

## COURSE LEVELS & SUBJECT PREFIXES

### Course Levels

#### Undergraduate Lower-Level

1000–1999	Freshman courses
2000–2999	Sophomore courses

#### Undergraduate Upper-Level

3000–3999	Junior courses
4000–4999	Senior courses

#### Graduate Level

5000–5999	Graduate courses
6000–6999	Graduate courses

### Subject Prefixes

ANT	Anthropology	ENG	English	PHI	Philosophy
ART	Art	ETH	Ethics	PSY	Psychology
BIA	Biblical Arts	HCM	Healthcare Management	SCI	Science
BIB	Bible	HIS	History	SOC	Sociology
BSM	Business Management	LDR	Leadership	SPE	Speech
BUA	Business Administration	LIT	Literature	STS	Study Skills
DAL	Data Analytics	MAT	Mathematics		
ECO	Economics	MIN	Ministry		

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## ADULT UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

The Adult Undergraduate program offers a variety of degree options designed for busy, working adults. Students complete an Associate of Arts (A.A.) or a Bachelor of Science (B.S.) by taking one accelerated course at a time (see “Academic Information & Standards—Class Format & Cancellations—Class Format Definitions”).

### General Studies (A.A.)

The Associate of Arts in General Studies is for students who have zero or minimal prior college credits. Students complete foundational coursework designed with a Christian worldview to help students integrate faith and learning. A.A. graduates are able to transition into one of the existing B.S. programs or pursue an undergraduate degree at another institution.

- The A.A. degree is granted upon successful completion of the required courses and 60 credits.

**GENERAL EDUCATION ..... 45 CREDITS**

<b>Oral Communication</b> .....	<b>3 cr</b>
Speech .....	3 cr
<b>Written Communication</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
English Composition .....	3 cr
Research Writing .....	3 cr
<b>Humanities (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
Select from ART, LIT, or PHI	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	
<b>Social Science (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Select from ANT, ECO, HIS, PSY, or SOC	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	

<b>Mathematics &amp; Science</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Mathematics .....	4 cr
Natural Science ( <i>lab <u>not</u> required</i> ) .....	4 cr
<b>Bible</b> .....	<b>14 cr</b>
Old Testament .....	2 cr
New Testament .....	2 cr
Bible Study Methods .....	2 cr
Additional BIA or BIB Courses .....	8 cr
<b>ELECTIVES</b> .....	<b>15 CREDITS</b>
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>60 CREDITS</b>

**Psychology (A.A.)**

The Associate of Arts in Psychology is for students who have zero or minimal prior college credits. Students complete general education and psychology coursework designed with a Christian worldview. A.A. graduates are able to transition into one of the existing B.S. programs or pursue an undergraduate degree at another institution.

- The A.A. degree is granted upon successful completion of the required courses and 61 credits.

**GENERAL EDUCATION ..... 45 CREDITS**

<b>Oral Communication</b> .....	<b>3 cr</b>
Speech .....	3 cr
<b>Written Communication</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
English Composition .....	3 cr
Research Writing .....	3 cr
<b>Humanities (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
Select from ART, LIT, or PHI	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	
<b>Social Science (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Select from ANT, ECO, HIS, PSY, or SOC	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	
<b>Mathematics &amp; Science</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Mathematics .....	4 cr
Natural Science ( <i>lab <u>not</u> required</i> ) .....	4 cr

<b>Bible</b> .....	<b>14 cr</b>
Old Testament .....	2 cr
New Testament .....	2 cr
Bible Study Methods .....	2 cr
Additional BIA or BIB Courses .....	8 cr
<b>PSYCHOLOGY CORE</b> .....	<b>16 CREDITS</b>
PSY1005 Introduction to Psychology .....	4 cr
<i>OR PSY1009 (4 cr)</i>	
PSY2108 Lifespan Psychology .....	4 cr
<i>OR PSY2005 (2 cr) &amp; PSY2006 (2 cr)</i>	
PSY3207 Abnormal Psychology .....	4 cr
PSY3308 Principles of Counseling .....	4 cr
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>61 CREDITS</b>

**Bachelor of Science Programs**General Education Requirements**GENERAL EDUCATION ..... 31 CREDITS**

<b>Oral Communication</b> .....	<b>3 cr</b>
Speech .....	3 cr
<b>Written Communication</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
English Composition .....	3 cr
Research Writing .....	3 cr
<b>Humanities (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>6 cr</b>
Select from ART, LIT, or PHI	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	
<i>Major courses that may fulfill this requirement:</i>	
<i>Certain BIA/BIB-prefix courses in Biblical Studies or Literature,</i>	
<i>BIB4360, BIB4365, BIB4460, or PHI3057</i>	

<b>Social Science (2 Areas)</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Select from ANT, ECO, HIS, PSY, or SOC	
<i>(Other subject prefixes/courses may be allowed)</i>	
<i>Major courses that may fulfill this requirement:</i>	
<i>BSM4052, BSM4054, MIN3045, or any PSY-prefix courses</i>	
<b>Mathematics &amp; Science</b> .....	<b>8 cr</b>
Mathematics .....	4 cr
<i>Major courses that may fulfill this requirement:</i>	
<i>BSM4050 or PSY3208</i>	
Natural Science ( <i>lab <u>not</u> required</i> ) .....	4 cr

Requirement to Take Upper-Level Major Courses

To be eligible to take upper-level major courses, students must have completed a minimum of 30 credits including ENG1109 Composition and Editing; ENG2209 Argumentative Research Writing; and SPE1079 Public Speaking and Communication Fundamentals (or equivalent courses).

Major & Minor Summary Chart

PROGRAM	GENERAL EDUCATION	MAJOR CREDITS	MINOR AVAILABLE	ELECTIVE CREDITS	TOTAL CREDITS
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT	31	36	Yes (18 cr)	58	125
MINISTRY	31	46–48	Yes (18 cr)	46–48	125
PSYCHOLOGY	31	46	Yes (18 cr)	48	125

**NOTE:** Elective credits may be in any area of collegiate coursework and may be earned through standardized examinations, prior learning, or other methods. Elective credits required may be adjusted if general education or major credit changes occur.

**Business Management (B.S.)**

The Bachelor of Science in Business Management prepares students to provide leadership within businesses and organizations. Emphasis is on the role of leadership for business and organizational planning, effectiveness, and problem solving through the application of professional skills, management techniques, team building, and the formulation and implementation of business strategies. Attention is given to contract law, marketing, economics, and managerial accounting and finance. The major also contains courses that help students apply Christian values and ethics to situations in the business setting.

- The B.S. degree is granted upon successful completion of the required courses in general education curriculum, major/minor coursework, and electives (40 credits must be in upper-level courses) for a 125 total credits.

**REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES..... 36 CREDITS**

- BSM4007 Professional Skills in Business..... 2 cr
- BSM4025 Business Ethics..... 2 cr
- BSM4030 Accounting..... 3 cr
- BSM4032 Finance ..... 3 cr
- BSM4034 Management ..... 3 cr
- BSM4043 International Business ..... 2 cr
- BSM4050 Business Mathematics and Statistics..... 3 cr  
*See B.S. general education note on page 42*
- BSM4052 Macroeconomics ..... 2 cr  
*See B.S. general education note on page 42*
- BSM4054 Microeconomics ..... 2 cr  
*See B.S. general education note on page 42*
- BSM4061 Marketing ..... 3 cr

- BSM4063 Business Law and Contracts ..... 2 cr
- BSM4065 Information Management..... 2 cr
- BSM4067 Corporate Strategies ..... 3 cr
- ETH4021 Foundations for Ethics..... 2 cr
- ETH4023 Worldview and Ethics..... 2 cr

**OPTIONAL CONCENTRATION/ELECTIVES**

**Healthcare Management Concentration ..... 14 credits**

- HCM4080 Strategic Management in Healthcare ..... 4 cr
- HCM4085 Healthcare Leadership ..... 4 cr
- HCM4087 Healthcare Law and Ethics ..... 2 cr
- HCM4089 Finance Systems in Healthcare..... 4 cr

**REQUIRED MINOR COURSES..... 18 CREDITS**

BSM4034 plus any other BSM-prefix courses (or related)

## Ministry (B.S.)

The Bachelor of Science in Ministry with a concentration in *Christian Studies* prepares students to serve God in ministry. Whether called to be in a church, non-profit, or cross-cultural situation, students explore the knowledge, skills, and personal values that will prepare them biblically, relationally, practically, and incarnationally for service in God's kingdom work.

- The B.S. degree is granted upon successful completion of the required courses in general education curriculum, major/minor coursework, and electives (40 credits must be in upper-level courses) for a 125 total credits.

### REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES..... 36 CREDITS

BIA1007	Christian Thinking and Living.....	2 cr
	<b>OR BIA1009 (2 cr)</b>	
MIN1007	Ministry Foundations.....	4 cr
MIN2016	Biblical Interpretation for Study.....	2 cr
	<b>OR BIA1015 (2 cr)</b>	
	<b>OR BIA2119 (2 cr)</b>	
MIN3045	Developmental Foundations for Ministry.....	4 cr
	<b>OR PSY2005 (2 cr) &amp; PSY2006 (2 cr)</b>	
	<b>OR PSY2108 (4 cr)</b>	
	<i>See B.S. general education note on page 42</i>	
MIN3206	Relationships.....	4 cr
MIN3207	Ministry in a Globalized World.....	2 cr
MIN3216	Leadership in Ministry.....	4 cr
MIN3218	Teaching Methods for Ministry.....	4 cr
MIN3231	Care and Counseling in Ministry.....	4 cr
MIN4855	Capstone.....	2 cr
MIN4991	Ministry Internship I.....	2 cr
MIN4992	Ministry Internship II.....	2 cr

*Students who have at least 3 years of professional ministry experience may request to have MIN4991 & MIN4992 waived and their total major credits reduced to 42–44 crs*

### REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES ..... 10–12 CREDITS

BIB2005	Survey of the Old Testament.....	4 cr
	<b>OR BIB1009 (2 cr)</b>	
BIB2008	Survey of the New Testament.....	2 cr
	<b>OR BIB1019 (2 cr)</b>	
BIB4460	Biblical Theology.....	4 cr
	<b>OR BIB4360 (4 cr)</b>	
	<i>See B.S. general education note on page 42</i>	
PHI3057	Christian Apologetics.....	2 cr
	<b>OR ETH4023 (2 cr)</b>	
	<i>See B.S. general education note on page 42</i>	

## Accelerated Graduate Track (Dual Degree) Option

Students may apply to the accelerated graduate track by submitting an application acquired via their Academic Advisor after completing a minimum of 45 undergraduate credits. If approved by the A&GS Office and Program Manager, students will take the listed graduate-level courses (graduate tuition and policies apply) instead of the listed undergraduate courses. All graduate-level courses taken as an undergraduate student must be completed with a grade of "C" or better to satisfy graduate degree requirements. This option will save time and money because the credits may apply toward both the Bachelor of Science in Ministry and the Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership (MAML). Upon completion of the undergraduate degree, students must follow the admission process to be officially admitted to a graduate program.

### UNDERGRADUATE COURSES ..... 14 CREDITS

BIB4460	Biblical Theology.....	4 cr
MIN2016	Biblical Interpretation for Study.....	2 cr
MIN3207	Ministry in a Globalized World.....	2 cr
MIN3216	Leadership in Ministry.....	4 cr
PHI3057	Christian Apologetics.....	2 cr

### GRADUATE COURSES..... 16 CREDITS

BIB6312	Biblical Theology of the OT and NT.....	4 cr
BIA5015	Biblical Hermeneutics.....	4 cr
MIN5610	Ministering Culturally and Globally.....	2 cr
MIN5210	Leading and Organizing Ministry.....	4 cr
BIA5021	Apologetics.....	2 cr

### REQUIRED MINOR COURSES..... 18 CREDITS

BIA1007 (or BIA1009), MIN1007, MIN2016 (or BIA1015, BIA2119), MIN3207, plus the following:

Electives	MIN Courses.....	4 cr
Electives	BIA, BIB, ICS, or MIN Courses.....	4 cr

## Psychology (B.S.)

The Bachelor of Science in Psychology equips students with a theoretical and applied understanding of psychological principles to prepare them for graduate study in psychology, entry-level positions in the helping professions, or careers requiring a psychology background. Biblical coursework enables students to apply psychological principles from a Christian perspective. Students are encouraged (though not required) to declare a concentration.

The concentration in *Health Psychology* provides students with the theoretical background of how psychological, behavioral, cultural, and social factors influence health and wellness. Attention is given to the role of stress and lifestyle choices and how they affect our well-being; stress and pain interventions are also addressed.

The concentration in *Marriage and Family* examines foundations for family communication, problem solving, and relationships; a systems perspective on family dynamics and their impact upon marital quality and the family; as well as counseling and intervention strategies.

- The B.S. degree is granted upon successful completion of the required courses in general education curriculum, major/minor coursework, and electives (40 credits must be in upper-level courses) for a 125 total credits.

### REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES..... 30 CREDITS

ETH4021	Foundations for Ethics.....	2 cr
ETH4023	Worldview and Ethics.....	2 cr
PSY2005	Child and Adolescent Development.....	2 cr
PSY2006	Adult Development.....	2 cr
PSY3207	Abnormal Psychology.....	4 cr
PSY3208	Statistics for the Social Sciences.....	4 cr
	<i>See B.S. general education note on page 42</i>	
PSY3305	Research Methods in Psychology.....	4 cr
PSY3308	Principles of Counseling.....	4 cr
PSY4055	Professional Ethics.....	2 cr
PSY4407	Integration of Psychology and Theology.....	4 cr

### REQUIRED CONCENTRATION/ELECTIVES ..... 16 CREDITS

*Students may declare a concentration or complete 16 credits of electives (HMS, PSY, or PYC). Related transfer credits may apply toward elective credits*

#### Health Psychology Concentration..... 16 credits

PSY4025	Foundations of Health Psychology.....	4 cr
PSY4026	Stress Management Strategies.....	4 cr
PSY4027	Pain Management Strategies.....	4 cr
PSY4425	Clinical Health Psychology.....	4 cr

#### Marriage and Family Concentration ..... 16 credits

PSY4316	Marriage and Family Counseling.....	4 cr
PSY4318	Marriage and Family Dynamics.....	4 cr
PSY4365	Family Communication and Relationships.....	4 cr
PSY4367	Intervention Strategies with Families.....	4 cr

### REQUIRED MINOR COURSES..... 18–20 CREDITS

PSY3207, PSY3308, plus any other PSY-prefix courses (or related)

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## GRADUATE STUDIES PROGRAM

The Graduate Studies program offers a variety of degree options designed for busy, working adults. Students complete a graduate certificate or a Master's degree by taking one accelerated course at a time (see "Academic Information & Standards—Class Format & Cancellations—Class Format Definitions").

### Graduate Core Competencies

The following core competencies should be reflected in all graduate-level coursework at Northwestern. Graduate students will:

1. Develop and demonstrate advanced skills in critical thinking and in written and verbal communication.
  2. Develop advanced skills in evaluating material and effectively presenting their research in a variety of media.
  3. Analyze key issues in their field of study through analysis and synthesis of significant field-specific research.
  4. Explore their field of study through a biblical worldview.
  5. Demonstrate sensitivity to cultural and ethnic diversity for building relationships and for communicating the Gospel in context.
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