

Associate of Biblical Studies (ABS)

63 Hours total: Two- or Three-Year program

Mission Statement

The IBC **Associate of Biblical Studies** graduate will demonstrate a growing knowledge of God and His Word, active involvement in ministry, and basic leadership skills.

Objectives

The ABS graduate:

- Will have developed a more complete understanding of the content and doctrines of Scripture, a basic ability to lead others in a study of the Bible, and an expanded capacity to apply its message in practical ways to themselves and others.
- Will have a basic competency in oral and written communication.
- Will have a growing comprehension of personal giftedness, passion, and place in ministry.
- Will have developed a commitment to serve individuals with grace and truth in and through the church.

Progression

One great strength of the IBC curriculum is that it is completely progressive: the one-year certificate is the first year of the associate's degree, and the two-year associate's degree is the first two years of the bachelors. This allows for students to progress in their education with some level of uncertainty as to the ultimate length of their education at IBC; it also allows for commencement to be a yearly celebration of those who have been faithful up to that point.

Two- or Three-Year Program (ABS)

Bible and Theology	24 Credit Hours
Christian Ministry	20 Credit Hours
General Education	19 Credit Hours
<hr/> Total	<hr/> 63 Credit Hours

ASSOCIATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES (ABS) 2-YEAR			
Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
First Year			
BOT100-3	Old Testament History & Lit	BNT100-3	(January) New Testament History & Lit
BBS105-3	Elements of Bible Study	MDI100-3	Evangelism & Discipleship
GEN100-3	English Composition I	MCF105-3	Christian Family
GHR100-2	Human Relationships	BTH105-3	Basic Theology
GPD100-2	Personal Development	GEN105-3	English Composition II
GWP110-1	Work Pathways	GMA105-2	Personal Finance
MSF100-1	Spiritual Formation I	MSF105-1	Spiritual Formation II
15	Total Credits	18	Total Credits
Second Year			
BNT205-3	Life of Christ	MBC200-2	(January) Introduction to Biblical Counseling
BBS200-2	Intermediate Bible Study Methods	MMF200-2	Ministry Funding Strategies
GET200-3	Introduction to Christian Ethics	MBC205-3	Biblical Communication
GCO200-3	Principles Of Verbal Communication	BBS205-2	Advanced Bible Study Methods
BTH200-3	Man, Sin, and Salvation	MMI205-3	Introduction to Missions
MSF200-1	Spiritual Formation III	BEL215-2	Bible/Theology Elective
		MSF205-1	Spiritual Formation IV
15	Total Credits	15	Total Credits
Cumulative Total			63

Bible and Theology 24 Credit Hours

BOT100-3	Old Testament History & Literature
BNT105-3	New Testament History & Literature
BBS105-3	Elements of Bible Study Methods
BTH105-3	Basic Theology
BTH200-3	Man, Sin & Salvation
BNT205-3	Life of Christ
BBS200-2	Intermediate Bible Study Methods
BBS205-2	Advanced Bible Study Methods
BEL215-2	Bible/Theology Elective – 2nd year

Christian Ministry 20 Credit Hours

MDI100-3	Evangelism & Discipleship
MCF105-3	Christian Family
MSF100/5-1	Spiritual Formation I & II
MBC200-2	Introduction to Biblical Counseling
MMF200-2	Ministry Funding Strategies
MMI205-3	Introduction to Missions
MCO205-3	Biblical Communication
MSF200/5-1	Spiritual Formation II & IV

General Education 19 Credit Hours

GEN100-3	English Composition I
GEN105-3	English Composition II
GPD100-2	Personal Development
GWP110-1	Work Pathways
GHR100-2	Human Relationships
GMA105-2	Personal Finance
GCO200-3	Principles of Verbal Communication
GET200-3	Introduction to Christian Ethics