



**CERTIFICATE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES**  
**COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

	<b>COURSE NAME AND NUMBER</b>	<b>COURSE DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
1.	BIBL 102 The Pentateuch	This course introduces the student to the literature, history, and theology of the first five books of the Bible. It addresses the questions of sources and authorship and introduces the student to the science of biblical hermeneutics.	3
2.	BIBL 103 Historical Books	This course deals with the twelve (12) historical books of the Old Testament. It features the unfolding of different religious, cultural, and socio-political issues.	3
3.	BIBL 104 Wisdom Literature	This course deals with the Wisdom Literature (Poetical Books) of the Old Testament. It captures general messages and values articulated in the wisdom literature.	3
4.	BIBL 105 The Prophetic Writings	A study of the history and messages of the Old Testament Prophets. This course also provides guidelines for interpreting prophecy.	3
5.	BIBL 106 The Life and Ministry of Jesus Christ	This course introduces the content and message of the four Gospels, their genre, theological perspectives, and application. Students will also reflect on how best to present the message of the Gospels to congregations.	3
6.	BIBL107 Acts and the Pauline Epistles	This course deals with a study of the ministry and teachings of the Apostle Paul as recorded in the book of Acts and the Pauline Epistles. Emphasis is placed on the biblical theology of these books, their genre, and application.	3
7.	BIBL 108 Catholic Epistles and Revelation	This course deals with an in-depth study of the Epistles of James, 1st and 2nd Peter, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John, and Jude and the book of Revelation.	3
8.	THEO 102 Christian Ethical Leadership in the Marketplace	This course explores Business ethics from the perspective of biblical moral theology. It explores contemporary ethical issues in the marketplace and seeks to provide biblical responses to them.	3



9.	BIBL 109 Biblical Exegesis	This course is an introduction to the theory and practice of biblical interpretation. Students will consider the key theological and philosophical issues in biblical interpretation and the history of biblical interpretation. They will learn the skills of sound exegetical practices for interpreting the Bible incorporating matters such as literary and historical context, word and concept study, grammatical analysis, literary genre, the relationship between exegesis and systematic theology, and application to contemporary life.	3
10.	THEO 107 Bible and Theology in the African American Church	This course examines the interplay between the Bible and race with particular attention to the experiences of African Americans. It is based on the basic Christian assumption that the kingdom of God will consist of people of every tribe, tongue, and nation offering their gifts to the one true God and king (Rev 7:9). This course introduces students to the unique contributions of African American Christians to the body of Christ in the American context.	3
11.	MPM 1 Mentored Practice of Ministry	The Mentored Practice of Ministry balances academic work with a variety of ministry experiences, self-discovery processes, and nurturing relationships with faculty, mentoring ministers, and church leaders in multiple contexts. This process, which runs concurrently with other courses each term, immerses the student into the practice of ministry, and inculcates an examination of professional identity.	1
12.	MPM 2 Mentored Practice of Ministry		1
13.	MPM 3 Mentored Practice of Ministry		1
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>33</b>