



# *International College of the Bible*

## *Syllabus*

### Master in Arts

Course No.	Course Title	Course Description	Credits
501	<b>Old Testament Textual Studies</b>	In-depth study of selected Old Testament passages and their importance to overall Bible study	3
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503	<b>Book of John, Special Studies</b>	Textual study with special emphasis to the Deity of Christ	3
504	<b>Balanced Preaching</b>	A class that looks at some of the balanced sermons of the Bible and offers ideas for balanced preaching in today's world	3
505	<b>The Minister and His Personal Life</b>	A study designed to help the minister follow his sermons in practice in his personal life and avoid sin	3
506	<b>Apologetics</b>	A special study in one or two areas of Christian Apologetics	3
507	<b>False Philosophies</b>	A review of philosophy and a look at some false philosophies of our day and their impact on society	3
508	<b>Topical Bible Studies</b>	A detailed study of 2 or 3 Bible topics selected by the instructor	3
509	<b>Qualifications of Church Leaders</b>	A study of Bible leaders and their qualifications	3
510	<b>Contemporary Issues and Problems</b>	A study of issues and problems facing the Church of Christ	3
511	<b>Liberalism and Anti-ism</b>	A study of the two extremes that are present in the church	3
512	<b>Matters of Opinion and Matters of Faith</b>	A study designed on how to tell the difference between the two and how to deal with these two matters	3
513	<b>Recognizing False Arguments</b>	A brief study of logic and several specific false arguments examined	3
514	<b>Old Testament Prophecies</b>	A study of Bible prophecy and some specific prophecies and their fulfillments	3

515	<b>Bible Counseling</b>	Counseling from a Bible perspective design to bring people into obedience to God's word	3
516	<b>The Problem of Evil, Pain, and Suffering</b>	This study examines the arguments atheists have used in an attempt to show God is not consistent	3
517	<b>The Biblical Doctrine of Last Things</b>	A detailed study of death, judgment, heaven, and hell	3
518	<b>Special Problems</b>	A study of special problems selected by the instructor and researched in depth by the student	3
519	<b>Customs and Culture</b>	A study of various customs and cultures and how they relate to principles of truth taught in the Bible	3
520	<b>Preacher Epistles</b>	Textual study of some of the Epistles written by Paul to preachers	3
521	<b>The New Testament Church</b>	An in-depth study of various aspects of the New Testament church	3
522	<b>Epistles of Paul</b>	A detailed study of some of Paul's Epistles, looking at different themes	3
526	<b>General Counseling</b>	General Christian Counseling principles	3
527	<b>Special Seminars in Counseling</b>	Selected special areas of counseling studied through seminars	3
530	<b>Existence of God</b>	In-depth study of the nature of God and arguments used by Atheists attempting to prove God does not exist	3
531	<b>Atheism and Agnosticism</b>	The influence of these doctrines on modern day society and refuting their arguments	3
532	<b>Ethical Decisions</b>	A study of ethical decisions faced today: abortion, gay marriages, situation ethics, capital punishment, bio medical decisions	3
533	<b>Creation versus Evolution</b>	A study of the arguments for these opposite positions	3
534	<b>Literature of the Restoration Movement</b>	Reading of materials during the 1800's and early 1900's of the directions taken among Churches of Christ	3
535	<b>The Prophets and Current Issues</b>	A study of Old Testament prophets, their messages and relevance for today	3
536	<b>Topical Bible Studies of Special Interest</b>	Topics of special interest to the student may be approved by the instructor	3
537	<b>The Canon of the Bible</b>	A study showing that the books that are in our present Bible should be there and why	3
538	<b>How We Got the English Bible</b>	A study of how our English Bibles came into existence and a review of specific English Bibles	3
539	<b>Deity of Christ and Modern Denominations</b>	A study of the deity of Christ and how a failure to understand this doctrine has led to many false views in denominationalism	3
540	<b>Master in Arts Thesis</b>	A thesis written by the student approved by the instructor; paper is to be typed, doubled spaced, and at least 50 pages	9
541	<b>Child Counseling</b>	A study of how to counsel children	*

542	<b>Family Crisis Counseling</b>	A study of family crisis and how to help with issues	*
543	<b>Premarital and Marriage Counseling</b>	A study of ways to help those before marriage avoid problems and help those in marriage who are having problems	3
544	<b>Family Roles</b>	A study of roles in the family and how they have and are changing	*
545	<b>Conflict Resolution Counseling</b>	How to help resolve conflicts in the home through counseling	*
546	<b>Problems Counselors Face</b>	A study of pitfalls to avoid as a counselor	*
547	<b>Seminar in Counseling</b>	A special assignment will be given to the student to research and interview people	*
548	<b>Worry and Happiness</b>	Study showing from passages in the Bible how to avoid worry and live a happy life	*
549	<b>Grief Counseling</b>	A class designed to study the role of the preacher in helping people overcome grief	3
550	<b>Preachers as Counselors</b>	A study of the preacher and his opportunities as a counselor	*
551	<b>The Bible, The Basis of Christian Counseling</b>	A study of the rich material for counselors found in the Bible	3
552	<b>Counseling Troubled Teens and Their Families</b>	A class for helping counsel family problems and each member of the family	*
553	<b>Building A Healthy Family</b>	A study of principles set forth in the Bible for a healthy family	*
554	<b>Special Problems in Counseling</b>	The student will select a special problem in counseling that must be approved by the instructor	3
555	<b>Special Assignment in Counseling</b>	The instructor will assign a special area in counseling for the student to research	*
556	<b>Seminar in Mission Work</b>	The student will be assigned special areas of mission work to research	3
557	<b>Culture and Mission Work</b>	This class will deal with the impact of the culture on the mission field	3
558	<b>The Indigenous Church</b>	This class will deal with the indigenous approach to mission work	3
559	<b>Mission Work</b>	This class will deal with the various aspects of mission work and special assignments will be given each student	3
560	<b>Mission Trips</b>	This class will deal with preparing for mission trips, going into mission fields, and working in foreign areas of the world	3

**Note:** The requirement for the Master in Arts Thesis (Course No. 540) can be waived by the completion of 9 additional credit hours.

\* Course not yet available