

Minor in Biblical Studies

Requirements

18 units

The biblical studies minor (<https://www.apu.edu/programs/biblical-studies-minor/>) consists of SOT 200 or SOT 241, 12 upper-division units in biblical studies (includes the 300-level APU Core: Upper-Division Bible general education requirement), and either SOT 150 or any additional upper-division biblical studies course. Students may also include upper-division Greek or Hebrew.

Code	Title	Units
SOT 200	Understanding the New Testament: Christ, Redemption, Community, New Creation ¹	3
or SOT 241	Understanding the New Testament through a Latinx Lens	
SOT 150	Understanding the Old Testament: Creation, Covenant, Exile, Restoration ²	3
Select 12 units from the following:		12
SOT 340	The Rise of the King: I and II Samuel ³	
SOT 341	Old Testament Prophets ³	
SOT 342	Ruth and Esther ³	
SOT 343	Psalms and Wisdom ³	
SOT 344	Life and Teachings of Jesus ³	
SOT 346	Romans and Galatians ³	
SOT 347	Thessalonian and Corinthian Epistles ³	
SOT 348	Biblical Lands and Cultures ⁴	
SOT 349	Near Eastern Archaeology	
SOT 351	Archaeological Field Excavation	
SOT 440	Prison and Pastoral Epistles	
SOT 441	Old Testament World	
SOT 442	New Testament World	
SOT 443	Biblical Apocalyptic	
SOT 444	Women in the Biblical Tradition	
SOT 445	History of Biblical Interpretation	
SOT 446	Global Biblical Interpretation ⁵	
SOT 447	Postcolonial Biblical Interpretation	
SOT 448	Biblical Studies Capstone Course: Old Testament Theology	
SOT 449	Biblical Studies Capstone Course: New Testament Theology	
SOT 451	Senior Seminar: Biblical Theology and Ethics	
SOT 497	Readings	
SOT 498	Directed Research	
SOT 301G	Intermediate Greek I	
SOT 302G	Intermediate Greek II	
SOT 401G	Greek Readings	
SOT 301H	Intermediate Hebrew I	
SOT 302H	Intermediate Hebrew II	
SOT 401H	Hebrew Readings	
Total Units		18

¹ Meets the APU Core: Understanding the New Testament general education requirement.

² Meets the APU Core: Understanding the Old Testament general education requirement.

³ Meets the APU Core: Upper-Division Bible general education requirement.

⁴ Meets the APU Core: Upper-Division Bible general education requirement **or** the APU Core: Intercultural Competence general education requirement.

⁵ Meets the APU Core: Intercultural Competence general education requirement.

Program Learning Outcomes

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Students who successfully complete this program shall be able to:

1. Explain current methodological approaches used to study the Christian Scriptures.
2. Explain how history and culture influence the interpretation of the Christian Scriptures.
3. Write an acceptable Biblical Studies research paper or prepare an equivalent project.
4. Articulate how scripture, tradition, experience, and reason shape our Christian worldview.
5. Articulate biblically responsible perspectives on gender, race, and ethnic and cultural diversity.