

Cornerstone Christian University

Maitland, FL

Online

Doctor of Biblical Studies Program (DBS.)

Field experience may be credited as practicum and PL may also apply as credits

This is 48 credit hour program leading to a doctoral degree in Biblical Studies (DBS.). No dissertation is required for this program.

The purpose **Doctor of Biblical Studies (DBS.)** program is to provide the candidate with an advanced competencies and biblical insights through in the helping profession, preparation and observation for those actively involved in vocational Christian ministry of counseling. Cornerstone focuses on knowledge and understanding rather the actual degree itself. For this purpose, CCU's requirements and standards are slightly higher without any additional cost to you. From the start of your first course up to your graduation you'll know your interest, perception, and desire are biblically oriented and intellectually stimulated and you'll be humbly proud of your education and the degree up on your wall.

Contextually speaking, apart from a stated regulate licensure; individual Graduated from the **Biblical Studies will be prepared to:**

- Demonstrate an advanced understanding and integration of ministry in relation to the biblical studies, academic, and educational disciplines.
- Articulate and apply a comprehensive and critical philosophy of ministry.
- Demonstrate advanced competencies in the areas of critical thinking, Research and Writing, Biblical studies, Biblical
- Communication, Administration/Education Leadership, and Great Commission Strategies.
- Plan, implement, and critically evaluate major undertakings in ministry toward the fulfillment of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- Evaluate personal, spiritual, and professional development and design a plan for lifelong learning.

Courses and descriptions

1. Course: God and World in the Old Testament*

(3-credits)

Course Number: HRM503

Description:

2. Course: Biblical Interpretation*

(3-credits)

Course Number: BIS513

This course is a basic study introducing the student to the science of interpreting the Scriptures. Various phases and methods of understanding interpretation are examined and explored.

3. Course: Christian Apologetics

(3-credits)

Course Number: BIS523

This is a study of Christian Apologetics for the purpose of equipping the pastor, minister, or lay leader in the defense of the Truths of God. This study is in three parts: 1) deals with various tests for truth in order to lay a foundation for testing the “truths” of various world views, 2) applies the test for truth to those views, and 3) works within the theistic view to verify the deity of Jesus and the authority of the Bible.

4. Course: Biblical Eldership

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS533

5. Course: Encountering the book of Hebrews *

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS 453

6. Course: Evangelical faith and the challenge of historical criticism*

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS563

Description: This course deals with the twelve books of the Bible from Joshua through Esther. The historical books are fundamental to the Christian beliefs and practice. Students will find this class very enriching to their personal life and ministry.

7. Course: Christology: A Biblical, Historical, and Systematic Study of Jesus

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS573

*8. Course: **The Samaritan Pentateuch****

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS583

The Pentateuch is a study manual, a reference source, and a textbook-commentary on the first five books of the Bible

9. Course: Apologetic Christology

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS593

11. Course: Inner Grace: Augustine in the Traditions of Plato and Paul*

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS603

This course is a continuation of the Foundation of Faith, which explores the foundation of faith for Christian life. Faith is the foundation of Christian

belief.

12. Course: The Bible in History*

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS613

13. Course: The Status of Women in Jewish Tradition*

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS623

Description:

14. Course: The Text of the New Testament

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS633

15. Course: Method Matters

(4-credits)

Course Number: BIS623

Description:

16. The Prophets of Israel

(4-credits)

Course Number BIS664

Course Description: This course starts with an informative introduction and brings to students a clear understanding and comprehensive study of the Prophets of Israel, their call, and their functions as related to the office of the prophets.

17. Course: Pauline Christology

(5-credits)

Course Number: BIS684

This book presents one of the most thorough and passionate studies of Christology. It covers all components of the eternal existence of Christ, life of Christ, atoning work of Christ, and future work of Christ, as well as other topics. This book's approach is dispensational and premillennial and he offers cogent defenses of his views. This work is both scholarly, reverent, and at times devotional.

No Thesis

Books: e-book/PDF textbooks are free on most cases. Printed copies are extra at the expenses of the students.

Students are suggested to order their books for each class with ample time prior to the start of their class. Duration of the program: 18-24 months depending on the student's ability to complete classes in timely manner.