Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies

The Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies provides graduates with a proficient knowledge of the Bible built on the exegetical interpretation. Graduates demonstrate proficiency as independent researchers and effective communicators. Students have the option to minor in an area of specific concentration.

The Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies requires completion of the Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies OR an accredited associate degree plus 15 hours of required leveling classes. The required courses include: 3 hours of PS (Hermeneutics) + 12 hours of BIB/THE (OT Survey, NT Survey, Doctrine 1, Doctrine 2). The leveling courses can substitute for the required elective hours.

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

- Demonstrate a proficient knowledge of the Bible and central doctrines of the Christian faith.
- Demonstrate a proficient growth in Christian character, spiritual maturity, and leadership development.
- Apply proficient skills in communication, research, and critical thinking.
- Implement competent abilities appropriate for professional positions or ministry service.

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

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
ABHE Bible Exam	+10 pre vs. post	Annually	Every Spring	Provost
Capstone Assignment: Bible/Theology Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Annually	Every Spring	Academic Committee

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
ABHE Bible Exam: Bible Knowledge (Bible)	+10 value-added	Results: Spring 2025: 20.9 Past Three Years: Spring 2024: 21.9 Spring 2024: 21.9 Spring 2023: 22.6 Implications:
ABHE Bible Exam: Biblical Teaching (Doctrine)	+10 value-added	Results: Spring 2025: 17.4

		Past Three Years: Spring 2024: 17.4 Spring 2024: 15.8 Spring 2023: 20.3 Implications:
Capstone: Bible/Theology Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Results: AY 2024-25: 87% scored a 4 or higher (n = 15). Average = 3.93 Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 80% scored a 4 or higher (n = 10). Average = 4.00. New process begun in 2024. Implications: Score is based off a single evaluator. Suggestion is to have 3-5 core faculty assess to get a better snapshot and opinion. We will work on a better timing/schedule to do this within our schedule for next year.

Abilities:

Students will apply proficient skills in communication, research, and critical thinking.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Servant Leadership: Final Paper (Communication, research, critical thinking)	4 out of 5 on rubric for communication, research, critical thinking	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Capstone Assignment: Communication	4 out of 5 on rubric	Annually	Every Spring	Academic Committee

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Servant Leadership: Final Paper	80% score a 4 out of 5 on rubric for communication, research, critical thinking	Results: AY 2024-25: 67% (n = 15) Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 80% (n = 20) AY 2022-23: 68% (n = 19) AY 2021-22: 100% (n = 13) Implications: Need to create and add the rubric.
Capstone: Communication Evaluation	Unknown	Results: AY 2024-25: Not available Past Three Years: New process begun in 2024.

		Implications: Working with Rodney Phillips to replicate similar double survey (one to supervisor, one to student) for the undergrad MIN499 Supervised Ministry course similar to the graduate MIN700 Internship course.
Capstone: Communication Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Results: AY 2024-25: 67% scored a 4 or higher (n = 15) Average = 3.93 Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 60% scored a 4 or higher (n = 10). Average = 3.85. New process begun in 2024. Implications: Score is based off a single evaluator. Suggestion is to have 3-5 core faculty assess to get a better snapshot and opinion. We will work on a better timing/schedule to do this within our schedule for next year.

Students will implement competent abilities appropriate for professional positions or ministry service.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Capstone: Supervisor Skills Evaluation	Skill Evaluation Questions	Annually	Every Spring	Faculty
Capstone Assignment: Skills	4 out of 5 on rubric	Annually	Every Spring	Academic Committee

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Capstone: Professional & Ministry Skills Evaluation	Unknown	Results: AY 2024-25: Not available Past Three Years: New process begun in 2024. Implications: Working with Rodney Phillips to replicate similar double survey (one to supervisor, one to student) for the undergrad MIN499 Supervised Ministry course similar to the graduate MIN700 Internship course.
Capstone: Skills Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Results: AY 2024-25: 87% scored a 4 or higher (n = 15) Average = 3.93 Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 60% scored a 4 or higher (n = 10). Average = 3.60. New process begun in 2024. Implications:

		Score is based off a single evaluator. Suggestion is to have 3-5 core faculty assess to get a better snapshot and opinion. We will work on a better timing/schedule to do this within our schedule for next year.

Attitude:
Students will demonstrate a proficient growth in Christian character, spiritual maturity, and leadership development.

Measure	Target	Cycle	Next Collection	Person Responsible
Capstone Assignment: Spiritual Formation Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Annually	Spring 2025	Academic Committee
Virtue Assessment Survey	Growth	Annually	Spring 2025	VP of Student Services

Measurement Means	Benchmark for Success	Results and Implications
Virtue Assessment Survey	Pending creation	Results: AY 2024-25: Not Available Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: Pending the launch of the survey. Implications: Met with McCuddy. We have clarified this criterion and expanded into 4 core attitudes based on the virtues assessment. Finalizing it and the report now and will have better info next year.
Capstone Assignment: Spiritual Formation Item	4 out of 5 on rubric	Results: AY 2024-25: 93% scored a 4 or higher (n = 15) Average = 4.13 Past Three Years: AY 2023-24: 70% scored a 4 or higher (n = 10). Average = 4.05. New process begun in 2024. Implications: Score is based off a single evaluator. Suggestion is to have 3-5 core faculty assess to get a better snapshot and opinion. We will work on a better timing/schedule to do this within our schedule for next year.
Capstone: Spiritual Formation Evaluation	Unknown	Results: AY 2024-25: Not available Past Three Years: New process begun in 2024. Implications: Working with Rodney Phillips to replicate similar double survey (one to supervisor, one to student) for the

		undergrad MIN499 Supervised Ministry course similar to the graduate MIN700 Internship course.