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GRACE EVANGELICAL SEMINARY
Bangor, Maine

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Mission

The Mission of Grace Evangelical College & Grace Evangelical Seminary is to educate, equip, and provide servant-leaders to the Body of Christ to fulfill the Great Commission.

Faith

Scripture

We believe the Bible is God's authoritative word, without error in the original manuscripts.

God

We believe there is One God in three persons, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, coexistent, coequal, coeternal.

Christ

We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, fully divine and fully human. He was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, died on the cross as the substitutionary atonement for the sin of mankind, and rose again from the dead on the third day.

Human Nature / Holy Spirit

We believe that man was created, male and female, in the image of God but fell into sin and death through the sin of Adam, and that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is the only way to be saved from this fallen condition.

Salvation

We believe that justification by grace through faith in Jesus Christ alone is the only basis for a right relationship with God and for the gift of eternal life.

The Future of Mankind

We believe that those who have received salvation will go to heaven, and those who reject Christ will be separated from God forever.

The Future of Christ

We believe that the resurrected Christ will return visibly and personally to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

Purpose

Grace Evangelical College & Grace Evangelical Seminary is concerned that every student be strengthened in ability

to apply the truths of Biblical faith in their own lives.

Therefore, study at Grace Evangelical is not offered in academic isolation, but in the context of belief, seeking to extend and strengthen each student's personal faith in and devotion to the Lord Jesus Christ. We take it to be the truth that accurate understanding and interpretation of the Scriptures can happen only in the environment of personal faith. At the same time, the Great Commission must be worked out in the real world, and we as Christians must live out our lives in practical, existential interface with that same real world. Grace Evangelical works to enable the student to meet the challenges of real world life, rather than to be defined by an insular existence, avoiding the implications of human imperfection and difficulty.

Character and personal integrity are touchstones for saints well-equipped to teach and lead in the Church. These qualities are goals of the school for every student, as each is encouraged to link personal commitment, disciplined study and honest living in the effort to develop

1. a personal relationship with and dependence upon God through prayer, worship, study of Scripture, service, and witness;
2. a healthy personal spiritual life based upon and guided by the word of God and shaped by growing understandings and personal experiences of the Gospel's divine power;
3. a full understanding of the foundational doctrines of the Christian faith, a solid, working grasp of the cultures and the religious life of one's own civilization and others, and a knowledge of the Bible's message, content, and history;
4. an ability to think usefully, enabling one to understand and evaluate accurately the thoughts offered by others;
5. a world-wide vision of needs and a desire to employ the Gospel of Jesus Christ in working to meet those needs;
6. the skills in relations, communication, and administration required for effective ministry.
7. attitudes and gifts that advance the work of ministry;
8. and awareness of the social, political, economic, and theological currents of the time and the desire for continual learning.

THE COLLEGE AND SEMINARY: HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

Grace Evangelical College and Grace Evangelical Seminary, closely related institutions of higher education, function under the oversight of a Board of Advisors and a Board of Trustees and are operated by Grace Evangelical, Incorporated, a Maine corporation established in March, 2001.

The corporation and its College and Seminary are a ministry in partnership with Bangor Baptist Church. However, the identity of Grace Evangelical is, first and foremost, *Christian*, serving all expressions and denominations of the evangelical Church of Jesus Christ. Grace Evangelical seeks partnership with leaders and members of all Christian churches and looks forward to spiritual and emotional ownership by all such churches.

Having admitted evening and seminary students first in 2001 and undergraduates in 2002, Grace Evangelical currently operates under a legislative exemption from the secular charter process available to religious higher education institutions in the State of Maine. Under this exemption, Grace Evangelical is permitted to confer degrees. The first B.A. in Biblical Studies was awarded May 5, 2006.

In October, 2006, Grace Evangelical became affiliated with the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE), an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. The ABHE accredits Christian institutions of higher learning, and affiliate status is the first step in the exacting process leading to accreditation. Though affiliate status is not a guarantee of subsequent accreditation, Grace Evangelical intends to continue seeking accreditation

through and with the guidance of the ABHE. (Information on ABHE is available online at www.abhe.org.)

The college conferred its first A.A. degree in Biblical Studies in May, 2007, and the seminary its first M.A. in Ministry degree in the same month. In the following year, the second B.A. in Biblical Studies was awarded. Toward the end of June, 2008, Grace Evangelical purchased the property at 502 Odlin Road for its campus, moving during the summer from the old, 815 square foot space on Broadway to the new, 5,000 square foot facility in time to hold late summer classes and open the fall semester. In December, 2008, Grace Evangelical was able to purchase the 1,800-square-foot Maguire Building to be used as a stand-alone library building and are currently working to get it placed on a foundation close to the main building during 2009-2010.

During the spring of 2008, Grace Evangelical programs were approved by the Maine State Approving Agency for the use of **VA benefits** to pay tuitions of veterans enrolled in degree or certificate programs at the school, and in May, 2009, the **Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI)** recognized Grace Evangelical as a provider of Continuing Education Units in Biblical Studies for ACSI-certified teachers.

Academic year 2008-2009 saw the **ordinations** of two Grace Evangelical persons to Christian Ministry. On October 12, 2008, student Steven Sobel was ordained to his ongoing service as pastor of the Franklin Baptist Church, an independent Baptist Church in Franklin, Maine, and on July 12, 2009, David Fox, M.A.Min. '07, was ordained to the pastorate of the Veazie Congregational Church (NACCC), Veazie, Maine. Prior to their ordinations, both were rigorously examined by Ordination Councils duly called either by the church (Franklin) or by the denomination (NACCC) for the purpose of ascertaining the suitability of education, experience, and calling manifested by these candidates for ministry. We look forward to many more ordinations of Grace-Evangelical-educated individuals to ministry in the years ahead.

Grace Evangelical serves persons seeking simply to explore the Christian faith through study, as well as those desiring to prepare for lives of service to the Kingdom of God, both in the Church and in the world.

Grace Evangelical College & Seminary intends to provide Christ-honoring studies in accord with our mission and purpose statements. Grace Evangelical does not ordain clergy, nor do we evaluate the validity of an individual's personal calling. While our programs and courses of study often deal with these topics, such evaluation and ordination are not functions of the school but rest solely with the student's calling church or denomination.



QUICK LOOK

Which Grace Evangelical degree helps me prepare for what?

SINGLE COURSES AND ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATES

These programs are for your personal enrichment and growth and may also help you to be or become a good or a better Sunday school teacher, trustee, deacon, lay elder, or other lay leader.

ASSOCIATES DEGREES (A.A.)

Associates Degrees are half-way to Bachelors Degrees. They do what the single courses and certificates do, only more. Your Christian experience and readiness for service, perhaps even as a missionary, will be deepened and enhanced.

BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.)

The Grace Evangelical B.A. offers a very solid foundation in Bible and Theology and a good acquaintance with leadership. It prepares for teaching Bible up through middle school and gives a start on the path to Masters studies.

BACHELOR OF MINISTRY (B.MIN.)

For persons already in vocational Christian ministry, this 3-year-plus-experience degree prepares you for more effective leadership in the Church, showing the way to deeper biblical knowledge and ministry effectiveness.

MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGY OR BIBLICAL STUDIES (M.A.)

The M.A. is preparation for high school or undergraduate teaching in the areas of Biblical Studies or Theology. It is primarily oriented to teaching, rather than church leadership.

MASTER OF DIVINITY (M.DIV.)

The 90-96 credit hour M.Div. is the degree sought by a number of denominations and larger independent churches as they seek pastoral and other vocational leadership for their congregations.

MASTER OF ARTS IN MINISTRY (M.A.MIN.)

A 36 credit-hour degree, the M.A.Min. requires at least 30 credit hours of work in Biblical Studies/Theology in the prerequisite B.A. degree. It is one step up in ministry/leadership qualification from a Bachelors.

(Because a large majority of Grace Evangelical students are “non-traditional” -- have jobs, families, etc, and are not “full time,” -- most courses meet for three hours once each week. There are 13 class sessions for each normally-scheduled course, and such courses are completed in one semester. There is time at midterm and before finals for paper research and writing and exam preparation. Evaluation of student work will be through papers and/or quizzes and examinations, at the instructor’s discretion.)

GRACE EVANGELICAL COLLEGE/ SINGLE-COURSE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

This program allows a student to register for a single course or for a one-year certificate. A one-year certificate requires completion of ten normal courses (30 credit hours), a number which is considered a year's work for a full-time student. The student does not have to complete the certificate in a single year, but should plan to complete it within a maximum of five years. Most undergraduate courses are available to certificate and single-course students, though there are prerequisites for some.

The Purpose and Nature of the Program

The program is offered for pastors, leaders and laymen and laywomen alike. Its purpose is to enrich and strengthen the students' Bible knowledge, faith, and abilities for Christian living, teaching, and leadership in their churches and communities. Depending upon educational background and experience, the student should expect to work at a college or graduate school level when taking courses under this program. It is also ideal for persons desiring to explore possibilities in Bible/theological education.

Most courses will meet for three hours once each week to explore the week's assigned work. There will be 13 class sessions for each course each semester, and there is time at midterm and before finals for paper research and writing and exam preparation. Evaluation of student work will be done through papers and/or quizzes and examinations, at the instructor's discretion.

Courses in the program for 2009-2010 are three credit hours and may be applied toward earning a one-year certificate. Academic credits may also be held and applied to other degrees offered by Grace Evangelical College & Seminary. Several of the courses are required for all of the one-year certificates; others are elective. While there is some flexibility in arranging course selections for a certificate, students should remember that the certificates are somewhat different from each other, so there are some differences in the requirements for each. More information on courses required for certificates can be found in "Certificates Offered," below.

Admission to Single Courses and Certificate Programs

Application forms are available from Grace Evangelical. We expect applicants to have a minimum of a high school diploma or GED for admission to the program, though we will arrange to interview a prospective student who has not graduated from high school to assess whether or not he/she may be able to succeed in the program. Transcripts, references, and essay form are required.

Applications should be submitted by June 30 of the year the applicant wishes to enter or November 30 to begin the following January. Late applications may be considered at the option of the admissions committee, if space is available.

Certificates Offered

Grace Evangelical offers three one-year certificates. For Christian Educators, there is a **Certificate in Biblical Studies**, and for local church leaders, such as trustees, deacons, and other church officers, the **Certificate in Local Church Leadership** is available. For those who simply wish to deepen their understanding, **General Christian Studies** offers a strong foundation.

A student is not required to complete work toward any certificate within a one-year time period. The designation "One-Year Certificate" simply refers to the equivalent of one year's worth of full-time academic work. Please note, however, that some of the courses are offered only in the first semester and others only in the second. A student cannot complete certificate requirements by taking only first- or only second-semester courses. Not all courses are available every year. Please also note that some courses are prerequisites for others. For instance, a course designated "2" may not be taken unless the corresponding "1" course has first been completed satisfactorily.

In order to earn a certificate, a student must complete 30 credit hours of work (10 courses, 3 credit-hours each) with a 75 ("C" or 2.0 GPA) grade average and with *passing work in all 10 courses*.

Certificate in Biblical Studies

Required for completion of the Certificate in Biblical Studies are the following courses

Old Testament Survey 1 and 2	New Testament Survey 1 and 2
Hermeneutics (Bible Study Tools & Methods)	Introduction to Christian Doctrine
Spiritual Formation and Transformation	

Elective courses for this certificate include

Evangelism in a Post Modern World	Introduction to Apologetics
Introduction to Church History 1 and 2	Introduction to Homiletics (Gospel Teaching and Preaching)

Certificate in Local Church Leadership

Required for completion of the Certificate in Local Church Leadership are the following courses

Old Testament Survey 1 and 2

Biblical Leadership and the Pastoral Epistles

Introduction to Christian Doctrine

New Testament Survey 1 and 2

Spiritual Formation and Transformation

Also required is one course from each of the following two pairs

When a Leader Falls *or*

Evangelism in a Post Modern World *or*

Personal Ethics for Christian Leadership

Introduction to Apologetics

General Christian Studies

Required for the certificate in General Christian Studies are the following courses

Old Testament Survey 1 and 2

Revealing the Heart of God (Parables)

Worship: What's It About?

Introduction to Apologetics

New Testament Survey 1 and 2

Studies in Romans

“God With Us” *or* Studies in Matthew

In addition, one course is required from the following pair

Spiritual Formation and Transformation *or*

Hermeneutics (Bible Study Tools & Methods)

Flexibility of Choice and Unavailability of Courses

A certificate course of study is not a straitjacket. A student may consult with the administration about swapping courses to one certificate program from another. It may also be appropriate to consider changing to another certificate if its courses are more in line with the student's needs. Such changes can be made at the beginning of any semester of the student's work.

Outreach: The Aroostook Extension (Presque Isle)

Grace Evangelical considers part of its task to be supporting the Church of Jesus Christ in Maine. This task involves developing outreach study opportunities for students who live farther away than a two-hour drive from our primary location in Bangor. The first of these outreach efforts is located in the Aroostook County town of Presque Isle, a close neighbor to Caribou, Fort Fairfield, Limestone, Mars Hill, Perham, and other towns. The Aroostook Extension, administered by Dr. Bob Leland and his wife, Ruth (Amber) Leland, offers entry-level Grace Evangelical courses of study and currently is able to use facilities at State Street Baptist Church, Presque Isle. Several courses are noted in the current course list as available also at Presque Isle. These offerings are designated with the same course numbers as Bangor courses, except with a suffix of “A.E.” (Aroostook Extension) following the number. In the cases of courses uniquely available in Presque Isle, they have their own course number, but are also designated “A.E.” At present, the Aroostook Extension is part of the Single Course Program and does not offer degrees. Interested persons may explore details of Presque Isle course offerings and schedules with Bob and Amber Leland by calling them at (207) 764-4886.

GRACE EVANGELICAL COLLEGE

Grace Evangelical College is the school's undergraduate program. For some churches and ministries, a Bachelor of Arts degree may provide sufficient qualification for the graduate to be employed in specific areas of the ministry, and in some cases may be credential enough for ordination, though this is a rare occurrence. A Bachelors degree is required before a student may go on to Masters-level studies in any program. Please feel free to explore your plans and directions with us for a fuller understanding.

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts program must have completed their high school diploma (or GED and successfully taken the GED test). When sending materials as a candidate for this program, an applicant must see to it that appropriate transcripts and/or scores are sent to Grace Evangelical to make the application complete. For dates and details defining a completed application, please see the section later in this catalog entitled "Information for Applicants and Students Concerning Application, Enrollment, and Academic Policies."

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts Degree

A Bachelor of Arts degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours of academic work for completion. Grace Evangelical's *Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies* would typically include the following courses in the indicated areas of study

Biblical Studies	Bi/Co 101 Introduction to Hermeneutics Bi 111 & 112 Old Testament Survey 1&2 Bi 131 & 132 New Testament Survey 1&2 Bi 342 Studies in the Gospel of John Bi/Th 311 Studies in Romans 3 Biblical Studies Electives	Ministry	Mi 001 Academic Success Mi 311 Biblical Leadership 1 Ministry Elective 1 Evangelism Elective 1 Missions Elective 1 Business Management Elective
History	1 History Elective	Spiritual Formation	Sf 101 Spir. Form. & Transformation Mi/Ps 480 Min. Assesment & Mgt. 1 Spiritual Formation Elective
Theology	Th 111 Intro to Chr. Doct. & Theology Ap/Th 101 Intro to Apologetics 1 1 Theology Elective	English	Co/En 111 College Level Research and Writing 1 Elective
Social Science	Mi/Ps 301 Basic Biblical Counseling 1 Social Science Elective	Language	2 Language Electives
Philosophy	1 Philosophy Elective	General Electives	8 (2 of which could be internship or a thesis approved by Dean of Studies)
Education/Communication	Co 220 Intro to Preaching 1 Education/Communication Elective		

The *Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies degree* can be earned in two academic years (four semesters/60 credit hours) by taking essentially the first two years of the Bachelor of Arts course requirements. A student wishing to pursue an A.A. degree must work out the details of his/her program of study with an advisor prior to beginning the work.

Requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Ministry (B.A.Min.) Degree

The Bachelor of Arts in Ministry requires a minimum of 120 credit hours of academic work for completion. It is intended for the student seeking a basic qualification for ministerial leadership in the Church, and who is beginning without experience in the area. While it does not reach the depth of an M.Div, it does lay a foundation for the student to begin as an Associate Pastor or other staff minister or, perhaps, as Pastor of a smaller church, where experience may be gained to complement the educational work. Typically, the Grace Evangelical *Bachelor of Arts in Ministry* includes the following courses in the indicated areas

Biblical Studies	Bi/Co 101 Introduction to Hermeneutics Bi 111 & 112 Old Testament Survey 1&2 Bi 131 & 132 New Testament Survey 1&2 Bi 342 Studies in the Gospel of John Bi/Th 311 Studies in Romans 2 Biblical Studies Electives	Ministry	Internship or Ministry Project (6 cr. hrs.) Mi 311 Biblical Leadership Mi 351 Elements of Pastoral Care 1 Evangelism Elective 1 Missions Elective 1 Business Management Elective
Theology	Th 111 Intro to Chr. Doct. & Theology Ap/Th 101 Intro to Apologetics 1 Theology Elective	Spiritual Formation	Mi/Ps Min. Assessment & Mgt. 3 Ministry Electives Sf 101 Spir. Form. & Transformation 1 Spiritual Formation Elective
Social Science	Mi/Ps 301 Basic Biblical Counseling 1 1 Social Science Elective	English	Mi 001 Academic Success Co/En 111 Coll. Level Resrch. & Wrtg. 1 English Elective
History	1 History Elective	Language	1 Language Elective
Philosophy	1 Philosophy Elective	General Electives	5 General Electives
Education/Communication	Co 220 Intro to Preaching.. 1 E/C Elective		

Requirements for the Bachelor of Ministry (B.Min.) Degree

The B.Min. degree is for students already in full-time vocational ministry (at least seven years by the time of acceptance). Up to one full year of classes (30 credit hours) may be fulfilled by ministry experience, leaving only 90 additional credit hours (three full years of study equivalent) to complete the degree. The experience supplement must be documented and will be credited at the discretion of the Dean of Studies. *The Bachelor of Ministry* includes the following required courses and electives:

Biblical Studies	Bi/Co 101 Introduction to Hermeneutics Bi 111 & 112 Old Testament Survey 1 & 2 Bi 131 & 132 New Testament Survey 1 & 2 Bi 342 Studies in the Gospel of John Bi/Th 311 Studies in Romans 3 Biblical Studies Electives	Ministry	Mi 311 Biblical Leadership Mi 351 Elements of Pastoral Care 1 Evangelism Elective 1 Missions Elective 2 Ministry Electives
Theology	Th 111 Intro to Chr. Doct. & Theology Ap/Th 101 Intro to Apologetics 1 Theology Elective	Spiritual Formation	Sf 101 Spir. Form. and Transformation 1 Spiritual Formation Elective
Social Science	Mi/Ps 301 Basic Biblical Counseling 1	English	Mi 001 Academic Success 1 Writing or Grammar Elective
History	1 History Elective	Education/Communication	Co 220 Intro to Preaching..
		General Electives	10 General Electives

For Students desiring to complete Bachelors Degrees Begun at Other Institutions

Applicants desiring to complete bachelors degree studies begun at other schools must have transcripts of their completed work sent by the other school(s) to Grace Evangelical. Academic work that is relevant to the student's program of study will be considered for transfer if it has received a grade of C (75) or higher. To receive a Grace Evangelical Bachelor of Arts degree, a student normally must successfully complete a minimum of 60 credit hours of study at Grace Evangelical College.

GRACE EVANGELICAL SEMINARY/ THE GRADUATE PROGRAMS (MASTERS DEGREES)

Grace Evangelical Seminary offers programs leading to higher degrees of study, in particular at this time the Master of Arts in Ministry (M.A.Min), the Master of Arts (M.A.), and the Master of Divinity (M.Div.). All three are graduate degrees involving a more challenging level of study than a bachelors degree. Each one moves a student toward a different goal from the other two, as described below.

The Master of Arts Degrees (M.A. in Theology and M.A. in Biblical Studies)

An academic degree, the Master of Arts seeks to prepare the student for teaching at the undergraduate level or in a church or Christian school setting. The applicant must have completed a bachelors degree to be a qualified candidate for this, as for all graduate degrees. The M.A. can be completed in 60 to 70 credit hours of study, which, for a full-time, traditional student represents two years of study.

Typically, *requirements for a Master of Arts degree in Theology* include the following courses in the indicated areas of study

Biblical Studies	Bi 511 Old Testament Survey 1 Bi 512 Old Testament Survey 2 Bi 531 New Testament Survey 1 Bi 532 New Testament Survey 2	Spiritual Formation	Ps/Bi 541 Living the Truth in Jesus
Language	Ln 501 or 511 Intro to Greek/Hebrew 1 Ln 502 or 512 Intro to Greek/Hebrew 2 1 Exegetical Bible Studies course	Church History	Hi 501 Church History 1 Hi 502 Church History 2 Hi 623 Early Church
Electives: Other	Any Two Courses	Theology	Th 521 Systematic Theology 1 Th 522 Systematic Theology 2
		Electives: Theology Thesis	Four Theology Courses Th 780 (Up to six credit hours)

(Note: A student who has already taken an indicated course as an undergraduate and achieved a grade of B- or higher may be allowed to take another in the same area of study.)

Requirements for a Master of Arts in Biblical Studies include the following

Biblical Studies	Bi 501 Hermeneutics Bi 511 Old Testament Survey 1 Bi 512 Old Testament Survey 2 Bi 531 New Testament Survey 1 Bi 532 New Testament Survey 2	Spiritual Formation	Ps/Bi 541 Living the Truth in Jesus
Language	Ln 501 or 511 Intro to Greek/Hebrew 1 Ln 502 or 512 Intro to Greek/Hebrew 2 Ln 521 or 523 Intermediate Greek/Hebrew	Church History	Hi 501 Church History 1 Hi 502 Church History 2
		Theology	Th 521 Systematic Theology 1 Th 522 Systematic Theology 2
		Electives: Biblical St. Thesis	Four Biblical Studies Courses Any Two Courses Bi 780 (Up to six credit hours)

The Master of Divinity Degree (M.Div.)

The Master of Divinity is the degree many denominations expect candidates for ordination to have earned. It requires a prior bachelors degree and 95 or more credit hours of study and is seen as the “first degree in the field,” which means in the academic world that though a prior bachelors degree is required, no biblical, theological, ecclesiological, or other work in the religious area is expected as part of the bachelors degree. As a “theological” degree, the M.Div. stands entirely on its own, expecting no earlier theological academic foundation. This degree normally can be completed in three years by a traditional, full-time student. At Grace Evangelical, *the Master of Divinity typically includes* the following courses in the indicated areas

Biblical Studies	Bi 501 Hermeneutics Bi 511 Old Testament Survey 1 Bi 512 Old Testament Survey 2 Bi 531 New Testament Survey 1 Bi 532 New Testament Survey 2 Bi 611 Romans Bi 500-700 (Overlap with Ln) Gospel/Narrative Course	Church and Mission	Mi 001 Academic Success Mi 532 Intro to Practical Ministry Mi 651 Elements of Pastoral Care Mission/Evangelism/Ministry Course
Spiritual Formation	Ps 501 Spiritual Formation Ps 541 Living the Truth in Jesus Ps 780 Ministry Assessment	Communications	Co 601 Introduction to Homiletics Co 602 Intermediate Homiletics
Church History	Hi 501 Church History 1 Hi 502 Church History 2	Language	Ln 501 or 511 Intro to Grk/Hebrew 1 Ln 502 or 512 Intro to Grk/Hebrew 2 Ln 521 or 523 Intermediate Grk/Heb
Electives	Six Courses Total	Theology	Bi 500-700 Exegesis Course Bi 500-700 Exegesis Course Th/Mi 642 Evang in Post Mod World Th 521 Systematic Theology 1 Th 522 Systematic Theology 2

Final Year Internship: 15 hours/week, Pass/Fail, 3 Credit Hours

The Master of Arts in Ministry Degree (M.A.Min.)

The degree, Master of Arts in Ministry, anticipates that the student has earned a bachelors degree in the area of Biblical Studies or Theology, or that his/her bachelors degree has at least 30 credit hours of its work in these areas. For a student with such a background, the M.A.Min. may be completed in one year of work, since it requires 36 credit hours of course work. It is especially suited to students who are in ministry and desire a stronger foundation for their work. If the requisite undergraduate (or other previous) study is in place, the M.A.Min. can be completed in a relatively short time, even by the non-traditional student who must juggle job and family along with study and can take only one or two courses each semester. It does not need to be completed in a year but is described as a year's work for a full-time student. The M.A.Min. concentrates on pastoral skills, vocational challenges such as time management, communications ability (preaching, teaching, biblical counselling, etc.), ecclesiology (what the Church is and what its mission is), and related topics focusing on the pastorate.

The requirements for the M.A.Min. include the following courses in the indicated areas of study

Biblical Studies	Bi 501 Hermeneutics Bi 511 or 531 Old or New T. Survey 1 Bi 512 or 532 Old or New T. Survey 2	Ministry	Mi 001 Academic Success Mi 611 Biblical Leadership & Pastoral Epistles <i>or</i> Mi 651 Elements of Pastoral Care
Spiritual Formation	Ps 501 Spiritual Formation		Mi 600-700 Ministry Elective
Theology	Th 500 Intro to Chr. Doct. & Theol. <i>or</i> Th 521 Systematic Theology 1		Mi 600-700 Ministry Elective
Apologetics/Evangelism	Th/Ap 501 Intro to Apologetics <i>or</i> Th/Mi 642 Evang. in a Postmod. World		Ministry Project Seminar <i>or</i> Ministry Elective (1-3) Ministry Project <i>or</i> Min. Assessment

The applicant must have at least two years' full-time ministry experience or its equivalent by the end of his/her degree program.

The **Final Ministry Project** consists of three main parts:

1. *Research* on a topic that will enhance the student's present ministry.
2. *Application* of the research results and subsequent necessary procedures to one's present ministry, and a
3. *Paper* of about 20,000 words recording the research undertaken, the application of the information and procedures to his/her ministry, and subsequent results of that application.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES CURRENTLY OFFERED BY GRACE EVANGELICAL COLLEGE

Grace Evangelical College and Seminary offers a full program of study for both undergraduate and graduate students. The following is a comprehensive list of our course offerings. Not all of these courses will run in any given year; but over the course of four years, we expect to offer all of these courses. The course descriptions are given to help students make choices, but actual courses, materials and professors may depart in some details from the descriptions provided in this catalog.

A note on number designations of courses: Each course listed in this catalog is designated by two letters and three numbers before the descriptive title. All of our courses are listed under the four major emphases of our curriculum: Biblical Studies, Christian Thought, Spiritual Formation, and Ministry. The beginning two letters of each course describe the study area of the course (“Bi” is Bible; “Th” is Theology, “Mi” is Ministry, etc.). The first of the three numbers indicates the level of study of the course (“0” is Pre-introductory or General; “1” is Introductory: the first level of courses available in a study area; “2” is Second-level; “3” is Third-level; “4” is Fourth-level). Each of these numbers corresponds to the level of difficulty and prerequisites required for a course. First year students are advised to take primarily “1” and “2” hundred level courses. They may be able to pass a “3” or “4” hundred level course, but the information and skills obtained in the lower level classes help to gain fuller benefit from the course. Also note that “1” or a “2” *following* the course title indicates that the course is the first or second semester of a two-semester course sequence, and the “1” course is normally a prerequisite for the “2” course. An example would be that Introduction to Biblical Greek 1 is the first semester of first-year Greek, and Introduction to Biblical Greek 2 is the second semester. The first semester course must be taken before a student will be able to take the second. Courses labelled “A.E.” following an instructor’s name are courses offered in the Aroostook Extension Project and are normally available in the Presque Isle/Caribou region. Finally, three-number course designations ending in *odd* digits are normally fall courses; *even* designations are spring courses.

BIBLICAL STUDIES AND LANGUAGE

Biblical Studies

Bi/Co 101 Biblical Interpretation (Introduction to Hermeneutics) Spring Semester

This course reveals the need for intensive Biblical study and proper interpretation. Methodology and use of tools such as concordances, topical Bibles, and others are examined thoroughly to achieve proper interpretation of the Scriptures. Dr. Smith

Bi 111 Old Testament Survey 1 Fall Semester

This course will survey the first half of the Old Testament and consider the formation of the Scriptures. Selected Bible passages will be discussed together in class, as time permits. Dr. Smith, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 112 Old Testament Survey 2 Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Bi 111) This class continues the survey of the Old Testament, beginning where O.T. 1 left off. Various Bible passages will be studied and discussed together in class, and memorization of key passages will be assigned. Dr. Smith, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 131 New Testament Survey 1 Fall Semester

Jesus’ life and teachings, history of the early church, and the first of Paul’s letters are covered in this survey of New Covenant Scriptures. Dr. Phillips, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 132 New Testament Survey 2 Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Bi 131) This course completes the New Testament Survey, finishing Paul’s letters and looking at the other New Testament letters. Special attention is given to Hebrews and Revelation. Dr. Phillips, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi/Co 211 Jesus’ Laws of Communication Fall Semester

This course will look at Christ’s earthly ministry and discover how He preached, taught and counseled people, and what made Him so effective. No less than fifty of His principles that flow naturally into seven categories or “laws” will be discussed. Dr. Smith

Bi 220 The Holy Land Experience Spring Semester

Best described as an experience, this course involves a trip to Orlando to see the Holy Land Experience and Scriptorium, Wycliffe Bible Translator’s headquarters including Dayspring Discovery museum, Ligonier Ministries and the Campus Crusade headquarters and Jesus Film Project. Dr. Smith

Bi 231 Old Testament Prophets & Prophecy

Fall Semester

This is a detailed look at the Old Testament Prophets, their preaching & predictions, and God's promises. Insights learned from the observations of fulfilled prophecy will provide our principles for interpreting future events described in Scripture.

Dr. Smith

Bi 242 Studies in Acts

Spring Semester

A comprehensive study of the book of Acts, emphasizing how Christ's church was built by the power of the Holy Spirit and on the faithfulness of the apostles.

Dr. Smith

Bi/Ps 251 Living the Truth in Jesus (Ephesians)

Fall Semester

This course will explore the book of Ephesians to discover how the gospel is central for spiritual formation and Christian living. This course will challenge students to walk in the light of God's grace. It is taught as an intensive course in a "retreat" schedule.

Dr. Selmon

Bi/Th 311 Studies in Romans

Fall Semester

A study in the "High Point" of theology, Paul's Letter to the Romans explains key Christian doctrines like total depravity, imputation, the nature of grace, how to walk by the Spirit, the nature of "true Israel," and how to live in light of God's grace.

Dr. Selmon

Bi 313 The Ecclesiology of 1 Corinthians

Fall Semester

Ecclesiology studies the Church. This course explores Paul's instructions to and view of the Church in 1 Corinthians, examining other biblical materials, as well. The course is a full exploration of Paul's letter.

Dr. Phillips

Bi 321 Revealing the Heart of God

Fall Semester

Focusing on interpreting the Parables of Jesus, this course begins with a concentrated, intermediate-level study of hermeneutics (interpretation) then moves to in-depth study of the parables of Luke 9:51-19:48, the "Travel Narrative."

Dr. Phillips

Bi 325 The Panorama of Prophecy

Fall Semester

A look at biblical prophecy, building on the foundations of the books of Daniel and Revelation, this course will explore Scripture's end times predictions and offer an appropriate methodology for the study of prophecy.

Dr. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 332 Eschatology in the Christian Canon

Spring Semester

Eschatology is the study of the Church's enduring faith in God's promises of a final solution to the ills of this world. What is involved? What is now? What is future?

Dr. Phillips

Bi 341 Studies in the Gospel of Matthew

Fall Semester

This course is a thorough exploration of the Gospel of Matthew, including the birth narrative, the Sermon on the Mount, the prophecies of Matthew 23-25, and much more. This course focuses on how to interpret the gospels and the theology expressed in the gospels. It can be taken as either an English Bible course or as a Greek Exegesis course.

Dr. Selmon

Bi 342 Studies in the Gospel of John

Spring Semester

This course is a through exploration of the Gospel of John including the seven narratives, the seven miracles and all that was written so that we might believe in Jesus the Son of God (John 20:31). It can be taken as either an English Bible course or as a Greek Exegesis course.

Dr. Selmon

Bi 343 Rabbinic Background of the New Testament

Fall Semester

This course is designed to help the beginner start a valued pilgrimage into the rich culture of ancient Rabbinic literature. The foundational context for our historical understanding of the New Testament is found in the exploration of Jewish and Rabbinic literature.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi/Ln 352 Jonah/Ruth

Spring Semester

This course will complete the two-year study in Hebrew Language with a focus on Hebrew syntax and an introduction to Hebrew Exegesis.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi 353 Elijah/Elisha Narratives

Fall Semester

This Hebrew Exegesis course will explore the lives and ministry of two of the greatest Old Testament prophets. This is a Hebrew Bible Course.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi 360 Biblical Archaeology

Summer Term

The land of Israel is smothered with archaeological sites revealing the Bible's amazing accuracy as a book of history and geography. This

course will begin with a look at the science of archaeology, observe an active site (not biblical) and laboratory in Maine, and focus primarily on the Biblical sites discovered in the Holy Land. Dr. Smith

Bi 361 The Pentateuch

Fall Semester

This course explores the thought expressed in the first five books of the Old Testament. This includes study of the language, culture, and theology expressed in these books. (T.B.A.)

Bi 480 Thesis

This course fulfills the final requirement for our MA in Biblical Studies degree. It is a substantial piece of scholarly writing and research concerning an approved topic within the field of Biblical studies. Biblical Studies Faculty

Bi 490 Independent Studies in Biblical Studies

This course is an independent study course with one of our professors in Biblical Studies. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

Holy Land Studies

HL 101 Holy Land Trip Preparation

(Fall/Winter - Special)

Open to all. Particularly taught for those traveling with Grace Evangelical on Holy Land Pilgrimage, this course brings students into contact with 1) Holy Land history and archaeology, 2) Holy Land topography and geography, 3) the art of biblical story telling, and 4) what to bring/pack/wear, etc: a practical primer. 5 Saturday sessions. Miss Phillips and others

HL 102 Walk in Israel

(Fall/Winter - Special)

Open to all. This course is completed while on site in Israel and when the students return. If a picture is worth a thousand words, this trip to Israel is worth many hours of academic study! Miss Phillips and others

HL 201 Greece and the Apostle Paul

Visit Athens, Corinth, Philippi, Meteora, and Thessalonika on an 8-day, first-class package tour with the apostle Paul. Three credit hours are given for this trip when the student participates in pre-trip text reading and daily journaling. Dr. Smith

Language Skills

Ln 080 Greek/Hebrew for Bible Study

Spring Semester

A course for people who want to know some Greek and Hebrew to enhance Bible study and understanding: a semester to learn basics of vocabulary, grammar, and structure but will not require a scholar's expertise. Come and explore! Dr. Buchanan

Ln 101 Introduction to Biblical Greek 1

Fall Semester

Introduction to the New Testament's language. Greek is a doorway to deeper understanding of all the New Testament writings. This course takes up the Greek alphabet and the basics of grammar, leading to a basic competence in translation. Dr. Buchanan

Ln 102 Introduction to Biblical Greek 2

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 101) Continues the building process to an initial competence in the original Greek language of the Bible. Dr. Buchanan

Ln 111 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 1

Fall Semester

The Old Testament's first language was Hebrew. This course introduces the student to the basics of this language and adds it to the Bible scholar's box of interpretive tools. Dr. Buchanan

Ln 112 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 2

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 111) Continues the study of the Old Testament's Hebrew language, leading to more effective Old Testament exegesis and hermeneutics. Dr. Buchanan

Ln 201 Intermediate Biblical Greek 1

Fall Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 101 and 102) Continuing Greek language study beyond the introductory level, this course will take the student into deeper study of the meaningful intricacies of Greek grammatical construction. Significant amounts of translation will characterize Intermediate Greek. Dr. Buchanan

- Ln 203 Intermediate Biblical Hebrew 1* Fall Semester
(Prerequisite: Ln 111 and Ln 112) This course takes the student into the second year of scholarship in Hebrew adding greater skill to the Bible interpreter's work. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 300 Advanced Greek Grammar and Reading 1* Spring Semester
A continuation from intermediate Greek grammar, this course continues to advance the student's knowledge of Greek. Prerequisite is Intermediate Greek Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 302 Advanced Hebrew Grammar and Readings 1* Spring Semester
A continuation from intermediate Hebrew grammar, this course continues to advance the student's knowledge of Hebrew. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 303 Septuagint Studies* Fall Semester
An advanced Greek and Hebrew class delving into the grammar, vocabulary, and meaning of the Septuagint and Semitic background of the New Testament. Origen, the father of O.T. textual criticism urged us concerning the primacy of the LXX, "Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set." Prerequisite is advanced Greek Grammar and at least a year of biblical Hebrew. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 304 Readings in Patristic Greek.* Spring Semester
Selected readings will focus on the language and literature of the Apostolic Fathers, with special attention to grammatical, syntactical, and lexical forms not ordinarily found in the New Testament. Prerequisite is Intermediate Greek Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 311 Biblical Aramaic 1* Fall Semester
A detailed study of the grammar of biblical Aramaic, followed by a reading of the Aramaic portions of Ezra and Daniel. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 312 Biblical Aramaic 2* Spring Semester
This is a continuation of elementary biblical Aramaic grammar from the first semester. The semester will conclude with readings from Ezra and Daniel. Prerequisite is Ln 331 Biblical Aramaic 1. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 331 Syriac Aramaic 1* Fall Semester
The Syriac Peshitta is an exceptional Semitic translation of the Bible. The New Testament portion is the most ancient version that we have, even predating the majority of Greek manuscripts upon which our modern translations are based. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar and Biblical Aramaic or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 332 Syriac Aramaic 2* Spring Semester
This is a continuation of the first semester of Syriac Aramaic and will conclude the grammar and introduce the student to biblical readings from the Syriac Peshitta and non-biblical readings from the wonderful wealth of Syriac literature. Prerequisite is Ln 331 Syriac Aramaic 1. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln/Bi 352 Jonah/Ruth* Spring Semester
This course will complete the two-year study in Hebrew Language with a focus on Hebrew syntax and an introduction to Hebrew Exegesis. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 410 Introduction to Mishnaic Hebrew and the Talmud* Spring Semester
The course will acquaint students with the distinctives of Mishnaic Hebrew grammar and philology in order to translate portions of the Mishnah. Once the texts are understood, then inferences will be drawn about its philosophical and theological world-views. Comparisons with biblical material and later Jewish practices and beliefs will be discussed. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 460 Introduction to the Apocrypha with Greek Readings* Either Semester
Description: "These books provide a fascinating theological bridge between the Testaments by showing how the traditions of the Hebrew Scriptures were carried forward in the Second Temple Judaism, and they greatly illumine the world in which Jesus and the New Testament writers lived and worked. The books will be read in English as well as portions from their original Greek. Prerequisites are Ln 201 or permission from the Instructor." Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 490 Independent Studies in Languages*
This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Language studies. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the

professor, and the Academic Dean.

CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

Church History / History

Hi 101 Western Civilization 1

Fall Semester

From the beginning of recorded history to the beginning of modern times (1500), this course focuses on the history of many civilizations: the beginnings and importance of major Eastern civilizations, the Greek and Roman cultures, the rise of European Civilization, and the beginnings and early spread of Islam.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 102 Western Civilization 2

Spring Semester

From 1500 (the beginning of the modern period) through today, this course focuses upon the growth of nation states in Europe, the key figures and thinking in the Enlightenment, the rise of the Industrial Revolution, the tensions leading to two World Wars, the importance of the Cold War, the cultural changes in the late 20th century, and the rise of a global culture through contemporary technology.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 301 Introduction to Church History 1

Fall Semester

First of a two-course sequence, this will survey Christian History from before the birth of Christ to the years just before the Protestant Reformation. Using both original and secondary sources, we will explore how the Church was shaped, and by whom, along with the part it played in the development of world history.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 302 Introduction to Church History 2

Spring Semester

The second of a two-course sequence, this course begins exploring Church history around the year 1500 through contemporary times. Using both original and secondary sources, we will explore how the Church was shaped, and by whom, along with the part it played in the development of world history.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 304 American Church History

Spring Semester

This course is dynamic survey of the development and growth of American religious experience. Through reading of both original and secondary sources, along with discussions and lectures, we will investigate the rise of denominations, changes in American religion caused by immigration, and the intellectual and cultural changes leading to our modern religious landscape.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 311 False Religions and Cults in Contemporary Society

Fall Semester

Taught by professor Jim Beverly, concerning contemporary religions -- their teachings, methods, and roles in modern society, this course focuses upon the theology and thought of these false religions as they deviate from Historical Orthodox Christianity. Included are sections concerning Islam, Eastern Religions, Mormonism, Jehovah Witnesses, Scientology, and other contemporary groups.

Dr. Beverly

Hi/Th 321 Luther and Calvin

Fall Semester

This course is an in-depth exploration of the thought and times of these two great Reformation leaders. Using both primary and secondary sources, students will learn what Reformation thought means to the formation of a Christian worldview.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 322 Puritanism

Spring Semester

This course will explore the thought and lives of both English and American Puritans. It will provide the student with an in-depth understanding of Puritan thought and the consequences of that thought for our understanding of the gospel today.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 323 Early Church History

Fall Semester

This course will explore the thought and times of the Early Church Fathers and Apologists through an in-depth investigation of Early heresies that challenged the Church to develop appropriate articulations of orthodoxy. This course will explore the Early Church through the year 600.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 324 Contemporary Religious Movements

Spring Semester

This course will explore themes and movements in the contemporary church scene. The topics for the course will change each time it is offered; but at its core, we will read, discuss, and write concerning various topics in contemporary Historical and Theological studies.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 451 Studies in Jonathan Edwards

Fall Semester

The American theologian of the First Great Awakening, Edwards may well be America's greatest theologian. This course explores the story and work of this great man.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 480 Thesis

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English

En/Co 111 College-Level Writing and Research

Fall Semester

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Rev. Conley

En/Th 360 Narnia & Beyond: A C.S. Lewis Reading Sampler

Summer Term

This course will explore the life and writing of one of the 20th century's great Christian thinkers. Through reading and discussion of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *Mere Christianity*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Problem of Pain*, *A Grief Observed*, and *Till We Have Faces*, we will explore Lewis' imagination, wit, theology, and influence on Christian thought.

Dr. Selmon

Philosophy and Apologetics

Ap/Th 101 Introduction to Apologetics

Fall Semester

This class reveals why the Christian faith is the most popular and trustworthy religion in the world. The proofs for its reliability arise from practically all the academic disciplines such as philosophy, history, law, archaeology, science, and the Bible. Students will learn what they need to be able defenders of the Faith as well as having their own faith strengthened.

Dr. Smith

Ap/Th 201 Intermediate Apologetics

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite, Ap 101) This is an advanced study on the defense of the Christian faith, with the Introduction to Apologetics course being the necessary prerequisite. Further and more detailed study of the subject will occur with occasional guest speakers & media resources.

Dr. Smith

Pl 301 Introduction to Philosophy

Fall Semester

Beginning with the Ancient Greeks and moving to modern times, this course will survey the major Philosophical figures and movements. The purpose of the course is to help develop a Christian Worldview.

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Dr. Beverley

Theology and Doctrine

Th 111 Introduction to Christian Doctrine and Theology

Fall Semester

This is a single semester class that deals with basic Christian doctrine (what the Bible teaches about God and His dealings with creation) and serves as a primer course to Systematic Theology. The student will learn who God, the Holy Spirit, and Jesus Christ are, as well as topics like sin, salvation, the church, free will and election, sanctification, and last days.

Dr. Smith

Th/Ps 211 The Christian Doctrine of the Nature of Man

Fall Semester

This class will study the Biblical position regarding humanity. Why was man created and for what purpose? Why did man reject his Creator's plan? How does one get back to God's plan today? Why and what are the stark differences between this and modern psychology?

Dr. Smith

Th 301 Systematic Theology 1

Fall Semester

What is theology? Only the exciting study of God! This course will explore how Christians approach the study of God, the various ways of explaining foundational Christian doctrines, and what these doctrines mean for the Christian life.

Dr. Selmon

Th 302 Systematic Theology 2

Spring Semester

Continuing the study of God, this course continues to explore foundational Christian doctrines including the nature of salvation, the person and work of Christ, the work of the Holy Spirit, and theories of the end times. (Prerequisite: Th 301 or permission)

Dr. Selmon

Th/Bi 311 Studies in Romans

Fall Semester

A study in the “High Point” of theology, Paul’s Letter to the Romans explains key Christian doctrines like total depravity, imputation, the nature of grace, how to walk by the Spirit, the nature of “true Israel,” and how to live in light of God’s grace.

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Dr. Selmon

Th/Mi 342 Evangelism in a Postmodern World

Spring Semester

Providing tools to understand contemporary culture and share the Gospel within it: the first half of the course explores the intellectual and social changes that have led to today’s culture. The second presents Gospel-sharing in a postmodern world. We will focus on both personal evangelism and effective Church witness.

Dr. Selmon

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Fall Semester

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Dr. Selmon

Th/Hi 480 Thesis

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SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Spiritual formation and Psychology

Sf 101 Spiritual Formation and Transformation

Fall Semester

Every believer should learn to access God’s power in his/her life for change and spiritual growth. Our focus will be on spiritual disciplines

and practices to bring this growth about and foster greater ministry potential

Dr. Smith

Sf/Th 211 The Christian Doctrine of the Nature of Man Fall Semester

How does Christian Theology understand humanity, the Creator's beloved creature? This course seeks answers and also offers a contrasting view: a class or two with Rev. Kasten on secular psychology's view of humanity.

Dr. Smith

Sf/Bi 251 Living the Truth in Jesus (Ephesians) Fall Semester

This course will explore the book of Ephesians to discover how the gospel is central for spiritual formation and Christian living. This course will challenge students to walk in the light of God's grace. It is taught as an intensive course in a "retreat" schedule.

Dr. Selmon

Ps/Mi 301 Basic Biblical Counseling 1 Fall Semester

Effective pastoral counseling requires knowledge of the Bible's guidance for Christians in crisis. It also requires knowing when we need to hand off the work to a more fully-trained counselor. This course explores these matters and lays the groundwork for the Pastor.

Dr. Smith

Ps/Mi 302 Basic Biblical Counseling 2 Spring Semester

Effective pastoral counseling requires knowledge of the Bible's guidance for Christians in crisis. It also requires knowing when we need to hand off the work to a more fully-trained counselor. This course explores these matters and lays the groundwork for the Pastor.

Dr. Smith

Sf/Mi 480 Ministry Assessment and Management Spring Semester

Why is life so stressful? Why is there never enough time or energy? We will seek biblical and medical answers to these questions, as well as assess calling, skill, and gifts for ministry. Each student will establish priorities, discover gifts, prepare a personal mission statement, set goals (personal, family, ministry, career), map out diet and exercise plans, and reserve times for personal retreats and family vacations.

Dr. Smith

MINISTRY (COMMUNICATION)

Co/Bi 101 Introduction to Hermeneutics Spring Semester

This course reveals the need for intensive Biblical study and proper interpretation. The selection and use of tools such as concordances, topical Bibles, and others are examined thoroughly. Bible passages will be studied and discussed as well as individual assignments given in class.

Dr. Smith

Co/En 111 College-Level Writing and Research Fall Semester

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Rev. Conley

Co/Bi 211 Jesus' Laws of Communication Fall Semester

This course will look at Christ's earthly ministry and discover how He preached, taught and counseled people, and what made Him so effective. No less than fifty of His principles will be discussed that flow naturally into seven categories or "laws."

Dr. Smith

Co 220 Introduction to Preaching and Public Speaking (Homiletics) (Spring - Special)

This course provides the opportunity for the student to learn how to effectively communicate publicly. It will help the student learn how to prepare lessons and speeches, and present their material clearly and appealingly, providing them opportunities to practice with constructive comments from their peers, instructor and professionals (teachers, professors and pastors). The class normally starts with the Communicating the Truth Conference offered in the spring.

Dr. Smith

Co 262 Computers in Ministry Spring Semester

Focusing on the benefits computers offer to ministry, this user-friendly course offers teaching and hands-on application. It introduces Bible study software, animated slide presentations, databases, website construction, desktop publishing, music, and other skills. Expert guests add their experience. Assignments help lock in the ideas and skills taught.

Dr. Smith

Co 333 Intermediate Homiletics (Fall - Special)

This course starts with the Gordon-Conwell biennial preaching conference in September and will be completed on a Saturday and evening class TBD by those who attend the conference. Students will also be evaluated by the professor at a "live" preaching/teaching setting.

Dr. Smith

Co 440 Advanced Homiletics

(Spring - Special)

Preaching involves preaching both on Sundays and on special occasions. This course will teach students the art of preaching narrative sermons and other techniques that add variety to Sunday preaching. It will also help students develop their theology and practice in preaching for funerals, baptisms, civic events, and other special occasions.

Dr. Selmon

Co 490 Independent Studies in Communications

This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Communications. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

MINISTRY (PRACTICE)

Mi 001 Academic Success

pre Fall/Spring Semester

Starting before the semester begins in August, this course will equip students with the tools to succeed throughout their studies at Grace. It will teach how to write papers, how to manage your time, how to approach all the areas of study at Grace, and how to deal with the pressures of school and life. It is mandatory for all entering students. It is a two-credit-hour course

Dr. Selmon

Mi 122 Introduction to Evangelism and Missions

Spring Semester

Evangelism and mission seem to be done in very different ways, though they share the same purpose. Here is how some of our Christian organizations do mission, along with the Scriptural basis and guidance for the work at home or abroad. Dr. Leland with others

Mi/Wr 210 Worship: What's It About?

Fall Semester

This course is an exploration of the elements of Christian worship and some of the Scriptural background for those elements. There will also be a look at worship practices in different Christian traditions with an eye to why those differences are there and what they mean. What is personal worship? What is corporate worship? Worship leaders from some other traditions will help teach some sessions.

Rev. Conley

Mi 232 Introduction to Practical Ministries

Fall Semester

A survey of the various kinds of full-time Christian ministries that are available to those seeking to work "the harvest" for Christ will be presented. Guest senior and youth pastors, chaplains, missionaries, etc. will also share their expertise with the class.

Dr. Smith

Mi 242 Christian Camping Ministry

Special

This is an opportunity to learn about the need for and value of Christian camping ministry. This course will provide instruction on everything from forms of camping to counselor training. A special emphasis will be placed on the director's responsibilities and counselor's impact.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Ps 301 Basic Biblical Counseling 1

Fall Semester

This course will examine counseling from a Biblical perspective. God has placed in the Bible, solutions for man's problems and needs, and provides the keys for successful and contented living. Believers taking this course will learn how to become effective Biblical counselors for basic spiritual and emotional needs.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Ps 302 Basic Biblical Counseling 2

Spring Semester

This course will begin where Basic Biblical Counseling ended. Its main purpose will be to observe, understand and apply the Bible's solutions to man's problems and needs. Students taking this course will become better equipped to help others in Christian counseling situations.

Dr. Smith

Mi 311 Biblical Leadership & the Pastoral Epistles

Fall Semester

This course teaches the Biblical principles of leadership by studying both the Pastoral Epistles (1 & 2 Timothy and Titus) and other Biblical leaders. The emphasis is on Scriptural principles as the primary source for leadership training in ministry.

Dr. Smith

Mi 321 Worship Arts

Fall Semester

Because of our ever-changing, multi-sensory and multi-media-driven society, the Church needs to come to an understanding of this new culture and employ appropriate adaptations. Contemporary forms, methods, and applications of worship will be examined, assessed, and applied, as well as special attention given to leading worship and playing guitar. A special guitar workshop will be part of this course.

Dr. Smith

Mi 340 Introduction to Youth Ministry

Summer Term

Children were important to Jesus, and they should be to us, as well. This course will explore ministry to youth and the process of unlocking

their limitless potential for Christ and the Church. The strongest focus will be on Junior and Senior High age groups.
Dr. Smith

Mi 351 Elements of Pastoral Care

Fall Semester

The pastoral ministry is key to effective church health and growth. Poor pastors create problems, while Biblically mature pastors solve problems and maintain an atmosphere of love and spiritual maturity for the whole congregation. For some of the classes, experienced pastors will lead by sharing their expertise and responding to student's questions.
Dr. Smith

Mi/Th 342 Evangelism in a Postmodern World

Spring Semester

This course provides tools for understand our contemporary culture so that individuals and churches can share the Gospel within it. The first half of the course explores the intellectual and social changes that have led to today's culture. The second presents Gospel-sharing in a postmodern world. We will focus on both personal evangelism and effective Church witness.
Dr. Selmon

Mi 351 Computers in Ministry

Fall Semester

There are many benefits a computer may offer those in ministry. This is a user-friendly course accompanied by hands-on application. Students will learn how to use software for Bible study, animated slide presentations, databases, website construction, desktop publishing and other skills and tools to enhance their ministry. Some components of the class will involve expert guest speakers.
Dr. Smith

Mi 451 Hospital Chaplaincy

This course is offered in conjunction with the Hospital Chaplaincy Education program at Eastern Maine Medical Center. It is an intensive practical ministry introduction that runs from September through February. It involves many hours each week at Eastern Maine Medical Center. This course can be taken for nine credit hours at Grace Evangelical.
Rev. Dr. Rex H. Garrett & Staff

Mi/Ps 480 Ministry Assessment and Management

Spring Semester

People doing the work of Christian ministry often feel inadequate or overworked. This course offers help--through practical advice on spiritual gifts, personality and skills assessment, time management, good physical health practices and spiritual disciplines.
Dr. Smith

Mi 490 Independent Studies in Ministry

This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Ministry. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

NON-STANDARD LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities sometimes arise for non-standard learning, such as visiting experts or professors who offer intensive, weekend courses or come for a session or two prior to class time on weekday afternoons, and so forth. Such opportunities may require advance preparation or may indicate books to study in conjunction with the teaching. Some may require payment, some may be without cost. If such opportunities arise, the administration will attempt to provide long lead times, so students know of them well in advance and can adjust their calendars, so they can participate. Some of the opportunities may offer academic credit. If so, appropriate arrangements will be available to record and maintain such grades in a participating student's record.

Grace Evangelical also will assist a student to organize study in the Holy Land at Jerusalem University College. Ask for details.

GRADUATE COURSES CURRENTLY OFFERED BY GRACE EVANGELICAL

Grace Evangelical College and Seminary offers a full program of study for both undergraduate and graduate students. The following is a comprehensive list of our graduate course offerings. Not all of these courses will run in any given year; but over the course of three to four years, all of these courses will be offered. The course descriptions are given to help students make choices, but actual courses, materials and professors may depart in some details from the descriptions provided in this catalog.

A note on number designations of courses: Each course listed in this catalog is designated by two letters and three numbers before the descriptive title. All of our courses are listed under the four major emphases of our curriculum: Bible Studies, Christian Thought, Spiritual Formation, and Ministry. The beginning two letters of each course describe the study area of the course (“Bi” is Bible; “Th” is Theology, “Mi” is Ministry, etc.). The first of the three numbers indicates the level of study of the course (“0” is Pre-introductory or General; “5” is Introductory: the first level of courses available in a study area; “6” is Second-level; “7” is Third-level.) Students are advised that each of these numbers correspond to the level of difficulty and prerequisites needed for a class. Thus, first year graduate students are advised to take primarily “5” and “6” hundred level classes. They may be able to pass a “7” hundred level classes, but they need the information and skills obtained in the lower level classes to gain the full benefit from the class. Also note that several courses within our curriculum are courses that continue over the course of a year. An example would be that Introduction to Biblical Greek 1 is the first semester of first-year Greek, and Introduction to Biblical Greek 2 is the second semester. Typically, the first semester course must be taken before a student will be able to take the second.

BIBLICAL STUDIES AND LANGUAGE

Biblical Studies

Bi/Co 501 Biblical Interpretation (Introduction to Hermeneutics) Spring Semester

This course reveals the need for intensive Biblical study and proper interpretation. Methodology and use of tools such as concordances, topical Bibles, and others are examined thoroughly to achieve proper interpretation of the Scriptures. Dr. Smith

Bi 511 Old Testament Survey 1 Fall Semester

This course will survey the first half of the Old Testament as well as consider the formation of the Scriptures. Selected Bible passages will be discussed together in class as time permits. Dr. Smith, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 512 Old Testament Survey 2 Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Bi 111) This class continues the survey of Old Testament, beginning where O.T. 1 left off. Various Bible passages will be studied and discussed together in class, and key Bible passages will be assigned for memorization. Dr. Smith, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 531 New Testament Survey 1 Fall Semester

Jesus' life and teachings, history of the early church, and the first of Paul's letters are covered in this survey of New Covenant Scriptures. Dr. Phillips, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 532 New Testament Survey 2 Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Bi 131) This course completes the New Testament Survey, finishing Paul's letters and looking at the other New Testament letters. Special attention is given to Hebrews and Revelation. Dr. Phillips, Mrs. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 520 The Holy Land Experience Spring Semester

This class is a best described as an experience. It involves a trip to Orlando to see the Holy Land Experience and Scriptorium, Wycliffe Bible Translator's headquarters including Dayspring Discovery museum, Ligonier Ministries and the Campus Crusade headquarters and Jesus Film Project. Dr. Smith

Bi/Co 521 Jesus' Laws of Communication Fall Semester

This course will look at Christ's earthly ministry and discover how He preached, taught and counseled people, and what made Him so effective. No less than fifty of His principles that flow naturally into seven categories or "laws" will be discussed. Dr. Smith

Bi 523 Old Testament Prophets & Prophecy Fall Semester

This is a detailed look at the Old Testament Prophets, their preaching & predictions, & God's promises. Insights learned from the observa-

tions of fulfilled prophecy will provide our principles for interpreting future events described in Scripture.

Dr. Smith

Bi 524 Studies in Acts

Spring Semester

A comprehensive study of the book of Acts, emphasizing how Christ's church was built by the power of the Holy Spirit and on the faithfulness of the apostles.

Dr. Smith or Dr. Selmon

Bi/Ps 541 Living the Truth in Jesus (Ephesians)

Fall Semester

This course will explore the book of Ephesians to discover how the gospel is central for spiritual formation and Christian living. This course will challenge students to walk in the light of God's grace. It is taught as an intensive course in a "retreat" schedule.

Dr. Selmon

Bi/Th 611 Studies in Romans

Fall Semester

A study in the "High Point" of theology, Paul's Letter to the Romans explains key Christian doctrines like total depravity, imputation, the nature of grace, how to walk by the Spirit, the nature of "true Israel," and how to live in light of God's grace.

Dr. Selmon

Bi 613 The Ecclesiology of 1 Corinthians

Fall Semester

Ecclesiology studies the Church. This course explores Paul's instructions to and view of the Church in 1 Corinthians, examining other biblical materials, as well. The course is a full exploration of Paul's letter.

Dr. Phillips

Bi 621 Revealing the Heart of God

Fall Semester

Focusing on interpreting the Parables of Jesus, this course begins with a concentrated, intermediate-level study of hermeneutics (interpretation) then moves to in-depth study of the parables of Luke 9:51-19:48, the "Travel Narrative."

Dr. Phillips

Bi 625 The Panorama of Prophecy

Fall Semester

A look at biblical prophecy, building on the foundations of the books of Daniel and Revelation, this course will explore Scripture's end-times predictions and offer an appropriate methodology for the study of prophecy.

Dr. Leland (A.E.)

Bi 632 Eschatology in the Christian Canon

Spring Semester

Eschatology is the study of the Church's enduring faith in God's promises of a final solution to the ills of this world. What is involved? What is now? What is future?

Dr. Phillips

Bi 641 Studies in the Gospel of Matthew

Fall Semester

This course is a thorough exploration of the Gospel of Matthew, including the birth narrative, the Sermon on the Mount, the prophecies of Matthew 23-25, and much more. This course focuses on how to interpret the gospels and the theology expressed in the gospels. It can be taken as either an English Bible course or as a Greek Exegesis course

Dr. Selmon

Bi 642 Studies in the Gospel of John

Spring Semester

This course is a through exploration of the Gospel of John including the seven narratives, the seven miracles and all that was written so that we might believe in Jesus the Son of God (John 20:31). It can be taken as either an English Bible course or as a Greek Exegesis course.

Dr. Selmon

Bi 643 Rabbinic Background of the New Testament

Fall Semester

This course is designed to help the beginner start a valued pilgrimage into the rich culture of ancient Rabbinic literature. This course provides the context for our historical understanding of the New Testament by an exploration of Jewish and Rabbinic literature.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi/Ln 652 Jonah/Ruth

Spring Semester

This course will complete the two-year study in Hebrew Language with a focus on Hebrew syntax and an introduction to Hebrew Exegesis.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi/Ln 653 Elijah/Elisha Narratives

Fall Semester

This Hebrew Exegesis course will explore the lives and ministry of two of the greatest Old Testament prophets. This is a Hebrew Bible Course.

Dr. Buchanan

Bi 654 Biblical Archaeology

Summer Semester

The land of Israel is smothered with archaeological sites revealing the Bible's amazing accuracy as a book of history and geography. This course will begin with a look at the science of archaeology, observe an active site and laboratory in Maine, and focus primarily on the Biblical sites discovered in the Holy Land.

Dr. Smith

Bi 655 The Pentateuch

Fall Semester

This course explores the thought expressed in the first five books of the Old Testament. This includes study of the language, culture, and theology expressed in these books.

Bi 780 Thesis

This course fulfills the final requirement for our MA in Biblical Studies degree. It is a substantial piece of scholarly writing and research concerning an approved topic within the field of Biblical studies.

Bi 790 Independent Studies in Biblical Studies

This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Biblical Studies. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

Holy Land Studies

HL 501 Holy Land Trip Preparation

(Fall/Winter - Special)

Open to all. Particularly taught for those traveling with Grace Evangelical on Holy Land Pilgrimage, this course brings students into contact with 1) Holy Land history and archaeology, 2) Holy Land topography and geography, 3) the art of biblical story telling, and 4) what to bring/pack/wear, etc: a practical primer. 5 Saturday sessions.

Miss Phillips and others

HL 502 Holy Land Trip

(Fall/Winter - Special)

Open to all. This course is completed while on site in Israel and when the students return. If a picture is worth a thousand words, this trip to Israel is worth many hours of academic study!

Miss Phillips and others

HL 601 Greece and the Apostle Paul

Visit Athens, Corinth, Philippi, Meteora, and Thessalonika on an 8-day, first-class package tour with the apostle Paul. Three credit hours are given for this trip when the student participates in pre-trip text reading and daily journaling.

Dr. Smith

Language Skills

Ln 080 Greek/Hebrew for Bible Study

Spring Semester

A course for people who want to know some Greek and Hebrew to enhance Bible study and understanding: a semester to learn basics of vocabulary, grammar, and structure but will not require a scholar's expertise. Come and explore!

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 501 Introduction to Biblical Greek 1

Fall Semester

Introduction to the New Testament's language. Greek is a doorway to deeper understanding of all the New Testament writings. This course takes up the Greek alphabet and the basics of grammar, leading to a basic competence in translation.

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 502 Introduction to Biblical Greek 2

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 501) Continues the building process to an initial competence in the original Greek language of the Bible.

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 511 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 1

Fall Semester

The Old Testament's first language was Hebrew. This course introduces the student to the basics of this language and adds it to the Bible scholar's box of interpretive tools.

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 512 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew 2

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 511) Continues the study of the Old Testament's Hebrew language, leading to more effective Old Testament exegesis and hermeneutics.

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 521 Intermediate Biblical Greek 1

Fall Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 501 and 502) Continuing Greek language study beyond the introductory level, this course will take the student into deeper study of the meaningful intricacies of Greek grammatical construction. Significant amounts of translation will characterize Intermediate Greek.

Dr. Buchanan

Ln 523 Intermediate Biblical Hebrew 1

Fall Semester

(Prerequisite: Ln 511 and Ln 512) This course takes the student into the second year of scholarship in Hebrew adding greater skill to the Bible interpreter's work.

Dr. Buchanan

- Ln 621 Advanced Greek Grammar and Reading 1* Spring Semester
A continuation from intermediate Greek grammar, this course continues to advance the student's knowledge of Greek. Prerequisite is Intermediate Greek Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 623 Advanced Hebrew Grammar and Readings 1* Spring Semester
A continuation from intermediate Hebrew grammar, this course continues to advance the student's knowledge of Hebrew. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 633 Septuagint Studies* Fall Semester
An advanced Greek and Hebrew class delving into the grammar, vocabulary, and meaning of the Septuagint and Semitic background of the New Testament. Origen, the father of O.T. textual criticism urged us concerning the primacy of the LXX, "Remove not the ancient landmark which thy fathers have set." Prerequisite is advanced Greek Grammar and at least a year of biblical Hebrew. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 634 Readings in Patristic Greek* Spring Semester
Selected readings will focus on the language and literature of the Apostolic Fathers, with special attention to grammatical, syntactical, and lexical forms not ordinarily found in the New Testament. Prerequisite is Intermediate Greek Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 641 Biblical Aramaic 1* Fall Semester
A detailed study of the grammar of biblical Aramaic, followed by a reading of the Aramaic portions of Ezra and Daniel. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 642 Biblical Aramaic 2* Spring Semester
This is a continuation of elementary biblical Aramaic grammar from the first semester. The semester will conclude with readings from Ezra and Daniel. Prerequisite is Ln 641 Biblical Aramaic 1. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 643 Syriac Aramaic 1* Fall Semester
The Syriac Peshitta is an exceptional Semitic translation of the Bible. The New Testament portion is the most ancient version that we have, even predating the majority of Greek manuscripts upon which our modern translations are based. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar and Biblical Aramaic or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 644 Syriac Aramaic 2* Spring Semester
This is a continuation of the first semester of Syriac Aramaic and will conclude the grammar and introduce the student to biblical readings from the Syriac Peshitta and non-biblical readings from the wonderful wealth of Syriac literature. Prerequisite is Ln 643 Syriac Aramaic 1. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln/Bi 652 Jonah/Ruth* Spring Semester
This course will complete the two-year study in Hebrew Language with a focus on Hebrew syntax and an introduction to Hebrew Exegesis. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln/Bi 653 Elijah/Elisha Narratives* Fall Semester
This Hebrew Exegesis course will explore the lives and ministry of two of the greatest Old Testament prophets. This is a Hebrew Bible Course. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 710 Introduction to Mishnaic Hebrew and the Talmud* Spring Semester
The course will acquaint students with the distinctives of Misnaic Hebrew grammar and philology in order to translate portions of the Mishnah. Once the texts are understood, then inferences will be drawn about its philosophical and theological world-views. Comparisons with biblical material and later Jewish practices and beliefs will be discussed. Prerequisite is Intermediate Hebrew Grammar or permission of the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 760 Introduction to the Apocrypha with Greek Readings* Either Semester
Description: "These books provide a fascinating theological bridge between the Testaments by showing how the traditions of the Hebrew Scriptures were carried forward in the Second Temple Judaism, and they greatly illumine the world in which Jesus and the New Testament writers lived and worked. The books will be read in English as well as portions from their original Greek. Prerequisites are Intermediate Greek Grammar or permission from the Instructor. Dr. Buchanan
- Ln 790 Independent Studies in Languages*
This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Language studies. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

Church History/History

Hi 501 Introduction to Church History 1

Fall Semester

First of a two-course sequence, this will survey Christian History from before the birth of Christ to the years just before the Protestant Reformation. Using both original and secondary sources, we will explore how the Church was shaped, and by whom, along with the part it played in the development of world history.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 502 Introduction to Church History 2

Spring Semester

The second of a two-course sequence, this course begins exploring Church history around the year 1500 through contemporary times. Using both original and secondary sources, we will explore how the Church was shaped, and by whom, along with the part it played in the development of world history.

Dr. Selmon

Hi 504 American Church History

Spring Semester

This course is dynamic survey of the development and growth of American religious experience. Through reading of both original and secondary sources, along with discussions and lectures, we will investigate the rise of denominations, changes in American religion caused by immigration, and the intellectual and cultural changes leading to our modern religious landscape.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th/Ap 613 False Religions and Cults in Contemporary Society

Fall Semester

A course taught by professor Jim Beverly concerning contemporary religions - their teachings, methods, and roles in modern society. It focuses upon the theology and thought of these false religions as they deviate from Historical Orthodox Christianity. Included is a section concerning Islam, Eastern Religions, Mormonism, Jehovah Witnesses, Scientology, and other contemporary groups.

Dr. Beverley

Hi/Th 621 Luther and Calvin

Fall Semester

This course is an in-depth exploration of the thought and times of these two great Reformation leaders. Using both primary and secondary sources, students will learn what Reformation thought means to the formation of a Christian worldview.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 622 Puritanism

Spring Semester

This course will explore the thought and lives of both English and American Puritans. It will provide the student with an in-depth understanding of Puritan thought and the consequences of that thought for our understanding of the gospel today.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 623 Early Church History

Fall Semester

This course will explore the thought and times of the Early Church Fathers and Apologists through an in-depth investigation of Early heresies that challenged the Church to develop appropriate articulations of orthodoxy. This course will explore the Early Church through the year 600.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 624 Contemporary Religious Movements

Spring Semester

This course will explore themes and movements in the contemporary church scene. The topics for the course will change each time it is offered; but at its core, we will read, discuss, and write concerning various topics in contemporary Historical and Theological studies.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 751 Studies in Jonathan Edwards

Fall Semester

The American theologian of the First Great Awakening, Edwards may well be America's greatest theologian. This course explores the story and work of this great man.

Dr. Selmon

Hi/Th 780 Thesis

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Hi 790 Independent Studies in Historical Studies

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Philosophy and Apologetics

Ap/Th 501 Introduction to Apologetics

Fall Semester

This class reveals why the Christian faith is the most popular and trustworthy religion in the world. The proofs for its reliability arise from practically all the academic disciplines such as philosophy, history, law, archaeology, science, and the Bible. Students will learn what they need to be able defenders of the Faith as well as having their own faith strengthened.

Dr. Smith

Ap/Th 502 Intermediate Apologetics

Spring Semester

(Prerequisite, Ap 101) This is an advanced study on the defense of the Christian faith, with the Introduction to Apologetics course being the necessary prerequisite. Further and more detailed study of the subject will occur with occasional guest speakers & media resources.

Dr. Smith

Pl 601 Introduction to Philosophy

Fall Semester

Beginning with the Ancient Greeks and moving to modern times, this course will survey the major Philosophical figures and movements. The purpose of the course is to help develop a Christian Worldview.

Ap/Th/Hi 613 False Religions and Cults in Contemporary Society

Fall Semester

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Dr. Beverly

Theology and Doctrine

Th 001 Introduction to Christian Doctrine and Theology

Fall Semester

This is a single semester class that deals with basic Christian doctrine (what the Bible teaches about God and His dealings with creation) and serves as a primer course to Systematic Theology. The student will learn who God, the Holy Spirit, and Jesus Christ are, as well as topics like sin, salvation, the church, free will and election, sanctification, and last days.

Dr. Smith

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Dr. Smith

Th/Ps 505 The Christian Doctrine of the Nature of Man

Fall Semester

This class will study the Biblical position regarding humanity. Why was man created and for what purpose? Why did man reject his Creator's plan? How does one get back to God's plan today? Why and what are the stark differences between this and modern psychology?

Dr. Smith

Th 521 Systematic Theology 1

Fall Semester

What is theology? Only the exciting study of God! This course will explore how Christians approach the study of God, the various ways of explaining foundational Christian doctrines, and what these doctrines mean for the Christian life.

Dr. Selmon

Th 522 Systematic Theology 2

Spring Semester

Continuing the study of God, this course continues to explore foundational Christian doctrines including the nature of salvation, the person and work of Christ, the work of the Holy Spirit, and theories of the end times. (Prerequisite: Th 301 or permission)

Dr. Selmon

Th/Bi 611 Studies in Romans

Fall Semester

A study in the "High Point" of theology, Paul's Letter to the Romans explains key Christian doctrines like total depravity, imputation, the nature of grace, how to walk by the Spirit, the nature of "true Israel," and how to live in light of God's grace.

Dr. Selmon

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Dr. Selmon

Th/Mi 642 Evangelism in a Postmodern World

Spring Semester

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Dr. Selmon

Th/En 660 Narnia & Beyond: A C.S. Lewis Reading Sampler

Summer Session

This course will explore the life and writing of one of the 20th century's great Christian thinkers. Through reading and discussion of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *Mere Christianity*, *The Screwtape Letters*, *The Problem of Pain*, *A Grief Observed*, and *Till We Have Faces*, we will explore Lewis' imagination, wit, theology, and influence on Christian thought.

Dr. Selmon

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Dr. Selmon

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SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Spiritual formation and Psychology

Sf 501 Spiritual Formation and Transformation

Fall Semester

Every believer should learn to access God's power in his/her life for change and spiritual growth. Our focus will be on spiritual disciplines and practices to bring this growth about and foster greater ministry potential.

Dr. Smith

Sf/Th 511 The Christian Doctrine of the Nature of Man

Fall Semester

How does Christian Theology understand humanity, the Creator's beloved creature? This course seeks answers and also offers a contrasting view: a class or two with Rev. Kasten on secular psychology's view of humanity.

Dr. Smith

Sf/Bi 541 Living the Truth in Jesus (Ephesians)

Fall Semester

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Dr. Selmon

Ps/Mi 601 Basic Biblical Counseling I

Fall Semester

Effective pastoral counseling requires knowledge of the Bible's guidance for Christians in crisis. It also requires knowing when we need to hand off the work to a more fully-trained counselor. This course explores these matters and lays the groundwork for the Pastor.

Dr. Smith

Ps/Mi 602 Basic Biblical Counseling II

Spring Semester

Effective pastoral counseling requires knowledge of the Bible's guidance for Christians in crisis. It also requires knowing when we need to hand off the work to a more fully-trained counselor. This course explores these matters and lays the groundwork for the Pastor.

Dr. Smith

Sf/Mi 780 Ministry Assessment and Management

Spring Semester

Why is life so stressful? Why is there never enough time or energy? We will seek biblical and medical answers to these questions, as well as assess calling, skill, and gifts for ministry. Each student will establish priorities, discover gifts, prepare a personal mission statement, set goals (personal, family, ministry, career), map out diet and exercise plans, and reserve times for personal retreats and family vacations.

Dr. Smith

MINISTRY

Communication

Co/Bi 501 Introduction to Hermeneutics

Spring Semester

This course reveals the need for intensive Biblical study and proper interpretation. The selection and use of tools such as concordances, topical Bibles, and others are examined thoroughly. Bible passages will be studied and discussed as well as individual assignments given in class.

Dr. Smith

Co/Bi 521 Jesus' Laws of Communication

Fall Semester

This course will look at Christ's earthly ministry and discover how He preached, taught and counseled people, and what made Him so effective. No less than fifty of His principles will be discussed that flow naturally into seven categories or "laws."

Dr. Smith

Co 601 Introduction to Preaching and Public Speaking (Homiletics) (Spring - Special)

This course provides the opportunity for the student to learn how to effectively communicate publicly. It will help the student learn how to prepare lessons and speeches, and present their material clearly and appealingly, providing them opportunities to practice with constructive comments from their peers, instructor and professionals (teachers, professors and pastors). The class normally starts with the Communicating the Truth Conference offered in the spring.

Dr. Smith

Co 602 Intermediate Homiletics

(Fall - Special)

This course starts with the Gordon-Conwell biennial preaching conference in September and will be completed on a Saturday and evening class TBD by those who attend the conference. Students will also be evaluated by the professor at a "live" preaching/teaching setting.

Dr. Smith

Co/Mi 662 Computers in Ministry

Spring Semester

Focusing on the benefits computers offer to ministry, this user-friendly course offers teaching and hands-on application. It introduces Bible study software, animated slide presentations, databases, website construction, desktop publishing, music, and other skills. Expert guests add their experience. Assignments help lock in the ideas and skills taught.

Dr. Smith

Co 740 Advanced Homiletics

(Spring - Special)

Preaching involves preaching both on Sundays and on special occasions. This course will teach students the art of preaching narrative sermons and other techniques that add variety to Sunday preaching. It will also help students develop their theology and practice in preaching for funerals, baptisms, civic events, and other special occasions.

Dr. Selmon

Co 490 Independent Studies in Communications

This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Communications. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

Mi 001 Academic Success

pre Fall/Spring Semester

Starting before the semester begins in August, this course will equip students with the tools to succeed throughout their studies at Grace. It will teach how to write papers, how to manage your time, how to approach all the areas of study at Grace, and how to deal with the pressures of school and life. It is mandatory for all entering students. It is a two-credit-hour course

Dr. Selmon

Mi 510 Worship: What's It About?

Fall Semester

This course is an exploration of the elements of Christian worship and some of the Scriptural background for those elements. There will also be a look at worship practices in different Christian traditions with an eye to why those differences are there and what they mean. What is personal worship? What is corporate worship? Worship leaders from some other traditions will help teach some sessions.

Rev. Conley

Mi 522 Introduction to Evangelism and Missions

Spring Semester

Evangelism and mission seem to be done in very different ways, though they share the same purpose. Here is how some of our Christian organizations do mission, along with the Scriptural basis and guidance for the work at home or abroad

Dr. Leland with others

Mii 532 Introduction to Practical Ministries

Fall Semester

A survey of the various kinds of full-time Christian ministries that are available to those seeking to work "the harvest" for Christ will be presented. Guest senior and youth pastors, chaplains, missionaries, etc. will also share their expertise with the class.

Dr. Smith

Mi 540 Introduction to Youth Ministry

Summer Term

Children were important to Jesus and should be to us, as well. This course will explore ministry to youth and the possibilities of unlock their great potential for Christ and the Church. Focus is on Junior and Senior High ages.

Dr. Smith

Mi 542 Christian Camping Ministry

Special

This is an opportunity to learn about the need for and value of Christian camping ministry. This course will provide instruction on everything from forms of camping to counselor training. A special emphasis will be placed on the director's responsibilities and counselor's impact.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Ps 601 Basic Biblical Counseling I

Fall Semester

This course will examine counseling from a Biblical perspective. God has placed in the Bible, solutions for man's problems and needs, and provides the keys for successful and contented living. Believers taking this course will learn how to become effective Biblical counselors for basic spiritual and emotional needs.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Ps 602 Basic Biblical Counseling II

Spring Semester

This course will begin where Basic Biblical Counseling ended. Its main purpose will be to observe, understand and apply the Bible's solutions to man's problems and needs. Students taking this course will become better equipped to help others in Christian counseling situations.

Dr. Smith

Mi 611 Biblical Leadership & the Pastoral Epistles

Fall Semester

This course teaches the Biblical principles of leadership by studying both the Pastoral Epistles (1 & 2 Timothy and Titus) and other Biblical leaders. The emphasis is on Scriptural principles as the primary source for leadership training in ministry.

Dr. Smith

Mi 621 Worship Arts

Fall Semester

Because of our ever-changing multi-sensory and multi-media driven society, the Church needs to come to an understanding of this new culture and employ appropriate adaptations. Contemporary forms, methods, and applications of worship will be examined, assessed, and applied as well as special attention given to leading worship and playing guitar. A special guitar workshop will be part of this course.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Th 642 Evangelism in a Postmodern World

Spring Semester

This course provides tools for understand our contemporary culture so that individuals and churches can share the Gospel within it. The first half of the course explores the intellectual and social changes that have led to today's culture. The second presents Gospel-sharing in a postmodern world. We will focus on both personal evangelism and effective Church witness.

Dr. Selmon

Mi 651 Elements of Pastoral Care

Fall Semester

The pastoral ministry is key to effective church health and growth. Poor pastors create problems, while Biblically mature pastors solve problems and maintain an atmosphere of love and spiritual maturity for the whole congregation. For some of the classes, experienced pastors will lead by sharing their expertise and responding to student's questions.

Dr. Smith

Mi/Co 662 Computers in Ministry

Fall Semester

There are many benefits a computer may offer those in ministry. This is a user-friendly course accompanied by hands-on application. Students will learn how to use software for Bible study, animated slide presentations, databases, website construction, desktop publishing and other skills and tools to enhance their ministry. Some components of the class will involve expert guest speakers.

Dr. Smith

Mi 751 Hospital Chaplaincy

This course is offered in conjunction with the Hospital Chaplaincy Education program at Eastern Maine Medical Center. It is an intensive practical ministry introduction that runs from September through February. It involves many hours each week at Eastern Maine Medical Center. This course can be taken for nine credit hours at Grace Evangelical.

Dr. Rex H. Garrett & staff

Mi/Ps 780 Ministry Assessment and Management

Spring Semester

People doing the work of Christian ministry often feel inadequate or overworked. This course offers help--through practical advice on spiritual gifts, personality and skills assessment, time management, good physical health practices and spiritual disciplines.

Dr. Smith

Mi 790 Independent Studies in Ministry

This course is an independent study course by one of our professors in Ministry. These independent study courses may be taken multiple times in different semesters. An independent study plan must be completed and approved with the signatures of the student, the professor, and the Academic Dean.

NON-STANDARD LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities sometimes arise for non-standard learning, such as visiting experts or professors who offer intensive, weekend courses or come for a session or two prior to class time on weekday afternoons, and so forth. Such opportunities may require advance preparation or may indicate books to study in conjunction with the teaching. Some may require payment, some may be without cost. If such opportunities arise, the administration will attempt to provide long lead times, so students know well in advance and can adjust their calendars, so they can participate. Some of the opportunities may offer academic credit. If so, appropriate arrangements will be available to record and maintain such grades in a participating student's record.

Grace Evangelical also will assist a student to organize study in the Holy Land at Jerusalem University College. Ask for details.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS AND STUDENTS CONCERNING APPLICATION, ENROLLMENT, AND ACADEMIC POLICIES

Admission to Grace Evangelical

Normally, secondary school juniors, seniors, or graduates, or persons who have successfully taken the GED exam are candidates for admission to Grace Evangelical's undergraduate program. Applicants should have taken the SAT, ACT or GED and provide these scores in addition to their secondary school transcripts as part of the admissions package. Applicants for graduate programs must have earned a bachelors degree. Admission to the Evening Program (studies leading to certificates) will be considered on a case-by-case basis at time of application.

Application for admission to Grace Evangelical, whether to the Undergraduate, Graduate, or Evening Program, must be made on the Application for Admission form which normally accompanies this catalog. If a potential applicant has not received a copy of the form, one will be provided on request made to Grace Evangelical by phone, e-mail, or mail or downloadable from the web.

The applicant must be sure to indicate on the form which program he desires to enter. Application prior to the following dates is helpful, though we consider applications whenever they arrive:

Undergraduate Program: March 1 of the year in which the student desires Fall Semester entry.

Graduate Program: March 1 of the year in which the student desires Fall Semester entry.

Single Course and Certificate Program: June 30 of the year in which the student desires Fall Semester Entry.

An application is complete only when the Essay Form and at least two references (written on or accompanied by reference forms provided together with the application form) from pastors, teachers, employers, or other similar persons who know and are able to offer evaluation of the applicant's character and potential for Christian service, have been received at the admissions department. The applicant is responsible for requesting that copies of any academic transcripts from earlier academic work also be sent to the admissions office from the institutions where he/she has studied.

Mail the application to:

Admissions
Grace Evangelical College & Seminary
502 Odlin Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Applicants will be notified of action on applications after the Admissions Committee's next meeting following receipt of application. Acceptance of any applicant currently enrolled in an academic program at another institution is contingent upon successful completion of the applicant's current semester in that institution.

We encourage questions regarding admission. Contact us as indicated in this catalog's front pages.

Policies on Enrollment and Academic Performance

Enrollment at Grace Evangelical is of two types. **Repetitive enrollment** describes the study plan of a student taking one, two, or more courses at a time without enrolling in a specific certificate or degree curriculum. Such students must achieve consistently passing grades in their courses, but are not required to maintain the 2.0 Grade Point Average required of certificate or degree students. *However, if such students subsequently apply their earned credits to obtain a certificate or degree, such certificate or degree will not be awarded unless all grades applied are passing and the GPA for all such grades is 2.0 or higher.*

The second type of enrollment is **continuing enrollment**, which is enrollment in a certificate or degree program. All courses applied to earning a certificate or degree must receive passing grades, and for a student's enrollment to continue, a GPA of 2.0 or higher must be maintained. Should the student's GPA fall below 2.0 following any semester, the student will be placed on academic probation, and assistance will be offered toward improving academic performance. Subsequent improvement in academic performance will bring the student out of probation when he/she achieves a GPA of 2.0 or above. However, a second semester of failing grades or continued under-2.0 GPA will result in academic suspension.

For various reasons, a student may need to **withdraw** from a course or from the academic program during a semester. In such instances, Grace Evangelical may return a pro-rated portion of paid-in tuition, based on the percentage of the semester the student has attended. *Enrollment at Grace Evangelical is for the entire semester, not for a shorter period of attendance, and the fact that a student may be paying tuition in installments does not imply a fractional contract. A student who withdraws during the course of a semester must file an official withdrawal form with the Registrar. Tuition refund credits are calculated from the date of official withdrawal. Non-attendance at classes does not constitute official withdrawal and grades for work that has not been completed will be recorded on a student's transcript until an official withdrawal form has been filed and accepted.*

When a student withdraws during the...	
first week of the semester	90% of tuition will be refunded
second week	80%
third week	70%
fourth week	60%
fifth week	50%
sixth week	40%
seventh week	30%
eighth week	20%
ninth week	10%
after the ninth week	0%

Tuition payment arrangements are flexible, but **arrangements must be made with the Treasurer prior to the opening of classes for any semester, and payments must be completed prior to the close of the semester.**

Readmission

When a student has withdrawn during an academic semester or has been suspended for academic or administrative reasons, readmission may be applied for as follows:

After Withdrawal a student may apply for readmission to studies in a subsequent semester by contacting Grace Evangelical and requesting a readmission form. Normally, readmission is granted, but opportunity to take the same courses one was taking at withdrawal is not guaranteed, since courses and instructors change over time. It will not be possible to be readmitted to a course in the middle of any semester: if one desires to retake the same course from which he/she withdrew, it must be taken from the beginning, at full tuition.

After Suspension, a student may apply for readmission following a period of one year. The request for readmission will be reviewed by a committee of the administration and the faculty. This committee will consider courses, if any, the student has taken at other institutions in the intervening time period, along with the student's discussion of his/her other progress and readiness to return to Grace Evangelical studies. Should the committee recommend against the student's return, the student may request an interview to explore further his/her future at Grace Evangelical.

Grades at Withdrawal

A student withdrawing from a course or from the school will receive grades for the course(s) based upon performance and the percentage of the semester for which he/she was enrolled. Withdrawal prior to the sixth week of the semester will be noted with a grade of "W." Withdrawal subsequent to sixth week will be noted "WP" (withdrew passing) or "WF" (withdrew failing), depending upon the student's academic performance at the time of withdrawal. Withdrawal from a course is not permitted later than the final day of classes of the semester in which the student is taking the course. *A student who withdraws from a course after the second week of the semester may not normally enroll in another course for that semester.*

Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes of the courses in which they are registered. There are, of course, circumstances such as family emergencies, long-term commitments, illness or accidents which can interfere with attendance. When difficulties arise, students should consult with the instructor, in advance if possible, about the best manner in which to make up missed class work, since each class missed is lost time and, in most Grace Evangelical courses, is equivalent to three to four class meetings in a traditional, daytime educational setting. Accidents or illnesses will be taken into account in applying this policy, but repeated absence will jeopardize a student's receiving credit for the course.

Locations of Grace Evangelical Events

Classes meet at the campus of Grace Evangelical College & Seminary, located at 502 Odlin Road, Bangor. Take I-95 exit 182B and turn left at the traffic light. GEC&S is at the second driveway past the Budget Inn on the left. Special worship or assembly events will take place in the large classroom in the main building, unless plans are announced to meet in another location, often a local church.

Classes and other events connected with the **Aroostook Project** take place currently (unless otherwise noted) at the State Street Baptist Church, located on State Street in Presque Isle.

Academics: Grading, Standards, and Requirements

At Grace Evangelical, the passing grade is 60. A grade of A = 95, B = 85, C = 75, D = 65, and F is below 60. The equivalent GPA numbers are A = 4, B = 3, C = 2, D = 1, and F = 0. A minimum cumulative grade average of 75 (C or 2) must be maintained for continuation in a certificate or degree program. Instructors are free to grade in finer increments within these basic grade points. An "A" requires on-time completion of all assignments with a superior understanding of the subject matter. A "B" requires on-time completion of all assignments with a good understanding of the subject matter. A "C" is given for work

that is satisfactory but does not show a solid grasp of some basic principles. A “D” indicates there are serious problems with the student’s work, though it is still passable. This grade represents a poor performance in comprehending the course content and indicates the work only meets the professor’s minimal standard. An “F” represents unacceptable work which fails to meet the requirements of the assignment or the course.

Courses may be taken on a full-time enrollment basis (12 or more credit hours per semester), or they may be taken toward a certificate on a part-time basis, even one at a time, by arrangement with the Registrar. Courses taken for grades will be made part of a student’s record and maintained toward certificates or degrees, whether taken on a full- or part-time basis.

A course may be taken as an audit, for no academic credit if a student so elects when registering for courses. When a student elects to audit, the election may not subsequently be changed back to for-credit status.

All work offered by students for their evaluation must be the student’s own work. Submission of plagiarism or another student’s or other person’s work as one’s own is not acceptable and is grounds for dismissal from the program. Submission of work done by another person, but intended for submission by the student in question, is unacceptable and is reason for dismissal from the program. Use of the internet is encouraged as a tool for academic work, however, quotes and ideas drawn from the internet are not acceptable without further attribution. That is, reference in a footnote or in a bibliography to a URL as a source of information is incomplete at best and likely insufficient. The citation must name the author and the academic work, book, or publication from which the reference has been taken for inclusion on the internet. If no such citation is provided, a student should not include the quote or the information in submitted work. The standard for such research is the same as that for research in traditional printed materials.

Tuition and Costs

Current Tuition is \$500 per 3-credit-hour course and \$335 for a 2-credit-hour course. A course is one semester in duration. A full-time, 15 credit-hour program of study for a semester is \$2,500. Tuition for a full, 30-credit-hour, one-year certificate is \$5,000. The spouse (opposite gender, married) of a student taking a course for full credit may take the same course, also for credit, for one half the regular tuition, or \$250. Tuition for an audit is \$100.

Tuition does not include the cost of books, notebooks, and other required or helpful materials. When a course involves travel, the cost of such travel is not included in the course tuition. These items will be the responsibility of the individual student to obtain and finance. A \$25 registration fee will be charged each semester at the time of each student’s registration.

Arrangements for payment of tuition must be made prior to the opening of classes. Flexible plans may be set up for monthly payments or other arrangements, but all payments must be made by the close of the semester for which the payment plan has been designed. *Granting of certificates and degrees and transmission of transcripts will be withheld until a student’s financial obligations to the school have been met.*

Financial Aid Information

Grace Evangelical has very limited funds available for financial aid and is not eligible for Title IV funds (Pell Grants, Stafford Loans, etc.) from the United States Government, but should a student need to find funds for tuition, we will share ideas and efforts to find possible sources of such funds. Success cannot be guaranteed. The second page of the application blank provides an area for the applicant to indicate financial need. The admissions department will note the applicant’s indication of need for exploration immediately following acceptance as a student. The *maximum* scholarship assistance Grace Evangelical offers is 80% of a student’s tuition obligation. At the time of this catalog’s production, student needs have been filled with scholarship assistance where needed, and no loans have been included in the financial packages. Grace Evangelical hopes to be able to continue this practice of providing scholarships and grants, rather than loans, in the future, depending upon God’s grace.

Academic Application of Life Experience Credit (LEC)

Many non-traditional students and occasional, traditional, full-time students have been away from academics for five or more years and have varying amounts of life experience that may, in some cases, be applied for academic credit, up to a maximum of six credit hours, as part of the work toward a degree. A student must apply through the Dean of Studies to be granted such credit. Four standard areas of inquiry will be applied to the student’s request:

- 1) Relevance to the student’s area of study
- 2) length of time the student was involved in a specific experience (a minimum of six months’ actual service will be expected)
- 3) The environment or context in which the experience took place (was it an appropriate environment or context for learning and growth to take place?)
- 4) Results (products, outcomes, accomplishments) that emerged or were achieved with the student’s involvement during the experience.

Further explanation of the categories into which such experiences fall and how evaluations will be made is found in the Grace Evangelical Student Handbook, and further exploration can be made through the office of the Dean of Studies. The academic

value and study area relevance of life experiences will be significant concerns for Grace Evangelical's consideration in determining whether to grant credit for those experiences.

Student Ministry Requirement

Every student attending Grace Evangelical College & Seminary is expected to be actively involved in Christian ministry in or through a local church, mission, or other ongoing Christian endeavor. This requirement may be met by the student's regular participation with a local church choir, teaching Sunday School, helping to lead junior church, serving at a soup kitchen, food pantry, or other Christian service work on a regular and consistent basis. This requirement is not to be considered an "internship" in any form. Rather, it is the Christian's appropriate, lifelong type of involvement in the work of Christian ministry. **Within two weeks of the beginning of each semester, the student must report to the Registrar** what ministry he/she is doing and with what organization. This information will become part of the student's permanent record.

Conduct, Dress, Etc

Conduct of every person connected with Grace Evangelical College & Seminary should be modest and sensitive to the concerns and sensitivities of others. While informality is comfortable in most circumstances, extreme informality can be insensitive or even offensive to some and shall be avoided.

Dress and personal appearance shall be modest, neat, and appropriate to a place of academic endeavor, not over-casual or -revealing. Students are expected to exercise sensitivity and discernment in their choices regarding their appearances, so as not to offend others or call unreasonable attention to themselves.

Chapel Worship

Chapel Worship is scheduled for the second Tuesday of each month classes are in session. It runs from 5:45-6:25 p.m, and all students and faculty are fervently urged to attend. Here there is fellowship in praise and prayer, and here students may hone skills, and faculty may share faith through preaching and leading various aspects of worship in an informal, personal setting. Don't miss this important opportunity.

Additional Items

When registering, or if already registered, during the first week of classes for a semester, students will have opportunity to meet individually with administrators to make **financial arrangements** with the school. At the same time, there should be available copies of the syllabus for each course. In most instances, Grace Evangelical does not supply or provide **books** required for class study. Book lists for each course will be available in sufficient time prior to a semester's opening for students to order their books ahead of the first class meeting. Each student is responsible for obtaining his/her own books, since Grace Evangelical does not operate a bookstore or have a supply arrangement. The cost of books will vary with the courses being taken.

Grace Evangelical's growing library resources are available to students. The Grace Evangelical library, together with available private resources is now nearly 10,000 volumes, predominantly theological in nature. The Grace Evangelical library is open any time classes are meeting and/or the school's office is open. Generally, that includes 10:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m, Monday through Thursday. Additional times can be arranged. A phone call to the office is advisable to insure it is open. By arrangement, Grace Evangelical students may also access the resources of the **Bangor Public Library**, New England's second largest public library.

Any student who has **questions or complaints** should bring them to the President. Theological education is a common effort, and those things that stand in the way of full sharing in this effort must be confronted. Grace Evangelical will try to find answers, and we will try to respond to anything that undermines our learning or our Christian fellowship. Scriptural guidance will be applied regarding all parties, including administrators and faculty, in the process of resolving such matters.

**CALENDAR FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR
2009 - 2010**

August, 2009

- 31 (Monday) 5:00 p.m. New Student Orientation (required) / 6:00 p.m. Supper /
7:00 p.m. Welcome and Opening Worship

September

- 1 (Tuesday) Classes begin
- 7 (Monday) Labor Day (No classes)
- 14 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC/S Board of Trustees meets
- 15 (Tuesday) Last day for course drop/add
- 15 (Tuesday) Christian College Fair, Bangor
- 17 (Thursday) Christian College Fair, Waldoboro

October

- 4 (Sunday) World-Wide Communion
- 12 (Monday) Columbus Day Observed. (Classes meet)
3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 13 (Tuesday) 5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service
- 15 (Thursday) 1:30 p.m. GEC/S Board of Advisors meets
- 19-23 Mid-Semester reading week. Paper preparation and writing. Study for mid-term exams
- 26 (Monday) Classes resume
- 31 (Saturday) Reformation Day

November

- 1 (Sunday) All Saints Day/Daylight Savings Time ends: Clocks back
- 9 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 10 (Tuesday) Election Day/5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service
- 11 (Wednesday) Veterans Day (Classes meet)
- 19 (Thursday) 1:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Advisors meets
- 22 (Sunday) Bible Sunday
- 24 (Tuesday) Thanksgiving Break begins after classes
- 26 (Thursday) Thanksgiving Day
- 29 (Sunday) Thanksgiving Sunday/First Sunday in Advent
- 30 (Monday) Classes resume

December

- 6 (Sunday) Second Sunday in Advent
- 8 (Tuesday) 5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service
- 14 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets/First Semester Exam week begins. Papers due.
- 18 (Friday) First semester ends
- 24 (Thursday) Christmas Eve
- 25 (Friday) Christmas Day
- 31 (Thursday) New Year's Eve (Watchnight)

January, 2010

- 1 (Friday) New Year's Day/Classes with insufficient registration cancel
- 4-15 "Winterim:" Specially-scheduled classes, conferences during these two weeks!
- 6 (Wednesday) Epiphany (Twelfth Night)
- 11 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 18 (Monday) Second semester begins/Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

February

- 8 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 9 (Tuesday) 5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service

February, continued

- 15-19 Mid-semester reading week. Advance paper and mid-term study
- 17 (Wednesday) Ash Wednesday/Lent begins
- 17-20 ABHE Annual Meeting and Convention: Orlando, FL
- 22 (Monday) 6:30 p.m. Classes resume
- 25 (Thursday) 1:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Advisors meets (Chg to 4th wk. Feb. only)

March

- 7 (Sunday) Daylight Saving Time begins: Clocks forward
- 8 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 9 (Tuesday) 5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service
- 28 (Sunday) Palm Sunday
- 31 (Wednesday) Easter Break begins after classes

April

- 1 (Thursday) Maundy Thursday
- 2 (Friday) Good Friday
- 4 (Sunday) Easter Day (Resurrection Day) (Pascha 1)
- 7 (Wednesday) Classes resume following Easter Break
- 12 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 13 (Tuesday) 5:45-6:25 p.m. Chapel Worship Service
- 15 (Thursday) 1:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Advisors meets
- 30 (Friday) Second semester classes end

May

- 3-7 Second semester final exams, papers due
- 6 (Thursday) National Day of Prayer
- 10 (Monday) 3:30 p.m. GEC&S Board of Trustees meets
- 16 (Sunday) 7:00 p.m. Closing Worship, Commencement

Note on Calendar for school year 2010 - 2011: Dates are expected to track those of the 2009 - 2010 calendar, but one day sooner (for instance, Labor Day is Monday, September 6 in 2010; GEC&S will Open Monday, August 30, 2010).

Calendar Events for any year are tentative and subject to change or cancellation. Please check with the Grace Evangelical office near the date indicated to confirm that an event is still scheduled.

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NUMBERS IN PROGRAMS OF STUDY:

M.A. Students	10
M.A.Min. Students	4
M.Div. Students	3
B.A. Students	11
A.A. Students	7
Certificate Students	3
Non-degree Students	22

CHURCHES/DENOMINATIONS REPRESENTED:

Advent Christian	1
Agape Christian Fellowship	3
American Baptist	9
Calvary Chapel	1
CCCC	2
Charismatic	2
Community (Baptist)	3
Community (Reformed)	1
Conservative Baptist	14
CRC	2
Episcopal	1
Independent Baptist	12
Nazarene	1
Orthodox Presbyterian	1
Other Baptist	1
Solid Rock Worship Center	1
UMC	2
UCC	3

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