Bachelor's Degrees

Bachelor of Arts in Apologetics

The Bachelor of Arts in Apologetics is designed to provide wide exposure to apologetic topics as well as different philosophies while refining a God honoring philosophy reflecting reality and the revelation of the Creator. Students will also refine critical thinking skills through analysis, discussion, and argumentation.

Student Learning Objectives
Upon the completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

- Defend the orthodox, historic Christian faith from a variety of attacks.
- Engage people of various worldviews with a persuasive case for the Christian faith.
- Clarify a comprehensive, God honoring Christian philosophy.
- Research for preparation to enter graduate studies in apologetics or philosophy of religion.
- Cultivate intellectual virtue, particularly wisdom, to live one's witness as well as defend it.

Knowledge:
Clarify a comprehensive, God honoring Christian philosophy.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Intro to Philosophy final course grade	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty
Problems: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Intro to Philosophy: Final Course Grade	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2023-24: 83% (n = 18) Past Three Years: AY 2022-23: 47% (n = 17) AY 2021-22: 77% (n = 26) Implications: None
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Results: AY 2023-24: No data to report? Past Three Years: New process begun in 2023-24

		Implications: Not sure the assessment artifact was received.

Defend the orthodox, historic Christian faith from a variety of attacks.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
APOL 301 final exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty
Problems: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Intro to Apologetics: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2023-24: 74% (n = 23) Past Three Years: AY 2022-23: 60% (n = 10) AY 2021-22: 55% (n = 22) Implications: This is the 3rd year in a row this course has not achieved its benchmark. Each year has increased, but it is still below the standard.
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Results: AY 2023-24: No data to report? Past Three Years: New process begun in 2023-24 Implications: Not sure the assessment artifact was received.

Abilities:

Engage people of various worldviews with a persuasive case for the Christian faith.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Christian Apologetics to Islam section	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Christian Apologetics to Islam: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2023-24: 83% (n = 6) Past Three Years: AY 2022-23: 100% (n = 6) AY 2021-23: Not offered AY 2020-21: 57% (n = 7) Implications: None
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Results: AY 2023-24: No data to report Past Three Years: New process begun in 2023-24 Implications: Not sure the assessment artifact was received.

Research for preparation to enter graduate studies in apologetics or philosophy of religion.

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Apologetic Communication	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Apologetic Communication: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2023-24: 67% (n = 9) Past Three Years: AY 2022-23: 100% (n = 1) AY 2021-22: 100% (n = 3) Implications: This is the first year it has not hit the benchmark.
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Results: AY 2023-24: No data to report Past Three Years: New process begun in 2023-24 Implications: Not sure the assessment artifact was received.

Attitude:
Cultivate intellectual virtue, particularly wisdom, to live one's witness as well as defend it.

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Wisdom Literature (assignment???)	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty
Problems: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Annually	Spring 2025	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Wisdom Literature: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2023-24: Course not offered Past Three Years: AY 2021-22: 80% (n = 10) Implications: None
Problems in Contemporary Apologetics: Capstone section	Score a 4 out 5 on the capstone section	Results: AY 2023-24: No data to report Past Three Years: New process begun in 2023-24 Implications: Not sure the assessment artifact was received.