



Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) Degree Program

American Baptist College Mission Statement

The Mission of American Baptist College, a Historically Black College, is to educate, graduate, and prepare diverse students with a liberal arts emphasis for Christian Leadership, service and social justice in the world.

Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) Program Description

The Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) Degree is a thirty-six (36) hours program designed for students who previously earned a Bachelor's degree and desire to complete biblical and theological undergraduate work before entering a field of leadership, ministry, or graduate study.

B.Th. Graduation Requirements

In addition to the hours in course requirements, the candidate for this degree must also demonstrate an ability to do original research, express clearly his or her Christian convictions, and maintain a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 (B-). The student and advisor will agree to a program of study of 36 hours. The Bachelor of Theology Degree is awarded upon the successful completion of the following requirements:

1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution;
2. Completion in resident, or a minimum of 18 credit hours in Biblical-Theological Studies coursework;
3. Commendable conduct while at the College and evidence of spiritual and social maturity and Christian Character.

Students who began the B.Th. Program under a previous catalog must continue under its requirements unless they have less than 19 hours. Any change to the new requirements will only be accomplished through a written petition to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs and Student Life

Organization and Use of this Document

The requirements to fulfill the curriculum for the Associate of Arts are included under the core courses curriculum and as necessary students can also take enhancement courses.

Section One – Bible and Theology. Eighteen (18) Bible and Theology credit hours.

Section Two – Church Vocation. Twelve (12) Church Vocations credit hours.

Section Three – Electives. Electives cluster requires a senior thesis and one unrestricted course for a total of six (6) credit hours.

Please note:

1. Although the same course may fall under different areas -- Core Curriculum, the Major, and Concentration -- a student *will not* be able use one course to satisfy all three requirements. A course can only be used to satisfy one area of requirement.
2. The classes listed here as substitutions/equivalent classes *are not exhaustive*; and probably do not represent all the classes that have been offered here at American Baptist College. Any class on a student's transcript not listed here should be brought to the attention of the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs and Student Life for approval.

Total hours to complete for Bachelor of Theology degree is 36 semester credit hours.

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(36 Semester Credit Hours)

1). Bible and Theology Courses

A total of six (6) Bible and Theology courses are required to complete eighteen (18) credit hours.

Course Number	Course Title	Semester and Year	Final Grade	Transfer Credit or Substitute

- **CS 308 Shalom / Biblical Leadership**
- **NT 301 Life and Teachings of Jesus**
- **NT 300/400 New Testament Elective**
- **OT 301 Pentateuch**
- **OT 302 Prophets**
- **OT 300/400 Old Testament Elective**
- **PH 402 Christian Ethics and the Bible**
- **TH 408 Thinking Theologically**

2). Church Vocations

A total of four (4) Church Vocations courses are required to complete twelve (12) credit hours.

Course Number	Course Title	Semester and Year	Final Grade	Transfer Credit or Substitute

- **CE 410 Sexuality and the Black Church**
- **CS 311 Church & Social Welfare**
- **CS 313 Marriage and the Black Family**
- **CS321 Field Education I**
- **CS 404 Gender Roles in Church and Society**
- **CS 407 Voices from the Civil Rights Movement**

- **MI 303 Faith and Public Policy**
- **PS 415 African American Spirituality**
- **SO 309 Criminal Justice**
- **TH 405 Black and Liberation Theology**

3). Electives

A total of two (2) Elective courses are required to complete six (6) credit hours.

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