

Purpose

Barber-Scotia College, founded in 1867 and located in the beautiful historic district of Concord, North Carolina, is a Presbyterian Church-USA affiliated Christen Liberal College dedicated to the proper training of future professional, evangelical ministers, and other Church lay persons pursuing or currently practicing the vocation of Christian ministry. Whether the student desires to pursue a career in a secular profession, the pastoral ministry, or other ministries such as Christian educator, missionary worker, evangelist, etc., Barber-Scotia College stands ready and able, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to equip God's people to operate in their divine calling.

Although upon graduating many of our students go on to pursue honorable careers in the secular field, one of the goals of Barber-Scotia College is to prepare those going into the Christian ministry to be effective and successful leaders in the Church. It is our Lord's desire that all His children labor in the vineyard (Matthew 9:37-38). It is also His desire that all his children study to show themselves approved unto God, being workmen that need not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of truth in order that they many be fully equipped to serve in His name (II Timothy 2:15). By God's grace, Barber-Scotia College has structured its' program in Religion to fulfill both of these divine mandates for the faithful Christian who desires a deeper understanding of the Scriptures and of the Christian ministry.

Program Overview

Barber-Scotia College offers a Bachelor of Arts in Religion. There is a 120 credit hour "General" track and a 126 credit hour 'Pastoral Care' track. The BA in Religion will prepare the student for graduate level studies in Divinity at a seminary or Bible College as well as provide basic level training for future and existing pastors and Church leaders.

The lack of an academic degree should neither hinder a person from wanting to receive a well-rounded theological education nor should it disqualify a person from serving effectively in the Christian ministry. Therefore, to those who want a theological education, yet, do not desire an undergraduate degree, the Diploma in Religion is offered. The student must successfully complete the 60 credit hours of Religion core requirements, after which, the Diploma in Religion will be upgraded to the BA in Religion if the student successfully completes the other degree requirements



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Program Overview Cont.

The BA in Religion and Diploma in Religion are unique in that they not only cater to the traditional daytime student but evening and weekend classes are offered to the mature working adults who want a solid and reputable theological education but are unable attend day classes. Evening and weekend classes, along with the traditional daytime classes, make our programs accessible to both full-time and part-time students who want to pursue the degree or diploma at their own pace.



Our degree and diploma program is comparable to any Bible College program. Our academic standards are high and our curriculum is comprehensive offering the student a rigorous, challenging, and fulfilling education. We can make t these claims because of the qualifications and dedication of our faculty and staff.

Bachelor of Arts in Religion
(General)

123 hour (41 courses)

General Education Requirements:

45 credit hours (15 courses)

Religion Core requirements: 60 credit hours
(20 courses)

Biblical Studies

Bible Survey I (3)

Bible Survey II (3)

Bible Survey III (3)

Old Testament History & Background (3)

New Testament Hist. & Background (3)

Biblical Theology (3)

Introduction of Biblical Hebrew (3)

Introduction to Biblical Greek (3)

Bible Geography (3)

Basic Biblical Hermeneutics (3)

Theological Studies Courses

Christian Doctrine Survey I (3)

Christian Doctrine Survey II (3)

Christian Ethics (3)

Church History Survey I (3)

Church History Survey II (3)

Practical Theology Courses

The Christian Life: A Study in Spiritual Disciplines (3)

The Principles of Christian Leadership (3)

Introduction to Christian Missions (3)

The Church & Society: Evangelism in Action (3)

Introduction to World Religions (3)

Additional Requirements: 18 Credit Hrs.

(6 courses)

6-Free Electives (3) credit hours each or

4-Free Electives (3) credit hours each

Theological Research Methods (3)

Integrative Ministry Project (3)

Bachelor of Arts in Religion
(Pastoral Care)

129 hours (43 courses)

General and Core Requirements are the same as the
(General) concentration

Pastoral Care Concentration Requirements:

24 credit hours (8 courses)

Orientation to the Pastoral Ministry (3)

Divine Worship (3)

Homiletics & Sermon Preparation (3)

Pastoral Ethics & Etiquette (3)

Basic Church Administration (3)

Principles of Church Government (3)

Christian Education Ministry (3)

Pastoral Counseling & Crisis Intervention (3)

Additional Requirements: no credits awarded
2 semester-long Supervised Ministry Practicum must be
completed prior to graduation. No grade or credit will
be awarded for these Ministry Practicum. However, an
evaluation report and ministry assessment is required
and must be submitted by the student to their advisor
upon completion of each Ministry Practicum.

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