

Alaska Bible College

Catalog

2009-2011



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A Letter from the President

I would like to personally welcome you to an adventure of a lifetime. In 1991, I enrolled at Alaska Bible College, and my life has not been the same since. I was completely unaware of the positive influence higher biblical education would have in my life. At Alaska Bible College we believe the adventure is found in exploring God's word and following His steps. This is all available in a place where we experience some of the most stunning mountains, rivers, and wilderness this world has to offer.

For over 40 years the strength of Alaska Bible College has been in laying a solid biblical, theological and, ministry based foundation upon which many have built enduring ministries. Our graduates occupy ministries all over Alaska and the world. Several of our graduates have found themselves well prepared for additional studies at the graduate level.

At Alaska Bible College, we consistently encourage our students to develop a commitment to the local church, to grow in knowledge of the Scriptures, to build lifelong friendships, and to continually hone their spiritual gifts in a variety of hands-on ministries.

If you desire to join this adventure and better serve God in your church or mission field, Alaska Bible College can help prepare you. Even if full-time ministry is not your current direction in life, we can help you build a strong biblical foundation that will prepare you to courageously face the uncertain world in which we live.

As you consider the role of a Bible college education at Alaska Bible College, I invite you to join us in this adventure of a lifetime.

Thanks so much for stopping by,

Nick

*Nick Ringger
President*

Academic Calendar

2009-2010

Semester I

July	1	Deadline for Application
August	19	Dorms open for new students
	19-23	Orientation for new students
	22	Dorms open for returning students
	24	Classes begin
September	7	Labor Day – classes in session
	18	Harvest Break
October	4-6	Spiritual Life Focus Week
	19-20	Fall Break
November	6	Semester II registration
	26-27	Thanksgiving recess
December	3	Classes end
	7-10	Final Exam week
	10	Semester ends
	24-31	ABC offices closed
January	1	ABC offices closed

Semester II

November	1	Deadline for Application
January	7	Dorms open for new students
	7-10	Orientation for new students
	9	Dorms open for returning students
	11	Classes begin
February	22-23	Winter recess
	19-20	Winter Retreat
	TBA	Spiritual Life Focus Week
March	15-19	Spring Break
	28-30	College Days (3 days)
April	2	Good Friday
	4	Easter
	29	Classes end
May	3-6	Final Exam week
	6	Semester ends
	7	Graduation Banquet
	8	Commencement
	10-11	Transportation available for outgoing flights scheduled on these days

2010-2011

Semester I

June	1	Deadline for Application
August	18	Dorms open for new students
	18-22	Orientation for new students
	21	Dorms open for returning students
	23	Classes begin
September	6	Labor Day – classes in session
	17	Harvest Break
October	TBA	College Days
	TBA	Spiritual Life Focus Week
	18-19	Fall Break
November	5	Semester II registration
	25-26	Thanksgiving recess
December	2	Classes end
	6-10	Final Exam week
	10	Semester ends
	24-31	ABC offices closed
January	1	ABC offices closed

Semester II

November	1	Deadline for Application
January	6	Dorms open for new students
	6-9	Orientation for new students
	8	Dorms open for returning students
	10	Classes begin
February	21-22	Winter recess
	TBA	Winter Retreat
	TBA	Spiritual Life Focus Week
March	TBA	Spring Break
	TBA	College Days
April	22	Good Friday
	24	Easter
	28	Classes end
May	2-5	Final Exam week
	5	Semester ends
	6	Graduation Banquet
	7	Commencement
	9-10	Transportation available for outgoing flights scheduled on these days

Mission Statement

The purpose of Alaska Bible College is to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ and extend His Church by equipping and motivating believers to transform the world through ministries that evangelize, disciple, and meet human needs.

ABC molds men and women of God into obedient disciples and capable leaders according to the biblical mandate for discipleship (Matthew 28:19-20 and II Timothy 2:2). Alaska Bible College nurtures its students in a spiritual, social, and academic setting that enables them to deepen their relationship with God, form a Christian worldview, and develop their gifts in order to serve Christ and His Church.

Accreditation

Alaska Bible College is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the Association for Biblical Higher Education (formerly the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges). Contact information for ABHE is: 5575 S. Semoran Blvd., Suite 26, Orlando, FL 32822-1781. By phone at 407-207-0808, or online at www.abhe.org. Accreditation documents are located in the President's Office and may be reviewed there upon request.

Purpose of Accreditation

Accreditation assures the student that the education offered at Alaska Bible College is of high quality. ABC has achieved or surpassed the performance standards established by the accrediting association. Accredited status aids the student in the transfer of credit. However, the transfer of credit is always at the discretion of the receiving school.

Authorization

Alaska Bible College is authorized to operate as a college in the state of Alaska by the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education. Documents of authorization are located in the President's Office and may be reviewed there upon request. Alaska Bible College is approved for federal education benefits to qualified students under provisions of various Veterans Administration Educational Assistance Programs.

Unique Features

Alaska Bible College is a missionary enterprise. Therefore, Bible and ministry education takes place in the context of a mission setting. Faculty and staff serve as missionaries and volunteers who are committed to the Lord and this ministry.

- Because most faculty and staff raise their own salary as missionaries, education is provided at a lower cost to the student.
- The small size of ABC fosters nurturing relationships. In the context of a warm and caring community, the specific intent of the college is to promote growth through personal, individualized attention.
- The remote setting, which minimizes distractions, provides opportunity for quiet personal reflection—to be still and know God.
- The wilderness environment lends itself to unique recreational and educational opportunities.
- ABC is the only accredited Bible College in Alaska and contains the largest theological library in the state, providing excellent resources for education.
- The location of ABC provides opportunities for involvement with the Native American community in Alaska.

History

Alaska Bible College grew out of the vision of Vincent J. Joy, Sr. who saw the need for biblical education and ministry training in Alaska. Vince and his family came to the Copper River Basin as pioneer missionaries in the 1930s and formed the Central Alaskan Missions (CAM). Through the vision and efforts of Vince and CAM missionaries, churches, a medical center, a radio station, and the Bible College were established. In 1972 CAM merged with Far Eastern Gospel Crusade, forming the present-day mission of SEND International.

ABC opened its doors on September 13, 1966, and graduated its first student on May 10, 1970. It was granted accreditation by the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges (now the Association for Biblical Higher Education) in 1982 and continues in that status today. In 1996 ABC became a subsidiary corporation of SEND International and formed its own Board of Directors. Although ABC became independent of SEND in 2008, we continue to pursue the same vision for a ministry-focused biblical education in the North. Graduates of ABC currently serve the Lord in lay and full-time ministries in the North and around the world.

Leadership Objectives

Spiritual Growth

Our foremost desire is that students will come to know, love, and enjoy God. A continuous passion for knowing God personally and intimately will be developed as students are transformed in Christ, rooted in the Word, and built up in the faith.

Biblical Foundation

ABC's goal is to see students increase in their knowledge and understanding of the Bible, grow in their ability to accurately interpret the Scriptures, and develop principles that serve as guidelines for living. Students will become committed to the regular study of God's Word as the basis for Christian living and will be proficient in teaching it to others.

Ministry

Our intent is that students will be equipped to serve and develop a heart for serving. Students will develop and exercise their gifts in serving Christ by being involved in fulfilling the Great Commission in their local community and around the world.

Leadership

Our desire is for each student to become an effective servant leader in the community of God's people. With a heart of compassion, students will apply shepherding principles and skills to influence others for the sake of Christ and His kingdom.

Church

ABC aspires to see every student committed to and involved in the church as God's visible expression of His people on earth. Students will learn to value the church, faithfully serve among the community of believers, and become advocates for the church for the purposes of corporate worship, advancing the kingdom, and nurturing spiritual growth.

Worldview

Our goal is for every student to become a sound Christian thinker. Each student will acquire the ability to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate knowledge, experience, and culture with a biblical worldview. Faith and life are continuously integrated within the context of a commitment to lifelong learning.

Statement of Faith

- We believe in one holy God, Creator of all things, eternally existing in three different persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the virgin birth, in the complete deity and complete humanity of Jesus Christ uniquely joined together in *one person, and in the bodily resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ.*
- We believe in the deity and personality of God, the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit regenerates, indwells, seals, and baptizes the believer into the body of Christ at conversion. The fruit of the Spirit is evidence of His presence. The gifts of the Spirit are for the edification of the body of Christ, His Church.
- We believe the Bible is verbally inspired by God and inerrant in the original writings. It is the supreme and final authority in faith and life.
- We believe man was created sinless. He willfully sinned which rendered him hopelessly lost before God.
- We believe that man's salvation is by grace through faith, based solely on the substitutionary atonement of Christ.
- We believe in the everlasting blessedness of the saved and the eternal punishment of all who reject our Lord Jesus Christ.
- We believe in the personality and eternal punishment of Satan.
- We believe that the Church of Jesus Christ is composed solely of those who have been redeemed by the blood of Christ.
- We believe in the personal, imminent, and premillennial return of Jesus Christ for His redeemed ones.
- We believe that the two ordinances of the local church are the Lord's Supper and Believer's Baptism.
- Anyone who intends to make application to Alaska Bible College should carefully evaluate our Statement of Faith and resolve to honor this position while enrolled as a student.

Location

Glennallen, AK

Alaska Bible College is located about 200 miles northeast of Anchorage at the foot of the Wrangell Mountains. The town of Glennallen is a crossroads located between Anchorage, Fairbanks, Tok, and Valdez. Many small businesses in Glennallen rely on the local community and travelers passing through between the cities. The climate of Glennallen is typical of interior Alaska during the school year ranging from 60 degrees above zero during the fall and spring to 50 degrees below zero for short periods in mid-winter. The ABC campus is situated on 80 wooded acres of spruce and aspen, adjacent to the local elementary and high schools. Campus buildings include Joy Hall (which houses the bookstore, dorms, offices, classrooms, and a student lounge), the Cache (dining hall and the kitchen facility), the Ball Memorial Library, laundry facility, and family housing. The Murdock Campus Center includes a gymnasium/auditorium, weight room, and a student lounge with ping-pong, foosball, and pool tables, large screen TV, and refreshment area.



Anchorage, AK - Extension Classes

In 2008-09 Alaska Bible College began extension classes in Anchorage, AK at a local church, ChangePoint. For more information visit our website at www.akbible.edu.



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Community Life

Alaska Bible College is a community of students, faculty, staff, and administration who have voluntarily come together for academic, personal, and spiritual growth. We live in relationship with God and one another. As such, we have responsibilities in this community that are based on the authority of Scripture. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit provides each of us with the resources to carry out our responsibilities. We are guided in our relationships by the following scriptural principles:

1. All we do is for the glory of God. (1 Corinthians 10:31)
2. We desire personal holiness that we might reflect the character of God. (1 Peter 1:14-16)
3. All that we have comes from God who expects us to use His gifts wisely. (1 Corinthians 4:7; Matthew 25:14-30)
4. We love one another as the supreme mark of true discipleship. (John 13:34-35)
5. Our speech is to be characterized by truth and moderated by love. (Ephesians 4:15)
6. The exercise of our freedom is to be tempered by our responsibility for other believers. (1 Corinthians 8:9)
7. We are responsible for building up those weaker than ourselves. (Romans 15:1-2)
8. We seek to restore the fallen, realizing our own vulnerability. (Galatians 6:1-2)

While God's truth never changes, the application of scriptural principles takes different forms in varying situations and circumstances. At Alaska Bible College, we have established guidelines for student life that we believe best reflect these principles in our community.

Dorm Living

As students prepare for ministry, it is important to learn how to live and function in a close Christian community. For single students, living in the dorm is an opportunity to grow in this area. Dorms for men and women are located in Joy Hall. There are no coed residence halls. Dorm students may have a roommate and share a bathroom with up to three other students. The rooms are furnished with beds, dressers, desks, and lamps. Students provide their own twin bed sheets, pillows, blankets, and spreads.

Standard of Conduct

Alaska Bible College recognizes that adherence to ABC's guidelines for conduct does not improve a person's standing before God. It does, however, strengthen the life and testimony of both the student and ABC. The use of illegal drugs, alcohol, and tobacco in any form is inconsistent with a Christian's responsibility to care for the body God has given each of us. The possession or use of these substances is prohibited. Additional guidelines for conduct are contained in the Student Handbook. Any conduct that adversely affects relationships with God and/or man is considered inappropriate by Alaska Bible College. The student who fails to maintain the standards set forth by ABC will be disciplined with the intended result of fully restoring the student to right relationships and will be clearly communicated to the student. A student who fails to comply with the discipline of ABC may ultimately be dismissed. If such action is necessary, the dismissal and conditions for reinstatement as a student in good standing at Alaska Bible College will be communicated in writing to the student.

Use of Time

Students are expected to exercise discipline in order to use time wisely. Time must be devoted between work, study, recreation, and rest. It will be necessary for you to find an adequate balance of your time.

Spiritual Life

ABC seeks to enrich and deepen the spiritual life of its students with chapel services, dorm devotions, prayer partners, and by encouraging personal Bible reading and prayer. College chapel attendance is expected. Students are also expected to attend weekly services at a local church. There are a number of evangelical churches in the area that provide opportunities for worship and service. Special weeks of spiritual life focus are scheduled each year, featuring a guest speaker at daily chapel services and a school-wide day of prayer.

Student Council

Student Council is a group of students, elected by the student body. The group serves as a liaison to the faculty, staff, and administration in matters concerning general student well being. STUCO plans various activities for the student body. Involvement on Student Council is an excellent opportunity to develop leadership skills.

Student Grievances

The administration, faculty and staff of Alaska Bible College take a special interest in student concerns. We are here to serve. Conflict is part of community life, even in Christian communities. It is important that we deal with conflict appropriately. We encourage students to confront in love those who are directly involved in a conflict. Matthew 18:15-17 gives valuable guidelines to follow in confronting an offense. If the concern is not adequately resolved, it may be brought to the Student Development Office and then to the President of ABC. If all other avenues fail, grievances may be taken to the Board of Directors of Alaska Bible College. Students may, after following the above procedure, appeal grievances to the State of Alaska: Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, 800 E. Dimond Blvd., Suite 200, Anchorage, AK 99515.

Student Wives' Fellowship

Student Wives' Fellowship provides encouragement for the wives of full-time students at Alaska Bible College. Bible studies, prayer times, craft projects, hospitality and family activities are planned to support student families.

Activities

School activities may include banquets, outdoor recreation, informal games, service projects, dorm outings, community programs, and all-school retreats. Fishing and hunting are available for licensed students. Early in the fall, hiking, canoeing, rafting, and mountain biking can be done. From October through March, opportunities abound for cross-country skiing, snowboarding, skating, winter camping, and snowshoeing. ABC maintains a two-mile cross-country ski trail with access to many miles of non-groomed trails. Cross-country ski equipment and snowshoes are available.

Campus Facilities and Services

Counseling services ~ are available for students seeking guidance about personal, spiritual, and educational concerns. Student Development staff and faculty members provide counsel and educational guidance as needed. Student Development staff will assist students in arranging for professional services.

Employment ~ in the Glennallen area is normally available to students who need to work and can be flexible. Jobs available may include: school bus driver, janitor, service station attendant, clerk/secretary, grocery positions, restaurant work, and babysitting. Some work-study jobs are available on campus, as well. While employment is essential for many students to meet the financial obligations of college attendance, it is equally important that employment does not interfere with academic performance

Employment (cont.)

Students whose grades fall below acceptable standards will be encouraged to cut back on employment hours.

Family Housing ~ includes a limited number of one, two, and three-bedroom rental homes available on campus. Some family housing may also be available off campus by special arrangement.

Food Service ~ is located in a separate building called the "Cache" which houses the kitchen and dining facilities. It also provides a comfortable atmosphere for social and leisure activities. Alaska Bible College seeks to provide well-balanced, nutritious meals at low cost to students living in the dormitories. Because of the size of our food program, we are unable to accommodate special diets without prior approval from the Food Service Manager.

Health Services ~ are available to students at Cross Road Medical Center, located less than a mile from the ABC campus. A registered nurse is on duty at all times, and a medical provider is on call at all times. Dental and chiropractic services are also available in Glennallen. Students are encouraged to carry medical insurance. ABC will assist students with transportation to local health service facilities upon request.

Joy Hall ~ is the hub of activity on the ABC campus. It contains administrative and faculty offices, classrooms, a student lounge, and dormitories for men and women.

The Ball Memorial Library ~ is an 8,000 square foot, two-story building which houses 26,000 volumes, including the largest theological collection in Alaska. The library contains a curriculum room, media resource room, student computer lab, classrooms, children's library, and several study areas. The library receives over 180 periodicals. A selection of visual aid materials is available for student ministries.

The Bookstore ~ is located in Joy Hall. It carries a selection of Christian books, gift items, Alaskan books, school supplies, ABC clothing, and some personal items.

The Murdock Campus Center ~ contains a fitness center, gymnasium and lounge. The MCC is provided primarily for the benefit of students, faculty, staff and alumni of ABC. Hours are posted for use of the facilities. Visitors are welcome, but during non-public hours must be accompanied by someone from the ABC community. Additional use guidelines may be found in the ABC Student Handbook.

Vehicles ~ are permitted on campus providing the student carries liability and property damage insurance. All vehicles kept on campus must be registered with the Business Office.

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Admissions Procedures

The following forms must be filled out completely and submitted by deadlines (see Academic Calendar)

- Application and fee (\$35 non-refundable)
- Essays
- Pastoral Reference
- Teacher/Employer Reference
- Personal Reference
- High School Transcripts
- ACT or SAT Scores

Admissions forms can be obtained by contacting:

Office of Admissions
Alaska Bible College
P.O. Box 289
Glennallen, AK 99588
Phone: 1-800-478-7884 / 907-822-3201
FAX 907-822-5027
E-mail: info@akbible.edu
Website: www.akbible.edu

Admissions Standards

Alaska Bible College extends a warm Christian welcome to prospective students who meet admission qualifications and seek to strengthen their Christian walk and prepare for ministry.

Alaska Bible College selects students on the basis of academic ability, moral character, and a strong desire to study God's Word. Alaska Bible College does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, gender, or ethnic background.

Campus Visit

If you are interested in attending Alaska Bible College, we encourage you to visit our campus. Please contact the Admissions Office.

Declaration of Intent

At Alaska Bible College, we seek to live within the framework of the principles of the Word of God. In our contemporary world, there is a breakdown of the biblical structure of authority, of respect for one another, and of service for others.

Those entering Alaska Bible College must sign a declaration of intent to live by the doctrinal, devotional, social, educational, and financial regulations of ABC in the spirit of Hebrews 13:17.

Transfer Credit

Credits earned from other accredited schools (minimum grade of "C") may be transferred to Alaska Bible College and applied toward graduation, providing those credits meet the requirements specified by the certificate or degree programs or are allowed for elective credit. Transfer of credit from non-accredited schools must first be validated by satisfactory performance during the student's first semester of study.

Alaska Bible College cannot guarantee that credits earned at ABC are transferable. Credits earned while attending ABC and transferred to another college or university is at the discretion of the receiving school and depends on the compatibility with curricula and accreditation.

Credits taken on a semester system will be transferred on a one-to-one basis. For conversion from quarter hours to semester hours, the following formula will be used:

1 quarter hour = 2/3 of a semester hour
e.g., 3 quarter hours = 2 semester hours

Admissions Counselor

Upon receiving an application, the admissions counselor will work directly with each applicant.

Applicants receiving official notification of acceptance are required to submit a \$150 non-refundable fee for confirmation of enrollment, which is due by the application deadline. This fee will be applied to the student's account at the time of registration.

The Admissions Office provides information on Orientation. See the Academic Calendar for Orientation dates. Parents are welcomed and encouraged to attend Orientation.

The Registrar's Office provides complete instructions concerning registration. Students are considered "registered" **after payment of all charges or other financial arrangements are approved and all required forms have been completed and submitted.**

Dorm or housing deposits **must be submitted** to the Business Office **before the student can finalize registration.**

Academic Requirements

Applicants must provide official high school transcripts or proof of completed high school equivalence requirements. ABC admits students in the process of receiving their high school equivalence, with the understanding that this must be accomplished by the completion of two consecutive semesters here.

It is expected that the applicant has maintained a “C” average or above. The Admissions Committee reserves the right to take action of provisional acceptance when these requirements are not met.

Applicants must provide ACT or SAT scores unless they are over 25 years of age or have been a full-time student for at least one semester at another college. Alaska Bible College’s test codes are ACT-0065 or SAT-1237. Information concerning test dates can be obtained from most high school guidance offices.

Home-schooled Student

- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.

Early-admit Student

- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.
- Have completed the junior year of high school with outstanding academic achievement.
- Provide written permission from parent or guardian.
- Provide letter of recommendation from high school.

Transfer Student

- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.
- Provide official transcripts from all colleges previously attended, including a statement of status at time of withdrawal.

English as a Second Language Student

- Must be a permanent resident or naturalized citizen of the United States.
- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.
- Provide Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), with minimum score of 500 for written test and 173 for computer-based test.
- Provide official transcripts from all colleges previously attended.

Re-admit Students

- Meet the requirements for admission if more than three years has elapsed.
- Submit Re-admit Form and Pastoral Reference if two or more semesters have elapsed.
- Provide official transcripts from all colleges attended in absence.

Full-time Students – not enrolled in a program

- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.

Part-time Students – enrolled in a program

- Meet admissions standards and academic requirements.

Part-time Students – not enrolled in a program

- Complete the Registration Form.
- Sign the Conduct Agreement.
- Sign the Statement of Faith.

College Level Examination

Program

Alaska Bible College honors the College Level Examination Program (CLEP). Official transcripts of CLEP test results should be sent to the Registrar for evaluation

Retention and Graduation Rates

In compliance with the Student-Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990, Alaska Bible College provides the following information. For the last five years the percentages of new freshmen still enrolled at the beginning of the next academic year have been as follows:

Year of Freshman Class	Percent Still Enrolled at Beginning of Next Academic Year
2004	75%
2005	66%
2006	100%
2007	50%
2008	57%

The Student-Right-to-Know graduation rate reported on the most recent IPEDS Graduation Rate Survey (2008) was 33%. This represents the percentage of students in the Fall 2002 freshman cohort (full-time, first-time, degree-seeking) who completed bachelor degrees within 6 years, associate degrees within 3 years, or certificates within 1 1/2 years.

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Semester Expenses

Tuition (12 through 18 credit hours)

2009 - 2010 School Year – \$3,420

2010 - 2011 School Year - TBD

Room and Board

A student living in the dorm must purchase room and board as a package. Students may stay in the dorms without charge during Spring Break. Meals are not provided during breaks, but students may stay in the dorms during Christmas Break for an additional charge.

Security Deposit (refundable) \$50

2009 - 2010 School Year

Room & Board \$2,700

2010-2011 School Year

Room & Board TBD

Student Family Housing

Cost per month, plus utilities \$440-\$570

A variety of separate dwellings is available.

Security Deposit (refundable) \$400

Utilities: actual amounts are billed

Estimate (average monthly cost) \$300

Books and Supplies

Per semester (estimate) \$100-200

Facilities Use

Murdock Campus Center: gymnasium, fitness center, student lounge (per semester)

Single/Couple \$45

Family \$60

Note: ABC makes every effort to keep operation costs to a minimum; however, charges may increase to reflect cost of living increases. Therefore, Alaska Bible College reserves the right to change rates as necessary.

Other Semester Fees and Costs

Late registration fee \$30
(charged after the first day of classes)

Tuition per credit hour
(1-11 or each additional credit hour over 18)
2009 – 2010 School Year \$300

2010 – 2011 School Year

Auditing a course, per hour (50% of credit hour cost)

One-Time Student Fees

Application fee \$35

Confirmation of Enrollment fee \$150

Graduation fee \$50

(Fees are charged at beginning of student's final semester)

Financial Policies

Payment of Accounts

A student is not registered and cannot attend classes until cleared by the Business Office.

Payment of all tuition, room and board, and other semester expenses are due according to the Credit Policy.

Credit Policy

Alaska Bible College will take into consideration any financial assistance the student receives, such as gifts, private scholarships, Veterans Educational Benefits, Permanent Fund Dividends, Alaska Bible College Work Scholarship, state or personal loans, and eligibility for an Alaska Bible College Need-Based Grant.

A student may choose one of three payment options:

Option 1. Submit full year's payment by August 15th (receives a 2% discount).

Option 2. Make payment for each semester in full prior to the start of classes.

Option 3. Make payment for each semester in up to 4 equal monthly installments.

Interest of 1% per month (12.68% Annual Percentage Rate) will apply to any unpaid balance on a student's account. Students who fail to meet their financial obligations to ABC may be dismissed and cannot enroll for the following semester.

ABC will not issue an official transcript or a diploma until all debts with ABC have been paid in full.

Housing Policies

Housing Reservations

To reserve housing, the security deposit must be paid *before August 1* for the Fall Semester and *before December 1* for the Spring Semester. The following deposits are required:

Dorm Room \$50/student

(Deposit required by new and returning students. Deposit refunded after cleaning inspection is passed.)

Family Housing \$400/family

(Refunded after passing a cleaning inspection)

Pet deposit \$100 (non-refundable)

Pet fee \$50/month

(Prior permission required due to limited designated housing for pets. Pets are permitted in family housing only. ABC reserves the right to charge additional fees for damages beyond \$100 pet deposit. More than one pet must have prior approval. Additional fees may apply)

Financial Aid

Alaska Bible College believes that if God has called an individual to pursue Biblical and ministry training He will provide financially for that education. We also believe that a student shows integrity and responsibility when financial commitments are fulfilled. *Students finance their education in many ways: Savings, earnings during the school year, gifts from churches, family and friends, grants, and loans.*

We are aware that the cost of gaining an education may appear to be an insurmountable obstacle. However, if cost is preventing you from applying please contact the Financial Aid Office for financial counseling. We desire that any student who truly wants to attend Alaska Bible College be able to do so.

Alaska Bible College believes that the student and his/her family (parents or spouse if the student is married) are financially responsible for the education received at ABC. We believe this investment should be achieved through responsible personal effort. This may be from funds derived from earnings, family contribution, savings, home church participation, liquidation of assets, and, if done in a wise and cautious manner, loans.

Federal Student Financial Aid Program

On June 30, 1993, Alaska Bible College voluntarily withdrew from participation in the Federal Student Financial Aid Program. This action does not affect eligibility for veterans or state educational benefits. An Alaska Bible College Need-Based Grant program is used instead.

Application Process

All students applying for financial aid:

- Complete the Alaska Bible College Need-Based Grant application as part of their request for financial assistance
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate recognizable Christian living and stewardship
- Enroll full-time in an ABC program with the intent to complete it
- Maintain a G.P.A. of 2.00 or higher

Allocation Policy

When need-based financial aid, gifts, or private assistance has paid the student's tuition and other costs of attendance, any amount refunded because of withdrawal, dismissal, or reduction in credit hours, will be paid by ABC to the source of the funds, not to the student.

If a student receives a late financial aid award, not considered in the initial award calculations, and it causes a credit balance on the student's account, the student may withdraw the excess funds under the following conditions:

- The credit will be allocated to the source of any need-based aid received.
- If there is still a credit balance, the credit will be allocated to the source of any funds applied to the student's account.
- The student upon written request to the Business Office may withdraw any remaining credit balance.

ABC Grants and Scholarships

Each ABC student is already the recipient of financial aid because our faculty and staff do not receive salaries from ABC. Therefore, the cost to attend ABC is reduced. However, many students still require financial assistance so the following is available:

Need-Based Grants

Each semester grants range from \$100 to \$1,500.

Need-Based Grant funds may be awarded to students who meet the application and eligibility requirements and who have a demonstrated need for financial assistance in order to attend ABC. Students must submit the Need-Based Grant application form by July 1 for fall and December 1 for spring semester. Need-Based Grant awards are limited to funds available for this purpose.

Students transferring to Alaska Bible College who have Federal loans are eligible to have the loans deferred until graduation from Alaska Bible College.

Eligibility Requirements for Need-Based Grant

A student must:

1. Be enrolled full-time in a Certificate or Degree Program and intend to complete the Program.
2. Show financial need by completing an Alaska Bible College Need-Based Grant Application and providing copies of signed tax returns of student and/or parent (if the student is a dependent). Submission of a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) received upon completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) may also be required. (Go to <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>, for information on obtaining and completing the form.)
3. Maintain satisfactory progress in the course of study.

ABC Grants and Scholarships

Academic Tuition Scholarships

Each returning full-time student completing at least two semesters at ABC and earning 3.5 GPA or better will receive this award following the spring semester.

The Northern Ministry Scholarship

- This scholarship is for students intending to minister to Native Americans and other residents of the North.
- Students must complete the Northern Ministry scholarship application.

Matching Dollar-for-Dollar Grant

Student will:

- Ask their church to participate.
- Be accepted in good standing by July 1 (fall) or November 1 (spring).
- Reside in campus housing.
- Maintain a 2.50 GPA each semester.

Church will:

- Inform ABC of their financial commitment to provide up to \$500/semester for a student.
- Commit to pray for the student regularly and maintain close contact with the student.

ABC will:

- Match the church's grant up to \$500/semester.

The Collingswood Missions Scholarship

- For full time ABC junior or senior students
- enrolled in the Missions emphasis B.A. program.
- Amount: \$250

Partners in Ministry Scholarship

Spouses of full-time students not enrolled in a certificate or degree program may enroll in one course per semester at no charge.

Work Scholarships

- ABC has limited opportunities for on-campus employment. When possible, ABC tries to place students who have financial need into a work program.
- Generally, the maximum amount that can be earned is \$900 per semester.
- Work scholarships are considered part of a student's total financial aid package and may reduce the student's need-based grant.
- Students must submit the Need-Based Grant application form by July 1 for fall and December 1 for spring semester.

Beckie Joy Music Scholarship

Annual scholarship awarded to a student who demonstrates exceptional musical ability involved in music ministry.

Phil A. Wall Memorial Scholarship

Annual scholarship applied to the fall semester of the account of a returning ABC Honor Roll student who exemplifies a cheerful, giving spirit and is dedicated to ministry.

PEP Scholarship

Scholarship applied to the account of a returning student, based on outstanding character and a zeal for ministry.

Barnabas Award

The student who best exemplifies the attitude of Barnabas in his/her daily life receives this award.

Timothy Award.

The graduating Bachelor of Arts student who best exemplifies the character of Timothy in his/her daily walk receives this award.

Other Awards.

ABC receives funds from various sources who wish to reward exemplary students of Alaska Bible College. The Awards Committee reviews students enrolled in a certificate or degree program each semester to award students. The Committee evaluates students on the basis of character, academic performance, and relationship to other students, faculty, and staff.

Campus visit tuition discount

- For prospective students who visit ABC prior to enrolling as full time program students.
- Submit transportation receipts at the beginning of the second semester for a discount (up to \$500) towards tuition.

External Grants and Scholarships

Alaska Natives and Native Americans

Alaska native students and Native American students not from Alaska are encouraged to contact their corporations about possible scholarship funding, or they can contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

External Grants and Scholarships

Bureau of Indian Affairs

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) makes grants to eligible Native Americans. Information and applications are available through the BIA. Students who are members of Alaska native corporations may obtain information and applications from them or their own tribal headquarters.

Veterans

Alaska Bible College is approved for the training of Veterans. Interested Veterans should contact the VA Regional Office. Alaska Bible College is approved for Federal Education Benefits to qualified students under provisions of various VA educational assistance programs.

To be eligible for VA educational benefits, a student must enroll in a certificate or degree program. The veteran applies for these benefits from the nearest regional Veterans Administration Office. Completed applications must include a certified copy of the original DD214 (Proof of Service).

Students who are eligible to receive VA educational benefits are advised to apply prior to enrollment, as funds may not be available for a number of weeks. Eligibility for VA benefits may reduce the amount of eligibility for need-based financial aid. An Alaska veteran may also be eligible for benefits through the Alaska Department of Veterans Affairs.

Foundation, Church, Corporation, or

Agency Scholarships

The Business Office according to instructions will receipt a scholarship or grant received by ABC for a student to the designated student's account from the source foundation, church, corporation, or agency. A scholarship or grant received by a student may affect the amount of need-based aid the student is eligible for and is not tax-deductible.

When a scholarship or grant is received in the award year before classes begin, or before the student's admission has progressed to the setting up of his/her account, the funds will be placed in a designated financial aid holding account. When classes begin, the funds will be transferred to the appropriate student account.

The entity sending the funds may designate that the funds be split between two semesters of the award year. The funds for each semester will be transferred to the appropriate student account after the student begins classes each semester.

Employment

ABC places a high value on students meeting their financial needs through responsible personal effort. Employment is considered as ABC reviews a student's eligibility for financial aid. However, new students who have not attended college previously and who carry 12 or more credit hours are advised against extensive off-campus employment that may hinder their academic progress.

Off-campus employment opportunities are available in the Glennallen area. Local businesses employ a limited number of Alaska Bible College students.

Loans

Should a student need to borrow, ABC will, upon request, provide counseling and information. However, the student must apply for a loan independently of ABC. Alaska Bible College students, both Alaska residents and non-residents, are eligible to apply for the Alaska State Student Loan. (www.alaskaadvantage.state.ak.us)

Refund Policy

For students who withdraw, are dismissed, or drop class(es), tuition and fees will be refunded to the student (within 45 days) according to the following schedule:

If a student withdraws Alaska Bible College Refunds:

- 100% before classes begin
- 100% before the second day of classes each semester
- 90% within the first and second weeks
- 80% within the third week
- 55% within three and three-quarters weeks
- 30% within seven and one-half weeks
- 0% after seven and one-half weeks

Time of withdrawal is based on the last day of physical attendance and approved, official written documentation. There will be a \$100.00 Administrative Fee charged to all students who withdraw or are dismissed from Alaska Bible College.

College-refunded room and board charges are determined on a prorated basis. Any student who is called to active military duty anytime during a semester will be refunded as follows: Tuition will be refunded 100%. Room and Board will be pro-rated.

Alaska Bible College Need-Based Grant funds, Gift funds, Veterans benefits, and other types of state and private financial aid will be prorated and refunded to the source of the funds should a student withdraw or be dismissed

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Orientation

An orientation program is arranged at the beginning of each semester to acquaint new students with campus and with college life. It is imperative that incoming freshman and transfer students be present for orientation which includes sessions with faculty advisors, testing, and informative sessions.

Faculty Advisors

Each student is assigned to a faculty advisor who helps in orientation to campus life and in personal or academic concerns, including the choice of a program of study.

Requirements for Graduation

Upon satisfactory completion of the requirements for graduation, Alaska Bible College confers upon the student the Bachelor of Arts Degree, the Associate of Arts Degree, the Bible and Ministry Certificate, or the Bible Certificate.

Students must meet the following requirements for graduation:

1. Demonstrate recognizable Christian living.
2. Be committed to biblical truth compatible with the Statement of Faith of ABC.
3. Complete one of the programs of study offered by ABC with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or above. A 2.0 average is also required in individual courses in the academic majors Biblical Studies and Christian Ministry including Education Ministries, Missions, and Pastoral Studies.
4. Complete a minimum of two years of resident study while living on campus at Alaska Bible College for the B.A. degree. A minimum of one year of resident study at ABC for the A.A. degree. Transfer students must earn a minimum of 60 credit hours at ABC for the B.A. degree and 30 credit hours for the A.A. degree.
5. Fulfill Student Ministry Training requirements satisfactorily as stated in the SMT section.
6. Be involved consistently with a local church.
7. Receive financial clearance from the Business Office.
8. Meet with the President of ABC for an exit interview.
9. Participate in Commencement unless a written request to be absent is approved by the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Student Course Load

The normal student course load to maintain satisfactory progress toward the completion of a certificate or degree program Fifteen or sixteen semester hours are. A student must be registered for at least 12 hours to be considered a full-time student. A student may enroll in an 18-hour schedule without special permission. However, students wishing to take over 18 hours must have approval from the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Students with less than a 3.00 cumulative GPA should not seek such approval.

Adding and Dropping Courses

Courses may be added or dropped before the end of the second week of the semester without academic penalty. Students wishing to add or drop a course must obtain a form from the Registrar's Office. A change in class schedule may affect a student's graduation date. Classes cannot be added after the second week of a semester. If a student adds or drops credit hours, eligibility for financial aid may change.

When a student officially drops a course during the first two weeks of the semester, a "W" grade will be recorded. After this time the student will receive a grade of "WP" in all courses in which he/she is doing acceptable work at the time of withdrawal. However, if the student is not doing acceptable work, a "WF" is recorded. All courses dropped after the eighth week of the semester will result in a "WF" letter grade.

Change in Program

All full-time students should be enrolled in a Program of study (a degree or certificate program). This is done by filling out a "Program Enrollment Form" (obtained from the Registrar or the student's Academic Advisor). Students are free to change their individual program or major by filling out the "Change in Enrollment Form." All changes in programs or majors is at the discretion of the Vice President for Academic Affairs. B.A. students will not be permitted to change their major after the start of their senior year of study.

Repeating Courses

In order to graduate, students must earn at least a 2.0 gpa in each course. Students must repeat any required courses within a major in which the grade was lower than a 2.0. When a course is repeated, only the second grade is used to calculate the GPA, but the original grade and course will remain on the student's academic record.

If a student scores lower than a 2.0 in courses outside the majors, the courses may be retaken only with the permission from the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

No credit is given for an "F" grade. Therefore, all courses in which an "F" is received must be repeated if the course is required within a program.

Auditing Courses

Students may choose to audit a course with the instructor's permission. Auditing a course allows the student to participate in the class but not have assignments evaluated by the instructor. No grade or credit is given, but the audited course is entered on the student's transcript. The cost of auditing is one-half the per-credit-hour tuition charge. A student may change from credit to audit through the fourth week of the semester without academic penalty. Changes from credit to audit must be handled through normal change of registration procedures. Changes from audit to credit must take place within the first two weeks of class and follow the procedure stated under "Adding and Dropping Courses."

Credit for Correspondence Courses

Correspondence courses taken for credit from another institution, *while at Alaska Bible College*, may be applied to a degree or certificate program *only with prior approval of the Registrar and Vice President for Academic Affairs*. Contact the Registrar regarding the availability and applicability of correspondence courses.

Class Attendance

Class attendance is required of all students to promote academic success and spiritual growth. Students are granted one absence per class credit hour without penalty. Absences beyond this number are considered unexcused. Each instructor will deal with unexcused absences at his/her discretion. Class work, tests or quizzes missed are the responsibility of the student. The professor may excuse legitimate absences. It is the student's responsibility to report such excuses to the professor in writing. The professor from appropriate sources may seek verification of legitimate excuses.

Final Examinations

Final examinations must be taken as scheduled. Arrangements for any change of examination must be made in writing to the instructor of the course no later than the Friday before examinations begin.

Classification of Students

Freshman	1-29 credits earned
Sophomore	30-59 credits earned
Junior	60-89 credits earned
Senior	90 plus credits earned

Grading System

Grade	Percent	Quality Points	Description
A	94-100	4.0	Excellent
A-	90-93	3.7	Commendable
B+	87-89	3.3	Commendable
B	84-86	3.0	Commendable
B-	80-83	2.7	Acceptable
C+	76-79	2.3	Acceptable
C	70-75	2.0	Acceptable
D	60-69	1.0	Inadequate
F	59 and below	0.0	Failing
I	Incomplete		
W	Withdrew from class during the first two weeks		
WP	Withdrew, passing after the first two weeks. (No grade points are given and GPA is not affected)		
WF	Withdrew, failing after the first two weeks. (No grade points given and GPA is negatively affected)		

Incomplete Grades

An incomplete grade "I" is assigned for deficiencies as the result of illness or other emergencies. The grade will become an "F" if the course work is not completed within two weeks following each semester, or within the time prescribed by the instructor.

Withdrawal from College

Any student contemplating withdrawal from ABC for any reason should first consult with the Vice President for Student Development. To withdraw officially, students must obtain and complete a Withdrawal Form from the Registrar. If a student withdraws from Alaska Bible College, all financial aid is immediately terminated. A student who officially withdraws will be refunded according to the Refund Policy of ABC. A student who leaves ABC during the semester without officially withdrawing will receive grades of "F" for incomplete courses and may forfeit all fees or deposits paid to the college. If a student is asked to withdraw or is dismissed for disciplinary reasons, grades of "W" will be recorded on the transcript for courses in which the student is enrolled. The regular refund policy applies for a student who is dismissed for disciplinary reasons.

Integrity of Scholarship

Alaska Bible College recognizes the principles of truth and honesty as being absolutely essential. It is expected that these principles will be rigorously followed in all academic endeavors, including the preparation of class reports and papers, and in taking examinations. This assumes that the person who intends to do the work will do all work without unauthorized aids. Cheating in any form may be considered sufficient grounds for suspension from ABC. Areas of concern related to academic integrity include plagiarism, unauthorized collaboration, violation of the conditions under which the work is to be done, fabrication of data, unauthorized use of computer data, and excessive revision by someone other than the student.

Scholastic Honors

Dean's List: Awarded each semester to students carrying 12 or more hours and making an average GPA of 3.75 or higher.

Honor Roll: Awarded each semester to students carrying 12 or more hours and making an average GPA between 3.5 – 3.74.

Graduation Honors: Honors for B.A. Graduates based on course work taken at ABC.

- GPA of 3.6-3.74 Cum Laude
- GPA of 3.75-3.84 Magna Cum Laude
- GPA of 3.85 and above Summa Cum Laude

Academic Probation/Dismissal

Any student who does not maintain a 2.0 GPA for any given semester will be placed on "academic probation" for the following semester. If a student fails to achieve a 2.0 semester GPA for two consecutive semesters, the student will be requested to withdraw from ABC and placed on "academic dismissal" for at least one year, at the discretion of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Satisfactory Progress

Satisfactory Academic Progress is defined as: maintaining a semester 2.0 grade point average (GPA). The student must also progress from grade level to grade level in keeping with the normal period of completion of a certificate or degree program. ABC will review satisfactory progress as stated in this policy at the end of each semester and during the semester if the student is on probation.

Satisfactory Length of Time: a full-time student must meet ABC's satisfactory length of time requirement.

Semester Completed	Hours Earned
2	24
4	48
6	72
8	96
10	120

(A Summer Term is not presently offered.)

Full-Time is defined as twelve or more credit hours.

Three-Quarter Time is defined as nine through eleven credit hours.

Half-Time is defined as six through eight credit hours.

Student Rights

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended provides the student with privacy of education records, the right of review of his own education record, and guidelines to correct inaccurate or misleading data. Alaska Bible College attempts to comply fully with this act. Copies of the Alaska Bible College policy are available for perusal from the Registrar's Office.

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Degree Programs

The Bachelor of Arts Degree Program provides basic and advanced equipping for ministry or further study in a graduate program. Through biblical, ministry, general education studies, and student ministry training, students are prepared for entrance into church, para church, or mission-related professions. Because students need to be equipped both with knowledge of God's Word and practical ministry experience to be effective leaders, each B.A. student is a Biblical Studies major and a Christian Ministries Second Major, with the possible option of choosing an Educational Ministries, Missions, or Pastoral emphasis.

Required for All B.A. Degrees

Total Core Credits Required 85

Bible Core Courses Credits

BI 131	Principles of Inductive Bible Study	3
BI 132	Principles of Biblical Interpretation	3
BI 133	Old Testament Survey	3
BI 134	New Testament Survey	3
BI 231	Pentateuch	3
BI 232	Life of Christ	3
BI 333	Doctrines I	3
BI 334	Doctrines II	3
BI 435	Doctrines III	3
BI 432	Romans	3
BI 434	Integrated Theology Seminar	2

Total Required Bible Core Credits 32

Ministry Core Courses Credits

MN 191	Foundations for Life and Ministry	3
MN 192	Evangelism and Discipleship	3
MN 162	Christian Teaching Ministry	3
MN 292	Missiology	3
MN 294	Worship & Music	2
MN 492	Internship	3

Total Required Ministry Core Credits 17

General Education Core Courses Credits

CM 101	Speech	3
EN 101	English Composition I	3
EN 202	English Composition II	2
EN 203	Introduction to Literature	3
HI 202	Survey of Western Civilization	3
HI 301	Alaska Studies	3
MA 202	Algebra	3
PE 101	Physical Conditioning	1
PE 102	Cross-Country Skiing	1
PH 201	Philosophy	3
PH 302	Contemporary World Views	3
SC 201	Introduction to Meteorology	3
SS 102	Developing Interpersonal Relationships	3
SS 201	Marriage and Family	3

Total General Education Core Credits 36

Student Ministry Training

This training is required for all programs, each semester.

Purpose

Student Ministry Training at Alaska Bible College seeks to bring glory to God by advancing his kingdom through evangelism, discipleship, and meeting human needs. SMT is designed to equip students for a lifetime of loving service. This unique training provides the student an opportunity to apply classroom learning, which is essential as they become involved with various ministries. Details of this program are found in the Guide to Student Ministry Training. Copies can be obtained from the SMT Coordinator.

Objectives

SMT will help students to:

- Integrate classroom learning with practical ministry.
- Become aware of human needs and corresponding opportunities for service.
- Clearly convey biblical truth to those in need.
- Develop their spiritual gifts and refine ministry skills.
- Develop faithfulness and accountability in Christian ministry.

SMT Requirements

Enrollment

All students enrolled in any program of 6 or more credit hours, must enroll in SMT each semester at ABC. The VP of Academic Affairs may waive this requirement for students with special circumstances in consultation with the SMT Coordinator. The student must petition the VP for Academic Affairs each semester for the requirement to be waived.

Graduation

Students must successfully complete SMT for a minimum of the following semesters:

- 2 semesters for Bible Certificate
- 4 semesters for Bible and Ministry Certificate
- 4 semesters for A.A. degree
- 8 semesters for B.A. degree

Transfer students must pass one semester of SMT for each semester attended at ABC.

SMT Requirements

Grading

Each student will receive a (P) passing or (F) failing grade for each semester. SMT grades are based on:

1. Successful completion of the SMT guidelines.
2. The evaluation of the student by his/her on-site Supervisor.
3. The attitude demonstrated toward service.

If a student withdraws from SMT during a semester, a W, WP or WF grade is received.

Bachelor of Arts

Biblical Studies Major

Christian Ministries Second Major

Purpose

This major will equip the student for a variety of ministry possibilities. Much of the Northern context requires generality; this major provides the student opportunity to design a course of instruction with anticipation of a future ministry. Students may consider an emphasis in Educational Ministries, Missions or Pastoral Studies.

Objectives

Upon completion of the Christian Ministries Major the student will be:

- Equipped with basic ministry skills for use in a variety of settings.
- Able to apply principles from the Word of God in ministry contexts.
- Prepared to serve in a professional ministry role.
- Effective in communicating the Word of God in ministry contexts
- Able to function effectively as a leader in a ministry setting.

Program Requirements

Total program requirements:	120 credit hours
Bible Core	32
Bible Electives	8
Ministry Core	17
Ministry Electives	13
General Education	36
Electives	14
Student Ministry Training	8 semesters

Bachelor of Arts

Educational Ministries Emphasis

Purpose

Equip students for servant leadership in educational ministries engaged in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Objective

The Educational Ministries Emphasis will enable the student to:

- Think about educational issues from a Christian worldview
- Articulate a developing philosophy of Christian education that is biblically, educationally, and historically sound.
- Apply educational theories and principles in cultural context.
- Teach people in various phases of development.
- Nurture believers toward spiritual growth and leadership within the Christian community.
- Grow in relationships with God and people.

Program Requirements

Total program requirements	120 credit hours
Bible Core	32
Bible Electives	8
Ministry Core	17
Ministry Electives	13
General Education	36
Electives	12
Course Requirements:	12 credit hours
CE 261 Foundations for Christian Education	3
CE 364 Principles of Teaching and Learning	3
CE 464 Bible Teaching Practicum	3
Choose one of the following:	
CE 361 Children's Ministry	3
CE 362 Youth Ministry	3
CE 363 Adult Ministry	3
Student Ministry Training	8 semesters
MN 162 Christian Teaching Ministry is a prerequisite for most of the Educational Ministries course.	

Bachelor of Arts

Missions Emphasis

Purpose

The Missions Emphasis is designed to prepare a student for a ministry of evangelism, discipleship, and church planting in cross-cultural situations.

Objectives

Upon completion of this program the student will be able to:

- Adapt to living in a new cultural setting.
- Evangelize and disciple in a cross-cultural setting.
- Motivate the church to missions involvement.
- Assist national believers in church planting.
- Maintain personal spiritual growth in a cross-cultural setting.

Program Requirements

Total program requirements	120 credit hours
Bible Core	32
Bible Electives	6
Ministry Core	17
General Education Core	36
Free Electives	12
Missions Course Requirements:	17 credits
BI 332 Biblical Theology of Missions	2
MI 251 History & Issues in Missions	3
MI 352 Missionary Anthropology and Sociology	3
MI 451 Cross-Cultural Communications	3
MI 452 Church Planting	3
TE 273 Introduction to Linguistics	3
Student Ministry Training	8 semesters

Bachelor of Arts

Pastoral Studies Emphasis

Purpose

The contemporary world presents a tremendous challenge to anyone considering ministry in the local church. The Pastoral Emphasis enables the student to understand the world and God's people, and relate the Word of Truth to both, as a member of pastoral staff in a local church.

Objectives

Upon completing the Pastoral Studies Emphasis, the student will be able to:

- Demonstrate an ability to counsel, guide, and help others with their spiritual problems.
- Develop and deliver expository messages that are accurate, clear, interesting, and relevant to everyday living.
- Give evidence of a general knowledge of leadership principles, church organization, and administration.
- Demonstrate an awareness of principles of communication to different age levels.
- Minister as a member of pastoral staff in a local church.

Program Requirements

Total program requirements	120 credit hours
Bible Core	32
Bible Electives	2
Ministry Core	17
General Education Core	36
Free Electives	4
Pastoral Course Requirements:	29 credits
GR 201 Greek Grammar 1	4
GR 202 Greek Grammar 2	4
BI 341 Greek Exegesis - Principles and Practice	4
BI 342 Greek Exegesis - Practice	2
PS 381 History of Christianity	3
PS 382 Leadership	3
PS 383 Homiletics	3
PS 481 Pastoral Theology and Ministry	2
PS 482 Pastoral Practices	2
PS 484 Advanced Homiletics	2
Student Ministry Training	8 semesters

Associate of Arts Degree

Purpose

The Associate of Arts degree is designed for the student who desires a strong biblical foundation in preparation for further study at another college or effective ministry within the local church. A core of Bible, ministry, and general education courses enable the student to gain a solid foundation for life and ministry.

Objectives

The Associate of Arts degree will enable the student to:

- Have a basic understanding of the Scripture and theology.
- Accurately study and apply the Word of God.
- Be equipped for local church ministry.
- Be effective in witnessing and discipleship.
- Communicate a Christian worldview.
- Be committed to ministry.

Program Requirements

Total Program Requirements 61 credit hours

Bible Course Requirements: 22 credit hours

BI 131	Principles of Inductive Bible Study	3
BI 132	Principles of Biblical Interpretation	3
BI 133	Old Testament Survey	3
BI 134	New Testament Survey	3
BI 135	Doctrinal Survey I	2
BI 136	Doctrinal Survey II	2
BI 231	Pentateuch	3
BI 232	Life of Christ	3

Ministry Course Requirements: 9 credit hours

MN 191	Foundations for Life & Ministry	3
MN 192	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
MN 162	Christian Teaching Ministry*	3
MN 292	Missiology*	3

*Students make choose between these courses but must take one.

General Education Course Requirements: 30 credits

EN 101	English Composition I	3
EN 202	English Composition II	2
CM 101	Speech	3
SS 102	Developing Interpersonal Relationships	3
HI 202	Survey of Western Civilization	3
SS 201	Marriage and Family	3
MA 202	College Algebra	3
EN 203	Introduction to Literature	3
SC 201	Introduction to Meteorology	3
PE 101 or 102	Physical Education	1
General Education Electives		3
Student Ministry Training		4 semesters

Certificate Programs

The Bible and Ministry Certificate

This study is a two-year program with an emphasis on providing the student with a solid foundation for ministry and leadership in a local church.

Purpose

The Bible and Ministry Certificate is designed for the student who desires a strong biblical and ministry foundation in preparation for effective ministry within the local church and community. A core of Bible and ministry courses enables the student to gain a solid foundation in preparation for Christian ministry.

Objectives

The Bible and Ministry Certificate will enable the student to:

- Have a basic understanding of the Scriptures and theology.
- Accurately study and apply the Word of God.
- Be equipped for Christian service.
- Effectively witness, disciple, and communicate the truth of God's Word.
- Develop a basic Christian worldview.
- Demonstrate a commitment to ministry.

Program Requirements

Total Program Requirements 58 credit hours

Bible Course Requirements: 22 credits

BI 131	Principles of Inductive Bible Study	3
BI 132	Principles of Biblical Interpretation	3
BI 133	Old Testament Survey	3
BI 134	New Testament Survey	3
BI 135	Doctrinal Survey I	2
BI 136	Doctrinal Survey II	2
BI 231	Pentateuch	3
BI 232	Life of Christ	3

Ministry Course Requirements: 14 credits

MN 191	Foundations for Life & Ministry	3
MN 192	Evangelism & Discipleship	3
MN 162	Christian Teaching Ministry	3
MN 292	Missiology	3
MN 294	Worship & Music	2

General Education Course Requirements: 11 credits

EN 101	English Composition I	3
EN 202	English Composition II	2
SS 102	Developing Interpersonal Relationships	3
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Certificate Programs

Bible Certificate

Purpose

The Bible Certificate is designed for a student who desires a basic understanding of the Bible to prepare for college experience elsewhere or to meet Bible requirements in preparation for missionary service. In addition, the Bible Certificate is intended for students who are unsure of their future and desire a basic Bible knowledge while seeking guidance from the Lord.

Objectives

The Bible Certificate will enable the student to:

- ◆ Effectively study and apply the Word of God.
- ◆ Have an overview of the Bible.
- ◆ Acquire the essentials necessary for building a biblical worldview.
- ◆ Effectively evangelize and disciple.
- ◆ Develop a desire for a lifelong pursuit of God and an understanding of His Word.

Program Requirements

Total Program Requirements28 credit hours

Semester I (Fall) 14 credits

BI 131	Principles of Inductive Bible Study	3
BI 133	Old Testament Survey.....	3
BI 135	Doctrinal Survey I.....	2
MN 191	Foundations for Life and Ministry.....	3
MN 292	Missiology	3
MN 001	Student Ministry Training	0

Semester II (Spring) 14 credits

BI 132	Principles of Inductive Bible Study	3
BI 134	Old Testament Survey	3
BI 136	Doctrinal Survey II.....	3
MN 192	Evangelism and Discipleship	3
MN 162	Christian Teaching Ministry.....	3
MN 002	Student Ministry Training	0

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Division of Biblical Education

Purpose

The Biblical Education Division is established to equip the student “for every good work” (2 Tim. 3:17). Knowledge of the Scriptures is foundational to the entire curriculum of Alaska Bible College.

Objectives

Upon completion of the curriculum the student will be able to:

- Explain the historical progression and content of the Bible as a whole.
- Adopt a sound theological framework that reflects the intent of God’s revelation.
- Think theologically regarding all aspects of life.
- Apply inductive Bible study methods and principles of hermeneutics to discover God’s intended meaning.
- Apply biblical truth to life.

BI 131 Principles of Inductive Bible Study 3 credits

The skills of inductive Bible study are introduced to students by teaching them to observe, interpret, and apply the Scriptures. A hands-on approach is taken to expose students to the dynamics of the firsthand study of the Scriptures.

BI 132 Principles of Biblical Interpretation 3 credits

The rules of interpretation are presented in the context of the study of the Bible. Attention is given to the unique features of the biblical text. Basic skills of biblical interpretation are developed.

Prerequisite: BI 131 Principles of Inductive Bible Study

BI 133 Old Testament Survey 3 credits

This introductory course provides a foundation for in-depth Bible study in subsequent courses. Historical and geographical backgrounds are emphasized. A study of authorship, literary forms, and Old Testament themes are included.

BI 134 New Testament Survey 3 credits

This introductory course provides a foundation for in-depth Bible study in subsequent courses. Historical and geographical background is emphasized. A study of authorship, literary forms, and New Testament themes are also included.

BI 135 Doctrinal Survey I 2 credits

Major doctrines of the Christian faith are surveyed in this course. An examination of the definitions and doctrines of the Godhead (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) and the Bible is considered.

BI 136 Doctrinal Survey II 2 credits

This course surveys some of the major doctrines of the Christian faith including the definitions and doctrines of angels, man, salvation, and the church.

BI 207 OT Cultural Backgrounds 3 credits

A survey of the major cultures that make up the time of the Old Testament is examined. This course teaches the student to be able to better interpret the Old Testament in its own culture. A survey of Mesopotamian, Egyptian, Canaanite, Babylonian, Persian, and Israelite geography, history, and daily life is studied.

BI 208 NT Cultural Backgrounds 3 credits

A survey of the major cultures that make up the time of the New Testament and intertestamental period is examined. This course teaches the student to better interpret the New Testament in its own culture. A survey of Greek, Roman, and first century Judaistic geography, history and daily life is studied.

BI 231 Pentateuch 3 credits

Genesis through Deuteronomy—the books of Moses—are studied. Geography, customs, and historical background are considered. This course emphasizes Creation, the Fall, the Flood, the Patriarchs, the Exodus, the Wanderings, and the Law.

BI 233 Wisdom Literature 3 credits

This course takes an expositional approach to the study of the books of Job, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon. Attention is given to the nature of Hebrew poetry and various forms of wisdom literature. The spiritual and practical value of each book is also emphasized.

BI 234 Acts 2 credits

The flow of events and theology in the book of Acts is explored, including the founding and organization of the church, establishment of Christian liberty, missionary journeys, and present-day implications for missions.

BI 235 Spiritual Formation 3 credits

The student is introduced to disciplines instrumental in the spiritual growth of believers throughout the history of the Christian church. This course is designed to help the student develop these disciplines through class discussion and practice them throughout the semester.

BI 332 Biblical Theology of Missions 2 credits

This course involves an inductive study of the theological basis, procedures, and objectives of missions. It highlights the Old Testament roots of missions by studying major Scripture passages. A study of Jesus Christ’s methodologies and the development of the church in Acts and the Epistles are emphasized. Current theological concerns and contemporary issues in this area are discussed.

Division of Biblical Education

BI 333 Doctrines I 3 credits
This course is a topical study of the doctrines of the Scriptures (authority, inspiration, inerrancy), of God (His triune nature and existence), and the Holy Spirit (His Person and work). Current opposition to these doctrines are discussed.

BI 334 Doctrines II 3 credits
This course is a topical study of the doctrines of man (his nature, fall, and sin), and Jesus Christ (His person and substitutionary work of salvation). Current influences on these doctrines are discussed.

BI 336 Spiritual Gifts for Ministry 3 credits
An overview of the gifts of the Spirit and theories surrounding them are considered. The definition, duration, discovery, and development of gifts are examined in this course.

BI 337 Prison Epistles 3 credits
This course is an expositional study of Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon. The special contribution of each epistle to theology and its application to the Christian and the church today is emphasized.

BI 338 Daniel & Revelation 3 credits
The books of Daniel and Revelation are examined. Special consideration is given to the historical and biblical background as well as eschatological teachings of each book and the relationship of these books to one another.

BI 339 Apologetics 2 credits
Surveys of the major supports of the Christian faith are considered. This course teaches the student to defend his/her faith and to refute arguments aimed at discrediting historical Biblical faith.

BI 435 Doctrines III 3 credits
This course is a topical study of the doctrines of angels, Satan, demons (nature and work), and the church (beginnings, nature, organization, ordinances and purpose). God's prophetic plan for Israel and the church in this present age and its consummation, the second coming of Christ, the millennial kingdom, and eternity are studied. Current opposition to these doctrines are discussed.

BI 341 Greek Exegesis – Principles & Practice 4 credits
The aim of this course is to give the student an understanding of the nature and task of Greek exegesis. Various aspects of biblical exegesis are studied and applied to one of Paul's writings. Attention is given to words and word relationships.
Prerequisites: GR 201 Greek Grammar 1
GR 202 Greek Grammar 2

BI 342 Greek Exegesis – Practice 2 credits
The various aspects of Greek exegesis are applied to an in-depth study of one of the non-Pauline letters. Reading from the Greek New Testament is emphasized.

BI 431 Hebrews 3 credits
This course is an exegetical and theological study of Hebrews with an emphasis on application to Christian living and to the contemporary church.

BI 432 Romans 3 credits
This course presents an expositional and theological approach to the book of Romans. The overall structure, development, theology, and application of the book are stressed.

BI 433 Pastoral Epistles 2 credits
This course is an expositional study of 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. It is taught on a seminar level with an emphasis upon the qualifications, function, methods, and characteristics of ministry for the Christian and the church today.

BI 434 Integrated Theology Seminar 2 credits
A capstone course for the B.A. student—this course is designed as a project-oriented seminar. This course is an advanced study of the theological interpretation of Scripture with special attention given to the integration of systematic theology to current theological concerns and contemporary issues. Each student develops his or her own doctrinal position paper in the context of interaction with fellow students and faculty. Discussion of current theological issues and the relevance of theology to contemporary issues are based upon the student's guided research and papers

BI 207, 208, 407, 408 Special Topics: Bible
These courses are taught by guest instructors or College faculty and are developed to meet a particular need or as an independent study, but is not part of ABC's regular curriculum.

Division of General Education

Purpose

The General Education Division of the curriculum is built on the principle that all truth is God's truth and, therefore, in addition to the truth of Scripture, truths found in the created universe are also those given by God. General Education courses reflect an established common core of information and knowledge (i.e., Humanities, Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Mathematics, Communication), important in the development of the Christian student and his or her understanding of a biblical worldview. Studies in General Education enable students to develop the skills necessary to explore various academic disciplines, analyze truth claims, and integrate these in light of Scripture into a Biblical worldview. These skills enable students to understand differing worldviews and engage the world effectively for Christ.

Objectives

Upon completion of the course curriculum the student is able to:

- Demonstrate an ability to think critically by analyzing contemporary worldviews.
- Formulate a unified biblical worldview through the integration of the truth of Scripture and the created order.
- Demonstrate effective communication (writing and speaking) skills.
- Apply knowledge from General Education courses to engage the world in ministry.

CM 101 Speech 3 credits

This course is an introduction to public speaking. Emphasis is given to the character of the speaker as well as speech preparation and delivery. Words, voice, and body are presented as tools God has given us for effective public speaking. Opportunities are given for students to practice using these tools in class. Practical skills needed in ministry are emphasized in class assignments.

CM 201 Conversational Russian 3 credits

This course offers a foundation of vocabulary and conversational skills in the Russian language for students who intend to travel or reside in Russia. Class material will equip students to more readily acquire the language while in Russia and introduce methods of communication with native speakers in a variety of contexts.

EN 101 English Composition I 3 credits
Instruction helps students develop confidence in writing a variety of academic rhetorical styles. Students learn to use writing to find their own voice, write coherently, and logically. Students also learn to select the correct rhetorical style for assignments. Vocabulary enrichment and instruction in the mechanics of writing help identify and correct student problems.

EN 202 English Composition II 2 credits
Students develop research skills, research writing, and documentation. Students write several short research papers and one 10-15 page research paper. Students identify legitimate sources; make effective use of the Web. Avoiding plagiarism is emphasized.
Prerequisite: EN 101 English Composition I

EN 203 Introduction to Literature 3 credits
This course introduces students to a variety of literature and writers. Students develop an appreciation for literature's contribution to our understanding life. Students use literary tools to analyze and critique the works they read. Selections for study include essays, sermons, short stories, dramas, novels, and poetry.

GE 207, 208, 407, 408 Special Topics: General Education
These courses are taught by guest instructors or College faculty and are developed to meet a particular need or as an independent study, but is not part of ABC's regular curriculum.

GR 201 Greek Grammar I 4 credits
GR 202 Greek Grammar 2 4 credits
These courses provide an introductory study of New Testament Greek, including an extensive study of vocabulary, conjugations, declensions, and grammatical constructions. Work in the Greek New Testament enables the student to develop proficiency in translating.

HI 202 Survey of Western Civilization 3 credits
This course is a survey of the history of the western world from its Greek and Roman foundations to the 21st century. This study focuses on the changing base of ideas behind historical events in the West, and the struggle for dominance between humanism and Biblical Christianity. Though this is not a course in church history, it does provide the student with the context of the Western culture in which the church developed.

HI 301 Alaska Studies 3 credits
Students study Alaska history, geography, culture, and missions. Alaska's past and present are reviewed in order to develop an understanding of its people and environment.

Division of General Education

MA 202 Algebra 3 credits
Basic principles of algebra are introduced in this course. Students apply these principles to problems from a wide range of situations. This course seeks to equip students with material and techniques to tutor others.

MU 101-108 Applied Music 1 credit
The student receives private music instruction in piano, voice, or some other instrument (depending on the availability of an instructor).

PC 101 Introduction to Personal Computing 3 credits
This course is an introduction to the use of personal computers. Basic key-boarding, an introduction to word processing, spreadsheet operations, and the use of databases is taught. Students are taught a basic understanding of the components of a personal computer, ways in which computers are being used today, and specific applications of the computer.

PE 101 Physical Conditioning 1 credit
This course is designed to provide each student with a wellness concept of physical health. Students study information on the components of physical fitness which encourages the development of a personal fitness program.

PE 102 Cross-Country Skiing 1 credit
Students learn basic techniques of cross-country skiing as well as cautions for weather conditions. The course focuses on enjoying cross-country skiing as a life-long sport.

PH 201 Philosophy 3 credits
Exploring the life of the mind, this course introduces students to epistemology, metaphysics, value theory, and logic. Philosophical systems that have influenced our culture are evaluated.

PH 302 Contemporary Worldviews 3 credits
This course presents a survey of major worldview systems. Major worldviews are explored and evaluated philosophically and biblically.

SC 201 Introduction to Meteorology 3 credits
This course explains and describes factors that influence weather. Weather observation practices and weather-related terminology are discussed. The course emphasizes weather phenomena typical of Alaska and other Northern climates.

SC 202 Communicating Creation 3 credits
This course is designed to equip students to effectively communicate a case for God as the Creator to a world that is often skeptical. The course introduces students to creation resources and teaches strategies for effective communication of the creation message. Historical background, terminology, and awareness of current controversies help students participate more knowledgeably in discussions dealing with evolution and creation.

SS 102 Developing Interpersonal Relationships 3 credits
Biblical principles that govern the development and continuance of interpersonal relationships are explored. Ways of creating and improving relationships are discussed. The student is guided in understanding and practicing skills for reducing conflict, improving communication, and accepting others.

SS 201 Marriage and Family 3 credits
The biblical basis for marriage and raising a family is presented. Aspects of marriage and family relationships are discussed and applied to life today.

Division of Ministry Education

Purpose

Ministry programs and courses are designed to motivate and equip students for ministry in a variety of settings. The Division of Ministry Education enables students to grow a heart for ministry and develop skills and abilities to assist them in ministries that evangelize, disciple, and meet human needs.

Objectives

Upon completion of the course curriculum the student will be able to:

- ◆ Explain a biblical philosophy of ministry.
- ◆ Exhibit a commitment to the local church.
- ◆ Demonstrate a passion for serving.
- ◆ Apply principles from the Word of God for effective ministry.
- ◆ Exercise capabilities (gifts, skills, and abilities) in ministry.

MN 001-008 Student Ministry Training 0 credits

Provides application of classroom learning, essential to the educational process, students are involved in practical ministries. This is a required course each semester.

MN 191 Foundations for Life & Ministry 3 credits

This course presents the student with a clear sense of the Christian's identity as a ministering person. Emphasis is placed on the importance of Christian character in life and ministry, as well as the qualitative issues that allow a believer to be effective and usable in the hands of God in our present world.

MN 192 Evangelism & Discipleship 3 credits

The biblical basis for evangelism and discipleship is presented in this course. An understanding of the gospel and process of discipleship are emphasized with the goal of developing an evangelistic lifestyle. The student prepares to disciple others in Alaska or throughout the world.

MN 162 Christian Teaching Ministry 3 credits

In this course, the student is introduced to educational ministry. A biblical foundation for teaching is presented, including a study of Jesus, the Master Teacher. The qualities of an effective teacher, the teaching/learning process, and lesson preparation and presentation are also explored.

MN 292 Missiology 3 credits

Basic concepts of biblical Missiology and the role of missions in the local church are presented in this course, including an introduction to ministry in a different cultural setting. This course introduces the student to issues involved in evangelism, discipleship, and church planting across cultural boundaries.

MN 294 Worship Ministry 2 credits

This course leads the student in a biblical study of worship and helps the student develop a theology of worship. The course includes a brief historical survey of worship. Students are exposed to a variety of worship styles. The role of music in worship is discussed. Students learn how to lead worship services appropriate for a variety of occasions and contexts.

MN 296 Christian Counseling 3 credits

This course will provide a basic study of the nature and scope of Biblical counseling. Students are introduced to the essential principles and practices of counseling as well as practical resources available for those in Christian ministry.

Prerequisite: SS 102 Developing Interpersonal Relationships

MN 298 Partners in Ministry 2 credits

The role of the wife is presented, including her responsibilities in the home, church, and community. Issues pertaining to the wife are discussed such as appropriately handling expectations, criticism of her husband, and her impact on the success of her husband.

MN 391 Biblical Theology of Womanhood 3 credits

This course explores the biblical theology of womanhood and the relationship between men and women. The woman's identity in Christ, the characteristics of a woman of God, and the role of the woman in the home, church, and society are studied.

MN 392 Cults 2 credits

In this course students study the development and theology of the major contemporary cults. Students are assisted in formulating personal strategies for leading cult members to knowledge of Jesus Christ.

MN 492 Internship 3 credits

The Internship is designed as a practical experience in ministry with an approved mission, church, camp, or other organization. Students completing the requirements of Pastoral, Missions, or Educational Ministries Emphasis must fulfill an internship in the specialized area. The Internship is under the supervision and planning of the Faculty Advisor and on-site supervisor. The student is expected to integrate his or her studies with practical ministry. Personal and ministry objectives and assignments are developed in cooperation with the on-site supervisor and faculty advisor. Evaluation of the student during and at the completion of the Internship will involve the student, on-site supervisor, and faculty advisor.

MN 207, 208, 407, 408 Special Topics: Ministry

These courses are taught by guest instructors or College faculty and are developed to meet a particular need or as an independent study, but are not parts of ABC's regular curriculum.

Educational Ministries Emphasis

CE 261 Foundations for Christian Education 3 credits

This course explores the historical and philosophical foundations of Christian education. Students are guided in developing a Christian philosophy of education to aid the church. Current educational trends and challenges that face the church are addressed.

CE 361 Children's Ministry 3 credits

This course gives the student an overview of human development and learning characteristics during childhood. Students are encouraged to develop age appropriate educational ministries for children. Methods and materials for teaching children are explored and practiced.

Prerequisite: MN 291 Christian Teaching Ministries

CE 362 Youth Ministry 3 credits

Contemporary youth culture and its ramifications for youth ministry are examined in this course. The characteristics of adolescent development are explored, and implications for ministry are developed. A philosophy of youth ministry is developed as a basis for building an effective youth ministry. Attention is given to the qualities of a competent youth worker and the dynamics of effective communication with youth.

Prerequisite: MN 291 Christian Teaching Ministries

CE 363 Adult Ministry 3 credits

This course identifies learning characteristics of adults. It explores the needs and challenges of life through the stages of adult development. Effective teaching methods and materials for adults are explored and practiced.

Prerequisite: MN 291 Christian Teaching Ministries

CE 364 Principles of Teaching and Learning 3 credits

Students examine several approaches to teaching and learning in educational ministries. Students are assisted in developing practical, biblical learning theory.

Prerequisite: MN 291 Christian Teaching Ministries

CE 464 Bible Teaching Practicum 3 credits

This course reviews principles of teaching and learning, applying them to teaching the Bible in a classroom setting. A significant portion of this course includes actual teaching experiences for the student.

Prerequisite: CE 364 Principles of Teaching & Learning

Missions Emphasis

MI 251 History & Issues in Missions 3 credits

This course includes an analysis of the missiological issues in the history of Christian missions. The course focuses on learning from events and people of the past to face the challenges of today and tomorrow.

MI 254 Survey of World Religions 3 credits

This course contains a detailed survey of the three major non-Christian religions (Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam) and a lesser treatment of other world religions. Strategies for proclaiming the gospel to people of these religions are explored.

MI 352 Missionary Anthropology & Sociology 3 credits

The theory and methodology of these disciplines are examined as they relate to missionary work. The participant observation method of doing ethnography is included in this course.

MI 451 Cross-Cultural Communications 3 credits

A study of cultural values, nonverbal behavior, language and cultural relationships, and patterns of reasoning are explored. A goal of the course is to increase the student's intercultural awareness and teach effective ways to advance the gospel.

Prerequisite: MN 292 Missiology

MI 452 Church Planting 3 credits

This course involves a study of the history, methods, and principles of church planting. Also examined are the biblical principles of church growth as a basis for evaluating current principles and procedures. Both rural and urban church planting ministries are considered.

Prerequisite: MI 451 Cross-Cultural Communications

MI 453 Missionary Life & Strategy 3 credits

A personal exploration of missions is considered, including the call and preparation of the missionary, choosing a mission and ministry, building a flexible strategy for life, and dealing with realities and ideals. Students are encouraged to develop a personal strategy for dealing with the complexities of mission life.

TE 273 Introduction to linguistics 3 credits

This course is an introduction to the fundamental features of language. The focus is on understanding how first and second languages are learned and how to apply principles of morphology, phonology, and syntax to learning a language. Exercises using English and other languages, including those specific to Alaska, provide opportunities to apply these principles.

Division of Ministry Education

Pastoral Studies Emphasis

PS 381 History of Christianity 3 credits

An overview of the historical development of the church is explored including its men and women, movements, and doctrine. Special emphasis is given to the apostolic fathers, the Reformation, the Puritans, the Great Awakening, and twentieth-century church development.

PS 382 Leadership 3 credits

This course presents biblical patterns for leaders, including the qualities of leadership, leadership styles, and development of leaders. Special emphasis is given to the servant leader. Coupled with this is an overview of the basic principles of personal and group management, focusing on planning, organizing, and leading. Teamwork and relationships are emphasized.

PS 383 Homiletics 3 credits

This course emphasizes the importance of expository preaching for today. Students learn to prepare and deliver expository sermons. Preaching labs, videotaping, and sermon critiques aid in this process.

Prerequisite: CM 101 Speech

PS 481 Pastoral Theology and Ministry 2 credits

This course introduces the student to the theology of pastoral ministry. The identity, call, Biblical qualifications, and job description of the pastor are considered as well as resources available to the pastor. The student will be encouraged to develop and articulate his own theology of pastoral ministry.

PS 482 Pastoral Practices 2 credits

This course introduces the student to the practices and procedures of the pastor's ministry in a local church. The student's preparation is enhanced through interaction with ministry resource people and role-play opportunities.

PS 484 Advanced Homiletics 2 credits

The homiletical skills involved in expository preaching through application of different literary genres in the Bible are refined in this course. Attention is also given to preparation for special ministry opportunities such as evangelism, weddings, funerals, and the first year of pulpit ministry.

Prerequisite: PS 383 Homiletics

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