

## ACADEMICS

### Associate of Arts (A. A.) in Christian Studies

The Associate of Arts in Christian Studies is a professional degree which incorporates an exposure to the liberal arts through the JWC Classics Core. It is designed to provide foundational ministry preparation, as well as preparation for further ministry studies.

Students in the Associate of Arts in Christian Studies program must complete a *Basileia* (“Kingdom”) Mission (non-credit) for graduation, if they have not done so already in a diploma program. Such projects might include missions trips, regular involvement in an approved ministry, internships, or participation in special evangelistic outreach efforts. Guidelines for completing the *Basileia* Mission requirement are available from the Registrar’s Office.

#### Program Objectives

The purpose of the Christian Studies program is achieved by enabling students to:

1. Explain and summarize the nature and contents of the New and Old Testament Scriptures, the origin of the Bible, models of Scripture, key themes of major biblical books, and the progressive nature of redemptive history;
2. Comprehend and analyze influential controversies in systematic theology, exegetical theology, and the history of Christian thought;
3. Think critically about the relationship of the Bible’s teachings to other academic disciplines and to classic works in the Western Tradition, and be able to apply biblical principles and narratives to contemporary situations;
4. Obtain a reading knowledge of one or more biblical language, translate Scripture, and identify fundamental challenges in translation and interpretation;
5. Become more Christlike as manifested in love for God and others and a mature heart that is superbly suited to fulfill various Kingdom-functions.

## GENERAL CATALOGUE

### Program Requirements

#### **Language (6)**

GRK 111: Greek I (3)

GRK 112: Greek II (3)

#### **Humanities (28)**

ENG 111: Rhetoric I (3)

ENG 112: Rhetoric II (3)

HIS/HUM 111: Ancient World I (3)

HIS/HUM 112: Ancient World II (3)

HIS/HUM 211: American Experience I (3)

HIS/HUM 212: American Experience II (3)

MAT 102: College Algebra **or** MAT 107: Mathematics for Liberal Arts (3)

SCI 111: Physical Science w/Lab (4)

PHL 243: Ethics/Moral Decision Making (3)

#### **Christian Studies (24)**

CHR 101: Introduction to the Bible (3)

CHR 102: Biblical Interpretation (3)

CHR 211 The Old Testament Story (3)

CHR 222 The New Testament Story (3)

CHR 331: *Theologia Principia* I: God and Creation (3)

CHR 332: *Theologia Principia* II: Christ and Salvation (3)

Electives (6)

#### **Leadership (6)**

LDR 101: Leadership Foundations I (3)

LDR 201: Leadership Foundations II (3)

LDR 200: *Basileia* Mission (non-credit, may combine with CHR 499)

**Total:** 64 credits

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CORE AREA	Freshman		Sophomore	
Language	Greek I	Greek II	---	---
Humanities	Rhetoric I  College Algebra <i>or</i> Math for Liberal Arts	Rhetoric II  Physical Science with Lab (4)	Ethics/Moral Decision Making  Ancient World I  American Experience I	---  Ancient World II  American Experience II
Christian Studies	Introduction to the Bible	Biblical Interpretation  Christian Studies Elective I	Old Testament Story  <i>Theologia Principia I</i>	New Testament Story  <i>Theologia Principia II</i>  Christian Studies Elective II
Leadership	Leadership Foundations I	<i>Basileia</i> Mission (non-credit)	Leadership Foundations II	
Credits	15	16	18	15