Jesus Christ as portrayed in the Gospels and Epistles. Also included is a series of explorations into the relevancy of Christ to modern life. Meets general education requirement. Prerequisite: BIB 110/310.

BIB 270 1-4 hours Selected Topics

A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

BIB 272 3 hours Inductive Study of the Bible

Specific methods are taught to enable students to understand the propositions of the biblical text, relate those propositions to one another, and ask questions of the text in order to discover what the biblical writers meant to convey through their writings. This course incorporates the departmental computer competency requirements for biblical literature and Christian education majors. Prerequisites: BIB 110/310 and 210.

BIB 310 3 hours Biblical Literature I

See BIB 110. Primarily for transfer students and has additional requirements. Meets general education requirement. Available upon request and with permission of the instructor.

BIB 320 3 hours Pentateuch

Emphasizes the historical narrative and the content of the Law of God. Special attention is given to the Genesis account of the origin of the cosmos, man, sin and salvation. The authorship of the Pentateuch is considered. Prerequisite: BIB 110/310. Offered spring semester.

BIB 330 3 hours Acts and the Early Church

A historical study with particular attention given to the missionary expansion of the early Church, the work of the Holy Spirit and the place of the Church in the world. Prerequisite: BIB 210. Offered spring semester.

BIB 331 3 hours Pauline Epistles

Attention is given to the life, ministry and writings of Paul. The doctrinal, pastoral and personal epistles of Paul are studied with reference to their geographical and historical settings, the organization of the Apostolic Church and the development of Christian doctrine. Careful exegesis is made of selected portions of each epistle. Prerequisite: BIB 210. Offered fall semester.

BIB 332 3 hours
Hebrews and General Epistles
A study of the non-Pauline epistles with attention to their authorship, historical place in the canon and doctrinal uniqueness. The contents of each book are analyzed, and problem texts are treated. *Prerequisite: BIB 210. Offered spring semester of odd years.*

BIB 340 3 hours
Hebrew Prophets
Selected major and minor prophetic works of the Old Testament are considered, with special emphasis given to the historical background, Messianic message and content, together with specific theological concepts and teachings that are pertinent to modern times. *Prerequisite: BIB 110/310. Offered fall semester.*

BIB 341 3 hours
The Gospels
Stresses the life and teaching of Jesus as set forth in the Synoptic Gospels and John. Attention is given to the literary and theological characteristics of each individual gospel and to the development of gospel criticism. The primary focus, however, is on the words and works of Jesus Christ and their significance for Christians today. *Prerequisite: BIB 210. Offered fall semester.*

BIB 350 3 hours
Poetic and Wisdom Literature
Hebrew poetry and wisdom as presented in the books of Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Lamentations and the Song of Solomon. *Prerequisite: BIB 110/310. Offered fall semester.*

BIB 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

BIB 362 3 hours
Jewish Literature of the Second Temple Period
The development of Judaism, beginning with the Ezra literature through the Bar Kochba revolt. *Prerequisite: BIB 110/310. Offered spring semester of even years.*

BIB 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

BIB 393 3-4 hours
Practicum
Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. *Offered primarily during summer.*

BIB 420 3 hours
Apocalyptic Literature of the Bible
Examines the historical and theological dimensions of Old Testament, New Testament, and second Temple period apocalypticism. Special attention is given to apocalyptic thought in Daniel, the gospels, and Revelation. *Prerequisite: BIB 210. Offered spring semester of even years.*

BIB 450 1-4 hours
Directed Research
Investigative learning involving closely directed research and the use of such facilities as the library or laboratory.

BIB 452 3 hours
Old Testament Historical Literature
Selected historical books in the Old Testament are considered, with particular emphasis given to the authorship, historical theory, and theological content of these books. *Prerequisite: BIB 110/310. Offered spring semester of odd years.*

BIB 462 3 hours
Biblical Theology
A study of the Bible and its central message and meaning. The Bible is viewed as recording a special kind of history revealing God's will and purpose and giving essential meaning to all human life and destiny. This course is normally taken during the senior year. *Prerequisite: BIB 272.*

BIB 480 3 hours
Seminar in Biblical Literature
A research course focusing on key exegetical, historical, and theological issues crucial to a proper understanding of the biblical literature. This course meets university requirements for senior comprehensive exams for biblical literature majors. *Prerequisites: BIB 272, 320 and 341. Offered spring semester.*

BIB 490 1-2 hours
Honors
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

Christian Educational Ministries Courses

CED 100 3 hours
Introduction to Christian Educational Ministries
A course that focuses on the purpose and scope of Christian educational ministries and the types of ministries available to majors. *Prerequisite for all other CED courses except CED 221, 312, 322 and 392.*

CED 170 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

CED 221 3 hours
Ministry to Youth
A general study of the various programs used to meet the needs of junior high and senior high youth through church and parachurch ministries. *Offered fall semester.*

CED 232 3 hours
Historical and Theological Foundations for Christian Educational Ministries
A course focusing on the biblical, theological, historical, and philosophical foundations for Christian educational ministry. *Prerequisite: CED 100. Offered fall semester.*

CED 242 3 hours
Psychological and Educational Foundations for Christian Educational Ministries
A course focusing on theories of human development and learning, as well as educational theory. Applications for ministry settings are explored. *Offered spring semester.*

CED 262 3 hours
Personal Foundations for Ministry
Students' capacity for ministry is enhanced in this course by facilitating personal growth and development. Emphasis is given to the ways theological truths address life issues. *Prerequisite: CED 100.*

CED 270 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

CED 300 3 hours
Cross-Cultural Christian Education
Stresses principles of cross-cultural communication, evangelism, teaching, and leadership development involving a field experience of ministering in another culture. *Offered summer semester.*

CED 312 2 hours
Evangelism in Youth Ministry
An intensive study of the various theories and approaches used to prepare junior high and senior high youth to become Christians. Offered spring semester.

CED 322 2 hours
Discipleship in Youth Ministry
An intensive study of the theories and approaches used to help junior high and senior high youth to grow and develop in their faith. Offered fall semester.

CED 351 3 hours
Teaching and Learning Strategies
A practical course designed to help the student teach the Bible more effectively by the use of educational strategies. A teaching lab and supervision are included, and competency in the use of instructional media is required. Prerequisites: CED 100 and BIB 272. Offered fall semester.

CED 352 3 hours
Program and Curriculum Development
A course that focuses on the development of educational programs within church and parachurch ministries. Emphasis is on published curricula and the development of curricular writing skills. Prerequisite: CED 351. Offered spring semester.

CED 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

CED 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

CED 371 3 hours
Leadership Development
A course designed to facilitate the development of students' skills in leadership, organization and management related to specific ministry situations. Prerequisite: CED 100. Offered fall semester.

CED 393 2-4 hours
Christian Educational Ministries Practicum
A practical, supervised involvement in ministry, preferably after a student's junior year. Majors must enroll for 3-4 hours. Youth ministry minor requires 2-4 hours. Offered summer semester.

CED 421 3 hours
Philosophy and Strategies for Christian Educational Ministries
A research course designed to help students articulate their philosophies of ministry within a particular age group or ministry context. Attention is given to critical areas of need within Christian education. This course meets university requirements for senior comprehensive exams for Christian education majors. Graduating CEM majors only. Offered spring semester.

CED 450 1-4 hours
Directed Research
Investigative learning involving closely directed research and the use of such facilities as the library or laboratory.

CED 490 1-2 hours
Honors
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

CED 492 5-8 hours
Christian Educational Ministries Internship
A practical, semester-long, supervised ministry experience in Cuenca, Ecuador. Permission required from CEM program advisor and CEM Ecuador program liaison.

CED 493 3 hours
Christian Educational Ministries Senior Capstone
This integrative course exposes students to models of ministry and vocational direction through research and participative observation and experiences. This course introduces the method for the final philosophy of ministry comprehensive paper. A substantive exposure trip is part of the course structure. Offered January interterm.

Greek and Hebrew Courses

†Greek or Hebrew may be used to fulfill Taylor University's foreign language requirements.

GRK 170 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

GRK 201† 4 hours
Elementary New Testament Greek I
A study of the fundamental principles of New Testament (Koine) Greek grammar. Emphasis is placed on the mastery of forms, memorization of vocabulary, and translation of sentences from Greek to English. Offered fall semester.

GRK 202† 4 hours
Elementary New Testament Greek II
A continuation of the study of the fundamental principles of New Testament (Koine) Greek grammar. John's First Epistle is translated during the last half of the semester. Prerequisite: GRK 201. Offered spring semester.

GRK 270 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

GRK 301† 3 hours
Greek Grammar and Syntax
An intermediate Koine Greek grammar course that places special emphasis on the more exegetically significant details of Greek grammar and syntax by reading and analyzing selected portions of the Greek New Testament. Prerequisite: GRK 202. Offered fall semester.

GRK 302† 3 hours
Exegesis of the Greek New Testament
An introduction to the procedure and practice of Greek exegesis. Emphasis is placed on the "how-to's" of doing textual criticism, word studies, outlining the argument of a passage, validating exegetical decisions, and the proper use of exegetical tools. Prerequisite: GRK 301. Offered spring semester.

GRK 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

GRK 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

GRK 393 1-4 hours
Practicum
Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. *Offered primarily during summer.*

GRK 401 3 hours
Advanced Exegesis of the Greek New Testament
An extension of skills developed in GRK 301 and 302. *Offered by arrangement with the instructor.*

GRK 450 3 hours
Seminar in Biblical Languages
Stresses translation and exegesis of Greek and Hebrew texts. Special issues such as the New Testament's use of the Old Testament are considered. *Prerequisites: GRK 202 and HEB 212. Offered spring semester.*

GRK 480 1-4 hours
Seminar
A limited-enrollment course designed especially for upper-class majors with emphasis on directed readings and discussion.

GRK 490 1-2 hours
Honors
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. It is open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

HEB 170 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

HEB 211† 3 hours
Elementary Old Testament Hebrew I
A study of the fundamental principles of Old Testament Hebrew. Emphasis is placed on the mastery of forms and memorization of vocabulary skills, with a focus on the basic forms of the verb (sometimes called "Qal" stem). *Offered fall semester of even years.*

HEB 212† 3 hours
Elementary Old Testament Hebrew II
A continuation of the study of basic Old Testament Hebrew grammar and vocabulary with an emphasis on solidifying Hebrew reading skills and a focus on the more complex forms of the verb (sometimes called "derived" stems). *Prerequisite: HEB 211. Offered spring semester of odd years.*

HEB 270 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

HEB 311† 3 hours
Hebrew Syntax and Lexicography
Introduction to principles and practice of Hebrew syntactical analysis and lexicography, along with development of reading skills and additional Hebrew vocabulary. *Prerequisite: HEB 212. Offered fall semester of odd years.*

HEB 312† 3 hours
Hebrew Exegesis
An introduction to the principles and practice of exegesis and textual criticism of the Hebrew Bible with an emphasis on developing vocabulary skills. *Prerequisite: HEB 311. Offered spring semester of even years.*

HEB 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

HEB 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

HEB 393 1-4 hours
Practicum
Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. *Offered primarily during summer.*

HEB 480 1-4 hours
Seminar
A limited-enrollment course designed especially for upper-class majors with emphasis on directed readings and discussion.

HEB 490 1-2 hours
Honors
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

Philosophy Courses

PHI 110 3 hours
Introduction to Philosophy
A survey of important issues and traditions in philosophy. *Offered fall semester.*

PHI 170 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

PHI 201 3 hours
Logic
A study of classical and contemporary formulations of the principles of human thought. Proper deductive and inductive logic is contrasted with fallacies. Categorical logic, truth functional logic, and quantificational logic are examined. *Offered fall semester.*

PHI 202 3 hours
History of Philosophy I
A survey of philosophical thought from the early pre-Socratic Greeks to the modern period. *Offered fall semester.*

PHI 203 3 hours
History of Philosophy II
A survey of philosophical thought from the modern period to contemporary movements such as linguistic analysis and phenomenology. *Offered spring semester.*

PHI 262 3 hours
Contemporary Issues
A systematic analysis of pressing issues such as sexual morality, divorce, abortion, homosexuality, euthanasia, and war and peace. *Offered spring semester.*

PHI 270 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. *May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.*

PHI 322 3 hours
World Religions: Western Tradition
A study of Judaism, Islam, Zoroastrianism, and related religious movements. *Offered fall semester.*

PHI 323 3 hours
World Religions: Eastern Tradition
A study of Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism, Shinto, and Chinese religions. Offered spring semester.

PHI 342 3 hours
Aesthetics
A study of classical and contemporary theories about the nature of art, the artistic process, the psychology of aesthetic experience, and standards for good art. Prerequisite: one other course in philosophy or consent of the instructor. Offered spring semesters of odd years.

PHI 355 3 hours
Metaphysics
A study of such issues as the nature of existence, identity, essences, causality, freedom, and space and time. Prerequisite: One other course in philosophy or consent of the instructor. Offered fall semester of odd years.

PHI 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

PHI 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

PHI 371 3 hours
Principles of Ethics
A survey of the theoretical foundations of ethics, such as the distinction between absolutist and relativistic views, the nature of justice, and the need for rules. Readings from classical and modern authors are included. Offered fall semester of odd years.

PHI 393 1-4 hours
Practicum
Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. Offered primarily during summer.

PHI 413 3 hours
Contemporary Christian Belief
The integration of Christian thought with contemporary ideas and an introduction to Christian apologetics. Meets general education requirement and is required of all students. Prerequisite: REL 313.

PHI 432 3 hours
Epistemology
Contemporary theories on the nature and limits of knowledge and the justification of beliefs. Prerequisite: PHI 202 or 203. Offered fall semester of even years.

PHI 445 3 hours
Philosophy of Mind
A study of philosophical theories of consciousness, perception, and intelligence, with special attention on contemporary research. Prerequisite: One other course in philosophy or consent of the instructor. Offered spring semester of even years.

PHI 450 1-4 hours
Directed Research
Investigative learning involving closely directed research and the use of such facilities as the library or laboratory.

PHI 452 3 hours
Philosophy of Religion
A study of the major issues in the philosophy of religion, including religious experience, theism, religious language, and the problem of evil. Prerequisite: PHI 202 or 203. Offered spring semester.

PHI 480 1-4 hours
Seminar
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. It is open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

PHI 490 1-2 hours
Honors
Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.

Religion Courses

REL 170 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

REL 270 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

REL 311 3 hours
Foundations of Christian World Mission
A study of the biblical, theological, and historical foundations of Christian mission strategy. Offered fall semester.

REL 313 3 hours
Historic Christian Belief
A survey of Christian belief as developed during the history of the Church. May not be counted toward BIB, CED, or PHI majors or minors. Meets general education requirement and is required of all students. Prerequisites: BIB 110/310 and 210/203.

REL 360 1-4 hours
Independent Study
An individualized, directed study involving a specified topic.

REL 370 1-4 hours
Selected Topics
A course offered on a subject of interest but not listed as a regular course offering. May count toward the departmental major and general education requirements.

REL 391 3 hours
Preparation and Strategy for Christian World Mission
An introduction to the personal and ministry issues relevant to missionary life and service. Trends and models of cross-cultural ministry are explored. Attention is given to knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential for cross-cultural adaptation. Offered spring semester or as part of the Applied Missions Minor.

REL 393 1-4 hours
Practicum
Supervised learning involving a first-hand field experience or a project. Generally, one hour of credit is awarded for a minimum of 40 hours of practicum experience. Offered primarily during summer.

REL 410 3 hours
Theology of Worship
A theological Biblical and historical study of Christian worship from a classical as well as contemporary perspective. This course examines the pattern, purpose and essential and non essential features of worship found in the Bible and in church history with the goal of formulating one's own theology and practice of Biblical worship. Open to Music, Biblical Studies, and Philosophy majors. Prerequisites: REL 313. Offered spring semester of odd years.

REL 432 2 hours

World Missions Area Studies

A research seminar designed for students to explore mission opportunities in an area of the world that interests them. The geography, people, history, economics, culture, government, language, and religion of an area and mission strategies appropriate to the region are considered. *Offered spring semester or as part of the Applied Missions Minor.*

REL 450 1-4 hours

Directed Research

Investigative learning involving closely directed research and the use of such facilities as the library or laboratory.

REL 480 1-4 hours

Seminar

A limited-enrollment course designed especially for upper-class majors with emphasis on directed readings and discussion.

REL 490 1-2 hours

Honors

Individualized study or research of an advanced topic within a student's major. *Open to students with at least a 3.00 GPA in the major field.*