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# FROM THE PRESIDENT



Grace Bible College is an incredible place. As president of Grace I am excited to welcome you to experience a life-transforming education. The Grace Bible College faculty, staff, and students are committed to being a growing community. By that we mean that each of us, starting with the president, realizes that we are still in process. We are not all that God designed and purposed us to be, nor are we content with that condition. Through competent instructors committed to academic excellence, and staff and administration committed to serving and growing, we believe Grace Bible College can be used by God to change your life!

The prevalent mentality of the day is intent on tolerance and policing certain words and activities deemed inappropriate or incorrect according to their own vacillating set of values. Grace Bible College believes that the eternal truths and values of the Word of God rightly divided are principles that pervade all areas of life and education.

The Apostle Paul states, *For in Him all things were created both in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together...so that He Himself might come to have first place in everything. (Colossians 1:16-18)*

I would conclude from the above Scripture that *Jesus Christ is to be the center* of life, speech, values, service, education and social relationships. The world we live in and its present crises are evidence of what happens when education and life are no longer Christ-centered. There is no value-free education, it is all taught from a particular worldview. I believe it is vital for our young men and women to be educated from a biblical worldview that prepares them for their careers, vocations, or further education with God's values and purposes in view.

Grace Bible College is committed to preparing the leaders of tomorrow to be all that God wants them to be, educationally, socially, physically, and spiritually. If that's your heart's desire—Grace is the place for you!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken B. Kemper". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "K" and "B".

Dr. Ken B. Kemper

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**WHAT'S NEW AT GBC?**

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## . . . WHAT'S NEW AT GBC?

Grace Bible College believes that God is working in the church and in society! Therefore, we are so glad then that you have chosen to be a part of the GBC family as we hold forth a message of grace. We trust that this year will be a time of spiritual growth, passionate service, and, yes, intellectual development. As we begin this year, here are some of the changes you will see:

- **NEW MINISTRY DEGREES** ... This year we roll out our new ministry emphases within our Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies degree program. You can choose from Pastoral, Youth, or Intercultural Ministries, or a General Ministry concentration that allows you to draw courses from each area of interest. Be sure to check out these programs!
- **WORSHIP ARTS** ... True worship speaks to matters of the heart, as well as draws us into the very presence of God. Here at GBC you will find a wonderful degree program that will prepare you professionally and spiritually by equipping you with the knowledge and skills you will need to lead worship. Feel free to contact our faculty and enrollment staff to learn more about this area of study.
- **NEW STANDARDS HONORING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE** ... The Dean's and President's Lists seek to honor those students who have excelled in the classroom. These lists are published every semester as we celebrate the accomplishments of those who have worked hard to do their very best in a rigorous academic environment. Congratulations to those students named to these lists!

### ... So What Hasn't Changed?

Our education is intentionally and pervasively *biblical* – it involves the serious study of God's inspired Word, and studies it from a perspective of acceptance and submission to its message rather than from a skeptical and critical perspective. The study of Scriptures is with intent to develop strong theological minds which can look biblically at all aspects of life and interpret experience by Scripture, rather than the other way around.

Our education is intentionally and pervasively *transformational* – it expects students to explore the moral implications of God's Word and through the participation of a local church community. It calls for a campus community to be a place of nurture for character development and living out of the Holy Spirit's fruit in our personal lives and relationships.

Our education is intentionally and pervasively *service oriented* – it calls on students to follow the example of Scripture and serve (2 Corinthians 4:5) in order to fully learn God's sense of calling and spiritual gifts and their proper use to enlarge and build up the Body of Christ. The development of passionate servants of Jesus Christ is the goal, learned mostly through participation together with others on campus and in the local church.

Our education is intentionally and pervasively *missional* – it relates to the present needs in the world around us both locally and globally. The student through this mindset learns God's concern for the peoples of the world and his role as a student of God's world and the people and cultures that exist around him. The student develops the ability to study God's Word and also God's world and its systems of belief and culture and effectively proclaim the message of reconciliation.

## . . . THE GRACE EXPERIENCE

Grace Bible College is committed to biblical higher education. First and foremost, this means we seek to engage our entire campus intentionally and pervasively in the study and application of the text of God's eternal Word. As an institution of higher learning, we are also committed to the pursuit of knowledge, understanding, wisdom, and skills, not as an end entirely unto themselves, but as the means by which we can become better equipped to more effectively meet the needs of the church and society, both now and in the future.

The mission of Grace Bible College is *Graduating Godly Individuals Prepared to Serve Christ in Church and Society*. As students work toward this end, it is expected that they will be people with **character** in who they are, **competence** in what they do, **compassion** as they relate to others and **commitment** to the gaining of knowledge and wisdom. The following outcomes are expected of all Grace Bible College students. In addition to these institutional outcomes, each degree program has specific outcomes which build upon and enhance these outcomes.

1. **KNOWING** – Students will increase their knowledge of God's word since this is foundational for all contained in Christian character. While God's word is given as special revelation, we also understand the need to grasp God's general revelation through creation which leads students to pursue a broad understanding of humanity. In a world of competing truth claims, students must be able to think critically and creatively as they acquire knowledge needed for life and work.
  - a. **Increasing Knowledge of God's Word:** ability to increasingly understanding the Bible as God's Word revealed to man throughout history
  - b. **Understanding of Humanity:** an expanding awareness and appreciation of humanity's social, emotional, historical, ethical, and physical development
  - c. **Critical and Creative Thinking:** ability to understand, apply, analyze, and evaluate concepts and beliefs as well as formulate clear expressions of one's own concepts and beliefs
  - d. **Knowledge Acquisition:** the ability to locate, evaluate and benefit from information needed to navigate life and work
2. **BEING** – Students will be people of strong character who are able to apply God's Word to their lives from the foundation of a Christian worldview resulting in behavior which is ethically sound and relationships which honor God.
  - a. **Applying the Word of God to life:** the ability to correctly understand God's Word and the principles from which we draw guidance and wisdom for the questions of life
  - b. **Christian Worldview:** an understanding of God's creation, the sinfulness of mankind, and the outworking of God's redemptive plan through human history
  - c. **Ethical Sound Behavior:** the ability to recognize difficult life situations and make right and just choices based on ethical standards and the Word of God
  - d. **God Honoring Relationships:** ability to engage people in relationships which admonish and edify all parties for the glory of God

3. **DOING** – In their course of study students will develop the skills needed for living and working in the world. This will necessitate strong communication skills and an ability to work with others in a variety of situations. Students will also develop their own life skills.
  - a. **Communication Skills:** the ability to communicate effectively in oral, written, and culturally relevant forms
  - b. **Work with Others:** the ability to accomplish tasks and assignments as part of a larger effort than one’s self
  - c. **Life Skills:** the ability to manage one’s personal life as a steward of God’s gift
  
4. **SERVING** – Students will develop a heart of compassion and concern for others demonstrated through service to church and society.
  - a. **Concern for Others:** understanding that God has created all people in his image and values them
  - b. **Service of Others:** giving of one’s time, talents and energy for the betterment of others in the church and in society

<b>GRADUATING GODLY INDIVIDUALS PREPARED TO SERVE CHRIST IN CHURCH AND SOCIETY</b>				
<b>Proficiencies &amp; Capacities</b>	<b>KNOWING</b>	<b>BEING</b>	<b>DOING</b>	<b>SERVING</b>
	Increasing Knowledge of God’s Word	Applying the Word of God to life	Communication Skills	Concern for Others
	Understanding of Humanity	Christian Worldview	Work with Others	Service of Others
	Critical and Creative Thinking	Ethical Behavior	Life Skills	
	Knowledge Acquisition	Proper Relationships		

## . . . OUR HISTORY

Grace Bible College began in 1939. It was founded as Milwaukee Bible Institute, a training center for laymen and Sunday School teachers of Milwaukee. The Institute was organized by Reverend Charles F. Baker, then pastor of Fundamental Bible Church. The regular day school program began in 1945. This move was stimulated by a group of evangelical pastors especially concerned about advancing a dispensational theology approach to the Bible, the distinctive character of the revelation given to the apostle Paul, and the preparation of full-time Christian workers to fulfill this goal. In 1953, the curriculum was broadened and Milwaukee Bible Institute became Milwaukee Bible College.

In 1961, the College relocated to suburban Grand Rapids, Michigan, and was renamed Grace Bible College. At that time, the State of Michigan granted the College the authority to grant Associate (ARE) and Bachelor of Religious Education (BRE) degrees. A year later, the College was given permission to grant a five-year Bachelor of Theology (BTh) degree, which for many years represented the highest level of academic preparation available at GBC. It is noteworthy that the majority of the pastors and missionaries affiliated with the Grace Gospel Fellowship are graduates of the College. While the Bachelor of Theology degree program is currently being phased out, our commitment to training men and women for ministry remains strong in our ministry emphases within our Biblical Studies degree.

Because of its commitment to serving the needs of the broader Christian community and society, Grace Bible College has expanded its degree programs over the years. In 1970, the State of Michigan authorized the College to grant an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in addition to the previously approved ARE degree. Today GBC offers two AA degrees – General Studies and Business. Then in 1997, the State of Michigan authorized Grace to grant the Bachelor of Music (BMus) and the Bachelor of Science (BS) degrees. Today Grace Bible College offers a degree in Worship Arts, as well as several Bachelor of Science degrees: Biblical Studies with emphases in Pastoral, Youth, Intercultural, and General Ministries; Human Services; Early Childhood Education; and Interdisciplinary Studies. Students can also choose to pursue further education through our partnerships with Davenport and Cornerstone Universities, which allow students to graduate with degrees from both institutions. We praise God that today there are thousands of GBC alumni employed in a wide range of vocations, as well as being actively involved in their local churches.

## . . . OUR LOCATION

Located just west of US 131, near the intersection of 28<sup>th</sup> Street and Clyde Park Avenue, Grace Bible College's campus can be found in Wyoming, Michigan, a suburb of the greater Grand Rapids metropolitan area. The area is serviced by major air, rail, and bus lines.



## ... OUR EDUCATIONAL PHILOSOPHY



Grace Bible College is committed to the idea that both ministerial and societal vocations involve the gifts and calling of God. Since its beginning in 1939, GBC has been committed to training young people for Christian ministry as pastors, missionaries, and other Christian workers. This is a continuing mission as GBC currently offers undergraduate degree programs designed to prepare individuals for professional Christian ministry. Over the years, the College has expanded its educational

program in order to provide a strong Christian education for as many young people as possible and to prepare them to be effective Christians in their chosen career fields and in their own churches. At present, GBC offers a variety of degree programs at the two-year and four-year level for these students.

Grace Bible College is an academic community committed to the intellectual and personal growth of its students, faculty and staff within the context of a Christian learning environment. In every degree program, the College seeks to expose, equip and empower its students with the content, competence and character necessary to impact the world around them for the glory of God. Therefore, the faculty, staff, and administration desire to see the following statements embodied in the programs and culture of our College:

**1. To create a learning environment wherein students understand the College's distinctive purpose.**

The first Commitment emphasizes the importance of students' abilities to interpret their life and social circumstances in the light of the inspired Word of God, as interpreted by the Pauline revelation for the present dispensation. Included in this area is the concern that students consider God's desires for their lives and service.

**2. To create a learning environment that will foster the integration of biblical and other academic knowledge, and serve as the framework within which value decisions may be made concerning matters of everyday life.**

The second Commitment articulates the concern that biblical/theological truth be taught in the context of life. Truth found in such disciplines as philosophy, literature, history, sociology, psychology, science, technology, and art should be correlated with God's Word.

**3. To create a learning environment that will help students develop an awareness of their intrinsic worth and reach their God-given potential.**

The third Commitment recognizes that it is a primary concern of the College to create a learning environment that encourages freedom of thought, participation, open questions, and the free exchange of ideas for every individual.

**4. To provide a foundation of knowledge, skill development, and practical experience whereby students may initiate career considerations.**

The fourth Commitment states GBC's desire that the variety of academic disciplines provides the knowledge base in which skills and abilities are developed. Students must gain practical experience and interaction through both in-class and out-of-class activities, including simulation, on-site observations, and personal involvement.

**5. To maintain an open, friendly environment conducive to meaningful student-teacher relationships.**

The fifth Commitment affirms the intention that each individual will seek to exhibit the virtues of accessibility, friendliness, and sensitivity, whether in class or out, whatever the occasion. The consideration of personal as well as academic issues are welcome.

**6. To nurture an understanding of the student's role as a servant and team-member in the body of Christ, through service to church and society.**

The sixth Commitment focuses on both a biblical imperative and a personal issue. God's Word identifies each individual's responsibility to fulfill with dignity the role of a servant. Self-disclosure of the faculty's example in ministry and societal activities highlights the importance of both church and community.

**7. To instill in students the desire and capacity for continued, lifelong learning.**

The seventh Commitment indicates the importance Grace Bible College assigns to the ability of each student to use the tools of intellectual inquiry, creative expression, and physical activity to contribute to future personal accomplishment and fulfillment. Development of skills in cognitive and critical thought, application of learning to life, interpersonal socialization, and spiritual character formation are areas of special concern.



## . . . OUR STATEMENT OF FAITH



The following is a statement of the doctrinal position to which the Board of Directors and administration of the College are committed:

- The verbal inspiration and plenary authority of the Bible in its original writings.
  - The eternal trinity of the godhead.
  - The eternal deity and spotless humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ.
  - The total depravity of humanity by nature.
  - Salvation by grace, through faith in the crucified and risen Christ.
  - The eternal security of the saved.
  - The personality and deity of the Holy Spirit.
  - The essential unity of all believers of the present dispensation as members of the one true church, the body of Christ.
  - The privilege and duty of all the saved to walk as children of light.
  - The communion of the Lord's supper, "until He comes."
  - The one divine baptism by which believers are made members of the Body of Christ at conversion as the only baptism necessary in God's spiritual program in this dispensation of the grace of God.
- The resurrection of the body.
  - The pretribulation rapture of the members of the body of Christ.
  - The personal, premillennial return of Christ to reign on earth.
  - The eternal punishment of the unsaved dead.
  - The worldwide preaching of the gospel of the grace of God.

## . . . OUR ACCREDITATION

Grace Bible College is dually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools and by the Commission on Accreditation of the Association for Biblical Higher Education.



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GBC is authorized by Michigan State Department of Education to award Bachelor of Theology, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Religious Education, Bachelor of Music, Associate of Arts, and the Associate of Religious Education degrees.

Documents from all of these agencies are available for review upon request in the Administration Office.

Grace Bible College is authorized under Federal law to enroll non-immigrant students and cooperates with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs in processing benefits for the training of honorably discharged service members.

## . . . OUR BUILDINGS & FACILITIES

**Bultema Memorial Library**—Named for the late Pastor Harry Bultema of Muskegon, MI, the library was expanded and renovated in 2003. The Library houses over 40,000 items, a curriculum room, CDs, DVDs, and videos, internet access and an online catalog, as well as comfortable reading and study areas for individuals and groups.

**O’Hair Memorial Building** —Named after the late Pastor J.C. O’Hair, this building houses the president’s, business and administrative offices as well as three affiliated organizations – Grace Gospel Fellowship, Grace Ministries International and Grace Publications.

**Huston Hall**—The late T.R. Huston was one of the founders of the College. The building contains a lounge, dining hall, recreation room, and the cafeteria.

**Jack T. Dean Academic Center**—This academic hub was named for the College’s second president. It includes classrooms, faculty and administrative offices, as well as the facilities for the expanded Worship Arts program.

**Baker Chapel**—Charles F. Baker was the founder and first president of the College. The chapel, named in his honor, was constructed in 1980 to accommodate the regular college chapel services, musical recitals and concerts, as well as dramatic productions.

**Aldrich Athletic Center** —Named for the Aldrich sisters from Chicago, Illinois, this building, erected in 1977, includes a gymnasium with bleacher seating for 500. The upstairs houses a weight room and offices for the Community Life staff.

**Alethea Hall and Preston Hall**—Separate residence halls for women and men students. Both residences have laundry and storage facilities. Student lounges are adjacent to each hall.

**Blackburn and Aldon Houses**—Three houses adjacent to College property are available for married student housing as well as dormitory use as needed.

**Enslow and Klein Memorial Apartments**—Twelve one-bedroom and two-bedroom apartments provide additional housing for students. The buildings honor Fred and Julia Enslow and Karl Klein who bequested generous gifts to the College.

**Student Commons**—This is the newest addition to the campus, completed in 2011. The Commons provides students with a comfortable gathering place and coffee shop.



**RESPONSIBILITIES  
OF THE  
COLLEGE COMMUNITY**

**STUDENT SERVICES**

**ACTIVITIES**

## ... RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COLLEGE COMMUNITY

Grace Bible College is a community with a purpose. The College seeks to glorify God by fulfilling its mission: Graduating godly individuals prepared to serve Christ in church and society. Members of the community include faculty, staff and students. The broader GBC community includes alumni, constituents, churches and the College Board. In order to fulfill the mission of the college, members of the community need to understand their responsibilities. If responsibilities are not met, the College will preserve the harmony of the community through redemptive discipline. We seek to create an environment of warmth in which confrontation and discipline, done with empathy and forgiveness, can be an effective part of the growth process.

In order to achieve our institutional aims and objectives we believe it necessary to ask faculty, staff, and student body members to observe limitations on conduct and to commit themselves firmly to these principles.

**With the guidance and enablement of the Holy Spirit, the Administration and Faculty are responsible to:**

1. Work toward the maximum attainment of institutional objectives so as to make them steadily relevant to the lives of individual students.
2. Demonstrate in administration, instruction, and other activities Christian standards of competence, leadership, and encouragement for Christian maturity.
3. Demonstrate in their own personal lives a commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ.
4. Provide maximum educational opportunities for the student in keeping with the aims and objectives of the College.

**With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, each student is responsible to:**

1. Cooperate actively and constructively in the achievement of the aims and objectives of the College.
2. Practice Christian conduct based on biblical principles, extending the Lordship of Christ to every aspect of life.
3. Make full use of their God-given abilities so as to achieve maximum personal development by active participation in as many activities and learning experiences as is reasonable.
4. Respect with consideration the personal freedom, standards, and decisions of others.

The College recognizes that certain aspects of our culture are offensive to the Christian conscience and has therefore developed the following standard of conduct for the College family:

Practices known to be morally wrong by biblical teaching (i.e., drunkenness, stealing, occult practices, adultery, gossip, pride, lust, bitterness, etc.) are not acceptable for members of the Grace Bible College community.

The College also realizes Scripture does not provide specific teaching regarding all social practices, and does not claim that adherence to the following is a measure of spirituality. However, for the sake of some whose conscience is offended by these practices and for the sake of our overall objectives to be a service institution, the College has felt it necessary to require members of the community to refrain from the possession or use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco, illegal drugs, obscene literature (including inappropriate internet sites) and gambling.

By virtue of enrollment, students agree to accept the responsibilities outlined above. Furthermore, students agree to conform to the standards specified in the Student Handbook. Some may not have personal convictions fully in accord with these responsibilities and standards, but the purpose underlying this statement necessitates honorable adherence while the College is in session. The student who is found to be out of harmony with the aims and objectives of the College may be asked to withdraw from the Community whenever the general welfare to the College demands it even though there may be no serious special breach of conduct.





## . . . STUDENT SERVICES

**Counseling and Guidance**—Counseling for vocational, social, and personal needs is under the Department of Community Life. We encourage students to examine their motives, talents and gifts as part of developing a meaningful relationship with Jesus Christ and to determine the capacities in which students might serve Him. The College counselor is available to students who wish to discuss personal needs or problems. Off-site counseling is also available by referral at reasonable costs.

Guidance in selecting courses each semester is offered through the student's academic advisor.

**Food Service**—Well-balanced meals are served daily in the dining hall. Students living in campus housing are required to purchase the resident meal plan. Students living off-campus can purchase individual meals at published prices.

**Computer Access**—Computers with internet access and Microsoft Office are available for students to use in the Library and Academic Center. Students may also access the internet through the campus wireless network. Information regarding hardware requirements is available from the Director of Information Technology.

**Academic Support**—Entering students who are academically at risk, as well as students who fail to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress are required to participate in the Academic Success Program. The Academic Skills Center is also available for any student who desires additional help.

**Postal Service**—Incoming mail is distributed daily in student mailboxes.

**Placement Service**—The placement service of Grace Bible College for those students contemplating ministry with churches associated with the Grace Gospel Fellowship is handled primarily by the President of GGF. Faculty members also work with individual students in finding places of Christian ministry and other entry-level career openings. The library maintains materials related to job search and career choice.

**Medical Services**—A licensed nurse is available on campus for consultation during specified hours each week. Immediate, emergency medical service is also available. For the protection of everyone in the GBC community, students are required to submit their immunization records and health history. All students are required to participate in GBC's low cost accident and health insurance plan unless the student verifies he/she has coverage elsewhere. Insurance should include coverage for intercollegiate sports and be available for a full academic year.

**Bookstore**—For the fall semester only, the College has partnered with MBS Direct, a leading textbook retailer. This service provides students with the opportunity to purchase and sell their books online. Beginning in the spring, the College will affiliate with Amazon.com to provide students even greater savings.

## . . . ACTIVITIES

Life at Grace Bible College is more than books and class work. Activities invite the participation of virtually every student. The program is designed to enrich and broaden the educational experience. Social contacts at Grace will establish lifetime friendships.

**Student Government**—Each class of the student body may elect two representatives to Student Government. These representatives work to enhance campus life as well as voice concerns of the students to faculty and administration. A member of Student Government attends faculty meetings and Educational Policy Meetings.

**Activities Program**—Regular activities include concerts and musicals, outings, special dinners, parties, lectures, art, and drama. Baker Chapel, the recreation room in Huston Hall, and the facilities in the Aldrich Athletic Center offer a wide variety of activities.

**Worship**—Services are conducted in Baker Chapel three days each week. A.C.T. groups also meet during the week affording students, faculty and staff the opportunity to challenge one another in Applying Christ Together. The entire student body and faculty are expected to regularly participate in these activities. Other student-led worship times are regularly held.

**Christian Ministry Program**—Grace Bible College believes growth and development should include more than academic preparation. Classroom teaching must be supplemented with on-the-job training and experience. A wide assortment of service activities are available to students including youth clubs, Sunday School teaching, music ministry, evangelism, tutoring, and jail ministry. Participation and completion of the Christian Ministry Program is required for graduation in our degree programs. Details can be found in the Student Handbook or through the Christian Ministry Department.

**Ambassador Fellowship**—Ambassador Fellowship encourages worldwide vision and seeks to inspire missionary interest in the student body. The annual spring Missionary Conference is directed by Ambassador Fellowship.

**Students with Spouses**—Married students meet to encourage and support each other through fellowship and activities designed to build and strengthen their relationship with their spouses and with other couples.

**Vocal and Instrumental Ensembles**—Students are invited to audition for the performance ensembles offered through the Music Division. These groups perform concerts at campus chapels, at College functions, in churches and schools across the country.

**Athletics**—The College provides intercollegiate competition in men's soccer and basketball, women's volleyball, soccer, and basketball, as well as co-ed cross-country. Club sports are also available. The College is affiliated with the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA), which sponsors national tournaments in various sports. During a successful season of play, a team may travel out of state for district or national competitions.

**Drama**—Opportunities to participate in dramatic productions may be available. Acting and dramatic production including publicity, makeup, stage construction, costuming, and lighting are areas of involvement.

**ADMISSIONS  
INFORMATION**

**FINANCIAL  
INFORMATION**

**FINANCIAL AID**

## . . . ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

**Admissions Requirements**—Admissions requirements are designed to ensure that students admitted to Grace Bible College have the ability and desire to successfully complete academic work, make full use of the educational opportunities available and show evidence of Christian commitment. Factors which are considered in the admission process are:

1. A completed application form containing evidence of:
  - a. Personal salvation through Jesus Christ as well as Christian growth and involvement in church and other Christian activities.
  - b. Adequate social adjustment. In evaluating an application, consideration is also given to the reasonableness of an applicant's expectations concerning education at Grace Bible College.
2. Official high school transcript (indicating rank in class) or a General Educational Development (GED) Certificate. It is the responsibility of the applicants to have their transcripts sent directly to the College.
3. ACT or SAT Scores. The ACT assessment is preferred, however, SAT will be accepted. At the time of taking the test, students should request that a record of their scores be sent to Grace Bible College. The ACT college code number is 2001. The SAT college code is 0809. Scores may be used for purposes of counseling, guidance, and placement.

**Nondiscrimination**—Grace Bible College is committed to nondiscrimination on the basis of color, national origin, disability, age, sex, or race in all its policies and programs. Students seeking academic accommodations due to physical and/or learning disabilities should contact the Vice President for Academics for further information.

**Transfer Applicants**—A transfer applicant is someone who has attended another college. Official transcripts from all colleges previously attended must be submitted. The applicant will be evaluated on previous course work at the college level. Evidence of honorable withdrawal from other colleges is required. Academic disqualification at another college will necessitate special consideration. Failure to furnish a complete and valid record of all previous college experience may mean cancellation of the student's privilege of admission. High school records may also be reviewed for those who have earned less than 24 semester hours at the college level.

**Transfer of Credit**—Grace Bible College makes every effort to transfer credit for academic work completed at other colleges. Credit earned at accredited colleges or schools with a grade of "C" or better and comparable in content to Grace Bible College courses will usually be accepted. Grace Bible College will accept transfer credits from the following types of institutions:

1. All regionally accredited institutions
2. All institutions accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education
3. Technical and vocational institutions for arts and sciences courses
4. Unaccredited colleges if that institution provides letters from three accredited colleges and universities who have accepted their credits.

Transfer students will receive an Evaluation of Transfer Credit. This evaluation will detail how course work completed at other colleges will transfer to Grace Bible College. First, we select courses which meet the specific requirements of the GBC degree the student expects to

earn. Secondly, we select courses which may be used to complete the requirements for elective credits. Because we want transfer students to have opportunity to be eligible for financial aid as long as possible while attending GBC, it is our policy to only transfer courses which are needed to complete the degree requirements at GBC.

If the student expects to earn a degree which will be completed as part of our consortium agreements with Cornerstone or Davenport University, it is our policy to contact these Colleges and obtain their transfer evaluation as well.

Credits transferred are recorded on the student's academic record and will apply toward graduation requirements. Grades are not transferred.

Once transfer credits have been granted, a subsequent change of program or major may result in a change in the number of transfer credits accepted.

Transcripts from foreign institutions will be evaluated by an accredited educational evaluation service such as the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). The student will be responsible for following the procedures required by the evaluation service and having the results submitted to GBC.

Applicants graduating from Michigan community colleges with MACRAO endorsement should contact the Registrar's Office for information about block transfer of credit.

**High School Students**—High school seniors are welcome to enroll at Grace Bible College with the following provisions:

1. Applicant must complete a Non-degree Student Application.
2. The applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a high school teacher and a high school transcript indicating a GPA of 3.00 or higher.
3. The applicant must enroll in one 100 level course and successfully complete it before a second course may be selected. 200 level courses may be considered after successful completion of the 100 level course.
4. After earning 9 credit hours, the applicant should be expected to complete GBC's admissions process.

**International Students**—International students are welcome at Grace Bible College. Special requirements are: evidence that he/she is a graduate of an accredited secondary school, proficiency in English, financial responsibility for both transportation and educational costs, and ability to satisfactorily cope with college level work in America. International Student Application For Admission forms will be sent upon request.

International students are required to pay for their entire year in advance of their arrival at GBC. The amount due before the student's arrival is determined by estimating class load, room, board, books, fees, and any other known expenses. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by the Administration.

International students from countries where English is not the primary language are also required to successfully complete the TOEFL (*Test of English as a Foreign Language*) examination before admission can be granted. Minimum scores required are: Paper-based TOEFL—550; Computerized TOEFL—213; Internet-based TOEFL—80.

**Veteran Students**—Grace Bible College is recognized for training veterans under VA Education Programs and complies in full with all reporting requirements of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

Veterans entering as transfer students will be given a written statement of the credit granted in transfer and the number of credits which are required to complete the program in which they are enrolling. This information will also be provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Students receiving Veterans Benefits whose accumulative grade point average (GPA) is below 2.00 for two consecutive semesters may have their benefits terminated. The College will inform Department of Veterans Affairs when students fail to come off academic probation after two consecutive semesters.

Students may qualify for Veterans Benefits after they raise their accumulative GPA to 2.00 or higher.

**Readmission**—A student who is readmitted to GBC after an absence of at least one semester must graduate fulfilling requirements of the catalog that is in effect when he/she returns. However, a student may graduate under the requirements of the catalog in effect when he/she originally entered GBC if his/her absence from campus was for further uninterrupted academic course work pursued primarily for the purpose of completing a GBC degree. Written intent of this purpose is required before the student begins his/her course work elsewhere.



## . . . FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Tuition and fees are kept low through the generous gifts of many individuals, businesses, and churches. Costs paid by students cover only about 60% of the total general and educational expenses for each student. Friends who desire to offer special gifts or bequests may make inquiry to the Vice President for Fund Development.

### EDUCATIONAL FEES

**Changes in Tuition and Fees**—Rates of tuition and fees are those in effect at the time of publication of the catalog. They are subject to change at any time by Grace Bible College’s Board of Directors.

#### Tuition

Per hour .....	\$480.00
Required fees per hour .....	\$15.00
(includes \$5.00 technology fee, \$5.00 registration fee, \$5.00 student activities fee)	
Audit (per hour) .....	\$250.00

#### Fees

Insurance (required if not covered elsewhere), per year .....	\$620.00
Readmission fee (after a semester out) .....	\$15.00
Prepayment of GRCC, Cornerstone or Davenport tuition fee .....	\$10.00
Graduation fee (non-refundable) .....	\$95.00
Official transcripts each, paid in advance .....	\$5.00
Lost key charge .....	\$50.00
Summer storage fee .....	\$25.00
NSF check charge .....	\$25.00
Class-Specific fees (Schedule available from Business office) .....	varies

### LIVING EXPENSES

#### Residence Fees

Continuing Room Deposit (Stays on deposit during student’s entire matriculation. Refunded in full if application is canceled by June 15) ....	\$100.00
Residence Room Fee (double occupancy), per semester .....	\$1,575.00
Private Room Fee, per semester (if available, upon request) .....	\$2,075.00
Student Apartments (per month, including utilities).....	\$450.00-500.00

#### Food Service

Meals each semester .....	\$1,850.00
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## Summary of Expenses for One Semester

Tuition and Fees (Example: 15 hours X \$495) .....	\$7,425.00
Food Costs .....	\$1,850.00
Residence Fee .....	\$1,575.00
Total (not including books or insurance) .....	\$10,850.00

**Tuition for Consortium Students**—Students enrolled in the consortium programs with Cornerstone and Davenport Universities will receive all their financial aid from GBC. Each year students should complete the FASFA and submit it (either electronically or by mail) listing Grace Bible College as the granting institution. Students in the consortium programs are eligible for all applicable federal and state grants. Students are eligible for part or all of the scholarships offered by GBC and should consult the Financial Aid Director for information. Cornerstone and Davenport Universities do not provide any scholarships for financial aid for students in the consortium programs.

Calculation of a student's tuition is based upon where the student takes his/her courses and will be charged tuition at the rate established by the institution(s) he/she is attending. Each semester, Cornerstone and Davenport Universities will send students' bills to Grace Bible College. GBC will then forward tuition payment for all students to their respective university. All financial aid credits and student's personal payments will be applied to the combined account at GBC.

**Settlement of Accounts**—The balance of tuition, room and board is due in full by August 1 (for Fall Semester) and January 1 (for Spring Semester) either by cash, check, credit card, or verified financial aid. Payment plans are available through NELNET BUSINESS SOLUTIONS—formerly known as FACTS (see e-Cashier on GBC website at [www.gbcol.edu](http://www.gbcol.edu)).

International students are required to pay for their entire year in advance of their arrival at GBC. The amount due before the student's arrival is determined by estimating class load, room, board, books, fees, and any other known expenses. Any exceptions to this policy must be approved by the Vice President for Business and Finance.

**Refund Policy**—Students who withdraw from the College or reduce the number of credit hours in which they are enrolled may be eligible to receive a refund upon completion of the proper form(s) from the Registrar's Office. The following refunds will be made on a semester basis:

**Tuition**—If courses are dropped, the following schedule of tuition refunds applies:

During the first week of the semester – 100% rebate on basis of registered hours;

During the second week of the semester - 75% rebate;

During the third week of the semester - 50% rebate;

After the third week of the semester - no rebate.

If for disciplinary reasons - no rebate.



**Room & Food**—If a student leaves the dorm and/or drops the meal plan, the following schedule of refunds applies:

During the first week of the semester - 100% rebate less \$100;

During the second week of the semester - 75% rebate;

During the third week of the semester - 50% rebate;

During the fourth week of the semester - 25% rebate;

During the fifth week of the semester - 15% rebate;

During the sixth week of the semester - 10% rebate;

After the sixth week of the semester - no rebate.

If for disciplinary reasons - no rebate.

**Continuing Room Deposit**—If a student withdraws from school, this deposit is applied toward what is owed the College or it is refunded if the room key has been returned to the Business Office and the room has been left in satisfactory condition.

**Private Music Lessons**—Tuition will be refunded per regular tuition policy. Any refund of fees will be prorated based on the number of lessons already completed.

**Other Fees**—No other fees are refundable.

**Refund of Title IV Funds**—The Financial Aid Office recalculates federal financial aid eligibility for students who withdraw, drop out, or are dismissed prior to completing at least 60% of a semester. Recalculation is based on the percent of earned aid. Contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.

## . . . FINANCIAL AID

Application for financial aid is made by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA can be submitted electronically by going to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). However, a paper FAFSA is also available from high school counselors or from the Financial Aid Office at Grace Bible College. To receive full consideration for financial aid, the FAFSA should be submitted by Michigan prospective freshmen no later than February 28.

### INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

A recipient of a GBC institutional scholarship must be enrolled full-time on GBC's campus. However, some scholarships are prorated for being enrolled less than full-time. Contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.

**Awana Citation Achievers Scholarship**—\$1,200 (\$600 per semester). This scholarship is a one-time scholarship for an incoming student who has received this citation. The student is responsible to provide the school with a copy of their citation. The recipient must be enrolled full-time on the GBC campus.

**Junior Achievement Scholarship**--- \$1,200 (\$600 per semester) This scholarship is a one-time scholarship for an incoming student who has received this citation. The student is responsible to notify the school about the award. The recipient must be enrolled full-time on the GBC campus.

**Christian Workers' Scholarship**—A partial tuition scholarship for GBC classes is available to dependent children enrolled as full-time students of parents who are either full-time: a) GBC faculty and staff, b) pastors of GGF affiliated churches or pastors ordained by the GGF who are pastoring Grace churches (in GGF directory), or c) GGF missionaries who are active in ministry. This scholarship requires a letter from the organization, written on their letterhead, indicating which family member is employed full-time with the organization. To be approved by the Scholarship Committee.

Eligible students receive \$7,000 per year, if living in Grace-owned housing and on the Food Plan. This scholarship is reduced to \$3,500 per year, if living off campus, or in Grace-owned housing but NOT on the Food Plan.

After the fourth semester, a student must have earned an accumulative GPA of 2.00 to remain eligible for this scholarship.

**Non-GGF Full-time Christian Workers' Scholarship**—This scholarship program is intended to provide financial assistance to students from families of non-GGF full-time Christian ministry workers whose primary income is from their Christian ministry. The student must be a dependent child of the primary wage earner who is serving the Lord in a ministry. This scholarship requires a letter from the organization, written on their letterhead, indicating which family member is employed full-time with the organization. To be approved by the Scholarship Committee.

Eligible students receive \$3,500 per year, if living in Grace-owned housing and on the GBC Food Plan. This amount is reduced to \$2,000 per year, if living off campus, or in Grace-owned housing but NOT on the Food Plan.

After the fourth semester, a student must have earned an accumulative GPA of 2.00 to remain eligible for this scholarship.

**Church Matching Scholarship**---Grace Bible College will match up to \$500/year (\$250 per semester) any scholarship awarded by a student’s home church. This match is for undergraduate students enrolled in 6 hours or more.

**Early Application Scholarship**—A \$500 scholarship (\$250 per semester) is awarded to all entering students who submit their application on or before July 1st prior to their senior year in high school.

**Honors Scholarship**—This tiered scholarship program is awarded to select first-time freshmen or transfer students with less than 15 credit hours earned. Students must be enrolled full-time (12 hours or more earned on the GBC campus). Application for admission must be submitted by July 1. To determine eligibility, students will receive points according to the following scale:

GPA ... 3.50-4.00 4 points; 3.20-3.49 3 points; 2.60-3.19 2 points; 2.00-2.59 1 point

ACT ... 25-36 4 points; 22-24 3 points; 19-21 2 points; 16-18 1 point

Scholarships will be awarded according to the following scale:

<b>Presidential Scholarship</b>	\$4,500 (\$2,250 per semester)	8 points
<b>Trustee Scholarship</b>	\$3,000 (\$1,500 per semester)	6-7 points
<b>Dean’s Scholarship</b>	\$2,000 (\$1,000 per semester)	4-5 points
<b>Faculty Scholarship</b>	\$1,000 (\$500 per semester)	1-3 points

**Returning Student and New Transfer Student Academic Scholarship**—To be eligible, a student must be enrolled full-time, 12 hours per semester. However, students who are dually enrolled at Grand Rapids Community College will have their award prorated based on the amount of GBC classes they take. Students must also have successfully completed his or her Christian Ministry requirement, have maintained acceptable chapel attendance (no chapel absences beyond the allowance), and must register for classes by the deadline during the spring semester

Semester GPA	Award
3.70-4.00	\$4,500
3.30-3.69	\$3,000
2.50-3.29	\$2,000

**Music Scholarship**—Equal to \$4,800 over four years, this scholarship awards \$1,200 per year (\$600 per semester) to eligible students enrolled in the Worship Arts Program. Eligibility is based on an audition performance demonstrating musical proficiency (Auditions can be made in person, mailed DVD, or Youtube video). Recipients must be enrolled as a full-time student (12 or more credits). This scholarship will be awarded one year at a time and will be renewed if the student maintains a GPA of 2.5 or higher within their Worship Arts courses.

**Spouses of Married Students**—Spouses of full-time students with Junior standing or above are eligible to take one course each semester without cost.

**Full-Time GBC Faculty and Staff Members and Their Spouses**—May elect one course each semester without tuition and may take additional courses at reduced costs.

**Multiple Family Member Scholarship**---\$500 per year (\$250 per semester) will be awarded if two or more students from one family (living in the same household) are attending Grace Bible College. Those receiving the Christian Worker's Scholarship are not eligible. This scholarship is prorated for GBC credit hours only.

## STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

**State of Michigan Competitive Scholarship**—For Michigan residents in non-religious degree programs, by competition. ACT test must be taken by the beginning of one's senior year. Need is determined through FAFSA. See high school guidance counselor for further information.

**Michigan Merit Award Scholarship (MEAP)**—For Michigan students based on achievement as demonstrated by performance on Michigan's standards assessment tests.

## LOANS

**Federal Stafford Student Loans**—These loans are available to students enrolled at least half-time. The annual maximum for a first-year student is currently \$5,500 (\$3,500 subsidized and \$2,000 unsubsidized). Eligibility is determined through the FAFSA ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)), and the student must be certified eligible by the College.

**Parent PLUS Loans**—Available to parents with a good credit history to pay the education expenses for a child who is a dependent undergraduate student enrolled at least half-time. Eligibility is determined through the FAFSA and the student must be certified eligible by the College. See GBC's Financial Aid Office for an application.

**Private Loans**---In some instances, a student may still need additional loans to cover the remainder of their school bill. Private Loans are available to help students meet costs that are not covered by federal, state, and institutional aid. See GBC's Financial Aid Office with any questions.

## GRANTS

**Michigan Tuition Grant**—For Michigan students in non-religious degree programs only. Need is determined through the FAFSA application.

**Michigan Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) Grant**—Available to Michigan students who apply before high school graduation, are under the age of 20 and receive Medicaid from the Department of Social Services.

**Federal Pell Grant**—Available to those who meet requirements. Need is determined through the FAFSA.

**TEACH Grant**—Provides grants of up to \$4,000 per year to students who intend to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families. Contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.

**Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)**—Available to those who meet need requirements. Need is determined through FAFSA.

## OTHER FINANCIAL AID SOURCES

**Federal Work-Study Program**—On-campus employment is available through federal funds for those who meet need requirements. FAFSA is used in determining need.

**Michigan Work-Study Program**—On-campus employment is available to Michigan students who meet State of Michigan requirements. FAFSA is used in determining need.

**Veterans Benefits**—Grace Bible College cooperates with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for the training of honorably discharged service members. Veterans who wish to use the benefits should obtain the necessary forms from the nearest office of Veterans Affairs or GBC's Registrar. Veterans will be reimbursed directly by the Department of Veterans Affairs and should plan to pay their account in accordance with GBC's payment schedule.

**Vocational Rehabilitation**—Applicants with a service-oriented disability handicap should contact the nearest office of Vocational Rehabilitation to learn what assistance is available to them. Benefits are determined according to individual need.

**Employment**—Working one's way through college provides valuable opportunities for experiencing good use of time and responsible management of personal finances. Many part-time work opportunities are available within walking distance of the campus. Additionally, many students work on campus in the offices, maintenance department, athletic center, library, bookstore, and food service. These positions are filled on the basis of need and ability.

**ACADEMIC POLICIES**

**ACADEMIC DIVISIONS**

**DEGREES & PROGRAMS**

## . . . ACADEMIC POLICIES

**Academic Semester**—Grace Bible College operates on the semester basis. A school year consists of two semesters of approximately fourteen weeks each.

**Unit of Credit**—The unit of credit is the semester hour. A semester hour typically represents 800 minutes of instruction.

**Classification of Students**—Official classifications are made by the Registrar's Office at the beginning of each academic semester (fall and spring) for both academic and social purposes. Students are classified on the basis of the following schedule:

**FRESHMAN**—students having earned less than 28 semester hours of credit

**SOPHOMORES**—students who have earned 28 semester hours of credit

**JUNIORS**—students who have earned 56 semester hours of credit

**SENIORS**—students who have earned 85 semester hours of credit

**FIVE-YEAR**—students in the BTh program who have earned 116 semester hours of credit

**FULL-TIME**—students taking 12 or more semester hours

**PART-TIME**—students taking 11 or less semester hours and formally matriculated

**NON-DEGREE**—students taking six or less hours or two courses of academic work and who have not formally applied for admission

**Course Numbers**—Courses numbered 100-299 are Lower Division courses and are generally for freshman and sophomore students. Courses numbered 300-599 are upper Division courses and are generally for junior, senior, and five-year students.

**Registration** — Registration for students currently enrolled is usually held in October for the next spring semester and in March for the fall of the next academic year. New students will be contacted regarding their course selections. All students have until the first day of the semester to make changes in their course selections.

**Changes in Registration**—A student desiring to make a change in his/her schedule after the first day of the semester must obtain a Drop/Add form from the Registrar. Changes are not official until the form is completed, signed by the academic advisor and filed with the Registrar.

A student desiring to add a course after a semester begins must obtain permission from the course instructor before filing a Drop/Add form with the Registrar. No course may be added after the first week of the semester without the approval of the Academic Dean.

Any course dropped during the first week of the semester will not be entered on a student's academic record.

Any course dropped after the first week of the semester will be recorded on the student's academic record as **W**—withdrew passing or **WF**—withdrew failing.

Any student who discontinues attending a course and completing assigned work without officially withdrawing with the Registrar's office will receive a failing grade.

**Academic Advising**—Academic advising is provided to allow an ongoing series of consultations between students and an academic advisor. Therefore, every student admitted to the College is assigned to an academic advisor.

Advisors are available to offer counsel to students regarding academic policies and procedures, in registering for courses each semester, in checking progress toward obtaining their degree and in matters relating to personal and spiritual growth.

While advisors and advisees share in the advising process, *each student is responsible for meeting his/her educational goals and satisfying graduation requirements*. Students whose career goals will require them to transfer to another four-year college following work at GBC should be sure to inform their academic advisor of their intentions as early as possible so that consideration can be given to transfer requirements. Students will be expected to provide a catalog of the college to which they expect to transfer.

**Attendance**— Grace Bible College believes that regular attendance and participation in classes are essential for learning. Therefore, excessive absenteeism is viewed as a very serious matter that may result in a failing grade. However, we also recognize that circumstances sometimes prevent students from attending classes. Students are expected to monitor their class attendance. Specific details on the attendance policy are found in the course syllabus and the *Student Handbook—Section Six: Responding to Academics*.

**Grading System**—Grade point Average (GPA) is determined on a 4-point system. Grades and grade points are assigned as follows:

A	4.0 grade points	C	2.0 grade points
A-	3.7 grade points	C-	1.7 grade points
B+	3.3 grade points	D+	1.3 grade points
B	3.0 grade points	D	1.0 grade points
B-	2.7 grade points	D-	0.7 grade points
C+	2.3 grade points	E	0 grade points
I	Incomplete—0 grade points		
W	Withdrew (no penalty)		
WF	Withdrew/Failing—0 grade points		
P	Satisfactory—0 grade points; credit earned equivalent to C or better		
R	Course repeated (difference in grade points from first course taken)		
U	Unsatisfactory—0 grade points; no credit earned		
XF	The grade of XF is given for plagiarizing, cheating on a test or in other ways which flagrantly violate academic integrity—0 grade points; no credit earned		

**Incompletes**—A semester’s work is designed to be completed within the semester. If a student fails to complete all the course requirements, faculty may, if they consider a student’s reason valid, give a grade of I or Incomplete. In situations warranting the use of “I,” the work must be completed within four weeks following the close of the semester.

**Grade Reports**—Grade reports are issued by the Registrar’s Office at the end of each semester and mailed to the student—and to parents, with the student’s approval.

**Dean’s and President’s Lists**—Following the end of each semester, the College will recognize those students who have successfully completed a minimum of 12 graded semester hours with no grade lower than a C. Those who earn a minimum grade point average of 3.50 will be named to the Dean’s List, while those earn a 4.0 grade point for the semester will be named to the President’s List.



**Academic Success**—Each student admitted to Grace Bible College is expected to have make satisfactory progress toward achieving his or her academic goal(s). Individuals whose previous preparation and experience prior to coming to GBC give indication they may experience some difficulty with the academic program will be placed in the Academic Support program during that first semester. The requirements for the Academic Support program include being enrolled in GE 099, as well as being limited to no more than 14 credit hours (except with the permission of the Academic Dean). Students must demonstrate satisfactory progress as described under Satisfactory Academic Progress.

**Satisfactory Academic Progress**—Students are expected to maintain satisfactory academic progress according to the following schedule:

<b>Total Semester Hours Attempted</b>	<b>Semester GPA for Academic Probation</b>	<b>Cumulative GPA for Academic Suspension</b>
12-18	1.50	1.00
19-37	1.75	1.25
38-56	2.00	1.50
57-86	2.00	1.70
87+	2.00	1.85

**Academic Probation**—The purpose of probation is not designed to punish, but rather to serve as an indication to the student that he or she is not progressing at a satisfactory rate toward graduation. The following guidelines govern academic probation:

1. Any student who does not earn the prescribed semester GPA for his or her work at Grace Bible College will be placed on academic probation and required to enroll in GE 099.
2. The Registrar will notify each student placed on academic probation at the close of the semester.
3. A student on academic probation will not be allowed to carry more than 14 credit hours (except with the permission of the Academic Dean).
4. During the probationary period, the student's eligibility for extracurricular activities may be restricted as determined by the Academic Dean.
5. A student will be released from academic probation upon achieving the prescribed semester GPA.

**Academic Suspension**—The following guidelines govern academic suspension:

1. Any student who fails to reach the cumulative GPA required to demonstrate satisfactory academic progress will be academically suspended for the next semester.
2. A student who is academically suspended will not be allowed to enroll in any courses offered by Grace Bible College during the next semester.
3. A student on academic suspension for the first time may be re-admitted to GBC after sitting out one semester by completing an Application for Readmission. If this application is approved by the Admissions Committee, this student would reenter GBC on academic probation.
4. Any student academically suspended for a second time must petition the Educational Policies Committee for readmittance after sitting out one semester. This petition must include evidence that the difficulties previously encountered have been overcome and that completion of degree requirements can reasonably be expected. The decision of the Educational Policies Committee is final, with no right to appeal.

5. A student who becomes academically suspended because of extenuating circumstances may appeal this decision to the Educational Policies Committee. A student's participation in GE 099 will be an important consideration when making this determination.

**Grievance Procedure**—If a dispute involving an academic issue occurs, the student and faculty member should try to resolve their differences through a private conference. Should such efforts fail, the student may request a meeting with the Grievance Committee, a standing committee composed of the Academic Dean and two students appointed by Student Government, to assist the student and faculty member in resolving this matter. If there is no satisfactory outcome at this meeting, the student may submit a written appeal to the Educational Policies Committee for final resolution.

**Transcript Service**—A permanent record of dates of attendance, courses taken, and grades earned is kept by the Registrar for each student. Copies of student transcripts can be sent to other institutions and organizations upon written request by the student. Each official copy costs \$5.00 payable in advance. Transcripts will not be sent to other institutions until all obligations to the library, residence halls, Registrar's Office, and Business Office are met. Students may receive an unofficial copy of his/her transcript for personal use by contacting the Registrar's Office. There is no cost for this service.

**Credit and Advanced Standing by Examination**—A student may be granted academic credit or advanced standing on the basis of examination. Credit or advanced standing can be acquired by the following means:

1. Grace Bible College will grant credit to students with scores of 3 or higher on an Advanced Placement (AP) examination conducted by the College Board. Students should arrange to have their AP scores sent to the Registrar's office. The AP college code number for GBC is 0809.
2. Credit is granted for subject examinations offered by the College Level Examination Program (CLEP); however, no college credit is granted for the CLEP general examinations. Required minimum scores are available on request from the Registrar's office. The CLEP college code number for GBC is 1265.
3. Veterans can also earn credit through Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) Subject Standardized Tests (DSST) with scores meeting or exceeding the score requirements provided by the American Council on Education.
4. Two placement tests will be offered by Grace Bible College: (1) Old Testament Bible Knowledge, and (2) New Testament Bible Knowledge. These tests will be offered on specified dates just prior to the beginning of each semester. A student must take the exam on this date or enroll in the class that semester. If a student passes a knowledge exam, he or she is granted "advanced standing" and will be permitted to take upper division classes in the specific cognate area (Old or New Testaments). *In the event "advanced standing" is earned, students seeking a bachelor's degree will still be required to complete 30 hours of Bible and Theology as specified in the core. Students seeking an associate's degree will still be required to earn the number of Bible and Theology credits specified by that degree.*

**Graduation Requirements**—The requirements for graduation from Grace Bible College are based on the philosophy of education subscribed to by the Board, Administration, and Faculty. Specific course requirements are listed in this catalog for each degree program.

**Practicum**—Grace Bible College believes that growth and development should include more than academic preparation. Classroom instruction should be supplemented with on-the-job training and experience. A practicum is required for graduation in some of our degree programs.

**Bachelor of Theology**—The Bachelor of Theology degree program will be phased out with this year’s graduating class. Their studies during this final year have included an intensive six-month internship in a local church under the supervision of its pastor. We are thankful to those churches and pastors for their investment in the lives of these future leaders.

**Degree-Hour Requirements** (At least 50% of hours needed to earn a degree must be taken at GBC)

AA .....	64 hours	ARE .....	64 hours
BS .....	124 hours	BMus .....	124 hours
BTh .....	158 hours	BRE .....	Varies

**Petitioning for Graduation**—Students wishing to graduate at the end of the spring semester must submit an “Application for Degree” to the Registrar’s Office the preceding spring semester. This is not an automatic process; students must petition for graduation.

**Participation in Commencement**—Candidates for degrees are expected to participate in the commencement service in the spring of the year. Graduation is one of the few public celebrations of a student’s entire educational process. While graduates occupy center stage, the annual commencement ceremony is about the success of the whole. Education at GBC is not an isolated or individualized experience. The College is maintained not only by the fees a student pays, but also by sacrificial gifts from many donors who believe in the mission of Grace. The Board, Administration, faculty and staff of the College likewise serve sacrificially in many ways. The graduation fee is non-refundable, as it helps to underwrite the expenses of this celebration.

**Grade Point Average**—A minimum 2.00 grade-point average is required for all degree programs. BTh graduates must have a 2.50 in both their upper-division Bible and Theology courses and in their field of emphasis (Pastoral Ministry, Youth Ministry, or Missiology.) Candidates for the Teacher Education program with Cornerstone University must have an accumulative grade-point average of 2.50.

**Christian Ministry Program**—The Christian Ministry Program is designed to become the extension of classroom learning translated into active participation in churches, on campus and in the local community. Fulfillment of Christian Ministry requirements is a condition of graduation. See *Student Handbook – Section Seven: Responding To Christian Ministry* for further details.

**Assessment Activities**—Because of its desire to improve the quality of the education and services offered at Grace Bible College, the College regularly schedules a number of required assessment activities including standardized tests, surveys, focus groups, interviews, etc.

**Graduation Honors**—GBC recognizes academic excellence by awarding degrees with Honor or High Honor to graduates who have attained an accumulative grade point average of:

3.30-3.69 .....	Honors	3.70-4.00 .....	High Honors
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Students so honored will wear a gold or silver cord during the graduation ceremony in recognition of their achievement. Only Grace Bible College credits will be used to determine academic honors. Honors will be calculated at the end of the fall semester before graduation. Transfer students must earn at least 45 hours of credit at GBC to be eligible for consideration.

**Who's Who**—Graduating seniors who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.30 are eligible for nomination to *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. Individuals are selected by the faculty on the basis of scholarship ability, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, citizenship and service to Grace Bible College and potential for future achievement. Transfer students must earn at least 45 hours of credit at GBC to be eligible for consideration.

**Delta Epsilon Chi Honor Society**—Nomination to the honorary society of the Association for Biblical Higher Education is determined by the faculty at the beginning of the final semester before graduation. Nominees must have maintained a cumulative grade point of 3.30 and must have exhibited outstanding Christian character and leadership ability.

**Earning a Second Degree**—A second bachelor's degree can be earned if 24 additional hours are earned after completing requirements for the first Bachelor degree. A second Associate's degree can be earned if 15 additional hours are earned after completing requirements for the first Associate degree. All other requirements must be met for the second degree.

**Licensing and Ordination**—Male graduates in the Bachelor of Theology program are recommended, if they so desire, to the Grace Gospel Fellowship for licensing. Students entering into the Bachelor of Theology program should contact the Grace Gospel Fellowship office for specific requirements regarding eligibility for GGF licensure and ordination.

**Withdrawal from the College**—When a student finds it necessary to withdraw from the College during or at the end of a semester, he/she must obtain an Official Withdrawal Form from the Registrar. The student must obtain the proper signatures and return the form before the withdrawal is complete.

**Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act**—Grace Bible College complies with the Family Education Right and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended. This Act was designated to protect the privacy of educational records, to give students the right to inspect and review their education records in the Registrar's Office, and to have inaccurate data corrected through informal and formal hearings. Students also have the right to file complaints with Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act Office (FERPA) in Washington, DC if they feel that the college is not complying adequately with the Act.

**Academic Policies**—Additional information regarding academic policies of the College will be found in the *Student Handbook—Section Six: Responding to Academics*.

## . . . ACADEMIC DIVISIONS

The academic structure of Grace is divisional, meaning that most course work is taken under one of three divisions, each emphasizing particular branches of the overall curriculum:

<b>Arts &amp; Sciences</b>	<b>Biblical Studies</b>	<b>Ministry Studies</b>
Humanities	Bible	Christian Education
Music	Biblical Languages	Pastoral Ministry
Natural Sciences	Biblical Literature	Youth Ministry
Social Sciences	Theology	Intercultural Ministry

### **Division of Arts and Sciences**

The Division of Arts and Sciences is designed to provide students with a framework for a lifetime of continued learning and enlargement of the mind. The division aims at stimulating an appreciation of and a thirst for knowledge. Research, critical thinking and communication skills are emphasized in order to develop enriched personal and social effectiveness and responsibility. It includes a study of all of life, combining a sense of understanding from all branches of knowledge, into a coherent view or philosophy of living.

### **Division of Biblical Studies**

The Division of Biblical Studies is designed to encourage and help students formulate for themselves a clear understanding of the overall content and flow of biblical revelation and dispensational changes through direct encounter with the biblical text. It also endeavors to aid students to develop a system of theology built upon the raw materials of biblical revelation. In all their studies, students are encouraged to relate biblical concepts and ideas to everyday life as a practical outworking of their knowledge of God and His Word.

### **Division of Ministry Studies**

The Division of Ministry Studies is designed to prepare men and women for Christian ministry. Whether their service takes them to a professional ministry in a local church or on the mission field, a parachurch organization, or to lay ministry in the local church while working in their chosen career field, Grace Bible College is committed to giving students the training necessary to equip them to fulfill their commitment to God, to His church, and to society.

## . . . DEGREES & PROGRAMS

### THE ASSOCIATE DEGREE PROGRAM

The Associate degree is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of two years of prescribed academic work. Two program options are available:

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Concentration</b>
Associate of Arts (AA)	General Studies Business

### THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Science degree is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of four years of prescribed academic work. There are several program options available:

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Concentration</b>
Bachelor of Science (BS)	Biblical Studies (with emphases in Pastoral, Youth, Intercultural, and General Ministries) Early Childhood Education Human Services Interdisciplinary Studies

### THE BACHELOR OF MUSIC DEGREE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Music degree is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of four years of prescribed academic work focusing on Worship Arts.

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Concentration</b>
Bachelor of Music (BMus)	Worship Arts

### THE BACHELOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DEGREE PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Religious Education degree is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of at least four years of prescribed academic work as part of a cooperative education program.

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Cooperating School</b>
Bachelor of Religious Education (BRE)	Davenport University Cornerstone University

**Davenport University**—Because of the increasing interest in business and technology as career choices, Grace has established a cooperative program with Davenport University whereby an individual may earn a Bachelor of Religious Education from GBC and a second bachelor's degree from Davenport. Most arts and sciences, along with biblical and theological studies will be taken at GBC. At Davenport University, students may select from majors such as Accounting, Finance, International Business, Management, Marketing, Computer Information Systems, Computer Networking, Network Security, Biometric Security, Sports Management, Health Care Services, and Paralegal Services.

**Cornerstone University**—Grace Bible College enjoys an expanded relationship with Cornerstone University, which allows GBC students to be dually enrolled at both schools in a variety of different degree programs. (Contact the Registrar’s Office for further information.) Students enrolled in these programs will earn a Bachelor of Religious Education from GBC and a second bachelor’s degree from Cornerstone University. The Teacher Education program, the signature degree program of this agreement, is highlighted in the pages following. This program recognizes the opportunities for Christian service through a teaching ministry in both public and private schools. Arts and sciences, biblical studies and some courses in the major or minor will be taken at GBC. Courses for completing one’s major or minor and the professional educational sequence for elementary or secondary education will be completed at Cornerstone University. Successful completion of this Teacher Education program entitles students to apply for certification from the State of Michigan.

**THE BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY DEGREE PROGRAM**

The Bachelor of Theology degree is awarded upon the satisfactory completion of five years of prescribed academic work. This program will be phased out in the coming year and replaced by new emphases in Pastoral, Youth, Intercultural, and General Ministries within the Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies degree programs, beginning in the 2011-2012 academic year.

**Degree**

Bachelor of Theology (BTh)

**Concentration**

Pastoral Ministry  
 Intercultural Studies  
 Youth Ministry

The programs of study offered by Grace Bible College is described on the following pages. Students should consult their Academic Advisor to be certain they plan schedules that meet academic requirements for that degree program and their individual needs. For further information about the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies, see the Registrar.

## . . . BACHELOR DEGREE CORE

Contemporary society places unusual demands on individuals. Therefore, a complex set of understandings, behaviors, and skills are required in order to be adequately prepared for a life of work and service. The courses listed below as approved by the faculty form the core curriculum taken by all students enrolled in baccalaureate degree programs at GBC.

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>27-30 crs</b>
Humanities			<i>18-21</i>
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201 <sup>1</sup>			3-6
GE	101	The Grace Experience	2
PE	—	Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH	—	Philosophy Elective	3
SP	131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP	331	Communication Skills	2
		Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Science			3
SC	—	Science Elective	3
Social Sciences			6
HI	—	History of Civilization Elective	3
PS	—	Psychology Elective (200 level)	3
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>27 crs</b>
BL	102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL	202	New Testament Literature	3
BI	—	Upper Division Bible Electives	6
TH	151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH	152	Mission of the Church	2
TH	213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH	—	Upper Division Theology Elective	3
TH	301	Formation and Service I	2
TH	302	Formation and Service II	2
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE	252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>57-60 crs</b>

<sup>1</sup> English placement is based on a student's ACT scores.



## **FOUNDATIONS**

- ... Associate of Arts in General Studies
- ... Associate of Arts in Business

## **PASTORAL MINISTRY**

- ... Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies (with an emphasis in Pastoral Ministry)

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**

- ... Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies (with an emphasis in Youth Ministry)

## **INTERCULTURAL MINISTRY**

- ... Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies (with an emphasis in Intercultural Ministry)

## **INTERCULTURAL MINISTRY**

- ... Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies (with an emphasis in General Ministry)

## **WORSHIP ARTS**

- ... Bachelor of Music in Worship Arts

## **HUMAN SERVICES**

- ... Bachelor of Music in Human Services

## **EDUCATION**

- ... Teacher Education (Cornerstone University)
- ... Early Childhood Education

## **BUSINESS**

- ... Business Studies (Davenport University)

\* For more information about the Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies, see the Registrar.

# FOUNDATIONS

Are you not really sure which degree to pursue? Do you want to get a solid biblical foundation before continuing further studies? Do you want to discover God's will for your life? If so, then Grace Bible College is the place for you! In addition to opportunities to be involved in service, participating in athletics, or just making lifelong friends, your studies will allow you to complete an Associate's degree, as well as to focus on several key areas:

- The Arts and Sciences ... You will be able to further your knowledge and understanding of the subjects that are foundational to all higher education, including history, psychology, oral and written communication, and the fine arts. The credits you earn can be used anywhere you choose to study in the future. Even if you do not continue your studies, these courses are important to understanding the world and the people around you.
- The Bible and Theology ... Grace Bible College believes in *biblical* higher education. Recognizing that God is the source of all truth, we seek to teach every subject in light of the truths of Scripture. This is especially true of our courses in Bible and theology. At Grace, you will learn about the Bible and the Christian life, as well as have opportunities to learn such practical skills such as witnessing and teaching the Word of God.
- Electives ... For the remainder of your studies, you will be able to choose classes in areas of interest. With the help of caring and competent advisors, you will be able to plan a course of study that allows you to examine several different majors ranging from Intercultural Studies and Youth Ministry to courses in Human Services or Worship Arts. These courses can also be used to complete a four-year degree.

## Courses

At the heart of every degree program at Grace Bible College is the *Grace Experience*, a two-credit course incoming students take when they first arrive on campus. This is much more than a time for orientation, as you will be introduced to the heart and soul of GBC, that is, those key learning outcomes that will guide your studies while at Grace. That, along with some fun activities, will result in an unforgettable time with your new friends.

Here is a partial list of other classes you will be taking as you earn an Associate's degree:

Composition and Literature/College Writing	Old Testament Literature
Fundamentals of Speech	New Testament Literature
History of Civilization	Christian Life and Service
Psychology	The Mission of the Church
Sociology	Biblical Christian Thought
Physical Education Electives	Foundations of Biblical Instruction

## ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN GENERAL STUDIES

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>34 crs</b>
Humanities		10-13	
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201		3-6	
GE 101	The Grace Experience	2	
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)	2	
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech	3	
Social Sciences			9
HI —	History of Civilization Elective	3	
PS —	Psychology Elective (200 level)	3	
SO —	Sociology Elective	3	
Arts and Sciences Electives			12-15
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>14 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature	3	
BL 202	New Testament Literature	3	
TH 151	Christian Life and Service	3	
TH 152	The Mission of the Church	2	
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought	3	
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3	
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>13 crs</u></b>
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>64 crs</b>

## Associate of Arts in Business

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>37-40 crs</b>
Humanities			10-13
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201			3-6
GE 101	The Grace Experience		2
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)		2
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech		3
Natural Sciences			3
MC —	Mathematics/Computer Elective		3
Social Sciences			9
HI 114	History of Civilization II		3
PS —	Psychology Elective (200 level)		3
SO —	Sociology Elective		3
Business Emphasis			15
BU 201	Principles of Macroeconomics		3
BU 202	Principles of Microeconomics		3
BU 210	Principles of Accounting I		3
BU 212	Principles of Accounting II		3
BU 211	Legal Environment of Business or		
BU 301	Principles of Management		3
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>14 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature		3
BL 202	New Testament Literature		3
TH 151	Christian Life and Service		3
TH 152	The Mission of the Church		2
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought		3
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction		3
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>7-10 crs</u></b>
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>64 crs</b>

# PASTORAL MINISTRY

If you believe God is calling you into full-time pastoral ministry, it is vital that you seek a place that is committed to providing solid biblical and theological instruction, as well as practical, hands-on experience. You will earn a Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies with an emphasis in Pastoral Ministry. Thus it shares a common core of Biblical and Ministry courses with our emphases in Youth, Intercultural, and General Ministry, while also providing you with the knowledge and skills you will need to lead a local congregation.

## Courses

The Pastoral Ministry degree program is built on the strengths of the Associate's degree (see Foundations). This includes the *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces all incoming students to the key learning outcomes that will transform your life! You will also delve deeply into God's Word and become men and women of the Book!

- Old Testament (The Pentateuch, Historical Books, Wisdom, and Prophecy)
- New Testament (Life of Christ, Acts, Letters of Paul, and Jewish Christian Literature)
- Theological Studies (Studies in systematic and dispensational theology)
- Biblical Languages
- Special topics of interest, including a possible study trip to Israel!

You will be trained in the very essence of what pastoral ministry is all about. Best of all, you will be taught by godly men who are committed to pouring themselves into the lives of their students through mentoring relationships.

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (with an emphasis in Pastoral Ministry)

Arts and Sciences		39-42 crs
Humanities		18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201		3-6
GE 101	The Grace Experience	2
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH —	Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331	Communication Skills	2
	Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Sciences		3
SC —	Science Elective	3
Social Sciences		6
HI —	History of Civilization Elective	3
PS —	Psychology Elective (200 level)	3

Languages			12
LA 331	Elementary Biblical Greek I	3	
LA 332	Elementary Biblical Greek II	3	
LA 421	Readings in the New Testament	3	
LA 422	Method in Greek Exegesis	3	
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>45 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature	3	
BL 202	New Testament Literature	3	
TH 151	Christian Life and Service	3	
TH 152	Mission of the Church	2	
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought	3	
TH 301	Formation and Service I	2	
TH 302	Formation and Service II	2	
TH 316	Foundations in Dispensational Theology	3	
TH 351	Theology I	3	
TH 352	Theology II	3	
	Upper Division Old Testament Elective	3	
	Upper Division New Testament Elective	3	
	Upper Division Bible/Theology/Language Electives	12	
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>31 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3	
CE 346	Educational Ministries of the Church	3	
PT 351	Homiletics	3	
PT 354	Preaching Lab	1	
PT 438	Ministry Practicum	3	
Pastoral Ministry			18
PT 301	Introduction to Pastoral Ministry	3	
PT 311	Pastoral Leadership	3	
PT 314	Pastoral Care	3	
PT 326	Family Life and Ministry	3	
PT 401	Ministry of the Local Church	3	
PT 412	Teaching and Preaching	3	
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>6-9 crs</u></b>
	<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>124 crs</b>

# YOUTH MINISTRY

It takes more than a guitar and fun activities to be effective in today's youth culture. Young people need godly examples who are able to understand their struggles and then point them to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. If this opportunity excites you and you feel up to the challenge, be sure to check our Youth Ministry degree programs. Coming to Grace to study youth ministry has several distinct advantages. First, with years of experience in successful ministry, our instructors want to pass these lessons on to you. Second, our many ministry options will provide you with immediate opportunities to be get involved in the lives of students. And best of all, you will be equipped to become the kind of leader youth will trust and respect.

Our Youth Ministry degree is a four-year program of study designed to prepare you for a position in a church or parachurch ministry. You will earn a Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies with an emphasis in Youth Ministry. Thus it shares a common core of Biblical and Ministry courses with our emphases in Pastoral, Intercultural, and General Ministry, while also providing you with the knowledge and skills you will need to lead exciting ministries designed to impact the youth of our churches and communities.

## Courses

The degree program in Youth Ministry builds on the strengths of the Associate's degree, including *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces you to the key learning outcomes that will transform your life! Then there are even more course in Bible and theology that will give you a better understanding of the Word of God, as well as special topics of interest that could include a trip to Israel! Here are some of the courses in Youth Ministry you will be taking:

Introduction to Youth Ministry	Issues and Culture of Today's Youth
Philosophy of Youth Ministry	Youth Ministry Management
Youth Evangelism and Discipleship	Youth Ministry in a Postmodern Culture

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (with an emphasis in Youth Ministry)

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>	<b>36-39 crs</b>
Humanities	18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201	3-6
GE 101 The Grace Experience	2
PE — Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH — Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131 Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331 Communication Skills	2
Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Sciences	3
SC — Science Elective	3

Social Sciences			15
HI	—	History of Civilization Elective	3
PS	—	Psychology Elective (200 level)	3
PS	349	Theories and Foundations of Counseling	3
SO	251	Principles of Sociology	3
SO	326	Family Life and Ministry	3
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>45 crs</b>
BL	102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL	202	New Testament Literature	3
TH	151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH	152	Mission of the Church	2
TH	213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH	301	Formation and Service I	2
TH	302	Formation and Service II	2
TH	316	Foundations in Dispensational Theology	3
TH	351	Theology I	3
TH	352	Theology II	3
		Upper Division Old Testament Elective	3
		Upper Division New Testament Elective	3
		Upper Division Bible/Theology/Language Electives	12
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>31 crs</b>
CE	252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3
CE	346	Educational Ministries of the Church	3
PT	351	Homiletics	3
PT	354	Preaching Lab	1
PT	438	Ministry Practicum	3
Youth Ministry			18
YM	121	Introduction to Youth Ministry	3
YM	223	Philosophy of Youth Ministry	3
YM	231	Youth Evangelism & Discipleship	3
YM	347	Issues/Culture of Today's Youth	3
YM	353	Youth Ministry Management	3
YM	427	Youth Ministry in Postmodern Culture	3
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>9-12 crs</u></b>
		<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>124 crs</b>



# INTERCULTURAL STUDIES

Has God called you to minister in other cultures either here or abroad? Do you want to share the Gospel perhaps where the Name of Christ has not been heard? Would you like to work with the leaders of indigenous churches so that they can reach their communities and cultures? If this is your God-given passion, then you should consider attending Grace Bible College! The mission of our Intercultural Program is to develop servants of Jesus Christ who are sensitive to other cultures and able communicators of the Gospel. With many of our leaders experienced missionaries, and with the presence of Grace Ministries International on our campus, you will learn not only the theory, but more importantly the practical skills you will need to serve wherever Christ leads you.

## Courses

The Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies with an emphasis in Intercultural Studies builds on the strengths of the Associate's degree, including the *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces you to the key learning outcomes of the College! Then there are even more course in Bible and theology that will give you a better understanding of the Word of God including a study of the Gospels, Pauline Theology and Literature, as well as special topics of interest that could include a trip to Israel! The Intercultural Ministry program also includes the following:

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|-------------------------|--|
| Foundations of Missions | World Religions                              |
| Missionary Life Skills  | Perspectives/World Christian Movement        |
| Homiletics              | Personal Development                         |
| Cultural Anthropology   | Contextualization and Philosophy of Missions |

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (with an emphasis in Intercultural Ministry)

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>	<b>36-39 crs</b>
Humanities	18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201	3-6
GE 101 The Grace Experience	2
PE — Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH — Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131 Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331 Communication Skills	2
Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Sciences	3
SC — Science Elective	3
Social Sciences	15
HI — History of Civilization Elective	3

PS	—	Psychology Elective (200 level)	3	
PS	349	Theories and Foundations of Counseling	3	
SO	254	Cultural Anthropology	3	
SO	326	Family Life and Ministry	3	
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>				<b>45 crs</b>
BL	102	Old Testament Literature	3	
BL	202	New Testament Literature	3	
TH	151	Christian Life and Service	3	
TH	152	Mission of the Church	2	
TH	213	Biblical Christian Thought	3	
TH	301	Formation and Service I	2	
TH	302	Formation and Service II	2	
TH	316	Foundations in Dispensational Theology	3	
TH	351	Theology I	3	
TH	352	Theology II	3	
		Upper Division Old Testament Elective	3	
		Upper Division New Testament Elective	3	
		Upper Division Bible/Theology/Language Electives	12	
<b>Ministry Studies</b>				<b>31 crs</b>
CE	252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3	
CE	346	Educational Ministries of the Church	3	
PT	351	Homiletics	3	
PT	354	Preaching Lab	1	
PT	438	Ministry Practicum	3	
Intercultural Ministry				18
MI	321	Foundations of Missions	3	
MI	335	World Religions	3	
MI	342	Missionary Life Skills	3	
MI	350	Perspectives on the World Christian Movement	3	
MI	356	Personal Development for Cross-Cultural Ministries	3	
MI	425	Contextualization and Philosophy of Missions	3	
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>				<b><u>9-12 crs</u></b>
			<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>124 crs</b>

# GENERAL MINISTRY

Some people have a passion to serve the Lord but are unsure exactly how or where. Others want the opportunity to customize their degrees by taking a sampling from different areas of study. If this describes you, then this degree program is designed for you! The Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies with an emphasis in General Ministry will provide you with a solid foundation of biblical knowledge, as well as an exposure to practical ministry training in a variety of ministry courses. Take a few moments and explore what this degree program has to offer you as you prepare for God's calling.

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (with an emphasis in General Ministry)

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>	<b>36-42 crs</b>
Humanities	18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201	3-6
GE 101 The Grace Experience	2
PE — Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH — Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131 Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331 Communication Skills	2
Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Sciences	3
SC — Science Elective	3
Social Sciences	6
HI — History of Civilization Elective	3
PS — Psychology Elective (200 level)	3
Choose from the following:	
Languages	12
LA 331 Elementary Biblical Greek I	3
LA 332 Elementary Biblical Greek II	3
LA 421 Readings in the New Testament	3
LA 422 Method in Greek Exegesis	3
General Studies	9
SO 326 Family Life and Ministry	3
Arts and Sciences Electives	6

**Biblical and Theological Studies** **45 crs**

BL 102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL 202	New Testament Literature	3
TH 151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH 152	Mission of the Church	2
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH 301	Formation and Service I	2
TH 302	Formation and Service II	2
TH 316	Foundations in Dispensational Theology	3
TH 351	Theology I	3
TH 352	Theology II	3
	Upper Division Old Testament Elective	3
	Upper Division New Testament Elective	3
	Upper Division Bible/Theology/Language Electives	12

**Ministry Studies** **31 crs**

CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3
CE 346	Educational Ministries of the Church	3
PT 351	Homiletics	3
PT 354	Preaching Lab	1
PT 438	Ministry Practicum	3

Pastoral Ministry 18

Choose 18 hours from the Pastoral, Youth, and/or Intercultural Ministries to customize a program designed especially for you.

Note: If you choose to complete the concentration in Greek offered under the Arts and Sciences, you should enroll in PS 326 (Family Life and Ministry) as one of the courses required as part of this concentration.

**Undesignated Electives** **6-12 crs**

**Total Credits** **124 crs**

# WORSHIP ARTS

Worship is an important part of the culture at Grace Bible College, as we gather together each week to sing praises to the Lord and then to learn from His Word. However, worship is more than the songs we sing. It is about our lives and our loves. It is the presentation of our lives as reasonable or spiritual acts of worship. It is an acknowledgement that the Lord alone is worthy of our praise! Therefore, we embrace *every* opportunity to worship as the people of God! For those with special musical talents we have a number of opportunities for everyone to be involved:

**Ensembles** ... You can join vocal, instrumental, and worship ensembles, as well as the Grace Singers, an elite traveling ensemble that represents the College from coast to coast. These ensembles are available to students in any degree track.

**Lessons** ... Group classes in piano or guitar are available to the beginning musician. For those with more experience, private lessons in piano, guitar or voice can be arranged.

Our core requires a fine arts elective for every student. This can be fulfilled by participating in lessons or ensembles or through interactive courses in the fine arts that often include trips to museums and concerts. The choice is yours!

## Degree Programs

Perhaps you are a more serious music student who would like to serve as a worship leader in a local church or ministry. If so, you will want to consider our Bachelor of Music degree with an emphasis in Worship Arts. This degree introduces students to the essential concepts and skills every musician needs to know. More than that, it seeks to transform students into mature practitioners and leaders of excellent music and quality, Christ-centered worship.

## Courses

The Bachelor of Music degree builds on the strengths of the Associate's degree (see [Foundations](#)). This includes the *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces all incoming students to the key learning outcomes that will transform your life! Then there are even more courses in Bible and theology, you will learn more about the Word of God and how it applies to every area of life. The Worship Arts major includes the following courses:

- You will study foundational courses that will help you develop your understanding of the essential concepts, including music theory and aural perception. If you lack the necessary background, there will be a special course intended to prepare you with the knowledge and skills you will need to succeed.
- There are courses specifically intended to address the heart of worship that will help you to develop the theology and philosophy behind meaningful worship. You will also learn practical skills that you can use in leading worship.
- Your degree will also include courses in audio and video technology that will focus on using these tools in enhancing the worship experience. More than that, they will help you keep the focus on the Lord, the object of our praise and worship.

## BACHELOR OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP ARTS

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>33 crs</b>
Humanities			15-18
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201		3-6	
GE	101 The Grace Experience	2	
PE	— Physical Education Elective(s)	2	
PH	— Philosophy Elective	3	
SP	131 Fundamentals of Speech	3	
SP	331 Communication Skills	2	
Natural Sciences			3
SC	— Science Elective	3	
Social Sciences			6
HI	— History of Civilization Elective	3	
PS	— Psychology Elective (200 level)	3	
Arts and Sciences Electives			6-9
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>27 crs</b>
BL	102 Old Testament Literature	3	
BL	202 New Testament Literature	3	
BI	— Upper Division Bible Electives	6	
TH	151 Christian Life and Service	3	
TH	152 Mission of the Church	2	
TH	213 Biblical Christian Thought	3	
TH	301 Formation and Service I	2	
TH	302 Formation and Service II	2	
TH	— Upper Division Theology Elective	3	
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE	252 Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3	
<b>Major Professional Requirements</b>			<b>59 crs</b>
Harmonic Practices and Musicianship			20
WA	113 Harmonic Practices I	3	
WA	114 Musicianship I	2	
WA	215 Harmonic Practices II	3	
WA	216 Musicianship II	2	
WA	217 Harmonic Practices III	3	

WA 218	Musicianship III	2	
WA 319	Harmonic Practices IV	3	
WA 320	Musicianship IV	2	
Applied Music			16
MU —	Ensemble Electives	8	
MU —	Private Lessons	8	
Worship Arts			14
WA 111	Foundations of Worship	3	
WA 321	Leading Worship	3	
WA 322	Songwriting for Worship	3	
WA 350	Junior Worship Program	1	
WA 450	Senior Worship Program	1	
WA 459	Worship Arts Practicum	3	
Media and Technology			9
WA 323	Music Technology	3	
WA 324	Audio Production	3	
WA 325	Video Production	3	
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>2 crs</u></b>
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>124 crs</b>

# Human Services

One of the fastest growing professions relates to the service industry, especially in response to the human condition. No one is more prepared to meet this need than the Christian who is able to apply the principles of the Word of God and the knowledge and skills gained in a Human Services program. Grace Bible College considers human services to be a profession and an area of study that is concerned with efforts to aid people in fulfilling their emotional, mental, physical, social and spiritual needs. The Human Services major is designed to provide an understanding of helping and healing relationships. The curriculum is interdisciplinary, designed to prepare students for entry-level work in a variety of social agencies after graduation. More advanced degrees may lead to professional administrative and clinical positions. Students will gain practical skill and knowledge during their practicum experience in a local agency.

## Courses

Like every other program of study, the Bachelor of Science in Human Services builds on the strengths of the Associate's degree (see [Foundations](#)). This includes the *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces all incoming students to the key learning outcomes that will transform your life! Then there are even more courses in Bible and theology, you will learn more about the Word of God and how it applies to life. The Human Services major includes the following:

Introduction to Human Services	Principles of Sociology
Developmental Psychology	Cultural Diversity
Abnormal Psychology	Marriage and Family
Social Psychology	Theories and Foundations in Counseling
Adult Psychology	Seminar in Counseling
Statistics	A full year of practicum experience

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN SERVICES

Arts and Sciences		36-39 crs
Humanities		18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201 <sup>1</sup>		3
GE 101	The Grace Experience	2
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH —	Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331	Communication Skills	2
	Fine Arts Elective	3
Natural Sciences		6
MC 273	College Algebra	3
SC —	Science Elective	3



Social Sciences			6
HI	—	History of Civilization Elective	3
PS	201	Introduction to Psychology	3
Arts and Sciences Electives			6
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>			<b>27 crs</b>
BL	102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL	202	New Testament Literature	3
BI	—	Upper Division Bible Electives	6
TH	151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH	152	Mission of the Church	2
TH	213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH	301	Formation and Service I	2
TH	302	Formation and Service II	2
TH	—	Upper Division Theology Elective	3
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE	252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3
<b>Major Professional Requirements</b>			<b>43 crs</b>
PS	231	Group Psychology	3
PS	236	Developmental Psychology	3
PS	281	Statistics	3
PS	310	Abnormal Psychology	3
PS	325	Social Psychology	3
PS	341	Adult Psychology	3
PS	349	Theories and Foundations in Counseling	3
PS	457	Seminar in Counseling	3
SO	251	Principles of Sociology	3
SO	255	Introduction to Human Services	4
SO	343	Cultural Diversity	3
SO	356	Marriage and Family	3
SO	320	Human Services Practicum I	3
SO	420	Human Services Practicum II	3
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>12-15 crs</u></b>
		<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>124 crs</b>

# EDUCATION

If you are interested in a teaching career, then you should consider either of the degree programs in education offered at Grace Bible College. These programs are offered as part of our cooperative arrangements with nearby colleges and universities with whom we enjoy a rich partnership.

## Elementary and Secondary Education

Through our cooperative arrangement with Cornerstone University, you will have opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and disciplines necessary for a career in elementary and secondary education. Students satisfying the program requirements will receive a Bachelor of Religious Education degree from GBC and a Bachelor of Arts from Cornerstone University. This degree program affords students the means to achieve:

1. A developed and integrated Christian philosophy which will guide their living, learning and teaching.
2. Mastery of the essential academic skills of critical thinking and communication.
3. Enrollment in a carefully sequenced program designed to help them master subject specific teaching methods.
4. Familiarity with technological applications to assist them in preparing and presenting effective classroom teaching and management.
5. Opportunities for practical experience through observing, aiding, and teaching.
6. A firm grasp of foundational biblical knowledge through a strong Bible and theology emphasis.

Upon graduation, you will be entitled to apply for certification from the State of Michigan and/or states which grant reciprocal certificates to Michigan graduates.

## Early Childhood Education

The Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education, offered in cooperation with Grand Rapids Community College, is designed to prepare students for roles as teachers, directors and supervisors in day-care centers, nursery schools and other pre-kindergarten educational settings. Opportunities are available for the student to study and observe children of various ages, to assist in teaching in early childhood settings and to gain understanding of the dynamic process of physical, psychological, social and intellectual development. Specifically, the program addresses the relationship of affective and cognitive learning, physical and intellectual development, acculturation and socialization, school and home environments and curricula for young children.

Like other programs of study, both of these degrees build on the strengths of the Associate's degree (see [Foundations](#)). This includes the *Grace Experience*, a course that introduces all incoming students to the key learning outcomes that will transform your life! Then there are even more courses in Bible and theology where you will learn more about the Word of God and how it applies to every area of life.

## ELEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

In addition to the Language Arts Major detailed below, there are a number of other majors and minors available through our partnership with Cornerstone University. These include Integrated Science Group, Social Studies Group, Integrated Science and Mathematics, Integrated Science and Reading, Mathematics and Reading, Reading and Language Arts, Learning Disabilities (K-12), Spanish, Early Childhood Education and TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages). Contact the GBC Registrar for further information about these programs of study.

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>25-28 crs</b>
Humanities			13-16
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201			3-6
PE	132	Fitness and Health	2
PH	201	Western Philosophical Thought	3
SP	131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP	331	Communication Skills	2
Foreign Language			+
Natural Sciences			3
MC	—	Mathematics Elective	3
Social Sciences			9
HI	114	History of Civilization II	3
HI	115	American Studies	3
PS	236	Developmental Psychology	3
<b>Biblical Studies</b>			<b>27 crs</b>
BL	102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL	202	New Testament Literature	3
BI	—	Upper Division Bible Electives	6
TH	151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH	152	Mission of the Church	2
TH	213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH	301	Formation and Service I	2
TH	302	Formation and Service II	2
TH	—	Upper Division Theology Elective	3
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE	252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3

<b>Language Arts Major</b>			<b>33 crs</b>
EN 305	Children's Literature	3	
EN 324	World Literature	3	
EN —	American or British Literature Elective	3	
SP 231	Interpersonal and Small Group Communication	3	
COM 315	<i>Communication Theory</i>	3	
COM —	<i>Communication Electives</i>	6	
ENG 223	<i>Introduction to Literature</i>	3	
ENG 226	<i>Introduction to Creative Writing</i>	3	
JRN 201	<i>News Writing and Reporting I</i>	3	
MDA 319	<i>Mass Media Literacy</i>	3	
<b>Cornerstone Core</b>			<b>5 crs</b>
IDS 101	<i>Creativity, Innovation and Problem Solving</i>	2	
SCI 311	<i>Science in Culture</i>	3	
<b>Planned Program Minor</b>			<b>31 crs</b>
EDU 243	<i>Art for Elementary Teachers</i>	3	
EDU 342	<i>Developmental Reading and Language Arts Methods</i>	3	
EDU 445	<i>Assessing and Correcting Reading Problems</i>	4	
EDU 450	<i>Elementary Science Methods</i>	3	
EDU 460	<i>Elementary Social Studies Methods</i>	3	
KIN 147	<i>Physical Education for Classroom Teachers</i>	2	
MAT 312	<i>Elementary Mathematics &amp; Methods</i>	4	
MUS 254	<i>Music for Elementary Classroom Teachers</i>	3	
SCI 201	<i>Integrated Science for Elementary Teachers</i>	3	
THR 242	<i>Introduction to Theatre</i>	3	
<b>Educational Professional Program</b>			<b>29 crs</b>
ED 281	Principles & Philosophy of Education	3	
ED 283	School Observation Practicum	1	
ED 351	Educational Psychology	3	
EDU 262	<i>Computers and Technology in Education</i>	3	
EDU 363	<i>Diverse Populations &amp; Differentiated Instruction</i>	3	
EDU 382	<i>Teacher Assistant Practicum</i>	1	
EDU 430	<i>Directed Teaching Seminar</i>	3	
EDU 482	<i>Elementary Directed Teaching</i>	12	
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>153-156 crs</b>

## SECONDARY EDUCATION PROGRAMS

In addition to the Social Studies Major detailed below, the following majors are available for students pursuing a career in teaching through our partnership with Cornerstone University: Biology, English, History, Integrated Science, Integrated Comprehensive Science, Mathematics, Spanish, Communication Arts Group, K-12 Learning Disabilities and K-12 Physical Education. All secondary education majors also require a certifiable departmental minor of not less than 20 hours or a group minor of 24 hours.

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>			<b>29-32 crs</b>
Humanities			16-19
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201			3/6
GE 101	The Grace Experience		2
PE 132	Fitness and Health		2
PE —	Lifetime Activity Elective		1
PH 201	Western Philosophical Thought		3
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech		3
SP 331	Communication Skills		2
Foreign Language			+
Natural Sciences			10
MAT —	Mathematics Elective (MAT 110, 121, 122, 131, 132)		3
SCI 311	Science in Culture		3
SCI —	Science Elective		4
Social Sciences			3
PS 236	Developmental Psychology		3
<b>Biblical Studies</b>			<b>27 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature		3
BL 202	New Testament Literature		3
BI —	Upper Division Bible Electives		6
TH 151	Christian Life and Service		3
TH 152	Mission of the Church		2
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought		3
TH —	Upper Division Theology Elective		3
TH 301	Formation and Service I		2
TH 302	Formation and Service II		2
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction		3

<b>Social Studies Major</b>			<b>36 crs</b>
BU 201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3	
BU 202	Principles of Microeconomics	3	
HI 113	History of Civilization I	3	
HI 114	History of Civilization II	3	
HI 215	Michigan History	3	
HI 331	United States History I	3	
HI 332	United States History II	3	
PO 210	Introduction to Political Science	3	
SSC 161	<i>World Geography</i>	3	
SSC 262	<i>Geography of North America</i>	3	
SSC 312	<i>World Affairs</i>	3	
SSC 451	<i>Social Studies Research I</i>	2	
SSC 452	<i>Social Studies Research II</i>	1	
<b>Cornerstone Core</b>			<b>5 crs</b>
IDS 101	<i>Creativity, Innovation and Problem Solving</i>	2	
IDS 311	<i>Imagination in Culture (or GBC Fine Arts course)</i>	3	
<b>Selected Minor</b>			<b>21-24 crs</b>
<b>Educational Professional Program</b>			<b>38 crs</b>
ED 281	Principles & Philosophy of Education	3	
ED 283	School Observation Practicum	1	
ED 351	Educational Psychology	3	
EDU 262	<i>Computers and Technology in Education</i>	3	
EDU 344	<i>Content Area Literacy</i>	3	
EDU 363	<i>Diverse Populations &amp; Differentiated Instruction</i>	3	
EDU 382	<i>Teacher Assistant Practicum</i>	1	
EDU 430	<i>Directed Teaching Seminar</i>	3	
EDU 484	<i>Secondary Directed Teaching</i>	12	
SSC 464	<i>Secondary Social Studies Methods</i>	3	
	<i>Minor Methods Course</i>	3	
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>159-165 crs</b>
+ See the Registrar for details			

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

The Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education is offered in cooperation with Grand Rapids Community College. Specific major requirements identified in *italics* will be fulfilled at Grand Rapids Community College.

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>		<b>36-39 crs</b>
Humanities		21-24
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201		3-6
EN 305	Children's Literature	3
GE 101	The Grace Experience	2
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH —	Philosophy Elective	3
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331	Communication Skills	2
	Fine Arts Elective(s)	3
Natural Sciences		6
BU —	Business/Economics Elective	3
SC —	Science Elective	3
Social Sciences		9
HI —	History of Civilization Elective	3
PO 210	Introduction to Political Science	3
PS 201	Introduction to Psychology	3
<b>Biblical and Theological Studies</b>		<b>27 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL 202	New Testament Literature	3
BI —	Upper Division Bible Electives	6
TH 151	Christian Life and Service	3
TH 152	Mission of the Church	2
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought	3
TH 301	Formation and Service I	2
TH 302	Formation and Service II	2
TH —	Upper Division Theology Elective	3
<b>Ministry Studies</b>		<b>6 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3
CE 346	Educational Ministries of the Church	3

<b>Major Professional Requirements</b>			<b>46 crs</b>
PS	236	Developmental Psychology	3
PS	325	Social Psychology	3
SO	251	Principles of Sociology	3
SO	343	Cultural Diversity	3
SO	356	Marriage and Family	3
CD	105	<i>Foundations of Early Childhood Education</i>	3
CD	119	<i>Methods in Preschool Education</i>	4
CD	210	<i>Infant and Toddler Development</i>	4
CD	215	<i>Adult-Child Interaction</i>	3
CD	218	<i>Preschool Management</i>	3
CD	230	<i>Young Children With Special Needs</i>	4
CD	260	<i>Emergent Literacy or</i>	
CD	270	<i>Leadership in Early Childhood Education</i>	3
CD	280	<i>Cooperative Education in Child Development</i>	3
CD	285	<i>Assessment Tools in Child Development</i>	2
WE	156	<i>First Aid</i>	1
WE	157	<i>Elementary Games and Rhythms</i>	1
<b>Undesignated Electives</b>			<b><u>6-9 crs</u></b>
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>124 crs</b>



# BUSINESS

A cooperative arrangement with Davenport University allows Grace Bible College students to earn two bachelor degrees: a Bachelor of Religious Education degree from GBC as well as a second bachelor's degree from Davenport University. The dual-degree program is designed to prepare students for higher-level career work in a variety of business and business related fields. Students will learn to think creatively and recognize opportunity in a dynamic economy. A biblical worldview and Christian character formation will enable students to excel in both their career field and in civic responsibility. In addition to the Bachelor of Business Administration in Management detailed below, students may select from a variety of other majors offered at Davenport University. For further information about the degree options, you should contact the GBC Registrar. *Italics* indicate courses taken at Davenport University.

<b>Arts and Sciences</b>		<b>45-48 crs</b>
Humanities		18-21
Students will complete (1) EN 101 and EN 102 or (2) EN 201		3-6
ENGL 311	Professional Writing	3
GE 101	The Grace Experience	2
PE —	Physical Education Elective(s)	2
PH 305	Ethics	3
SP 131	Fundamentals of Speech	3
SP 331	Communication Skills	2
Natural Sciences		12
MC 270	College Math	3
MC 271	Principles of Computing	3
MC 281	Statistics	3
MC —	Mathematics Elective <b>or</b>	
SC —	Science Elective	3
Social Sciences		15
BU 201	Principles of Macroeconomics	3
BU 202	Principles of Microeconomics	3
HI 114	History of Civilization II	3
PS —	Psychology Elective	3
SO 251	Principles of Sociology	3
<b>Biblical Studies</b>		<b>27 crs</b>
BL 102	Old Testament Literature	3
BL 202	New Testament Literature	3
BI —	Upper Division Bible Electives	6

TH 151	Christian Life and Service	3	
TH 152	Mission of the Church	2	
TH 213	Biblical Christian Thought	3	
TH 301	Formation and Service I	2	
TH 302	Formation and Service II	2	
TH —	Upper Division Theology Elective	3	
<b>Ministry Studies</b>			<b>3 crs</b>
CE 252	Foundations of Biblical Instruction	3	
<b>Major Professional Requirements</b>			<b>52 crs</b>
BU 210	Principles of Accounting I	3	
BU 211	Legal Environment of Business	3	
BU 212	Principles of Accounting II	3	
<i>BITS 211</i>	<i>Microcomputer Applications: Spreadsheets</i>	3	
<i>BUSN 120</i>	<i>Introduction to Business</i>	3	
<i>BUSN 225</i>	<i>International Business</i>	3	
<i>BUSN 403</i>	<i>Business Research</i>	3	
<i>BUSN 448T</i>	<i>BBA Major Field Test</i>	0	
<i>BUSN 495</i>	<i>Business Planning Capstone</i>	4	
<i>FINC 211</i>	<i>Corporate Finance</i>	3	
<i>FINC 223</i>	<i>Entrepreneurial Finance or</i>		
<i>FINC 235</i>	<i>Financial Analysis for Business Managers or</i>		
<i>FINC 320</i>	<i>International Finance</i>	3	
<i>GPMT 350</i>	<i>Project Management</i>	3	
<i>HRMG 213</i>	<i>Human Resource Management</i>	3	
<i>MGMT 321</i>	<i>Organizational Behavior</i>	3	
<i>MGMT 357</i>	<i>Operations Management</i>	3	
<i>MGMT 440</i>	<i>Strategic Management</i>	3	
<i>MKTG 211</i>	<i>Marketing Foundations</i>	3	
<i>Choose one of the following:</i>			<b>12-15 crs</b>
<i>Management Electives</i>		<i>Global Project Management Specialty</i>	
<i>Entrepreneurship Specialty</i>		<i>Leadership Effectiveness Specialty</i>	
<i>Financial Management Specialty</i>		<i>Sustainable Business Development</i>	
<b>Total Credits</b>			<b>135/138 crs</b>

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

ART	MATH & COMPUTER SCIENCE
BIBLE	PHYSICAL EDUCATION
BIBLICAL LITERATURE	PHILOSOPHY
BUSINESS	POLITICAL SCIENCE
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	PSYCHOLOGY
EDUCATION	PRACTICAL THEOLOGY
ENGLISH & LITERATURE	SOCIOLOGY
FINE ARTS	SPEECH & DRAMA
GENERAL EDUCATION	THEOLOGY
HISTORY	WORSHIP ARTS
INTERCULTURAL STUDIES	YOUTH MINISTRY
LANGUAGES	

## **AT — ART**

### **AT 225 Art Appreciation 3**

An introduction into the nature of art, from pre-historic to modern times. Included is a study of the basic elements and principles of art, terminology of styles and techniques, and projects designed to give an understanding of fine and applied arts. A visit to an art museum and/or art gallery will be required. Additional fee required.

## **BI — BIBLE** (Prerequisite for all courses—BL 102/202 or advanced standing)

### **BI 302 Jesus and the Gospels 3**

The theology of Jesus, origin and background of the Gospels. Theological, social, and pastoral relevance of the gospels. Special attention to the canon of the New Testament. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 303 The Pentateuch 3**

Origins, literary forms, archaeological illuminations and theology of the Mosaic documents, institutions, and legislation. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 304 Old Testament Historical Books 3**

The Israelite conquest, settlement, and state in its rise, decline, and restoration. Theology of the Deuteronomic history (Joshua, Judges, Samuel and Kings) with attention to the Chronicles to Ezra history and Esther. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 305 Biblical Perspectives on Current Issues 3**

Consideration of relevant biblical texts and historical samples of their interpretation on such social issues as the vitality of the individual, persons in violence, dependent and underclass persons, crime and violence, basic human rights, and social liberation.

### **BI 308 Acts 3**

Study of the content and message of the Acts of the Apostles from an historical, theological, dispensational, and missiological perspective. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 309 Daniel and Revelation 3**

An inductive study of the books of Daniel and Revelation with an emphasis on the consummation of God's plan. The course will include a general survey of apocalyptic material and an overview of millennial positions and associated views on this literature with a special emphasis on dispensational premillennialism.

### **BI 403 The Pauline Literature and Theology 3**

Examination of the background and ministry of Paul, origin and purpose of each of the Pauline epistles in the context of the development of Paul's ministry. Synthesis of major themes of Paul with special attention to the Pauline concept of the church and its mission. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 404 New Testament Jewish-Christian Literature 3**

The literature of Jewish Christians including Hebrews to Revelation. Origin, background, and theology of each book in its historical setting and modern relevance. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 405 Old Testament Wisdom 3**

Studies in the ancient Near Eastern and biblical wisdom tradition; focused studies in the ideas of Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Song of Solomon and other biblical wisdom texts. Offered alternate years.

### **BI 406 Old Testament Prophecy 3**

Political and social background of Israel's prophets and their ethical themes; special emphasis on the prophetic view of the messianic future and Israel's role in world redemption. Offered alternate years.

**BI 449 Independent Bible Study 1-3**

Individual guided research in special problems by arrangement with instructor. *Prerequisite: Senior standing*

**BI 459 Biblical Studies Travel 3**

A study tour providing experiential analysis of sites of importance for biblical studies Holy Land, Greece, Turkey and sites of importance for church history. Readings and a written project will be required. When the location varies, class may be repeated. Credit will not be given for more than 6 credit hours.

**BL — BIBLICAL LITERATURE**

**BL 102 Old Testament Literature 3**

This course is designed to survey the literature of the Old Testament in its historical setting, literary types, and main ideas. Attention is given to outstanding persons, events, and major teachings.

**BL 202 New Testament Literature 3**

This course is designed to survey the literature of the New Testament in its historical setting. Study of New Testament background, the life of Christ, the apostolic age, life situations of the New Testament books, and the structure and message of each book.

**BU — BUSINESS**

Students interested Business through our partnership with Davenport University should consult with their academic advisor for proper course planning. The following courses are offered at Grace Bible College.

**BU 201 Principles of Macroeconomics 3**

Study of fundamental principles of resource allocation, production and income distribution, evaluation of consumer and government spending, business investment, taxation and monetary policy.

**BU 202 Principles of Microeconomics 3**

Study of market economies, the price system, current economic problems, governmental activity in a market system, and international economics.

**BU 204 Personal Finance 3**

Course is designed to provide a framework for consumer decisions in our economic environment. Topics covered include family budgeting, investments, insurance, purchasing, estate and tax planning, mortgages and loans.

**BU 210 Principles of Accounting I 3**

Introduction to double-entry financial accounting, including basic accounting theory and principles, financial statement preparation and analysis. Offered alternate years.

**BU 211 Legal Environment of Business 3**

Emphasis on contracts, negotiable instruments, UCC, employment, sales, agency, and concern for the environment—legal, regulatory, and ethical—in which business is conducted. Offered alternate years.

**BU 212 Principles of Accounting II 3**

A continuation of BU 210 and managerial accounting topics. Long-term liabilities, owner's equity, cash flow and interpretation of financial statements, cost accounting and managerial accounting and analysis will be introduced. *Prerequisite: BU 210*

**BU 301 Principles of Management 3**

An introduction to the management function within an organization. Topics include principles of planning, organizing, motivating, directing, supervising, staffing and controlling work and work performance in a business. Basic styles of management will also be explored and developed.

## **CE — CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

### **CE 249 Summer Ministry Practicum 1**

A supervised short-term experience providing opportunities for ministry through service and/or outreach projects in a church or an organization.

### **CE 252 Foundations of Biblical Instruction 3**

Interpreting the Bible using methods of inductive Bible study; introducing and developing the teaching-learning process with practice in teaching biblical material. *Prerequisite: BL 102, 202*

### **CE 301 Junior Integrative Seminar 2**

This required course seeks to integrate and apply all aspects of the curriculum—arts and sciences, biblical, theological, and ministry studies—with the specific professional major the student is seeking.

### **CE 346 Educational Ministries of the Church 3**

This course will give students a theoretical and practical framework for developing educational/ministry programs for children, youth and adults. Students will apply philosophical and psychological theories in evaluating and developing these programs in the church. *Prerequisite: CE 252*

## **ED — EDUCATION**

### **ED 281 Principles and Philosophy of Education 3**

An introductory course in teacher education presenting an overview of the roles, skills, knowledge base and values required of qualified classroom teachers. The course is designed to give students a framework—theoretical and philosophical—for evaluating educational principles, perspectives, policies and procedures. Contemporary systems and historical implications of theory and practice will be considered as students interact with these data from a Christian/biblical worldview. As a culminating class project, students will construct a personal philosophy of education. ED 283 is a “laboratory” requirement which should be taken concurrently with this course.

### **ED 283 School Observation Practicum 1**

Students will observe 30 hours in the classroom of Christian, public, elementary, secondary, high-needs, multicultural, magnet schools, special education and a variety of other school settings. Students will learn to recognize the multidimensionality and overlapping experiences through observation and seminar experiences. This course should be taken concurrently with ED 281.

### **ED 351 Educational Psychology 3**

Principles of learning theory and their application in the classroom. A study of the learner, the learning process and the varied factors which influence learning. *Prerequisite: ED 281, 283*

## **EN — ENGLISH & LITERATURE**

### **EN 100 Elements of English 3**

Course designed for students needing review of English for clear and effective written communication. This course prepares the student for successful work in EN 101 by emphasizing basic grammar and sentence, paragraph and essay construction. Students must achieve at least a C- to satisfactorily complete this course. Course cannot be used to satisfy graduation requirements for English.

### **EN 101 English Composition 3**

Emphasis on the written expression of ideas with stress placed on organization of thoughts, clarity of statement, and correct use of the conventions of grammar and mechanics. This course includes study of the types of exposition, and instruction in organizing library research in order to compose a formal research paper. Students must achieve at least a C- to satisfactorily complete this course.

**EN 102     Composition and Literature     3**

Continues the study of effective written communication with an introduction to fiction and drama as literary forms. Emphasis is placed on writing about literature and critical analysis. Students must achieve at least a C- to satisfactorily complete this course. *Prerequisite: EN 101*

**EN 201     College Writing     3**

This accelerated course seeks to prepare the more advanced student with the essential writing skills required for college-level coursework. Students will learn how to understand and think critically about the ideas and language of others and how to develop and persuasively articulate their own ideas about selected topics. Assignments include an applied research paper. Thus, the course provides students with intensive practice in critical thinking and academic writing skills, such as reading, researching, drafting, editing, and revising, as well as evaluation of and engagement with examples of rhetorical style in contemporary culture. Students must achieve at least a C- to satisfactorily complete this course.

**EN 305     Children’s Literature     3**

Survey of literature for children and adolescents, designed to assist in evaluation and interpretation. Traditional literature, authors, modern works and the Caldecott, Newberry and other award-winning books studied in the light of the child’s personal and spiritual needs. *Prerequisite: EN 102/201*

**EN 321     Great American Writers of the 19th Century     3**

A study of major American authors and literary movements of the nineteenth century. The form and content of the literature as well as its historical background and influence are studied. *Prerequisite: EN 102/201*

**EN 322     Great American Writers of the 20th Century     3**

A study of significant twentieth century American writers. The literature will be examined as it reflects American history and culture. *Prerequisite: EN 102/201*

**EN 324     World Literature     3**

A survey of literature of the world. This course includes literary writings from the great works of the ancient world to those of the present. The chosen world authors offer literary glimpses into Western and non-Western worlds and cultures. *Prerequisite: EN 102/201*

**EN 351     17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Century British Literature     3**

This course covers the literature of some of the most turbulent years in British history: Civil War, Protectorate, Restoration and loss of the American colonies. Authors include, but are not limited to, Raleigh, Bacon, Donne, Jonson, Milton, Bunyan, Dryden, Locke, Pope, DeFoe, Swift and Johnson. *Prerequisite: EN 102/201*

**FA — FINE ARTS**

**FA 201     Fine Arts in Culture     3**

This course is an examination of the forms and functions of the various fine arts, including music, art, and drama. Students will develop an understanding and appreciation of these art forms and their contribution to a comprehensive world view.

**GE — GENERAL EDUCATION**

**GE 099     Strategies for Academic Success     0**

Students will investigate and put into practice strategies for time management, knowledge acquisition, reading, note taking and test taking, and other skills leading to academic success. Course will include seminars and personal meetings with an assigned academic coach. Required for all students enrolled in the Academic Success program, as well as those who are on academic probation.

**GE 101 The Grace Experience 2**

The Grace Experience will facilitate students' understanding of Christian worldview and the application of Christian worldview to the Christian College experience. Through various educational experiences, students will learn about self, others, and how the Body of Christ works together to impact the world for His glory. Students will gain an understanding of their path to fulfilling institutional outcomes as they matriculate through Grace Bible College, bringing all learning under the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

**HI — HISTORY**

**HI 113 History of Civilization I 3**

A survey of the development of ancient, medieval and early civilizations is traced, emphasizing the contributions of Western civilization through the Thirty Year War, 1618-1648 as well as highlights of African, Far Eastern and Middle eastern societies. Mega themes and issues, such as economic impacts, the Reformation, the beginnings of modern state systems and other key intellectual and social elements are explored.

**HI 114 History of Civilization II 3**

A study emphasizing Western but including non-Western nation-states from 1648 to the present which probes formative ideas, themes, issues and events such as imperialism, nationalism, communism and the Cold War, and an analysis of an integrated world.

**HI 115 American Studies 3**

A study of American history from its colonial beginnings to the present emphasizing the interaction of political, social, economic, cultural and religious factors that shaped the United States such as Puritanism, constitutional development, immigration, industrialism, technology, the impact of war, reform movements and contemporary issues.

**HI 210 Independent Study in History 3**

Individual guided research in issues of historical concern. *Prerequisite: HI 113 or 114 and permission of instructor*

**HI 215 Michigan History 3**

A survey of Michigan history emphasizing the constitutional, political, economic, social and religious developments from its territorial beginnings to the present as well as the integration of Michigan history with American and local history.

**HI 331 United States History I 3**

Students will examine the political, social, religious and economic history of the United States from Colonial times until the Civil War. *Prerequisite: HI 113 or 114*

**HI 332 United States History II 3**

Students will examine the political, social, religious and economic history of the United States from the Civil War until the present. *Prerequisite: HI 113 or 114*

**HI 371 History of Christianity 3**

Survey of church history from the Apostolic Church through the Reformation and Counter Reformation period of 1500-1648. Emphasis on the impact of concepts, individuals, and events on the development of church history.

**HI 372 American Religious History 3**

The history of religion in America especially emphasizing the history of Christianity in both its theological and institutional developments. Examination also of non-Christian religions in America.



**HI 449 Independent Study in Church History 3**

Individual guided research in problems of church history. *Prerequisite: HI 371 and Senior standing*

**MI—INTERCULTURAL STUDIES**

**MI 231a Cross-Cultural Orientation 1**

Practical pre-field orientation to prepare for summer or short-term ministries either in the United States or overseas. Offered on request.

**MI 231b Cross-Cultural Practicum 1**

On-the-field experience with short-term evaluation. Offered on request. *Prerequisite: MI 231a*

**MI 321 Foundations of Missions 3**

The biblical and theological basis for missions will be examined. Both Old and New Testaments are studied to establish God's consistent purpose of redeeming mankind progressively revealed. Major tenets of evangelical Christianity are shown to mandate world evangelization and motivate Christians to act. Implications for ministry and theology are explored.

**MI 332 Readings in Missions 3**

An in-depth pursuit of personal mission interests through the reading of mission related journals, periodicals, and books; the writing of reports which are shared in class. Offered alternate years.

**MI 335 Religions of The World 3**

A study of major non-Christian religions in the world. Special attention is given to Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Islam. Prevalent aspects of the animistic view in common to the peoples of the Islands, Africa, Asia, Central and South America also studied. Offered alternate years.

**MI 342 Missionary Life Skills 3**

Students will be exposed to the realities of life in the non-Western world where support services are minimal. Skills will be learned in appropriate technologies for simple living, basic medical skills, and community development. Attention will be given to language acquisition, children's schooling options, bookkeeping on the field, computer usage, writing prayer letters and potential cross-cultural ministries.

**MI 350 Perspectives on the World Christian Movement 3**

The biblical rationale and imperative for world evangelization will be explored, along with the special problems and skills involved in communicating the gospel cross-culturally. The historic rise and worldwide expansion of Christianity from the time of Christ to the present – and the task yet to be accomplished – will be carefully examined. The missionary task of the local church, especially the basic components necessary for strategic and intelligent planning, will also be considered.

**MI 356 Personal Development for Cross-Cultural Ministry 3**

Characteristics of effective cross-cultural ministers are explored. Students will participate in activities designed to stimulate the development of character traits conducive to cross-cultural ministry. Students will examine their own ethnocentricity with the purpose of developing sensitivity to people of other cultures. Students will learn techniques in interpersonal skills and conflict resolution. Attention will be given to missionary to missionary relationships, cross-cultural relationships and missionary psychology and adjustment.

**MI 419 Readings in World Religions 1-2**

Advanced independent study for the interested and qualified student. *Prerequisite: MI 335 and permission of Instructor*

**MI 425 Contextualization and Philosophy of Missions 3**

An examination of current issues and trends in mission theology and practice. Issues of cross-cultural biblical understanding and application are examined with guidance given for setting contextualization limits. Changing global realities juxtaposed with established mission theory will address issues of dependency, indigeneity, partnerships, sending church-agency-missionary-national church relationships, national church structure, suffering, ecumenism and others.

**MI 438 Practicum in Missiology 3**

A supervised experience in an approved cross-cultural ministry. The student will be guided through self evaluation in skills and personal aptitude for cross-cultural ministry. Taken during summer prior to the Senior year.

**MI 449 Independent Study in Missions 1-3**

Individual and guided research on a topic of particular interest. Emphasis on history, geography, religion, government, and culture of the field. *Prerequisite: MI 330 or permission of Instructor*

## **LA — LANGUAGE**

**LA 331 Elementary Biblical Greek I 3**

An introductory study of the grammar and vocabulary of biblical Greek. Elementary readings from biblical authors and beginning elements of syntax.

**LA 332 Elementary Biblical Greek II 3**

A continuation of the study of the grammar and vocabulary of biblical Greek. Elementary readings from biblical authors and beginning elements of syntax.

**LA 335 Elementary Swahili 3**

Training in the elements of grammar, pronunciation and vocabulary acquisition with emphases on the development of speaking, listening, reading and writing skills taught in a context designed to promote awareness and appreciation of Tanzania Bantu culture.

**LA 336 Elementary Swahili 3**

LA 336 builds on LA 335 with a continuation of training in grammar and vocabulary acquisition with a strong emphasis on conversation and reading. By the end of the course the students should be able to hold conversations in Swahili and know how to apply Swahili grammar to build their communication skills in the future. Students will also be able to explain some history and cultural aspects of the host country.

**LA 421 Readings in the New Testament 3**

Reading of selected portions of the New Testament; includes a survey of syntax, the development of exegetical method, and an introduction to textual criticism. *Prerequisite: LA 331, 332*

**LA 422 Method of Greek Exegesis 3**

Practice in translation and exegetical procedures in both the Gospels and Epistles. *Prerequisite: LA 421*

**LA 429 Independent Study in Biblical Languages 1-3**

Individual guided research in special areas of language study by arrangement with Instructor. *Prerequisite: Senior standing*

**LA 521 Readings in Hellenistic Greek 3**

Readings in selected non-biblical Greek including the LXX, Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha, Josephus, Philo, Secular Hellenistic Greek, Inscriptions, and early Christian Literature. *Prerequisite: LA 421*

**LA 525 Hebrew Language 4**

Introduction to the elements of biblical Hebrew, development of 400 word vocabulary, and elementary reading from the Hebrew Bible. Offered alternate years. *Prerequisite: LA 331, 332 or special permission*

**MC — MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**MC 270 College Math 3**

An introduction to basic mathematics designed to provide students with knowledge and skills required for daily living. Topics taken from algebraic functions, geometry, logic, metric system, number theory, probability, sets, statistics and computer and consumer mathematics. Offered alternate years.

**MC 271 Principles of Computing 3**

This introductory level course is designed to achieve productivity on a personal computer. Study includes the basic components of the computer system, operating system, word processing, electronic spreadsheets and database management. Students will use a variety of popular software packages including Microsoft Windows. Additional fee required.

**MC 273 College Algebra 3**

Topics include functions, their properties, graphs of equations and functions, logarithmic and exponential functions, sequences and series. Applications are drawn from issues of finance and economics.

**MC 281 Statistics 3**

Introductory course with applications in business and social sciences. Topics include descriptions of sample data, theoretical frequency distributions, sampling, testing hypotheses, chi square, correlation and regression. *Prerequisite: MC 273 or equivalent*

**PE — PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

**PE 132 Fitness and Health 2**

An introduction to the benefits of developing good fitness and health practices including cardiovascular and muscular functions, nutrition, stress management and the implementation of various programs that will enable the student to explore and improve his/her innate abilities. The class is designed to improve fitness through testing, analyzation, study, lectures, and participation.

**PE 220 Introduction to Tae Kwon Do 1**

This course will introduce the student to the Korean martial art of Tae Kwon Do, covering both the history and progression of this popular sport from its origins to the present day. Students will understand the historical significance and be able to distinguish Taekwondo from other popular martial arts as well as learn the practical physical skills to progress to the level of Orange and Yellow Belts, achieving recognized rank certification by the American Taekwondo Association (ATA). Students will also have a basic understanding of self-defense and learn practical physical skills for self-protection. Students will likewise have a basic understanding of the unique contributions of Songham Taekwondo with the broader Korean and American systems.

**PE 260 Intercollegiate Athletics 1**

Participation in intercollegiate sports including soccer, basketball, volleyball, and cross-country. Membership on teams by tryouts, selection, and regular practice. One credit per sport per season. Additional fee required.

**PH — PHILOSOPHY**

**PH 201 Western Philosophical Thought 3**

Introduction to history of philosophy in the Western world. Includes a survey of philosophical ideas and personalities from ancient Greece to the present. Gives attention to the postmodern critique of philosophy and the questions this critique raises for 21<sup>st</sup> century Christians.

**PH 305 Ethics 3**

Analysis of personal and social ethics, with particular attention to the ethical problems in contemporary society. Ethical theories and criteria for ethical judgments will be examined.

**PO — POLITICAL SCIENCE**

**PO 210 Introduction to Political Science 3**

Survey of American national, state and local government. Emphasis on understanding and appreciating the democratic system. Analysis of current issues facing all levels of government.

**PS — PSYCHOLOGY**

**PS 201 Introduction to Psychology 3**

General survey of the discipline of psychology including the principles, methods, vocabulary, and major theories in the study of human behavior. Consideration will be given to selected application of psychology for life and ministry.

**PS 231 Group Psychology 3**

This course examines the dynamics of communication, particularly in group settings; committees, task forces, church boards, small groups, etc. Topics include factors which influence communications and relationships, verbal and non-verbal behavior, barriers to effective communication, persuasion, attitude change, motivation and conflict resolution. Current theory and skill exercises will be utilized.

**PS 236 Developmental Psychology 3**

This course explores human development from conception through adolescence. The bio-psycho-social development of infants, children, and adolescents is studied in depth. Practical application of theoretical knowledge is emphasized through in-class discussion and assignments.

**PS 281 Statistics 3**

Introductory course with applications in business and social sciences. Topics include descriptions of sample data, theoretical frequency distributions, sampling, testing hypotheses, chi square, correlation, and regression. *Prerequisite: PS 201 and MC 273 or equivalent*

**PS 310 Abnormal Psychology 3**

An introduction to the classification, description, and interpretation of behavior identified as abnormal. Emphasis given to the social variables and environmental conditions related to the acquisition and persistence of such behavior. *Prerequisite: PS 201*

**PS 325 Social Psychology 3**

Individual behaviors within the context of one's society. A study of how people think about, influence and relate to one another, including attitudes, beliefs, prejudices, aggression, leadership, altruism, conformity, attraction, persuasion, stereotypes and the like. *Prerequisite: PS 201, SO 251 or 254*

**PS 341 Adult Psychology 3**

Examination of adult development dynamics from early adulthood through old age, which involves such states and issues as 20-30—marriage, children, career; 40-50—"empty nest", care of older parents, mental health; 60—retirement, physical difficulties, death. *Prerequisite: PS 201*

**PS 349 Theories and Foundations in Counseling 3**

This course will examine various theories of personality and counseling, emphasizing those used in the United States. Included in the study of theories will be training in assertiveness. Students will begin to develop their counseling skills based on these theories, using role play, case studies, etc. to learn practical strategies in the counseling setting. *Prerequisite: PS 201 or PS 236*

**PS 457 Seminar in Counseling 3**

This course continues the process of developing counseling skills by using a problem/management, opportunity/development model which allows different theoretical approaches to be incorporated, including Christian viewpoints. Video-taped real and/or simulated sessions are a part of the student's experience. *Prerequisite: PS 349*

**PT — PRACTICAL THEOLOGY**

**PT 301 Introduction to Pastoral Ministry 3**

This course is designed to introduce the student to the nature and practice of pastoral ministry. It provides a scriptural understanding of the call, qualifications and work of the minister, highlighting the practical implications this has for anyone considering this role in a local congregation.

**PT 311 Pastoral Leadership 3**

This course includes a study of the principles of effective leadership and administration for ministries within the local church. It integrates biblical principles for church leadership with principles of current organizational theory and practice.

**PT 314 Pastoral Care 3**

An examination of the foundational issues in providing pastoral care in a local church. Attention will be given to personal, congregational, and social issues commonly encountered in the practice of ministry in order to equip the pastor with the understanding and skills necessary to meet these challenges

**PT 326 Family Life and Ministry 3**

This course explores the cultural and personal dynamics affecting the family of those in ministry. Emphasis will be given to strengthening one's own family and how to minister to families within the local congregation and community.

**PT 351 Homiletics 3**

The preparation and delivery of sermons and public addresses. Emphasis is given to the history of preaching, types of sermons, homiletical structure, outlining, and pulpit mannerisms. Several sermons are preached as part of the course requirements. *Prerequisite: CE 252*

**PT 352 Life-Situation Preaching 1**

Preaching experience involving the preparation, presentation, and evaluation of sermons which address real life situations problems, circumstances, current issues, etc. from a biblical perspective. *Prerequisite: PT 351*

**PT 353 Evangelistic Preaching 1**

Development and presentation of sermons with attention given to influencing the listeners' attitudes, beliefs, values, and behavior, and identifying some of the specific changes anticipated. Ethics of persuasive preaching will also be considered. *Prerequisite: PT 351*

**PT 354 Preaching Lab 1**

Preaching experience involving the preparation, presentation, and evaluation of different genres of sermons intended to prepare students for an effective pulpit ministry. *Prerequisite: PT 351*

**PT 401 Ministry of the Local Church 3**

This course examines the dynamics affecting congregational ministry. It will explore the differences in thinking and values that affect ministry, and how the student can best lead and affect change within the congregation in light of these differences.

**PT 412 Teaching and Preaching 3**

A study of effective principles of communication as they relate to the ministry of preaching and teaching within the local church. Emphasis will be given both to the pulpit ministry, as well as leading small groups in more informal settings such as a home or small group Bible study.

**PT 438 Ministry Practicum 3**

A supervised experience in an approved ministry situation which allows the student to become immersed in areas of service applicable to his or her ministry emphasis within the Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies degree program.

**PT 449 Independent Study in Practical Theology 3**

Individual guided research in current trends and/or problems in the field of Practical Theology.  
*Prerequisite: Senior standing*

**PT 452 Expository Series Preaching/Bible Teaching 1**

The development and delivery of an expository message series through a biblical book or extended portion of Scripture or the development of a teaching series on the same subject matter utilizing inductive teaching methods. *Prerequisite: PT 351*

**PT 453 Doctrinal Preaching 1**

Preparation and presentation of sermons based on biblical doctrines. Accurate interpretation of the doctrine and clarity of delivery will be emphasized, as well as practical application of the biblical content.  
*Prerequisite: PT 351*

**PT 457 Seminar in Counseling 3**

This course continues the process of developing counseling skills by using a problem/management, opportunity/development model which allows different theoretical approaches to be incorporated, including Christian viewpoints. Video-taped real and/or simulated sessions are a part of the student's experience. *Prerequisite: PS 349*

**PT 590 Pastoral Internship 12**

June 15 to December 15 on-site experience in a local church or organizational setting under direct supervision. First-hand exposure to and involvement in all dimensions of selected ministry. Periodic assignments and reports determined by the Internship Director. *Prerequisite: CE 346, PT 544*

**PT 592 Senior Seminar 2**

Discussions and additional reading in areas encountered during academic and ministry experience. Subjects to include organizational and administrative procedures, staff and board relationship, and ministry practices. *Prerequisite: PT 590*

**SO — SOCIOLOGY**

**SO 251 Principles of Sociology 3**

Study of contemporary Western society with emphasis on culture, socialization, group life, social institutions, social processes and social change.

**SO 254 Cultural Anthropology 3**

An introduction to the field of cultural anthropology. Attention will be given to anthropological vocabulary, principles and methods with the aim of preparing missionaries with skills in observing culture, identifying and describing cultural elements and understanding implications of cultural differences for cross-cultural ministry.

**SO 255 Introduction to Human Services 4**

Survey of the history and development of human services. Includes study of both public and private community organizations. Consideration of professional approaches used in working with people in the human services profession. Site observations.

**SO 320 Human Services Practicum I 3**

Placement in a local human service agency which allows the student to begin integrating classroom concepts and theory with practical intervention. Taken in the fall semester of the Senior year, the practicum requires a minimum of 6-8 hours per week under agency supervision. Students meet weekly with the GBC Practicum Coordinator for assignments and discussion of practical experiences.

*Prerequisite: Senior Standing*

**SO 326 Family Life and Ministry 3**

This course explores the cultural and personal dynamics affecting the family of those in ministry. Emphasis will be given to strengthening one's own family and how to minister to families within the local congregation and community.

**SO 335 Religions of the World 3**

Study of major non-Christian religions in the world. Special attention is given to Hinduism, Buddhism, Confucianism, and Islam. Prevalent aspects of the animistic view common to the people of the Islands, Africa, Asia, Central and South America also studied. Offered alternate years.

**SO 343 Cultural Diversity 3**

This course is designed to assist students in recognizing acculturative variations and behaviors based on race/ethnicity, gender/sexuality, disability, age and religious/spiritual orientation. The course will provide an overview of the role culture plays in one's attitude/beliefs regarding these topics with an emphasis on how one's own belief system impacts his/her relationships with others. *Prerequisite: SO 251*

**SO 356 Marriage and Family 3**

Analysis of the family as an American institution including an emphasis on those factors of courtship which influence an integrative relationship of marriage and family. *Prerequisite: Sophomore standing*

**SO 420 Human Services Practicum II 3**

Continuation of SO 320. *Prerequisite: SO 320*

**SP — SPEECH & DRAMA**

**SP 131 Fundamentals of Speech 3**

Analysis of the communication process, including both verbal and nonverbal factors, as it provides the basis for audience/speaker relationships. Practice in presenting short speeches with emphasis on selection, organization, development, and presentation of ideas, as well as speaker adjustment to the audience.

**SP 234 Introduction to Drama 3**

A course designed to develop the fundamentals of theatre production. Emphasis on the principles of the actor's art, as well as the basics of stage craft: lighting, make-up, costuming, set construction, stage direction, and production. Opportunities given for practical experience through the presentation of plays for the public.

**SP 238 Workshop in Drama 1**

Specialized offerings in acting, drama, and improvisation techniques. Offers students the opportunity to perform dramatic presentation for churches, schools, community events and on the college campus.

**SP 331 Communications Skills 2**

This course focuses on helping the student develop specific communication skills related to his or her profession. This will include elements of a job search, as well as oral and written communication skills needed in the workplace.

**TH — THEOLOGY**

**TH 151 Christian Life and Service 3**

Elements of the Christian life; biblical dynamics of Christian spirituality and ethics, world missions of the church and strategies for personal and congregational participation.

**TH 152 The Mission of the Church - Evangelism and World Missions 2**

A study in the necessary outward focus of the individual believer, local congregation, and worldwide Church. The course will include personal evangelism and world missions: the biblical foundation, spiritual preparation, methods, and personal involvement and leadership of the church at home and overseas. The class studies ways to relate effectively to postmodern American culture as well as cross-culturally. Lectures, research, observation, and practical assignments are all course expectations.

**TH 213 Biblical Christian Thought 3**

This course emphasizes Scripture as the basis of Christian thought about God and surveys a range of Christian doctrines from the standpoint of biblical theology. Includes an introduction to the progressive revelation of God's plan in Scripture as foundational for both a Christian worldview and for dispensational theology.

**TH 301 Formation and Service I 2**

This course focuses on two critical areas of the Christian life – spiritual formation and service. Special consideration will be given to self-assessment and developing a plan for continued growth as a believer. Service aspects will fulfill a student's Christian Ministry requirements.

**TH 302 Formation and Service II 2**

This course continues the emphases of TH 301, focusing on spiritual formation and service.

**TH 314 Historic Christian Theologians 3**

An examination of several theologians who have made significant contributions to the Christian faith (i.e., Augustine, Aquinas, Luther, etc.). Attention will be given to primary sources. *Prerequisite: Sophomore standing*

**TH 316 Foundations in Dispensational Theology 3**

A study of the essential elements of dispensational theology with special emphasis given to the distinctive ministry and message of the Apostle Paul. *Prerequisite: TH 213*

**TH 351 Theology I 3**

This course focuses on developing a deepening understanding and appreciation of the loci of Systematic Theology and its application to Christian life and service.

**TH 352 Theology II 3**

This course is a continuation of TH 351, focusing on the remaining loci of Systematic Theology in order that a student might have a basic but deepening understanding of areas of theological truth.

**TH 411 God, Creation, and Revelation 3**

A study of theism, biblical revelation and inspiration, nature, attributes and decrees of God, and the biblical concepts of creation, preservation, and providence. Offered alternate years. *Prerequisite: 10 hours of Bible courses*



**TH 412 Man, Christ, and Salvation 3**

Biblical doctrine of man, the person and work of Christ, and the provision and application of salvation. Offered alternate years. *Prerequisite: 10 hours of Bible courses*

**TH 413 Holy Spirit, Church, and Last Things 3**

Personality, deity, and work of the Holy Spirit; nature and function of the church with emphasis on the Pauline concept of the church; study of the biblical teaching about the future. Offered alternate years. *Prerequisite: 10 hours of Bible courses*

**TH 414 Studies in Dispensational Theology 3**

This course provides special studies in dispensational problems, the literature of modern dispensational theology and its opponents, and its historical roots. *Prerequisite: Senior standing*

**TH 449 Independent Study in Theology 1**

Individual guided research in problems of theology. *Prerequisite: Senior standing*

**WA—WORSHIP ARTS**

**WA 111 Foundations of Worship 3**

This course provides a biblically-based understanding and definition of worship as exemplified through worship experiences in the Old and New Testaments. Purposefully scheduled as the initial course in the Worship Arts program, it seeks to lay a foundation for all other courses that build upon core worship principles of excellence, service, sacrifice, commitment, and humility, etc.

**WA 321 Leading Worship 3**

This course addresses the characteristics and responsibilities associated with being a proficient worship leader. It integrates learning in multiple areas such as music, theology, Bible, leadership, interpersonal communication, and decision-making as they relate to the preparation and implementation of worship. Students will get practical experience leading worship for various campus and small group meetings, and community and local church functions, etc. *Prerequisite: WA 319 and WA 320*

**WA 322 Songwriting for Worship 3**

This course provides students with hands-on opportunities to write and record their own original songs using professional MIDI and audio recording software. Emphasis is placed on the creation of theologically rich and doctrinally accurate worship songs appropriate for use in campus chapel services and in WA 350 Junior and WA 450 Senior Worship Programs. Final songwriting projects will be compiled into a class CD of worship songs with potential for duplication and dissemination to College constituents. A review of standard song forms and significant Christian artists and their songwriting styles will be incorporated into the class.

**WA 350 Junior Worship Program 1**

Students will lead a 20-minute worship program that involves all aspects of planning, rehearsing, leading, and implementing worship. Students must demonstrate the ability to integrate a variety of instrumentation and media (i.e., lighting, sound, video, presentation software, etc). This is a faculty-supervised activity with a balance of both traditional and contemporary music styles appropriate for worship. A final reflective paper of the entire experience and a DVD recording of the event will be submitted to the Worship Arts Program Chair.

**WA 450 Senior Worship Program 1**

Students will lead a 40-minute worship program that involves all aspects of planning, rehearsing, leading, and implementing worship. Students must demonstrate the ability to integrate a variety of instrumentation and media (i.e., lighting, sound, video, presentation software, etc). This is a faculty-supervised activity with a balance of both traditional and contemporary music styles appropriate for worship. A final

reflective paper of the entire experience and a DVD recording of the event will be submitted to the Worship Arts Program Chair.

**WA 459 Worship Arts Practicum 3**

A faculty-supervised practicum, this is an essential capstone experience required of all Worship Arts students whereby students identify a local church, arrange his or her practicum with a church supervisor, and participate in a worship arts leadership capacity for one semester (8-10 hours/week time commitment/semester). The practicum is designed to aid in developing ministry attitudes, role and responsibilities, and leadership skills vital to worship arts needs within a local church.

**Harmonic Practices**

The following five Harmonic Practice courses (i.e., WA 112, WA113, WA 215, WA 217, and WA 319) explore the essential music theory elements found in Western Art music and various forms of popular music including contemporary worship music. The course sequence begins with WA 112 Foundations of Music that details pitch notation, time classification, note and rest values, time signatures, intervals, scales, key signatures, and triads. WA 113 revisits topics presented in WA 112 and builds upon this music theory foundation to include triads in root position, doubling and spacing, voice leading considerations, and triad inversions. WA 215 continues with seventh chords, phrase structure and cadences, nonharmonic tones, harmonization of melodies, nondominant seventh chords, and secondary dominant and secondary leading tone chords. WA 217 details modulation to closely related and foreign keys, neapolitan sixths, altered dominants, diminished sevenths, chromatic third relations, and 9<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> chords. Throughout each of these theory courses, musical score examples and analysis will blend traditional theory concepts with contemporary practices. Furthermore, listening examples will aurally demonstrate the application of traditional music theory elements in Western Art Music and in various popular musical styles. In the final theory course (WA 319), students will explore popular music theory practices including extended intervals, scales and modes, extended harmony, chord-scale relationships, diatonic and chromatic harmony, harmonic substitution, and improvisation skills. These five courses will provide multiple learning opportunities for students to assimilate a working knowledge of the majority of harmonic practices within all tonal music.

**WA 112 Foundations of Music 2**

Introduction to a knowledge base and essential elements found within tonal music.

**WA 113 Harmonic Practices I 3**

Continuation of knowledge base and application of music theory skills developed in WA 112.  
*Prerequisite: WA 112 or demonstrated music theory proficiency*

**WA 215 Harmonic Practices II 3**

Continuation of knowledge base and application of music theory skills developed in WA 113.  
*Prerequisite: WA 113*

**WA 217 Harmonic Practices III 3**

Continuation of knowledge base and application of music theory skills developed in WA 215.  
*Prerequisite: WA 215*

**WA 319 Harmonic Practices IV 3**

Continuation of knowledge base and application of music theory skills developed in WA 217 with an emphasis on various forms of popular music including jazz, pop, and contemporary worship, etc.  
*Prerequisite: WA 217*

**Musicianship**

Practical musicianship skills including ear training, critical listening, sight singing using the moveable “do” Solfege system in all major and minor keys, transcriptions, intonation, rhythmic dictation, error

detection, identification of song form and instrumentation, and melodic and harmonic dictation. These courses are designed to be taken concurrently with corresponding Harmonic Practices courses (i.e., WA 113 & 114, WA 215 & 216, WA 217 & 218, and WA 319 & 320). WA 114 introduces students to the moveable “do” Solfege system for pitch identification in tonal music. It also explores intonation, rhythmic dictation, melodic and harmonic intervals, scales, critical listening, and error detection. WA 216 builds on this foundation in the areas of sight singing, critical listening, rhythmic dictation, melodic and harmonic dictation, and error detection. WA 218 continues with advanced sight singing, critical listening, rhythmic dictation, melodic and harmonic dictation, identification of song form and instrumentation, and error detection. WA 320, the final course in the musicianship course sequence, includes advanced sight singing and error detection, but emphasizes full transcriptions (i.e., key, meter, form, instrumentation, measure numbers, and chord symbols) of songs in various popular styles.

**WA 114 Musicianship I 2**

Introduction to knowledge base and application of musicianship skills. To be taken concurrently with WA 113. *Prerequisite: WA 112 or demonstrated musical proficiency*

**WA 216 Musicianship II 2**

Continued application and development of musicianship skills established in WA 114. To be taken concurrently with WA 215. *Prerequisite: WA 114*

**WA 218 Musicianship III 2**

Continued application and development of musicianship skills established in WA 216. To be taken concurrently with WA 217. *Prerequisite: WA 216*

**WA 320 Musicianship IV 2**

Continued application and development of musicianship skills established in WA 218. To be taken concurrently with WA 319. *Prerequisite: WA 218*

**Media and Technology**

**WA 323 Music Technology 3**

Provides students with the technological tools and hands-on experience necessary for producing professional audio files, musical arrangements, and printed sheet music using MIDI computer workstations. The course explores multi-track sequencing, editing, mixing, auto-accompaniment, and music score creation using Reason, Band-in-a-Box, and Finale software programs. *Prerequisite: WA 217 and WA 218*

**WA 324 Audio Production 3**

Provides students with the technological tools and hands-on experience necessary for producing professional audio recordings. The course explores multi-track audio recording, editing, mixing, and file management skills using Avid’s Pro Tools software program.

**WA 325 Video Production 3**

Provides students with the technological tools and hands-on experience necessary for producing professional videos. The course explores shooting videos, importing media, editing, and finalizing movies using Avid’s Pinnacle Studios software program.

**Ensembles**

**WA 180 Grace Singers 1**

Mixed group of male and female vocalists that participates in chapel services, community engagements, and special campus events, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**WA 181 Guitar Ensemble 1**

Instrumental group of guitarists (i.e., acoustic, classical, or electric guitar) that participate in chapel services, community engagements, special campus events, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**WA 182 Vocal Ensemble 1**

Group of vocalists that participates in chapel services, community engagements, and special campus events, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**WA 183 Jazz Ensemble 1**

Small instrumental jazz combo group that participates in chapel services, community engagements, and special campus events, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**WA 184 Worship Ensemble 1**

Group of vocalists, instrumentalists, and media personnel that prepare and lead worship for weekly campus chapel services, camps, youth retreats, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**WA 185 Instrumental Ensemble 1**

Group of instrumentalists that participates in chapel services, community engagements, and special campus events, etc. with potential for travel and ministry opportunities off campus. Open to all students. *Audition required*

**Applied Lessons**

Applied piano, voice, drums, and guitar lessons are available with qualified instructors who model and teach proper technique and encourage overall competent musicianship. Students taking applied lessons will receive 13 individual half hour lessons each semester. As part of our departmental assessment plan, individual end-of-semester performances before the entire worship arts faculty are required for all students enrolled in applied lessons regardless of their major. There is an additional fee for applied music lessons.

Worship Arts students are required to be enrolled in private lessons every semester during their full-time enrollment in the Worship Arts Program. In addition, all Worship Arts students are required to demonstrate a minimum piano proficiency through **one** of the following ways: (a) complete one year of WA 105 Applied Piano Lessons, (b) complete WA 164 Intermediate Group Piano, or (c) demonstrate proficiency through examination with the Worship Arts piano faculty member.

**WA 105 Applied Piano Lessons 1**

**WA 106 Applied Voice Lessons 1**

**WA 109 Applied Drum Lessons 1**

**WA 110 Applied Guitar Lessons 1**

**WA 115 Applied Strings Lessons 1**

**WA 161 Beginning Group Guitar 1**

Foundational guitar instruction in a classroom setting that introduces students to proper left and right hand positioning, fretboard knowledge, basic chording, strumming, note-reading using the open strings and natural first position notes, picking techniques, tuning methods, and playing simple songs in standard guitar keys. Students with no guitar experience or limited, but developing, guitar experience will be directed to sign up for this course rather than WA 110 Applied Guitar Lessons.

**WA 162 Intermediate Group Guitar 1**

Intermediate guitar instruction in a classroom setting that builds upon the skills developed in WA 161 Beginning Group Guitar. Emphasis is placed on proper left and right hand positioning, expanded fretboard knowledge, note-reading using the open strings and all first position notes, chording using basic and advanced chords, strumming patterns, picking techniques, tuning methods, and playing simple and moderately difficult songs. *Prerequisite: WA 161 or by permission of the instructor*

**WA 163 Beginning Group Piano 1**

Foundational piano instruction in a classroom setting that introduces students to proper left and right hand positioning, technique development, basic scales, arpeggios, note-reading, basic chords, and playing simple songs. Students with no piano experience or limited, but developing, piano experience will be directed to sign up for this course rather than WA 105 Applied Piano Lessons.

**WA 164 Intermediate Group Piano 1**

Intermediate piano instruction in a classroom setting that builds upon the skills developed in WA 163 Beginning Group Piano. Emphasis is placed on proper left and right hand positioning, expanded keyboarding technique, scales, arpeggios, note-reading, chording, and playing moderately difficult songs. *Prerequisite: WA 163 or by permission of the instructor*

**YM — YOUTH MINISTRY**

**YM 121 Introduction to Youth Ministry 3**

An examination of the profession of youth ministry, ministry priorities, setting ministry goals, gaining support and seeking professional growth. Emphasis will be placed on the nature of reaching and teaching today's youth through a relational evangelistic ministry. The call and qualifications of an effective youth minister will be presented as well.

**YM 223 Philosophy of Youth Ministry 3**

A study of foundational principles in establishing and maintaining a local church ministry to adolescents. Emphasis is placed upon a system of philosophy, theology, and general principles for adolescent ministry programming. Included will be a survey of the history of both intra and parachurch adolescent ministries.

**YM 231 Youth Evangelism and Discipleship 3**

This course will focus on how to create a clear evangelistic youth program in a youth-oriented environment. This course will also provide students with an understanding of Christian spiritual development especially as it relates to youth and will instruct students how to design a ministry which enhances that development.

**YM 233 Middle School Youth Ministry 3**

A study of early adolescents, without a doubt, one of the most important and strategic ministries within the context of the local church. Topics include characteristics of middle schoolers and ministry programming.

**YM 243 Camping and Retreat Ministries 3**

This course provides a study of the philosophy, objectives and foundational principles for youth ministry through camping and retreats as well as short-term missions and service projects. Planning, programs, fund-raising, material acquisition and personnel will be considered.

**YM 345 Teaching Youth 3**

Involves constructing study units, writing lesson plans, and evaluating teaching, and speaking experiences. Consideration given to addressing issues of the youth culture, the use of humor, the role of narrative and storytelling, and how to deal with the language of the youth culture. *Prerequisite: CE 252*

- YM 347 Issues/Culture of Today's Youth 3**  
 Examination of youth in today's culture, focusing from a Christian perspective on such major issues as self-identity, suicide, substance abuse, sexual issues, child abuse, peer pressure, and music. Offered alternate years.
- YM 353 Youth Ministry Management 3**  
 This course provides a study in the "nuts and bolts" of Youth Ministry. An examination of youth programming, creating a more parent-friendly ministry, calendar planning, budgets, time management, youth meetings, recruitment and training of volunteer staff. Emphasis on developing a plan for keeping ministry "lawsuit free," being a professional inside the office, dealing with criticism, creating a clear vision for ministry, and balancing family and ministry.
- YM 427 Youth Ministry in Postmodern Culture 3**  
 This course is designed to inform youth ministry practice through the study of the emerging postmodern generation and how churches can engage and evangelize emerging generations. Special attention will be given to understanding the origins and history of the emerging church and exploring the theological variations within it. Students will be expected to read extensively and assist with class lectures.
- YM 429 Independent Study in Youth Ministry 1-3**  
 Guided study or participation in activities related to youth ministry.
- YM 436 Practicum in Youth Ministry 3**  
 A supervised experience in an approved ministry situation which allows the student to develop, plan and implement activities involving youth. *Prerequisite: YM 223 and 347*

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**Grace Gospel Fellowship**—Grace Bible College is an affiliated organization of Grace Gospel Fellowship and is therefore recognized as the only college and theological training school of the Fellowship.

**Churches**—The College enjoys financial support from concerned churches.

**Publications**—*TRUTH* is a subscription magazine, published quarterly by the Grace Gospel Fellowship. It contains Bible study articles and news sections from the College, GGF, and other affiliated organizations. The College publishes *The Journey*, which contain articles of educational thought, College news, and alumni activities.

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**Academic Advising**—The process of faculty helping students with course selection and career advisement. Enrolled students are assigned to an academic advisor upon acceptance into the College.

**Admissions**—The process of application, acceptance and entry, which begins by submitting to GBC's Admissions Office an application for admission.

**Associate Degree**—This degree is given upon the completion of a specified two-year program of studies. GBC awards the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Religious Education degrees.

**Audit**—To register for and attend a class as a listener without being held responsible for the work required for credit. Faculty permission is required. One-half tuition must be paid. The grade "AUD" appears on the student's record.

**Bachelor or Baccalaureate Degree**—A degree awarded by GBC upon satisfactory completion of a four-year or a five-year program of studies.

**Class Period**—A class period varies in length with each credit hour typically representing 800 minutes in a given semester.

**Course Schedule**—A bulletin prepared for each semester listing all courses offered, including class hours, credits and instructors' names.

**Credit**—Regular academic classes are assigned a value known as a "credit." Earned credits certify that a student has satisfactorily completed a course of study.

**Curriculum**—The collection of courses offered by the College; a group of courses required for a specific degree program.

**Dean's and President's Lists**—Published at the end of each semester listing full-time students with a minimum grade point average of 3.50 (Dean's List) or 4.00 (President's List).

**Degree**—An academic title given by a college or university to a student who has satisfactorily completed a specified course of study.

**Drop/Add**—The official procedure for changing one’s schedule by adding or deleting classes is accomplished by filing a “Change of Program” form in the Registrar’s Office.

**Elective**—A course which will count as a general credit toward a degree, but is not a specific program requirement.

**Fees**—Special costs not covered by tuition.

**Financial Aid**—A variety of forms of financial assistance to help pay college costs.

**Grade Point**—The numerical value given to letter grades. An “A” is equivalent to 4 points per semester, a “B” to 3 point, etc.

**Grade Point Average GPA**—A student’s scholastic average computed by dividing the total grade points earned by the credit hours attempted.

**Grant**—A monetary award based on financial need. Requires no repayment.

**Independent Study**—A course of study undertaken by a student outside the classroom and under the supervision of one or more faculty members.

**Loan**—A monetary award from a lender college, bank, savings and loan, or credit union based upon financial need. Repayment required.

**Orientation**—The process of acquainting new students with the policies, procedures, services, faculty, administrators, and activities of GBC prior to registration.

**Permanent Record**—A list of each student’s academic history maintained by GBC’s Registrar in an accurate, secure, and confidential manner.

**Prerequisite**—A requirement, usually the completion of another course, which must be met before a student may register for the course in question.

**Readmission**—The process of officially applying and re-entering GBC following an absence of one or more semesters.

**Registration**—The official procedure of choosing and enrolling for courses.

**Scholarship**—A monetary award based on academic ability and/or financial need. Requires no repayment.

**Student Employment**—A part-time job on campus for students who are enrolled and attending classes.

**Transcript**—An official copy of a student’s permanent academic record available upon written request by the student, or released to a third party at the student’s direction. Transcripts are obtained from the Registrar’s Office.

**Tuition**—The charge for instruction based on the number of credits for which the student has registered.

**Upper Division**—Classification of students with 56 or more credit hours earned toward a bachelor degree.

**Withdrawal**—An official procedure for withdrawing from a course or the College. The grade assigned will depend upon the time in the semester in which the student withdraws.

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2011-2012

## Fall 2011

GBC A-Term begins .....	August 22
Check-in day & activities for new students .....	August 27
“The Grace Experience” for all incoming freshmen.....	August 29-September 2
Orientation for all new students .....	September 6
Returning students report to the Business Office .....	September 6
4:00pm deadline to finalize class schedule with Registrar .....	September 6
GBC classes begin .....	September 7
Last day to withdraw from a course without record .....	September 13
“See You At the Pole” .....	September 28
Fall break .....	October 27-28
Registration for spring semester .....	October 31-November 4
Last day to withdraw from a class with a passing grade .....	November 22
Thanksgiving vacation (all classes resume November 29).....	November 23-25
GBC final examinations .....	December 12-16

## Spring 2012

Orientation for all new students .....	January 13
4:00pm deadline to finalize class schedule with Registrar .....	January 13
GBC classes begin .....	January 16
Last day to withdraw from a course without record .....	January 20
Missionary Conference .....	February 20-24
GBC spring vacation (all classes resume March 12).....	March 5-9
Registration for fall semester .....	March 19-23
Last day to withdraw from a class with a passing grade .....	April 13
Easter Break .....	April 6-9
GBC final examinations .....	April 23-27
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