BACHELOR OF SCIENCE WITH SPLIT MAJORS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES AND BIBLICAL COUNSELING (BSBC) – ACCELERATED DEGREE COMPLETION

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The purpose of the 120-credit hour program with split majors in Biblical Studies and Biblical Counseling culminating in a Bachelor of Science degree is to provide a biblical model for biblical counseling. The training will prepare men and women to engage in church, parachurch, or private biblical counseling, and provide a base for seminary or other graduate training. The courses offered in the curriculum are not designed to meet academic or other requirements of the State of Texas for licensure as a professional counselor. Upon completion of the program, successful students will:

- 1. Demonstrate an understanding of the Biblical Framework model for biblical counseling.
- 2. Apply principles of biblical counseling to specific counseling situations.

On-ground students take only one course at a time in the CBS core curriculum, attending one 4-hour class session each week, with breakout times for independent, as well as small-group collaborative work. The on-ground courses are accelerated at five weeks in length. Online students take classes that are five to seven weeks in length, and the classes occasionally overlap. The program is 24 months of four consecutive semesters, requiring 12-15 credits each semester from the CBS core curriculum. Students are members of a continuing class, a cohort group that develops personal, family, ministry, and career interests in an atmosphere of shared learning.

The Bachelor of Science in Biblical Studies and Biblical Counseling accelerated degree completion program is comprised of upper-division college courses totaling 54 credit hours offered as follows:

- 1. The 54 hours consist of eighteen courses.
- 2. Students' focus will ideally be on one course at a time.
- 3. The same group of students will progress through the entire program together.
- 4. At graduation, successful students will have cumulative college-level credits as follows:
 - 54 hours CBS baccalaureate core curriculum—all earned at CBS
 - 36 hours general education courses—transferred-in and/or earned at CBS
 - 30 hours free elective courses-transferred-in and/or earned at CBS

DEGREE AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor's degree students are expected to complete all degree and graduation requirements pursuant to their degree program within one year after successful completion of the research project course. Failure to comply will result in the student being withdrawn from the program and subjected to reenrollment procedures and fees.

- 1. Successful completion of all admissions requirements including completion of high school diploma or GED
- 2. 54 credit hours of BSBC curriculum
- 3. 36 credit hours of approved general education
- 4. 30 credit hours of approved free electives
- 5. Cumulative 2.0 grade point average
- 6. Satisfactory completion of 2 units in Christian Service Learning Program and 2 Spiritual Formation units
- 7. Intent to Graduate form filed by deadline
- 8. Academic advising sessions as required
- 9. Graduation/Diploma fee
- 10. No unresolved disciplinary matter, including but not limited to, student code of conduct violations, library, and/or financial obligation
- 11. Completion of exit counseling for students with Stafford or PLUS loans
- 12. Approval by CBS faculty
- 13. See Graduation Requirements for additional requirement(s) for all academic programs

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This cohort program is a lockstep program and the MAJOR COURSES are designed to be taken in order as shown by this table:

GENERAL STUDIES	HRS	MAJOR COURSES	HRS
ENGLISH 9 hours		GENERAL EDUCATION 3 hours	
English Composition 1	3	ENGL 3330 Advanced Research and Writing	
English Composition 2	3	BIBLE and THEOLOGY 27 hours	
Literature	3	BIBL 3301 Biblical Interpretation	
SOCIAL SCIENCE 3 hours		THEO 3330 Major Bible Themes	
Western Civilization or US History	3	BIBL 3311 Special Issues in the Pentateuch	
PHILOSOPHY/SOCIAL SCIENCES/RELIGIOUS STUDIES 6 hours		BIBL 3312 Special Issues in the Historical and Wisdom Literature	
Social Science/Religious Studies ¹	6	BIBL 3313 Special Issues in the Prophetic Literature	3
FINE ARTS/HUMANITIES 3 hours		BIBL 3321 Special Issues in the Gospels	3
Fine Arts/Humanities ²	3	BIBL 3322 Special Issues in Acts and Pauline Epistles	3
MATH/SCIENCES 6 hours		BIBL 3323 Special Issues in General Epistles	3
Computer Science or Math	3	THEO 3331 Theological Method	3
Natural Science ³	3	COUNSELING STUDIES 24 hours	
COMMUNICATIONS 3 hours		MSBC 3311 Theological Foundations for Biblical Counseling	
Speech⁴	3		
GENERAL EDUCATION ELECTIVE 6 hours		MSBC 3312 Comparative Analysis of Psychological Counseling, Christian Integrative Counseling, and Biblical Counseling	
Any courses from the categories above	6		
FREE ELECTIVES 30 hours			
	30	MSBC 3313 Introduction to Biblical Framework	
ORIENTATION non-credit	,	Counseling	3
ORIE 1013 Orientation	n/a	MSBC 3314 Analysis of Common Problems Through	3
CHRISTIAN SERVICE 2 units		Biblical Framework Counseling	
MCSP 2011 Christian Service 1	1u	MSBC 3315 Marriage and Family	3
MCSP 2012 Christian Service 2	1u	MSBC 4301 Advanced Concepts in Biblical	
SPIRITUAL FORMATION 2 units	4	Framework Counseling 1	
MSSF 3011 Spiritual Formation 1	1u	MSBC 4302 Advanced Concepts in Biblical Framework Counseling 2	
MSSF 3012 Spiritual Formation 2	1u		
		MSBC 4303 Biblical Counseling Process and Methodologies	3

¹History, Philosophy, Logic, Economics, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Public Policy, Counseling, Bible, Theology, Foundations of Spiritual Life or Apologetics.

 $^{^{\}rm 2}\,\mbox{Music}$ Theory, Philosophy or Art Appreciation.

³ Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Astronomy, Geology or Anatomy and Physiology.

⁴ Expository Preaching classes, MSPM 3301-3305, may substitute for Speech. These classes are for men only. MSCE 3323 Women Teaching Women may substitute for Speech. This class is for women only.

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Suggested Sequence

Year	Fall	Spring
	ENGL 3330 Advanced Research and Writing	BIBL 3312 Special Issues in the Historical and Wisdom Literature
	BIBL 3301 Biblical Interpretation THEO 3330 Major Bible Themes	BIBL 3313 Special Issues in the Prophetic Literature
1	BIBL 3311 Special Issues in the Pentateuch	BIBL 3321 Special Issues in the Gospels
	MSSF 3011 Spiritual Formation 1	BIBL 3322 Special Issues in Acts and Pauline Epistles
		BIBL 3323 Special Issues in General Epistles
		MSSF 3012 Spiritual Formation 2
	THEO 3331 Theological Method	MSBC 3315 Marriage and Family
2	MSBC 3311 Theological Foundations for Biblical Counseling	MSBC 4301 Advanced Concepts in Biblical Framework Counseling 1
	MSBC 3312 Comparative Analysis of Psychological Counseling, Christian Integrative Counseling, and Biblical Counseling	MSBC 4302 Advanced Concepts in Biblical Framework Counseling 2
	MSBC 3313 Introduction to Biblical Framework Counseling	MSBC 4303 Biblical Counseling Process and Methodologies
	MSBC 3314 Analysis of Common Problems Through Biblical Framework Counseling	MCSP 2012 Christian Service 2
	MCSP 2011 Christian Service 1	

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