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Institution Mission

Carolina College of Biblical Studies exists to disciple Christ-followers, through biblical higher education, for a lifetime of effective servant leadership.

Program Mission

The Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies provides graduates with a basic knowledge of the Bible built on the exegetical interpretation. Graduates demonstrate basic skills as independent researchers and effective communicators. The Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies serves as the first two years of the bachelor's degree.

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Goal

Knowledge

Institutional Goal #1: Graduates demonstrate greater knowledge of the Bible and the central doctrines of the Christian faith resulting in a biblical worldview.

1.1

Program Learning Objective

Bible Knowledge

Students will demonstrate a proficient knowledge of the Bible and central doctrines of the Christian faith.

1.1.1

Measure

Bible Survey Final Exam Grades

Key survey courses teach foundational Bible knowledge.

METHODOLOGY*

Final exam scores (except in online courses that did not have a final exam...in which course grades were used).

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Final Exam - Academic Direct

1.1.1.1

Target

Old Testament Survey (BIB 140) Final Exam Not Met

TARGET	75% of students will earn a grade of at least 81% (B-).
OUTCOME	69%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 26 students completed BIB140. Of those, 18 students achieved a grade of 81/B- or above (69%). In 2021-22, 81% students achieved the target on the course final or course grade (for classes without a final). Thus, this is the first year this course did not achieve its target.
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular
IMPROVEMENT	The final exam for BIB140 is not yet standardized. The Academic Committee will develop a new final that can be used across all modalities to give a better analysis of overall OT knowledge. The goal is to prep the exam in Spring 2024.

1.1.1.2

Target

New Testament Survey (BIB 110) Final Exam Not Met

TARGET	75% of students will earn a grade of at least 81% (B-).
OUTCOME	74%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 34 students completed BIB110. Of those, 25 students achieved a grade of 81/B- or above (74%).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular
IMPROVEMENT	The exam is not yet standardized. Similar to BIB140, the Academic Committee will be creating a standardized final exam for all course instances to be implemented in Spring 2024.

1.1.2 Measure

Doctrine Course Final Exam Grades

Key survey courses teach foundational knowledge of the central doctrines.

METHODOLOGY*

Final exam scores (except in online courses that did not have a final exam...in which course grades were used).

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Final Exam - Academic Direct

1.1.2.1 Target

Doctrine 1 (THE 210) Final Exam Exceeded

TARGET	75% of students will earn a grade of at least 81% (B-).
OUTCOME	79%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 29 students completed THE 210. Of those students, 23 scored at least 81/B- (79%).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular
IMPROVEMENT	THE210 also does not have a standardized exam. Thus, the Academic Committee should consider standardizing the exam.

1.1.2.2 Target

Doctrine 2 (THE 220) Final Exam Exceeded

TARGET	75% of students will earn a grade of at least 81% (B-).
OUTCOME	79%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23 AY, a total of 33 students completed THE 220. Of those students, 26 earned a grade of 81 or above (79%).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular

IMPROVEMENT

THE220 also does not have a standardized exam. Thus, the Academic Committee should consider standardizing the exam.

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Goal Skill

Institutional Goal #3: Graduates demonstrate the resolve to be independent researchers, critical thinkers, effective communicators, and lifelong learners. Institutional Goal #4: Graduates demonstrate abilities for successful careers and Christian service in the church and marketplace.

2.1

Program Learning Objective Communication & Research

Institutional Goal #3: Graduates demonstrate the resolve to be independent researchers, critical thinkers, effective communicators, and lifelong learners.

2.1.1

Measure Course Grades

75% of students will score at least a 81%/B- on final exams (or course grades if no exam is available)

METHODOLOGY*

Final exam or key assessment artifact in selected courses.

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Final Exam - Academic Direct

2.1.1.1

Target

English Composition 2 (ENG120) Informative Essay Assignment Met

TARGET

75% of students will score at least a 81%/B- on informative essay final.

OUTCOME

80%

ANALYSIS OF
FINDINGS

In 2022-23, a total of 15 students completed ENG 120. Of that, 12 scored at least an 81%/B- on the Informative Essay assignment. The English Department is currently redeveloping the 3 ENG courses to better align and prepare students.

IMPROVEMENT
TYPE

IMPROVEMENT

DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT

2.1.1.2 Target

Introduction to Research (ENG 130) Final Research Paper Met

TARGET 75% of students will score at least a 81%/B- on final research paper.

OUTCOME 93%

ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS In 2022-23, a total of 14 students completed ENG130. Of that total, 13 students scored at least an 81%/B- on the final research paper. The English department is currently redeveloping ENG130 to better align with ENG110 and ENG120.

IMPROVEMENT

TYPE

IMPROVEMENT

DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT

2.2 Program Learning Objective

Ministry/Professional Abilities

Institutional Goal #4: Graduates demonstrate abilities for successful careers and Christian service in the church and marketplace.

2.2.1 Measure

PS Course Grades

75% of students will score at least a 81%/B- on final exams

METHODOLOGY*

Final exam or key assessment artifact in selected courses.

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Final Exam - Academic Direct

2.2.1.1 Target

Hermeneutics (PS 212) Final Exam Not Met

TARGET 75% of students will score at least a 81%/B- on final exam.

OUTCOME	53%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 30 students completed PS212 Hermeneutics. Of that total, 16 scored at least an 81%/B- on the final exam. Like other course artifacts, this exam should be standardized.
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular
IMPROVEMENT	This is the second year in a row that students have not achieved the target score. Part of the issue is such a small set of students completed the course. However, more attention needs to be given to how to improve overall learning in hermeneutics. In 2023, the exegetical paper was removed. But more analysis needs to be done on why students are not passing the final exam. A standardized final exam should be considered as well to measure effectiveness regardless of modality.

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Goal Disposition

Institutional Goal #2: Graduates demonstrate Christian character and spiritual maturity evidenced by spiritual transformation. Institutional Goal #7: Nurture a culture of helping others through a servant's heart.

3.1 Program Learning Objective Spiritual Formation

Institutional Goal #2: Graduates demonstrate Christian character and spiritual maturity evidenced by spiritual transformation. Institutional Goal #7: Nurture a culture of helping others through a servant's heart.

3.1.1 Measure SpiritPulse

Every 2 years, the SpiritPulse Survey is administered to all students. Selected questions are used to evaluate spiritual maturity and Christian character. In 2020, 75 CCBS students completed the survey (2,363 in the Norm Group). The ethnic demographic consisted of 31% Caucasian, 59% African American, 5% Latino, 1% Asian American, and 4% Native American. The gender ratio was 41% male, 57% female, and 1% not reporting. When asked if "you

consider yourself a Christian?" 100% of CCBS students answered "yes."

METHODOLOGY*

External third-party survey

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Survey Results - Administrative

3.1.1.1 Target

Relationship with God: averaged scores of (1) Closeness to God, (2) Experiencing God in Prayer, and (3) Experiencing God in Spiritual Practices. **Not Reported this Period**

TARGET Score at/above the national norm (38%)

OUTCOME

ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS

IMPROVEMENT TYPE

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT We administer the SpiritPulse every 2 years. It was not completed by students in 2022-23.

3.1.1.2 Target

Relationships & Self-Care: averaged scores of (1) Forgiveness, (2) Love for Others, and (3) Internally motivated to grow spiritually. **Not Reported this Period**

TARGET Scored at/above the norm group (59%)

OUTCOME

ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS

IMPROVEMENT TYPE

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT

3.1.1.3

Target

Spiritual Community: averaged scores of (1) Involvement, (2) Corporate Worship, and (3) Friends Who Encourage Me Spiritually. **Not Reported this Period**

TARGET

Score at/above the norm group (57%)

OUTCOME

We administer the SpiritPulse every 2 years. It was not completed by students in 2022-23.

ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS

IMPROVEMENT TYPE

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT

3.1.1.4

Target

Spiritual Practices: averaged scores of (1) Frequency in Prayer, (2) Frequency in Spiritual Practices, and (3) Reading the Bible **Not Reported this Period**

TARGET

Score at/above the norm group (42%)

OUTCOME

We administer the SpiritPulse every 2 years. It was not completed by students in 2022-23.

ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS

IMPROVEMENT TYPE

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION

IMPROVEMENT

3.1.1.5

Target

Service: averaged score of (1) Serving within the Local Church, (3) Serving within the Community, and (3) Noticing Opportunities to Help Others **Not Reported this Period**

TARGET	Score at/above the norm group (57%)
OUTCOME	We administer the SpiritPulse every 2 years. It was not completed by students in 2022-23.
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	
IMPROVEMENT	

3.1.2 Measure
Course Grades

Four courses are identified as relating significantly to the area of spiritual formation and leadership: (1) Spiritual Formation, (2) Introduction to Discipleship, (3) Introduction to Leadership, and (4) Servant Leadership.

METHODOLOGY*

Final exam scores (or final course grades if exams are not available).

SOURCE OF EVIDENCE

Final Exam - Academic Direct

3.1.2.1 Target
Spiritual Formation (MIN210) Final Course Grade Not Met

TARGET	75% of students will score at least 81% (B-) as the final course grade.
OUTCOME	54%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 24 students completed MIN210. Of that group, 13 students scored at least an 81%/B- as their final course grade (no final exam was available).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	Academic
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	1 - Curricular
IMPROVEMENT	Like the other courses, we have decided to create some standardized exams to help

ensure we are testing apples with apples. The struggle will be to identify the content that can be taught across modalities and professors yet achieve the desired results.

3.1.2.2 Target













Introduction to Discipleship (MIN220) Final Exam Met

TARGET	75% of students will score at least 81% (B-) on the final exam
OUTCOME	80%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 5 students completed Introduction to Discipleship. Of those students, 4 scored at least an 81%/B- as the final course grade (no final exam).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	
IMPROVEMENT	Academic Committee would like to create a standardized final exam for this course.

3.1.2.3 Target

Introduction to Leadership (LE110) Final Exam Met

TARGET	75% of students will score at least 81% (B-) on the final exam
OUTCOME	84%
ANALYSIS OF FINDINGS	In 2022-23, a total of 19 students completed LE110. Of those students, 16 scored at least an 81%/B- as the course's final grade (no final exam available).
IMPROVEMENT TYPE	
IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTION	
IMPROVEMENT	This course also needs some sort of standardized assessment.

Attachments	File Size
 APOL 301 Final Exam Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 BIB110 Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 BIB140 Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	19KB
 ENG 110 Essay-Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 ENG 120 Essay-Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 ENG 130 Final Research Paper Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 LE 110 Intro to Leadership - Final Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 MIN 210 Spiritual Formation - Final Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 MIN 220 Intro to Discipleship - Final Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 PS212 Hermeneutics - Final Exam Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 THE 210 Final Exam-Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB
 THE 220 Final Exam-Course Grades 2022-23.xlsx	18KB