



## ***BACHELOR OF ARTS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIE (BATS)***

### ***Program Overview***

The BATS degree is designed to prepare students for further theological studies and promote the cultivation of a spiritual life. The degree provides not only the basis for deeper understanding not only of theological issues, but also of a broader spectrum of general education. The degree meets the needs of servants who wish to begin or to continue graduate-level theological education for personal or vocational enrichment. It also serves as a basis for lifelong spiritual growth.

The BATS program focuses on:

- Presenting the various tools and methodologies available in the hermeneutical and exegetical tasks
- Examining the broad range of issues involved in interpreting the Bible
- Providing in-depth and comprehensive coverage of the contents of the Bible
- Providing instruction in sound principles of exegesis
- Exploring various theological responses to issues raised by the biblical text
- Offering elementary instruction in Hebrew and Greek

### ***Program Objectives***

Graduates of the BATS will be prepared to:

- Communicate the Scripture with clarity and conviction
- Demonstrate an understanding of modern society and its culture
- Evidence the personal and professional characteristics needed for successful ministry
- Implement and answer critical questions concerning authorship, dating, psychology, and place of composition of the Bible
- Articulate their understanding of the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the composition of Scripture
- Have opportunities to join the ministry of the local church under the supervision of a minister
- Demonstrate the ability to understand the counseling principles and techniques required to meet individual needs



**Admission Requirements**

A High School diploma or its equivalent is required at the time of application, along with the following:

- An application form completed in full for the program for which you seek admission
- Non-refundable application fee
- Official transcripts sealed and mailed directly to Reformed University
- A certified copy of his/her high school diploma or GED Certificate
- A letter of recommendation from your home church’s ordained minister or an ordained minister, a teacher or a college professor.

**DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

The Bachelor of Arts in Theological Studies degree program requires **120 credit hours** for graduation. The curriculum includes **75 credit hours in the major coursework** (54 from Department Core and 21 from Electives courses) and **45 credit hours in general education course** in addition to requirements in other subjects and grades as specified below.

**CURRICULUM**

**1. General Education (45 Credits)**

In order to meet the general education requirements, every undergraduate student at Reformed University will complete at least 45 credit hours in general education courses regardless of their major or field of studies. The Reformed University Catalog contains the most updated list of courses for degree requirements:

- 6 credit hours in Biblical Area
- 6 credit hours in Communications
- At Least 6 credit hours in Humanities and Fine Arts
- At Least 6 credit hours in Behavioral and Social Sciences
- At Least 6 credit hours in Science and Mathematics

Biblical Area (6 Credit Hours)

BABS101	A Survey of the Bible	3 Credits
BABS201	Life of Jesus Christ	3 Credits

Communications (6 Credit Hours)

HCOM100	Introduction to Human Communication	3 Credits
HCOM101	Basic College Writing	3 Credits
HCOM103	Public Speaking	3 Credits
HCOM204	Intercultural Communication	3 Credits

Humanities and Fine Arts(6 Credit Hours)

ART101	History of Western Art	3 Credits
ART102	Theories of Design & Color	3 Credits
CHIN101	Fundamental Chinese	3 Credits



ENGL101	English Composition I	3 Credits
ENGL201	English Composition II	3 Credits
HUM115	Critical Thinking	3 Credits
HUM205	Multi-cultural Leadership	3 Credits
HUM210	Leadership Development	3 Credits
HUM245	Introduction to World Civilization	3 Credits
HUM301	Spiritual Classics	3 Credits
LAN101	Spanish	3 Credits
LAN102	Korean	3 Credits
LITR301	Modern English Literature	3 Credits
MUS01	Fundamentals of Music	3 Credits
MUS15	Music Appreciation	3 Credits
MUS20	Music & Worship	3 Credits
MUS205	University Chorus	3 Credits
PHIL100	Introduction to Philosophy	3 Credits
PHIL106	Introduction to Logic	3 Credits
PHIL348	Philosophy of Religion	3 Credits

Behavioral/Social Sciences (6 Credit Hours)

ECON101	Fundamental Economics	3 Credits
HIST180	Survey of American History	3 Credits
HIST225	Survey of Modern World History	3 Credits
HIST305	Introduction to Anthropology	3 Credits
POSC100	American Government	3 Credits
PSY101	Principles of Psychology	3 Credits
PSY210	Personality and Adjustment	3 Credits
SOC101	Introduction to Sociology	3 Credits
SOC201	Race and Ethnic Relations	3 Credits
SOC202	Contemporary Ethics	3 Credits
SOC205	Education and Cultural Diversity	3 Credits
SOC206	Gender and Education	3 Credits
SOC210	Early Childhood Education	3 Credits
SOC301	Moral Development	3 Credits
SOC410	Marriage and Family	3 Credits

Science and Mathematics (6 Credit Hours)

BIOL101	Introduction to Biology	3 Credits
CHEM111	Nutrition and Health	3 Credits
CHEM115	Introductory General Chemistry	3 Credits
COMP101	Computer Science I	3 Credits
COMP102	Computer Science II	3 Credits
COMP103	Information Technology for Every Life	3 Credits
GEOL110	Topics in Earth Science	3 Credits
MATH115	College Algebra	3 Credits
MATH150	Calculus I	3 Credits
MATH201	Probability	3 Credits



MATH205	Introduction to Statistics	3 Credits
PHED100	Physical Education	3 Credits
PHYS101	Introduction to Physics	3 Credits

**2. Theological Study Courses (75 Credits)**

COURSE CATEGORIES

BBLs	Biblical Studies: OT, NT, Bible Studies
BLL	Language: Greek, Hebrew
CCED	Christian Counseling and Education
CCES	Christian Ethics
CHHS	Church History
MISS	Missions
PSMN	Pastoral Ministry
PRCH	Preaching
THLG	Theology
PRMN	Practical Ministry

**1) BATS Required Core Courses (54 Credits)**

BBLs201	Inductive Bible Study Methods	3 Credits
BBLs301	Introduction to OT	3 Credits
BBLs302	Major Themes of OT	3 Credits
BBLs310	Introduction to NT	3 Credits
BBLs320	Introduction to Systematic Theology	3 Credits
BBLs402	Biblical Worldview	3 Credits
BBLs410	New Testament Theology	3 Credits
BBLs412	Sermon on the Mount	3 Credits
CCED301	Introduction to Christian Education	3 Credits
CCED310	Introduction to Counseling	3 Credits
CCES410	Introduction to Christian Ethics	3 Credits
CHHS301	The History of Christian Movement I	3 Credits
CHHS302	The History of Christian Movement II	3 Credits
CHHS303	The History of Korean Church	3 Credits
MISS301	Introduction to Missions	3 Credits
MISS310	Inter-Cultural Ministries	3 Credits
PRMN301	Survey of Church Music	3 Credits
PRMN305	Religions of the World	3 Credits

**2) BATS Elective Courses (21 Credits)**

BLL301	NT Greek I	3 Credits
BBLs303	Life of Prophets	3 Credits
BBLs312	Acts of the Apostles	3 Credits
BBLs401	Spiritual Warfare	3 Credits
BBLs403	Historical Background of the OT	3 Credits
BBLs404	Psalms	3 Credits
BBLs405	Wisdom Literature	3 Credits



BBS411	The Parables of Jesus	3 Credits
BBS430	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit	3 Credits
CCED404	Art of Parenting	3 Credits
CCES420	Introduction to Christian Ethics	3 Credits
CHHS401	Asian-American Church – Theology and History	3 Credits
CHHS303	The History of Korean Church	3 Credits
PRMN300	Introduction to Reformed Worship	3 Credits
PRMN311	Ministry to Older Adults in the Local Church	3 Credits
PRMN312	Youth Ministry	3 Credits
PRMN313	Teaching Children in Local Churches	3 Credits
PRMN314	Principles of Discipleship	3 Credits
TRU100	Reformed University Faithfulness and Spiritual Journey	3 Credits

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### BBS201 Inductive Bible Study Method

An introduction to inductive Bible study method, involving the steps of observation, interpretation, and application.

### BBS301 Introduction to OT

This course is an examination of the contents of the Old Testament with attention to the major developments in the history of redemption: creation, covenant, promise and fulfillment of the promises. This course covers the periods from Adam and Eve to Israel in the Promised Land.

### BBS302 Major Themes of OT

An overview of the major themes of the OT such as Covenant, the Lordship of God, the kingdom of God, Holiness of God, etc.

### BBS303 Life of Prophets

A study on the life of the prophets; their callings, chronology, function, message and fulfillment, categories of prophetic oracles, subjects of aftermath oracles, etc.

### BBS310 Introduction to NT

This course provides an introductory overview of the contents of the New Testament with an emphasis on historical settings.

### BBS312 Acts of the Apostles

The lives and works of the twelve apostles in relation to the life of Christ. General information about the apostles, their personalities and characters, their encounters with Jesus, their purpose and mission will be discussed.

### BBS401 Spiritual Warfare

Introductory study on Christian theodicy, the problem of evil, attributing pain and suffering to the



mysterious good purposes of God. This course starts with the warfare worldview of the OT and NT and will discuss the kingdom of God as a warfare concept and Christian life as spiritual warfare.

**BBS402**            **Biblical Worldview**

The basic concept, fundamental components of the worldview will be discussed and how a worldview affects behavior and beliefs also will be explained, and the elements of a Christian worldview will be discussed.

**BBS403**            **Historical Background of the OT**

This course covers briefly the history of the ancient Near East, including a chronology, Egyptian cosmology, early Mesopotamian history, highlights of Assyrian history, kings of Assyria, kings of Israel and Judah in Assyrian royal inscriptions, highlights of Babylonian history and Israel's neighbors.

**BBS404**            **Psalms**

A literary, exegetical, and theological study of selected portions of the Psalms with emphasis on principles of interpretation, exegetical-theological methods, and homiletical application in the Asian-American context. Prerequisites: BBS301

**BBS405**            **Wisdom Literature**

A literary, exegetical, and theological study of selected portions of the books of Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes. The course will include an introduction to the major literary genres, motifs, and theological emphases of these books.

**BBS410**            **New Testament Theology**

This course will combine an inductive study of the New Testament with a careful analysis of the distinctive theologies of the various authors. Prerequisites: BBS310

**BBS411**            **The Parables of Jesus**

Selected parables and their application are examined. The study of the parables is designed to aid the student in his teaching and preaching ministry.

**BBS412**            **Sermon on the Mount**

An exegetical study on the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew 5-7. Special attention is given to context and literary structure, as well as ethical, hermeneutical, and theological issues. Prerequisites: NT Greek I.

**BBS430**            **Doctrine of the Holy Spirit**

A study of traditional and contemporary understanding of the person and work of the Holy Spirit.

**CCED301**            **Introduction to Christian Education**

A survey of the roots, objectives and practice of religious education in the Christian church.

**CCED310**            **Introduction to Counseling**

Supervised exposure to and experience in the principles, methods, techniques & practice of counseling individuals or small groups.

**CCED404 Art of Parenting**

This course is designed to explore the multifaceted art of parenting. Topics will include the decision to have children; physical, social and psychological patterns of child development; roles of grandparents; the church as a resource in parenting; single-parent families; second families, etc.

**CCES420 Introduction to Christian Ethics**

A study of major historical formulations of Christian ethics, including those of Augustine, Aquinas, Luther, Calvin, Edwards, the Puritans, and the Social Gospel.

**CHHS301 The History of Christian Movement I: The Apostolic Age to 1600.** This course covers the history of Christian mission from the Apostolic Age to the Age of Discovery. The spread of Christ's message of God's kingdom to the entire world, from the first 500 years AD through the early Middle Ages (ca. 500-1000), to the medieval period(ca. 1000-1500), and into the Age of Discovery(ca. 1500-1600).

**CHHS302 The History of Christian Movement II: 1600-1800** This period of Christian Movement will cover the Roman Catholic missions, Eastern Orthodox missions, the beginning of Protestant missions, and the Great Century of missions. Prerequisite CHHS301

**CHHS303 The History of Korean Church**

An overview of the early period of the Korean church started by the Protestant missionaries.

**CHHS401 Asian-American Church: Theology and History**

A study of the theology and history of the Asian-American church with attention to the sociological and psychological studies of Asian American society.

**MISS301 Introduction to Missions**

This course is to introduce the undergraduate student to the unfinished task of world evangelization. The main components of this course include an examination of biblical foundations for missions, missionary methods, the missionary call, and preparation for personal involvement in fulfilling the Great Commission and the great Commandment.

**MISS310 Inter-Cultural Ministries**

The nature of people in cultures, subsystems of cultures, including religion and language, an overview of global realities, international and intercultural ministry issues, and concepts in the scientific study of language. The class will explore the cross cultural transition process and introduce internship opportunities.

**PRMN300 Introduction to Reformed Worship**

Survey of the development of liturgy in the Christian Church with an emphasis on a distinctively Reformed understanding of the public worship of God. The course seeks to prepare students for leading worship in the local church by hands-on experience in leading the ordinary and occasional worship services of the Church.

**PRMN301 A Survey of Church Music**

Survey of theories and practices of church music, building on musical, biblical, historical, theological and socio-cultural foundations of music in worship in general.



**PRMN305 Religions of the World**  
 Major religious groups ranked by size and adherents. The top ten religions in the world and their belief systems will be discussed in relation to Christian missions.

**PRMN311 Ministry to Older Adults in the Local Church**  
 This course is designed to familiarize students with the programs, resources, and organizational structures interplay in leading the older-adult ministry of a local church.

**PRMN312 Youth Ministry**  
 This course is an introduction to various roles played by the youth leaders in ministering to the spiritual, personal and social needs of adolescents in the Christian community.

**PRMN313 Teaching Children in the Local Churches**  
 This course is designed to familiarize students with issues and practices which are fundamental to ministering to and with children and families through the local church. It will provide foundations and practical strategies for teaching children in the church.

**PRMN314 Principles of Discipleship**  
 This course explains the need for developing a philosophy of ministry that focuses on building followers of Christ. Attention will be given to plans and strategies for creating a disciple-building environment that can be used in church and parachurch ministries. Personal and corporate discipleship are considered.

**PRMN401 Practicum**  
 A ministry experience as a youth minister in a local church setting for one semester.

**THLG201 Introduction to Systematic Theology**  
 An introduction to systematic theology: the revelation of scripture, the doctrine of God and Creation, man in relation to God, the person and work of Christ, the application of the work of redemption, the doctrine of the church, the means to grace and the doctrine of the last things.

**TRU100 Reformed University Faithfulness and Spiritual Journey**  
 Reformed University’s faculty and students participate in this class to share their spiritual journeys in the past, and their visions for their continuing journeys after leaving Reformed University, in a personal way. Participants will learn the ethos of Reformed University as well as that of each other.

**BATS Suggested Progress Plan** (120 Credit Hours Required)

Semester	Course Code	Course Title	Hours	Remarks
1st	INS101	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BS101	A Survey of the Bible	3	GE
		Select 1 from Communications	3	GE
		Select 1 from Humanities and Fine Arts	3	GE
		Select 1 from Behavioral/Social Science	3	GE
		Select 1 from Science and Mathematics	3	GE
	<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>





2 <sup>nd</sup>	INS102	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	NT201	Life of Jesus Christ	3	GE
		Select 1 from Communications	3	GE
		Select 1 from Humanities and Fine Arts	3	GE
		Select 1 from Behavioral/Social Science	3	GE
		Select 1 from Science and Mathematics	3	GE
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	INS103	Worship Service	P/F	IR
		Select 5 from any GE area	15	GE
	<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>
4 <sup>th</sup>	INS104	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BBS 201	Inductive Bible Study Method	3	Core
	BBS 301	Introduction to Old Testament	3	Core
	CHHS302	History of Christian Movement I	3	Core
	PRMN305	Religions of the World	3	Core
		Select 1 Elective Course	3	Elective
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup>	INS105	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BBS302	Major Themes of Old Testament	3	Core
	BBS310	Introduction to New Testament	3	Core
	CHHS302	History of Christian Movement II	3	Core
	PRMN301	Surveys of Church Music	3	Core
		Select 1 Elective Course	3	Elective
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>	
6 <sup>th</sup>	INS106	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BBS320	Introduction to Systematic Theology	3	Core
	CHHS303	The History of Korean Church	3	Core
	CCED301	Introduction to Christian Education	3	Core
	MISS301	Perspectives in Missions	3	Core
		Select 1 Elective Course	3	Elective
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>	
7 <sup>th</sup>	INS107	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BBS410	New Testament Theology	3	Core
	CCED310	Introduction to Counseling	3	Core
	MISS310	Inter-Cultural Ministries	3	Core
		Select 2 Elective Courses	6	Elective
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			<b>15</b>	
8 <sup>th</sup>	INS108	Worship Service	P/F	IR
	BBS412	Sermon on the Mount	3	Core
	CCES410	Introduction to Christian Ethics	3	Core
	BBS402	Biblical Worldview	3	Core



	Select 2 Elective Courses	6	Elective
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>	
<b>Total Credit Hours Required for Graduation</b>		<b>120</b>	