

Degree Programs

Covington Bible Institute

School of Biblical Counseling

The CTS School of Biblical Counseling exists to equip those pursuing the ministry of the biblical counselor for the purpose of strengthening churches, para-church organizations, and educational institutions through teaching the gospel and its applications in biblical counseling. One of our goals is to foster collaborative relationships and to provide robust, relevant biblical resources that equip the Body of Christ to change lives with Christ's changeless truth through the personal ministry of the Word.

All that we do flows from our calling to teach the Word of God and to equip people to love God and one another in Christ-centered ways. We pursue this purpose by organizing our thinking around one central question: "What does it mean to counsel in the grace and truth of Jesus Christ?"

A student can pursue certificates in Biblical Counseling in the areas of crisis counseling (16 hours), marriage/premarital counseling (16 hours), biblical counseling (32 hours), or advanced biblical counseling (32 hours).

Covington Bible Institute

Covington Schools offer the following three diploma programs and certificate programs to those who are non-high school graduates or to those who do not currently seek a degree. These programs are designed to move a student from their entry point of study into a progression of in-depth studies. Whether the student has little or no training or considerable experience and knowledge, Covington Bible Institute can design a plan of development to meet their ministry / educational goals.

General Bible Diploma

The Bible Institute offers this diploma to those who complete thirty-two semester hours of Bible training. There are no educational prerequisites for entering this program. Regardless of a person's educational background, anyone may enroll in this program of study.

The student must complete thirty-two semester hours of work taken from the Bible courses listed in the back of the catalog that begin with the course designations 100 to 300 levels (E.g. Bi-111 or Bi-311).

Graduate of Biblical Studies

The Bible Institute offers this diploma to those who successfully complete thirty-two hours of Bible Training. To enroll in this program, the applicant must have thirty-two semester hours of previous Bible training with Covington or an accepted Bible school. This course is considered a two-year course.

The student must complete thirty-two semester hours of work taken from the Bible courses listed in the back of the catalog that are found in the Department of the Bible.

Graduate of Theology

The Bible Institute offers the Graduate of Theology as a third-year program. As a prerequisite, a person desiring to enroll in this program must have sixty-four hours of previous training or its equivalent.

The student must complete thirty-two semester hours of work taken from the courses listed in the back of the catalog that are in the Department of Bible or Theology

Certificates

The Covington Bible Institute will provide certificates of study for those who are interested in specialized areas of religious or biblical study at an introductory level. A specialized curriculum will be developed by the registrar that is biblically centered and focused. The specialized areas of study that are available at the certificate level are: Biblical Counseling, Bible Preparation, Bible Teaching, Theology, Church Leadership, Premarital Counseling, and Apologetics. Each certificate of study consists of 16 hours of study and is designed to provide competence for both certificate and degree programs. The completion of each certificate will provide 16 hours of study toward an Associate degree in Ministry / Theology. Each certificate can be added to a diploma or a degree program as an additional certification provided the work is done for the certificate over and above the requirements for the diploma or degree program. If a student begins a certificate program and decides to progress to a degree program, those courses may be incorporated into that plan of study. All credits earned are transferable to a degree program (i.e. Graduate of Theology – with Certificate in Biblical Counseling; Bachelor of Ministry – with Certificate in Apologetics; or a Master of Ministry – with Certificate in Bible Preparation.

Minimum Studies for Diplomas

No diploma will be issued at any level until the student has completed the minimum required hours equivalent to one year's work at that level. All certificates are either 16 or 32 hours of study. A student must complete at least 32 hours of study in order to obtain a diploma from CTS. This is true at any degree level.

Covington Bible College Program

Covington Schools offer the following degree programs to those who are high school graduates or have a G.E.D. and desire to seek a college degree. The student must maintain a "C" average and complete the requirements specified for each degree. The student must have completed 8 hours of English at an approved college or university or it will be required as a prerequisite for any degree at this level.

Associate of Ministry

Covington offers this degree to those who desire to earn a two-year degree. These first two years also constitute the first two years of the Bachelor of Ministry degree. This degree is offered for successfully completing sixty-four semester hours. To enroll in this program, the applicant must have a high school diploma, G.E.D., or have successfully completed at least one year of study at the Bible Institute level of study while maintaining a "C" average. Covington is passionate about developing pastors who are competent in the Word of God and understand how to accurately handle the Word of God. This program of study is encouraged for those who have the calling to pastor in the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Year One

32 Hours

BI-180	New Testament Survey I	4
BI-160	Old Testament Survey I	4
BI-150	Galatians	4
BI-210	Introduction to the Bible	4
PS-111	Ethics I	4
CH-110	Leadership	4
CH-280	Church Ministry	4
CH-210	Missiology	4

Year Two

32 Hours

BI-380	New Testament Survey II	4
BI-360	Old Testament Survey II	4
TH-110	Bible Doctrines I	4
TH-201	Bible Doctrines II	4
BI-235	Acts	4
PS-127	Cults I	4
BI-475	The Synoptic Gospels	4
BI-330	The Gospel and Epistles of John	4

TOTAL HOURS

64 Hours

Associate of Theology

Covington offers this degree to those who desire to earn a two-year degree. These first two years also constitute the first two years of the Bachelor of Theology degree. This degree is offered for successfully completing sixty-four semester hours. To enroll in this program, the applicant must have a high school diploma, G.E.D., or have successfully completed at least one year of study at the Bible Institute level of study while maintaining a "C" average. Covington is passionate about developing pastors who are competent in the Word of God and understand how to accurately handle the Word of God. This program of study is and designed and encouraged for those who have the calling to pastor in the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Year One		32 Hours
BI-290	Inspiration of Scripture	4
BI-480	The Life of Christ	4
TH-201	Bible Doctrines II	4
PS-237	Hermeneutics	4
BI-210	Inductive Bible Study	4
BI-192 A	1 Timothy 1-3	4
CH-280	Church Ministry	4
CH-262	Missiology	4
Year Two		32 Hours
BI-311	Genesis II	4
BI-160	Old Testament Survey I	4
TH-302	Bible Doctrines III	4
BI-338 A	Romans 1-4	4
PS-235	Mission of the Church	4
BI-180	New Testament Survey I	4
CL-360	Biblical Worldview	4
BI-338 B	Romans 5-8	4
TOTAL HOURS		64 Hours

Bachelor of Ministry

A student is not required to first graduate with an Associate of Ministry in order to begin the Bachelor of Ministry, but they are required to have 64 semester hours to enter this degree. If a student chooses to first graduate with the Associate of Ministry degree then that degree simply accounts for the first two years of the Bachelor of Theology degree.

Year Three

32 Hours

BI-338 A	Romans 1-4	4
BI-338 B	Romans 5-8	4
CH-344	Church History	4
PS-237	Hermeneutics	4
BI-430 A	Ephesians 1-3	4
BI-430 B	Ephesians 4-6	4
BI-450	Pastoral Epistles	4
BC-200	Biblical Counseling	4

Year Four

32 Hours

BI-339 A	Romans 9-11	4
BI-339 B	Romans 12-16	4
TH-309	Biblical Eschatology	4
BI-311	Genesis	4
CL-370	Biblical Shepherd	4
CH-241	Apologetics I	4
CL-340	Mission of the Church	4
CL-370	Christian Apologetics II	4

TOTAL HOURS

128 Hours

Bachelor of Religious Education

A student is required to first graduate with an Associate of Ministry or an Associate in Theology in order to begin the Bachelor of Religious Education degree. When a student first graduates with an Associate of Ministry or an Associate in Theology degree, then that degree simply accounts for the first two years of the Bachelor of Religious Education degree.

Year Three

32 Hours

CH-155	Laws of Teaching	4
CL-220	Doctrine of Salvation	4
BI-150	Galatians	4
BI-235	Acts	4
CH-255	Teaching	4
CH-310	Childhood Education	4
CH-348	Educational Administration	4
CH-350	Introduction to Christian Education	4

Year Four

32 Hours

BC-250	Introduction to Biblical Counseling	4
TH-302	Bible Doctrines II	4
CL-370	Biblical Shepherds	4
CH-256	Teaching Methods	4
BI-430 A	Ephesians 1-3	4
BC-460	Biblical Counseling II	4
CH-440	Leadership II	4
CH-445	Christian Apologetics II	4

TOTAL HOURS

128 Hours

Bachelor of Theology

A student is not required to first graduate with an Associate of Theology in order to begin the Bachelor of Theology, but they are required to have 64 semester hours to enter this degree. If a student chooses to first graduate with the Associate of Theology degree, then that degree simply accounts for the first two years of the Bachelor of Theology degree.

Year Three

32 Hours

BI-430 A	Ephesians 1-3	4
CH-344	Church History I	4
PS-360	Expository Preaching	4
PS-440	Pastoral Theology	4
BI-430 B	Ephesians 4-6	4
CH-442	Church History II	4
TH-407	Theology I	4
BC-200	Biblical Counseling	4

Year Four

32 Hours

BI-475	The Synoptic Gospels	4
TH-508	Theology II	4
CL-370	Biblical Shepherds	4
CH-241	Christian Apologetics I	4
BI-485	New Testament III	4
BC-460	Biblical Counseling II	4
PS-450	Expository Preaching II	4
CH-445	Christian Apologetics II	4

TOTAL HOURS

128 Hours

Covington Theological Seminary Master Program

Covington Schools offer the following advanced degree programs to those who are college graduates and desire to seek an advanced degree. The student must maintain a "C" average and complete the requirements specified for each degree.

Covington Schools will work with a student who desires to specialize in a particular area of study such as Pastoral Studies, Biblical Counselling, Missions, or Bible. Changes to a Seminary Division degree curriculum to reflect a specialty area of study must be first approved by Covington Schools.

Master of Ministry

The Master of Ministry degree requires the candidate to complete forty (40) semester hours of work at the graduate level beyond the Bachelor's degree. The student must have completed 128 hours of work at the Bachelor's level and possess a degree from Covington or an acceptable college or seminary.

Year One

40 Hours

BI-511	Genesis III	4
BI-560-A	Panorama of the Old Testament – Part A	4
TH-310	The Doctrine of Grace	4
PS-535	Pastoral Theology II	4
BC-400	Theology of Biblical Counseling	4
PS-560	Strategies of Administration	4
PS-433	Homiletics III	4
CH-420	Church Missions II	4
BI-510	Exposition of Bible Book	4
BI-700	Ministry Project – Independent Study	4

TOTAL HOURS

40 Hours

Master of Religious Education

The Master of Religious Education degree requires the candidate to complete forty (40) semester hours of work at the graduate level beyond the Bachelor's degree. The student must have completed 128 hours of work at the Bachelor's level and possess a degree from Covington or an acceptable college or seminary.

Year One		40 Hours
TH-609	Bible Doctrines III	4
BI-510	Exposition of Bible Book	4
BI-511	Genesis III	4
BI-560	Old Testament II	4
BI-580	Life of Christ	4
BI-650	Christology I	4
CH-445	Christian Apologetics II	4
CH-550	Christian Education Leadership	4
CH-648	Day School Administration	4
CH-700	Ministry Project – Independent Study	4
TOTAL HOURS		40 Hours

Master of Theology

(40 hours M.Min. or M.R.E. + 32 hours)

The Master of Theology degree is offered to those who desire a more in-depth Master's degree program. Sixty-four (64) semester hours of work beyond an approved Bachelor degree is required. The entrance requirement is a Bachelor degree or other Master degree.

Year Two		32 Hours
TH-464-A	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit – Part A	4
BI-560-B	Panorama of the Old Testament – Part B	4
TH-503	Eschatology II	4
CL-440	Biblical Eldership	4
BI-510	Exposition of Bible Book	4
BI-510	Exposition of Bible Book	4
TH-464-B	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit – Part B	4
TH-520	Millennialism	4
TOTAL HOURS		At Least 64 Hours

Master of Divinity

(64 hours M.Th. + 32 hours = 96 hours)

The highest obtainable Master's degree offered at Covington Schools is the Master of Divinity degree and requires ninety-six (96) semester hours of studies above an approved Bachelor degree. Research, writing, and independent study are included along with a 25,000 word thesis. The entrance requirement is a Bachelor degree or other Master degree.

Year Three

32 Hours

TH-464-B	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit – Part B	4
TH-609	Theology III	4
CH-480	Discipleship	4
BI-571	Israel's Prophets	4
BI-650	Christology	4
BI-510	Exposition of Bible Book	4
BI-511	Exposition of Bible Book	4
TH-694	Master of Divinity Thesis (25,000 words)	4

TOTAL HOURS

96 Hours

