

## Abilene Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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

Course Number: \_\_\_\_\_ or Degree Plan(s): **BBMN and BMV (all tracks)**

|     |                                                                                                                          | Dept./School | College | Dean | TEC | AUAC/Grad | Provost |
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|     | <b>Campus-Level Academic Review<sup>1</sup></b>                                                                          |              |         |      |     |           |         |
|     | <b>Change to a Course</b><br>Include signatures from all chairs/program directors for cross-listed courses. <sup>1</sup> |              |         |      |     |           |         |
| 1.  | Title (description unchanged)                                                                                            | A            | A       | A    | I   | I         | I       |
| 2.  | Description (not affecting content)                                                                                      | A            | A       | A    | I   | I         | I       |
| 3.  | Course term(s)                                                                                                           | A            | I       | A    | I   | I         | I       |
| 4.  | Content (change of course outcomes)                                                                                      | A            | A       | A    | I   | I         | A       |
| 5.  | Number of credit hours                                                                                                   | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 6.  | Course number within the hundred                                                                                         | A            | A       | I    | I   | I         | I       |
| 7.  | Course number beyond the hundred                                                                                         | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 8.  | Prerequisites                                                                                                            | A            | A       | A    | I   | I         | I       |
| 9.  | Course restriction (e.g., majors only, junior standing)                                                                  | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 10. | Level change (U to G or G to U)                                                                                          | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 11. | Cross list course                                                                                                        | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 12. | Department of record                                                                                                     | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 13. | Open or close a course                                                                                                   | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
|     | <b>Change to a Degree Plan</b>                                                                                           |              |         |      |     |           |         |
| 14. | <b>Educational Program — Revise</b>                                                                                      | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 15. | Educational Program — Adopt/revise admission requirements                                                                | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 16. | GPA — Revise program-required GPA                                                                                        | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |
| 17. | Minor — Revise                                                                                                           | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       |

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|     | <b>Full Review</b>                                        |              |         |      |     |           |         |                |             |           |
|     | <b>Change to Catalog Information (for Campus)</b>         |              |         |      |     |           |         |                |             |           |
| 18. | General requirements for Bachelor's and Associate Degrees | -            | -       | -    | -   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
| 19. | Policies governing academic probation and suspension      | -            | -       | -    | -   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
| 20. | Requirements for graduating with honors                   | -            | -       | -    | -   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
|     | <b>Change to a Degree Plan</b>                            |              |         |      |     |           |         |                |             |           |
| 21. | Educational Program — Add or Discontinue <sup>2,3</sup>   | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
| 22. | Educational Program — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)      | R            | -       | R    | A   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
| 23. | Minor — Add or Discontinue                                | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       | -              | A           | I         |
| 24. | Minor — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)                    | R            | -       | R    | A   | A         | A       | -              | A           | I         |
| 25. | Degree — Add or Discontinue                               | A            | A       | A    | A   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |
| 26. | Degree — Discontinue (Provost-proposed)                   | R            | -       | R    | A   | A         | A       | A              | A           | I         |

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|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------|------|------|---------|------|--------------------|-------------|-----------|
|     | <b>Change to General Education Requirements for Undergraduates (System)</b> |              |         |      |      |         |      |                    |             |           |
| 27. | Change course outcomes of an included course                                | A            | A       | A    | A    | A       | A    | -                  | A           | I         |
| 28. | Add or drop a required course from the General Education Requirements       | A            | -       | A    | -    | A       | A    | A                  | A           | I         |
| 29. | Add or drop a course from a menu within the General Education Requirements  | A            | -       | A    | -    | A       | A    | -                  | A           | I         |
| 30. | Comprehensive revision of General Education Requirements                    | -            | -       | -    | -    | A       | A    | A                  | A           | I         |

#### Notes

<sup>2</sup> Any change to a cross-listed course requires the signature of both department chairs or program directors overseeing the course to ensure that the courses stay in sync. This includes courses taught at other campuses (e.g. BIBL 101 and BIBO 101).

<sup>3</sup> For undergraduate majors, a minimum of 30 hours is required. These programs must have a minimum of 6 elective hours, unless the requirements of external accrediting bodies make it impossible. Master's programs must include a minimum of 30 hours, and doctoral programs must include a minimum of 30 hours beyond the master's.

<sup>4</sup> When a department/school or dean proposes closing a program, approval routing follows the typical process beginning with the department/school. An administrative proposal by the provost or senior vice president for academic affairs would follow the "provost-proposed" routing on the chart.

Updated 8/1/2023

**Department/School(s)**

*Clifford A. Barbarick*

December 1, 2023

Chair Signature

Date

Chair/Program Director Signature

Date

**College Academic Council(s)**

*Christopher R. Hutson*

12-1-23

Chair Signature

Date

Chair Signature

Date

**Dean(s)**

*[Signature]*

12-1-23

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

**Teacher Education Council**

Signature

Date

**Campus Academic Council:  
Abilene Undergraduate or Abilene Graduate**

Signature

Date

**Provost**

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Signature

Date

**University General Education Council**

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Signature

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**University Faculty**

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Abilene Faculty Senate Chair signature

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Dallas Faculty Council Chair signature

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**Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs**

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Signature

Date

**President**

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Signature

Date

The Department of Bible, Missions and Ministry is proposing a revision of our current Bachelor of Arts degree plans, inclusive of both majors and all tracks. Under the new degree plan, students will be required to complete three different sections of BIBM 201: Ministry Workshop, which will cumulatively replace one three-hour elective currently listed in the degree plans. Examples of revised degree plans for a selected track in each major are attached below.

Note: the example degree plans reflect the addition of BIBT 470 to the degree plans, an approved change that was made after the 2023-2024 Catalog was published.

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## **BA: Ministry and Vocation (BMV)**

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### **General Education Requirements**

Please see the [General Education](#) section of this catalog.

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### **Major Requirements**

Bible (Upper Level Bible Selections)

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[BIBM 439 - Teaching and Learning for Spiritual Formation](#) Credit Hours: 3 \* (writing-intensive course)

\*Hours may also fulfill general education requirements and are not included in total major hours

Select one course from the following menu:

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[BIBP 380 - Introduction to Philosophy](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBP 478 - Philosophy of Religion](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBP 486 - Ethics](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBP 487 - History of Ancient and Medieval Philosophy](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBP 489 - History of Modern Philosophy](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBT 332 - Religious Teachings of C.S. Lewis](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBT 342 - Christianity in Culture](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

\*Hours may also fulfill general education requirements and are not included in total major hours

Greek

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[BGRK 221 - New Testament Greek for Beginners I](#) Credit Hours: 3

[BGRK 222 - New Testament Greek for Beginners II](#) Credit Hours: 3

or

[FREN 111 - Elementary French I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[FREN 112 - Elementary French II](#) Credit Hours: 3  
or  
[GER 111 - Elementary German I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[GER 112 - Elementary German II](#) Credit Hours: 3  
or  
[SPAN 111 - Elementary Spanish I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[SPAN 112 - Elementary Spanish II](#) Credit Hours: 3

#### Foreign Language (BA)

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[BGRK 331 - Elementary Greek Readings I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[BGRK 332 - Elementary Greek Readings II](#) Credit Hours: 3  
or  
[FREN 221 - Intermediate French I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[FREN 222 - Intermediate French II](#) Credit Hours: 3  
or  
[GER 221 - Intermediate German I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[GER 222 - Intermediate German II](#) Credit Hours: 3  
or  
[SPAN 221 - Intermediate Spanish I](#) Credit Hours: 3  
[SPAN 222 - Intermediate Spanish II](#) Credit Hours: 3

#### Ministry

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- [BIBM 493 - Preaching](#) Credit Hours: 3
- **Three credit hours from any three sections of [BIBM 201 - Ministry Workshop](#) Credit Hours: 1**

#### Theology

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- [BIBT 470: Christian Ethics](#) Credit Hours: 3

(Choose one course)

- [BIBT 379 - The Church](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBT 491 - Theology](#) Credit Hours: 3

#### Biblical Interpretation

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- [BIBL 320 - Introduction to Biblical Interpretation](#) Credit Hours: 3

#### Capstone

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- [BIBM 391 - Ministry in Context](#) Credit Hours: 3 (capstone course)
- [BIBM 429 - Field Education](#) Credit Hours: 2 (capstone course)
- [BIBM 491 - Senior Capstone Experience](#) Credit Hours: 1 (capstone course)

Total: ~~30 Credit Hours~~ 33 Credit Hours

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## Youth & Family Ministry (BYFM)

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- [BIBM 330 - Foundation of Youth Ministry](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBM 331 - Youth Ministry Design](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBM 435 - Adolescent Spiritual Formation](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBM 442 - Leadership of Youth and Family](#) Credit Hours: 3
- Any advanced biblical text (BIBL 350-499) or biblical language (BGRK 441-BGRK 442) course - Credit Hours: 3
- Minor in support field of student's choice - Credit Hours: 18

Total: 33 Credit Hours

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## Electives

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Minimum - ~~44 Credit Hours~~ 8 Credit Hours

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Total Major Hours: 74

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## Other Graduation Requirements

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Students must earn a grade of "C" or higher in all upper-level Bible courses (300 or above). This includes courses with the following subject codes: BIBL, BIBM, BIBP, BIBT, BIBH, BMIS, BGRK and BHEB.

Minimum GPA for graduation: 2.25

Minimum advanced hours: 33

Minimum total hours: 128

Courses numbered 0\*\* do not count in minimum hours required for degree

## BA: Bible & Ministry (BBMN)

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### General Education Requirements

Please see the [General Education](#) section of this catalog.

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### Major Requirements

Bible (Upper-Level Bible selections)

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[BIBT 332 - Religious Teachings of C.S. Lewis](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

[BIBT 342 - Christianity in Culture](#) Credit Hours: 3 \*

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Greek

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Foreign Language (BA)

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or

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or

[GER 221 - Intermediate German I](#) Credit Hours: 3

[GER 222 - Intermediate German II](#) Credit Hours: 3

or

[SPAN 221 - Intermediate Spanish I](#) Credit Hours: 3

[SPAN 222 - Intermediate Spanish II](#) Credit Hours: 3

## Missions

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[BMIS 420 - Gospel in a Multicultural World](#) Credit Hours: 3

or

[BMIS 371 - Religion in Global Contexts](#) Credit Hours: 3

## Church History

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[BIBH 380 - Survey of Church History](#) Credit Hours: 3

or

[BIBH 383 - Restoration History](#) Credit Hours: 3

or

[BIBH 432 - Story of Christian Spirituality](#) Credit Hours: 3

## Ministry

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## Theology

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- [BIBT 470: Christian Ethics](#) Credit Hours: 3

(Choose one course)

- [BIBT 379 - The Church](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBT 491 - Theology](#) Credit Hours: 3

## Biblical Interpretation

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- [BIBL 320 - Introduction to Biblical Interpretation](#) Credit Hours: 3

## Biblical Text

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(Choose 1 course):

- [BIBL 365 - General Epistles](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 367 - The Book of Acts](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 451 - The Pentateuch](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 452 - Historical Books of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 453 - The Devotional and Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 454 - The Prophetic Literature of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 458 - The Synoptic Gospels](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 460 - Galatians and Romans](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 461 - The Corinthian Letters](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BGRK 441 - Exegetical Greek Seminar I](#) Credit Hours: 3

- [BGRK 442 - Exegetical Greek Seminar II](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 466 - Book of Revelation](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BHEB 472 - Introduction to Hebrew II](#) Credit Hours: 3

#### Capstone

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- [BIBM 391 - Ministry in Context](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBM 429 - Field Education](#) Credit Hours: 2
- [BIBM 491 - Senior Capstone Experience](#) Credit Hours: 1 (capstone course)

**Total: ~~39 Credit Hours~~ 42 Credit Hours**

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#### Biblical Text (BIBL)

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The following 12 hours must be non-duplicative. Courses in this concentration cannot also fulfill the Biblical Text hours required above.

- [BIBL 365 - General Epistles](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 451 - The Pentateuch](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 458 - The Synoptic Gospels](#) Credit Hours: 3

Choose 3 hours from:

- [BIBL 452 - Historical Books of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 453 - The Devotional and Wisdom Literature of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3
- [BIBL 454 - The Prophetic Literature of the Old Testament](#) Credit Hours: 3

**Total: 12 Credit Hours**

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#### Electives

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**Minimum - ~~23 Credit Hours~~ 20 Credit Hours**

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**Total Major Hours: 74**

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