BIBLICAL STUDIES, CERTIFICATE

Requirements for an undergraduate certificate may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the certificate.

Program Description
The Biblical Studies Certificate program is designed to provide students with a foundation in the academic study of the Bible, both the Jewish and Christian canons. Through a flexible and student-centered course of study, beginning with courses in the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament and the New Testament, and including a variety of elective courses within or related to the field of Biblical Studies, students will be exposed to the academic methods and approaches to understanding the Bible.

Program Requirements
To earn an undergraduate certificate in Biblical Studies, a minimum of 12 credits is required.

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Additional courses, no more than one of which may be a language course: 6

- JST 4 Jewish and Christian Foundations
- JST 10 Jewish Civilization
- JST 12
- JST 70
- JST 90 Jerusalem: Past, Present, and Future
- JST 102 Canaan and Israel in Antiquity
- JST 104 The Bible as Literature
- JST 111 Early Judaism
- JST 122 Apocalypse and Beyond
- JST 123 History of God: Origins of Monotheism
- JST 153 Dead Sea Scrolls
- JST 420 Archaeology of the Near East
- JST 421 Aramaic
- JST 425W Books of the Bible: Readings and Interpretation
- GREEK 2
- HEBR 151 Introductory Biblical Hebrew
- HEBR 152 Intermediate Biblical Hebrew

Non-Course Requirements:
- As per University policy, all credit courses for a certificate require a grade of "C" or higher, and at least two-thirds (2/3) of the credits used to complete a certificate must be earned at Penn State.

Academic Advising
The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/)

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