Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies

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.

Student Learning Objectives

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

1. Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the Bible and central doctrines of the Christian faith.
2. Demonstrate a basic growth in Christian character, spiritual maturity, and leadership development.
3. Apply basic skills in communication, research, and critical thinking.

Knowledge:

Demonstrate a basic knowledge of the Bible and central doctrines of the Christian faith.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
OT Survey: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
NT Survey: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Doctrine 1: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Doctrine 2: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
OT Survey: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 93% (n = 58) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 76% (n = 29) AY 2022-23: 69% (n = 26) AY 2021-22: 81% (n = 47, BIB141 + BIB142) Implications:
NT Survey: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 77% (n = 35) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 94% (n = 31)

		AY 2022-23: 74% (n = 34) AY 2021-22: 77.6% (n = 49, BIB111 + BIB112) Implications:
Doctrine 1: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 93% (n = 46) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 65% (n = 26) AY 2022-23: 79% (n = 29) AY 2021-22: 93% (n = 14) Implications:
Doctrine 2: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 95% (n = 22) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 64% (n = 22) AY 2022-23: 79% (n = 33) AY 2021-22: 89% (n = 28) Implications:

Abilities:

Apply basic skills in communication, research, and critical thinking.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
English Comp 2: Persuasive/ Argumentative Essay (Final Draft)	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final essay	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Intro to Research: Final Paper	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final essay	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
English Comp 2: Persuasive/Argumentative Essay (Final Draft)	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 83% (n = 18) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 83% (n = 12) AY 2022-23: 80% (n = 15) AY 2021-22: 76% (n = 17) Implications: In the online class, 4 students did not submit this assignment. If it's to be an assessment artifact, should we somehow make it a required component?

Introduction to Research: Final Research Paper	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 60% (n = 20) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 88% (n = 24) AY 2022-23: 93% (n = 14) AY 2021-22: 67% (n = 15) Implications: First year to not make the target.

Attitude:
Demonstrate a basic growth in Christian character, spiritual maturity, and leadership development.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Spiritual Formation	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Introduction to Discipleship	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Introduction to Leadership	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- of higher on final exam	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Spiritual Formation: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 87% (n = 31, combo of final paper in one section and final course grade in other section) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 78% (n = 18) AY 2022-23: 54% (n = 24, final course grade) AY 2021-22: 100% (n = 21) Implications: This course still needs some sort of common assessment.
Introduction to Discipleship: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 67% (n = 30, combo of final exam in one section and final course grade in other section) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 82% (n = 17) AY 2022-23: 80% (n = 5, final course grade) AY 2021-22: 57% (n = 7) Implications:

		This course still needs some sort of common assessment.
Introduction to Leadership: Final Exam	75% of students will earn a grade of 81/B- or higher on final exam	Results: AY 2024-25: 74% (n = 19) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 72% (n = 18) AY 2022-23: 84% (n = 19, final course grade) AY 2021-22: 67% (n = 3) Implications: This course still needs some sort of common assessment.