



Maryland Bible College & Seminary  
**Course Catalog**

## **BIBL: Bible Study Courses**

- **BIBL110 Bible Survey 1**

A study of Old Testament literature from Genesis through Song of Solomon emphasizing prominent events, such as creation, the fall of man, and the history of the covenant people and the prophets. It is presented in its geographical, cultural, literary, and historical contexts. Students obtain a growing proficiency in awareness of the content and value of the Old Testament.

- **BIBL210 Bible Survey 2**

Students read the Prophets and New Testament and study the principal features of the revelation, content, purpose, and supremacy of God's Word. It is studied in the historical, geographical context, including the inter-testamental period, Judaism in the time of Christ, fullness of time concepts, the life and ministries of Jesus, the Apostles, and the Church.

- **BIBL120 Gospels**

The first four books of the New Testament are examined according to their history, relevance, life, teaching, and offering of Jesus Christ.

- **BIBL133 Pauline Epistles 1 (Romans)**

The book of Romans, written by the apostle Paul is read, studied, and examined in its applicable and doctrinal settings.

- **BIBL233 Pauline Epistles 2 (Epistles to the Churches)**

The books of 1 and 2 Corinthians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 and 2 Thessalonians and Philemon that the Apostle Paul wrote are studied and examined in their applicable and doctrinal settings.

- **BIBL140 Book of Acts**

Students survey the book of Acts as well as study the lives of Peter, Paul, Barnabas, Stephen, and Philip and how they were able to proclaim the good news of Christ's victory to the uttermost parts of the earth.

- **BIBL220 Pentateuch**

The course intends to introduce the message of the Pentateuch. It is a study of the books of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy, showing how they relate to Old Testament history and the eternal purpose of God. Through a chapter-by-chapter thematic study, this course explores the contents, purpose, and practical relevance behind these five books.

- **BIBL241 Psalms**

The course attempts to enable better reading and understanding of the Book of Psalms in their own context as intended by their authors. The complexities of the book present unique challenges to interpretation and its poetry requires thoughtful reflection. This class seeks to enter the mind of the psalmists, as it were, and gain the proper lenses for reading the psalms so that we can interpret them more faithfully, understand them more precisely, and expound them more fully.

- **BIBL242 Wisdom Literature**

Students read and discuss the value of the Old Testament poetical writings (Job-Song of Solomon) in view of the New Testament. The text is studied doctrinally and practically.

- **BIBL310 Hebrews | BIBL330 General Epistles**

The course magnifies Christ as the Supreme Redeemer in Hebrews; our Great Physician in James, our Chief Shepherd in 1 and 2 Peter; and our Coming King in Jude. Christology will be revealed through the majesty of his redemption and forgiveness in early church times of persecution and apostasy.

- **BIBL321 Major Prophets | BIBL322 Minor Prophets**

Students explore the writings of the major and minor prophets in relation to their historical contexts, judgment of God's kingdom, and the development of biblical truth.

- **BIBL410 Old Testament Historical Books 1 | BIBL 430 Old Testament Historical Books 2**

The books of Joshua through Esther covering the history of Israel and Judah of that time period are studied in their contexts: historical, doctrinal, spiritual, and practical.

- **BIBL420 Revelation**

The book of Revelation is studied and examined in its applicable and doctrinal settings. Eschatological viewpoints are compared/contrasted in connection with Old Testament prophetic books.

## **THEO: Theology Courses**

- **THEO100 Introduction to Theology**

New students learn to succeed in their call to study at Bible College, general background in fundamental, cardinal Bible teachings; and practical Christian living doctrines.

- **THEO110 Survey of Doctrine 1**

The first of a two-semester examination of the cardinal doctrines of the Christian faith including Bibliology, Theology of the Godhead, Christology, Biblical Anthropology, Hamartiology, and Angelology.

- **THEO130 Theology of Worship**

A study on the fundamental biblical principles connected to worshipping God. Students will develop their personal philosophy of worship from the Bible in order to inform their practical application of worship in life.

- **THEO210 Survey of Doctrine 2**

The second of a two-semester examination of the cardinal doctrines of the Christian faith, including Pneumatology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology.

- **THEO200 Hermeneutics | THEO300 Advanced Hermeneutics**

Students receive practice in proper habits of Bible Reading and study, interpretation, and the use of proper reference, linguistic, and contextual tools. Students also examine the history of hermeneutical lessons and the biblically oriented principles and methods that came from them.

- **THEO211 Theology of Grace**

What is grace? Who needs it? How do we get it? What does it do in and through our lives? A clear presentation on the nature of God's grace and the life we've

been called to live under and triumph in.

- **THEO122 Church History 1**

The class will examine the history of the Christian church through the Reformation Period. Specific emphasis will be made on the role of the Church in the historical timeframe and, to some extent, the place of Israel in the context of these eras.

- **THEO222 Church History 2**

Students will examine the history of the Church from the Reformation to the present day with an emphasis on the pivotal people, places, and developments in the Christian movement.

- **THEO231 Christian Disciplines**

A study on the believer's personal walk with God. It's three directional: upward, inward, and outward covering topics such as devotional life, fellowship, and service.

- **THEO320 Introduction to Christian Ethics**

Ethics differs from the term "morals" as it refers to the standards of "right" and "wrong", more than on the rights and wrongs themselves. This course discusses the Christian philosophy and approach to the question of morals as the foundation of an objective understanding of Christian thought.

- **THEO330 Introduction to Christian Classics**

Students will take a deep dive into Christian Literature that has existed since the formation of the church in Acts 2.

## MISS: Missions Courses

- **MISS100 Discipleship**

Part of the Bible college's four pillars of ministry, including Intro to Missions, Practical Ecclesiology, and Methods of Evangelism. This course presents the ministry of establishing believers in a systematic and thorough way.

- **MISS110 Methods of Evangelism**

Students explore what the terms evangelism and soul-winning really imply in terms of the biblical pursuit of a lifestyle desired by God. They examine how the Great Commission affects the church of Christ locally and individually; the teaching "to go", effectiveness using practical variations, popular approaches, illustrations, modeling, practice, and implementation.

- **MISS120 Introduction to Missions**

This course presents a broad historical overview and interesting cross-field samplings of mission life. It is also the foundation course for all other missions' courses and for the missions' viewpoint. Students review Scriptures that reveal that all believers are intended by God to be missionary disciples with a call and a vision founded on the Scriptures. Emphasis is given to the modern trends and problems specific to missions in various cultures, tasks, and relationships.

- **MISS312 Introduction to Apologetics | MISS313 Advanced Apologetics**

These courses cover extended evangelism techniques, providing a general survey of the several views that describe the evidence of Christian faith in response to different systems of thought.

- **MISS220 Church Planting**

The course covers the doctrinal foundation for establishing local, indigenous churches as the direct effect of mission work. It also reviews the technical aspects of world evangelism and missionary organizations involved in planting churches.

- **MISS410 Cross Cultural Evangelism (Online Only)**

Students become aware of the major world families of religions, religious cults, and specific challenges that are often encountered by missionaries today. This study serves to sharpen the student's facility to express his own beliefs, counter false beliefs, and strengthen weak areas in believers.

## FOUN: Foundations Courses

- **FOUN110 - FOUN420 Foundations**

A verse-by-verse examination of various biblical books and topics taught via video by the late Carl H. Stevens Jr., founder of Maryland Bible College and Seminary. Pastor Stevens provides an extraordinary, well-researched exposition that gives students sound principles for life application.

## MINI: Church Ministry Courses

- **MINI320 Introduction to Church Ministries**

This course introduces the practical ministry of the local church. It offers a doctrinally sound, practical, and wisdom filled overview of church ministry through a look at three prevalent ministries, Youth, Outreach, and Music. Students learn biblical premises for these ministries, practical and spiritual insight in developing them and serving in them, vision and understanding of the people they minister to, and divine wisdom that is applicable to any church ministry.

## COUN: Counseling Courses

- **COUN200 Biblical Psychology 1 | COUN210 Biblical Psychology 2**

Students are made aware of the human psyche in light of biblical teaching, including understanding of human growth, emotional, and mental health with a focus on soul structure and our dichotomous nature.

- **COUN310 Counseling Fundamentals**

Students examine the basic concepts and tools used in Christian psychological, educative and facilitative counsel, especially within the advantages of the Doctrine of Grace.

- **COUN410 Critical Counseling Issues**

Students explore and discuss leading counseling studies, recommendations and procedures, and liability in key areas confronting the church. Detail is given in preparing for biblical guidance in typical areas, i.e.: divorce, infidelity, affects of poverty, substance abuse, spouse abuse, self abuse, child abuse, homosexuality, or other anti-social problematic behaviors and situations.

## LEAD: Leadership Courses

- **LEAD310: Leadership 1 (1 Timothy)**

Students will survey Paul's first epistle to Timothy honing in on key doctrines in reference to New Testament leadership. Practical and personal applications will be presented in relation to the church and the Christian life.

- **LEAD410: Leadership 2 (2 Timothy & Titus)**

Students will survey 2 Timothy and Titus, key doctrines in reference to this epistle in New Testament leadership. Practical and personal applications will be presented in relation to the church and the Christian life.

- **LEAD320 Leadership 3 (Great Leaders of the Bible)**

The course will survey great men and women of the Bible and the foundational principles of their lives and walks with God. Key doctrines will be taught in reference to the men of God throughout the Old Testament and New Testament.

- **LEAD420 Leadership 4 (Principles of Leadership)**

Students will learn the personal disciplines and relationships that are essential in the life of a Christian leader such as the leader's relationship with God, the Body of Christ, and the world.

- **LEAD400 Homiletics 1 (Preparation) | LEAD401 Homiletics 2 (Delivery)**

Students will come to a better understanding of the importance of the believer's personal life with Christ, the value of God's Word, thought and expression with the local assembly. Students will become active communicators of God's thoughts, learning various aspects of teaching and preaching. Skills learned are applicable to Sunday school, pulpit ministry, small group Bible study, street preaching, one-on-one evangelism and leading group discussions.

- **LEAD430 Practical Ecclesiology**

The church is studied from the viewpoint of eschatology, ecclesiology, organization, and practical church life.

- **LEAD440 Principles of Church Administration**

MBCS curriculum by design consists primarily of Bible training and practical ministry with a view to producing pastors, missionaries, and Christian workers.



However, there are certain skills and specialized areas of knowledge vital to running an organization that LEAD 440 imparts in an intensified one-semester course. Students will be taught principles of organizational management, corporate governance, finance, affiliation and liability, not necessarily explicit in Scripture but all approached from a biblical viewpoint.

## **EDUC - Christian Education Courses**

- **EDUC 310 Intro to Christian Education (Online Only)**

Introduction to Christian Education is an introductory course on the subject of teaching from a biblical point of view. Students learn basic teaching principles for multiple educational agencies such as Children's Ministry and Bible Studies.

- **EDUC410 Essentials of Teaching**

Essentials of teaching equips students to be competent Bible teachers capable of planning, organizing and scheduling Bible College courses while also giving the basic necessities to consider teaching in a Christian school setting. The course makes use of Dr. Howard Hendricks' book and video series "The 7 Laws of the Teacher" as well as other resources. Students study topics such as communication, motivation, lesson-planning, assessment, and learning since all believers have been commissioned by Christ to teach in some capacity. Students are expected to make regular contributions to class discussions both in class and online.

- **PRAC301 - 402 Practicum Courses**

Students in their junior and senior years are required to engage in practical areas of ministry relevant to their gifts and calling. Students are encouraged to choose specialized and specific projects or programs that will engineer the necessary conditions to garnish experience through application and unplanned activities. Application at a higher ministry level than the Christian service requirement produces learning that will be part of a frame of reference on the mission field. Practicum fulfillment demonstrates to the College what students have learned from their Bible College experience.