DEPARTMENT OF
BIBLICAL AND
RELIGIOUS STUDIES

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DEPARTMENT DESCRIPTION

The Department of Biblical and Religious Studies and Philosophy prepares students for a number of careers, including missions, ministry and academia. Students receive careful and thoughtful introduction to the essential ideas of western civilization integrated with a Christian faith perspective. The department encourages critical and analytical thinking that assesses biblical, theological and ministry issues and concerns while inviting interaction with and sensitivity to differing perspectives.

MAJORS

Biblical and Religious Studies
The Bachelor of Arts degree in Biblical and Religious Studies combines 36 credit hours of course requirements in addition to the College core curriculum. The major, grounded in the texts, issues and concerns of the Church throughout the centuries, explores issues in biblical, theological and historical studies.

Christian Ministries
The Bachelor of Arts degree in Christian Ministries is a 42 credit hour major and is customized for students looking to pursue non-ordained professional ministry callings in churches, para-church agencies, and missions organizations outside of the United States.

MINORS

Biblical and Religious Studies
Students complete 18 credit hours of course requirements to earn a minor in biblical and religious studies. Students may choose from any religion, Greek and Hebrew courses.

Christian Ministries
Students complete 24 credit hours of course requirements to minor in Christian ministries. The Christian ministries minor prepares students for vocations oriented toward serving people.

Classical Christian Education
A minor in Classical Christian Education will consist of 23 hours, 21 hours as required by the Classical Studies minor, plus a two-hour internship.

Classical Studies
Grove City College students can earn a minor in Classical Studies. Students must take 21 credit hours from a combination of English, Greek, history, philosophy, political science and Latin.

INTERNSHIPS

During the school year, students in the Biblical and Religious Studies program intern at local churches and mission organizations. Summer internships are open to any student wanting to participate in a Ministry Internship and include working at a home church, in youth or educational ministries, or with a mission organization in the United States or abroad.

CAREER AND GRADUATION OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in Biblical and Religious Studies prepares students for a number of careers, including missions, ministry and academia. Many students continue their studies at seminary and/or other graduate programs. Recent graduates have gone on to study at prestigious graduate and law schools across the country and abroad including Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Covenant Theological Seminary, Reformed Theological Seminary, Westminster Theological Seminary, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, the University of Cambridge, the University of Chicago, Duke University, the University of Edinburgh, the University of Notre Dame, the University of Oxford, Princeton University, Yale University and others.

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