

Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

Graduate School of Theology

A = Approve I = Information Item R = Respond In Writing

Degree Plan(s): Certificate in Practical Ministry

Description of Change/Rationale:

Change:

Remove the following two courses from the Core Curriculum of the Certificate in Practical Ministry:

- BIBL 682 Teaching Scripture to the Contemporary Church
- BMIS 649 Reading and Engaging Contemporary Culture

Replace them with the following two course courses:

- BIBL 627 Biblical Exegesis
- BIBD Systematic Theology

Rationale:

This adjustment to the Core Curriculum of the Certificate in Practical Ministry better addresses the needs of students for whom the certificate is designed (primarily a distance population). While addressing the “core curriculum” needs of the certificate (foundations), they occur in modalities and at points in the academic year that better suit the Certificate.

		Dept./School	College	Dean	AUAC/Grad	Provost
	Campus-Level Academic Review¹					
	Change to a Course Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. ¹					
1.	Title (description unchanged)	A	I	A	I	I
2.	Description (not affecting content)	A	I	A	I	I
3.	Course term(s)	A	I	A	I	I
4.	Content (change of course outcomes)	A	I	A	I	I
5.	Number of credit hours	A	I	A	I	I
6.	Course number within the hundred	A	I	A	I	I
7.	Course number beyond the hundred	A	I	A	I	A
8.	Prerequisites	A	I	A	I	I
9.	Course restriction	A	I	A	I	I
10.	Level change (U to G or G to U)	A	I	A	I	A
11.	Cross list course	A	I	A	I	A

12.	Department of record	A	I	A	I	A
13.	Open or close a course	A	I	A	I	I
	Change to a Degree Plan					
14.	Educational Program — Revise	A	I	A	I	A
15.	Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements	A	I	A	I	A
16.	GPA — Revise program-required GPA	A	I	A	I	A
17.	Minor — Revise	A	I	A	I	A

		Dept./School	College	Dean	ALAC/Grad	Provost	Senior VPAA	President
	Full Review							
	Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)							
18.	Policies governing academic probation and suspension	-	-	-	I	A	A	I
19.	Requirements for graduating with honors	-	-	-	I	A	A	I
	Change to a Degree Plan							
20.	Educational Program — Add or Discontinue	A	I	A	I	A	A	I
21.	Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	I	A	A	I
22.	Minor — Add or Discontinue	A	I	A	I	A	A	I
23.	Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	I	A	A	I
24.	Degree — Add or Discontinue	A	I	A	I	A	A	I
25.	Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)	R	-	R	I	A	A	I

Notes

An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

Associate Dean

Mason Lee

Apr 14, 2025

Signature

Date

Dean

Angon Reed

Apr 14, 2025

Signature

Date

Provost


Susan Lewis (Apr 15, 2025 10:35 CDT)

Apr 15, 2025

Signature

Date

Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs

Signature

Date

President

Signature

Date



Old Catalogue:

Core Requirements

- BIBM 603 - Foundations of the Theology of Ministry Credit Hours: 3
- BMIS 649 - Reading and Engaging Contemporary Cultures Credit Hours: 3
- BIBL 682 - Teaching Scripture in Contemporary Contexts Credit Hours: 3

Revised Catalogue:

Core Requirements

- BIBM 603 - Foundations of the Theology of Ministry Credit Hours: 3
- BIBL 627 - Biblical Exegesis Credit Hours: 3
- BIBD 660 - Systematic Theology Credit Hours: 3



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CAC Informing Item

1 message

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Mon, Apr 14, 2025 at 11:40 AM

To: Christopher Hutson <cxh04c@acu.edu>

Cc: Tiffany Wildman <tlw24a@acu.edu>

Greetings Chris,

This email is to inform CAC of the recent faculty vote around the Core Curriculum of the Certificate in Practical Ministry. The change was as follows:

Remove the following two courses from the Core Curriculum of the Certificate in Practical Ministry:

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The curriculum change form with rationale is attached to this email.

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Best,

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"God wants to be loved, not to the detriment of earthly love, but as a *cantus firmus* to which the other voices of life resound in counterpoint. Only this polyphony gives life wholeness, and no disaster can befall you as long as the *cantus firmus* continues." - Dietrich Bonhoeffer (May 20, 1944)

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