Degree Details
Center for Graduate Studies

NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

ADULT EDUCATION YOU CAN HAVE FAITH IN.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN STUDIES

Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies is designed for individuals who desire to study the Word of God and ground their faith in the rich theological truths found within its pages. This certificate will prepare students in any profession who would like to increase their biblical knowledge and to bring to bear a Christian worldview on their profession. This certificate will expand students' skills and knowledge in core theological subjects and gain skills and knowledge to equip students for ministry, whether it is at work, home, or at church. Upon the completion of the certificate, students can transfer the certificate credits fully toward completion of the MATS degree at Northwestern College.

Program Cost

Academic year 2012–13

- Tuition: $465 per credit
- Books: $425 (est.)

Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies Coursework (16 credits)

BIA5011	Spiritual Formation	2
MIN5110	Self-awareness in Leadership	2
BIA5015	Biblical Hermeneutics	4
BIA5017	Bible in Its World	4
BIA5019	History of Christianity	4

Program Delivery

- On site, one night a week
- Online

Timeframe

Graduate Certificate in Christian Studies coursework can be completed in approximately eight months.

Graduate Certificate Course Descriptions

BIA5011 Spiritual Formation 2 cr
A study of biblical principles for the spiritual growth of self and others. This course includes the study of worldviews, Christianity and culture, and the life of the mind.

MIN5110 Self-awareness in Leadership 2 cr
This course is designed to help students become more aware of their calling, strengths, and growth areas. Personality, spiritual gifts, and general biblical knowledge, spiritual growth and family of origin issues will be assessed.

BIA5015 Biblical Hermeneutics 4 cr
This is an advanced course in hermeneutics in which students will learn about the formation of the Bible, the history of biblical interpretation, modern critical methods, and current challenges to biblical interpretation.

BIA5017 Bible in Its World 4 cr
An introduction to the history and thought-world of the Old and New Testaments. Emphasis is on the study of primary sources, principally the literature of the surrounding world, and the intersection of the ideas of those writings with those of the Bible.

BIA5019 History of Christianity 3 cr
In this course, students will survey the history of the church from its birth in the first century A.D. to its current manifestations in the 21st century. Attention will be given to the people and events that contributed to the growth and development of Christianity.

Courses subject to change. Consult current catalog at nwc.edu/catalog for complete course descriptions.
Contact your Center for Graduate Studies admission counselor at 651-631-5200 for more information.

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