

Cumberland Baptist Institute

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Catalogue of Academic Information



"Pastors Training Pastors"

"Preparing Christian Workers To Make A Difference"



West Somerset Baptist Church
Somerset, Kentucky



Parkers Mill Road Baptist Church
Somerset, Kentucky

Co-Sponsors

Accreditation and Recognition

The Cumberland Baptist Institute is an independent institution of higher learning and has never sought accreditation from any national or regional accrediting agencies recognized by the United States Department of Education.

However, we believe that the best education is an education in the Word of God. Therefore, we are committed to offering and maintaining the highest level of training possible.

Doctrinal Statement

- 1. We believe that love one for another as Jesus loves the believer manifests our discipleship, proves our love for God and symbolizes our authority as New Testament churches. Love is therefore the great commandment of the LORD Jesus Christ upon which all others are dependent (Matt. 22:35-40; John 13:34, 35; John 15:12; 1 John 4:7-21; 1 John 5:1-3; Rev. 2:4, 5).**
- 2. We believe in the infallible, verbal inspiration of the whole Bible and that the Bible is the all-sufficient rule of faith and practice (Psalm 119:160; 2 Tim. 3:16, 17).**
- 3. We believe in the personal triune God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, equal in divine perfection (Matt. 28:19).**
- 4. We believe in the Genesis account of Creation (Gen. 1; 2).**
- 5. We believe that Satan is a fallen angel, the archenemy of God and man, the unholy god of this world, and that his destiny is the eternal lake of fire (Isa. 14:12-15; Ezek. 28:11-19; Matt. 25:41; 2 Cor. 4:4; Eph. 6:10-17; Rev. 20:10).**
- 6. We believe in the virgin birth and sinless humanity of Jesus Christ (Matt. 1:18-20; 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Peter 2:22).**
- 7. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ (John 10:30; John 1:1, 14; 2 Cor. 5:19).**
- 8. We believe the Holy Spirit is the divine Administrator for Jesus Christ in His churches (Luke 24:49; John 14:16, 17; Acts 1:4, 5, 8; Acts 2:1-4).**
- 9. We believe that miraculous spiritual manifestation gifts were done away when the Bible was completed. Faith, Hope and Love are the vital abiding Spiritual Gifts (1 Cor. chapters 12-14).**
- 10. We believe that Man was created in the image of God and lived in innocency until he fell by voluntary transgression from his sinless state, the result being that all mankind are sinners (Gen. 1:26; Gen. 3:6-24; Rom. 5:12, 19).**
- 11. We believe that the suffering and death of Jesus Christ was substitutionary for all mankind and is efficacious only to those who believe (Isa. 53:6; Heb. 2:9; 1 Peter 2:24; 1 Peter 3:18; 2 Peter 3:9; 1 John 2:2).**
- 12. We believe in the bodily resurrection and ascension of Christ and the bodily resurrection of His saints (Matt. 28:1-7; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Cor. 15:42-58; 1 Thess. 4:13-18).**

13. We believe in the premillennial, personal, bodily return of Christ as the crowning event of the Gentile age. This event will include the resurrection of the righteous to eternal heaven, and the Millennium will be followed by the resurrection of the unrighteous unto eternal punishment in the lake of fire and that the righteous shall enter into the heaven age (John 14:1-6; 1 Thess. 4:13-18; 2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 19; Rev. 20:4-6; Rev. 20:11-15; Rev. 21:8).

14. We believe that the depraved sinner is saved wholly by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, and the requisites to regeneration are repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 13:3-5; John 3:16-18; Acts 20:21; Rom. 6:23; Eph. 2:8, 9), and that the Holy Spirit convicts sinners, regenerates, seals, secures, and indwells every believer (John 3:6; John 16:8, 9; Rom. 8:9-11; 1 Cor. 6:19, 20; Eph. 4:30; Titus 3:5).

15. We believe that all who trust Jesus Christ for salvation are eternally secure in Him and shall not perish (John 3:36; John 5:24; John 10:27-30; Rom. 8:35-39; Heb. 10:39; 1 Peter 1:5).

16. We believe that God deals with believers as His children, that He chastises the disobedient, and that He rewards the obedient (Matt. 16:27; Matt. 25:14-23; John 1:12; Heb. 12:5-11; 2 John 8; Rev. 22:12).

17. We believe that Jesus Christ established His church during His ministry on earth and that it is always a local, visible assembly of scripturally baptized believers in covenant relationship to carry out the Commission of the Lord Jesus Christ, and each church is an independent, self-governing body, and no other ecclesiastical body may exercise authority over it. We believe that Jesus Christ gave the Great Commission to the New Testament churches only, and that He promised the perpetuity of His churches (Matt. 4:18-22; Matt. 16:18; Matt. 28:19, 20; Mark 1:14-20; John 1:35-51; Eph. 3:21).

18. We believe that there are two pictorial ordinances in the Lord's churches: Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Scriptural baptism is the immersion of penitent believers in water, administered by the authority of a New Testament church in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Lord's Supper is a memorial ordinance, restricted to the members of the church observing the ordinance (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 8:12, 38; Rom. 6:4; 1 Cor. 5:11-13; 1 Cor. 11:1, 2, 17-20, 26).

19. We believe that there are two divinely appointed offices in a church, pastors and deacons, to be filled by men whose qualifications are set forth in Titus and 1 Timothy.

20. We believe that all associations, fellowships, and committees are, and properly should be, servants of, and under control of the churches (Matt. 20:25-28).

21. We believe in freedom of worship without interference from the government and affirm our belief in civil obedience, unless the laws and regulations of civil government run contrary to the Holy Scriptures (Rom. 13:1-7; 1 Peter 2:13-15).

Authority

The authority to administer things that are spiritual belongs to the local church. Cumberland Baptist Institute is the teaching ministry of the West Somerset Baptist Church and the Parkers Mill Road Baptist Church. These churches own and operate the school and all matters concerning teachers, subjects and policies belong to these churches.

Ownership

Cumberland Baptist Institute is owned and operated by the West Somerset Baptist Church and the Parkers Mill Road Baptist Church, both of Somerset, Kentucky. Churches and individuals throughout the fellowship of the Cumberland River Association of Baptist Churches and the American Baptist Association support the Institute with much appreciated offerings and gifts.

Institutional Objectives

A student who graduates from Cumberland Baptist Institute should be able to:

1. Show that he has acquired a comprehensive knowledge of the Bible and can make practical application of biblical principles.
2. Demonstrate his knowledge of sound Bible doctrine in accordance with the doctrinal statement of the school.
3. Demonstrate a satisfactory personal relationship with Jesus Christ by regular devotional habits and a consistent prayer life.
4. Give evidence of his compassion for lost souls and appreciation for worldwide missionary service.
5. Give evidence of sound scholarship by performing skilled research and by displaying independent study habits.
6. Demonstrate spiritual, mental, emotional and physical maturity as indicated by both progress and effective Christian service.
7. Demonstrate that he can serve competently in spheres of Christian service.
8. Show promise of developing lifelong habits of study and continued growth.

It is the conviction of Cumberland Baptist Institute that preparation for leadership requires studies in general education, Bible, and one or more specialized Christian ministries. Each student at Cumberland Baptist Institute majors in Bible.

School Colors

“Crimson” – Represents the shed blood of Jesus Christ for the remission of the sins of mankind.

“White” – Represents the cleansing of men’s souls through the sacrifice of the Saviour.

“Gold” – Represents the Royalty and Kingship of Jesus Christ.

Church Student Relationship

The West Somerset Baptist Church and the Parkers Mill Road Baptist Church, both of Somerset, Kentucky co-sponsor the Cumberland Baptist Institute. CBI is responsible to these churches at all times. The utmost care is taken to maintain the closest possible fellowship and cooperation.

Whether a student is a member of the sponsoring churches or of a sister church, he or she should remember that they always represent and that their conduct is a direct reflection upon Cumberland Baptist Institute.

Students are expected to take part in the Sunday School, worship and training services of a scriptural church.

Code of Conduct

1. Courtesy First
2. Property and facilities should be respected at all times.
3. Food and drinks should be confined to the kitchen area.
4. No rearrangement of furniture without permission from the faculty.
5. All teachers will be respected for their positions and will be addressed as Brother, followed by their last names.
6. Use of tobacco in any form is prohibited on church or school property, ANYWHERE.
7. Gossip does not reflect Christian character and is forbidden.
8. BIBLE CONFERENCES ARE A PART OF THE CLASSROOM WORK. ABSENTEEISM WILL LOWER THE STUDENTS GRADE.
9. The student is to be a Christian example at all times. Even when the student is not on school or church property he is a representative of the Cumberland Baptist Institute.
10. One should be proud of his call to preach and of the Cumberland Baptist Institute no matter where he may be.

Scholarships and Awards

Scholarships: Scholarships will be added as they are made available by donors.

Awards: The Ewell Hargis Memorial Award is presented each year during commencement to the “Most Outstanding Student” for the current academic year. This Award is named in honor of former Instructor and School Representative, Bro. Ewell Hargis and is designed to inspire the student body to aspire to instill the attributes Bro. Hargis demonstrated during his ministry and encouraged in his students.

The recipient of the Ewell Hargis Memorial Award is determined by a vote of the faculty. In the event of a tie, it will be broken by the Administrator.

Financial Information

Tuition: Tuition will be \$25.00 per semester. Tuition is due at time of registration.

Textbooks: Total cost of textbooks will vary for each year’s level of study. The approximate cost of textbooks is \$50.00 to \$75.00 per year. All textbooks are available through the school bookstore. Payment is expected at the time of purchase unless other payment arrangements are absolutely necessary.

Student Relief Fund: Any student who has a financial need may talk confidentially with the Dean or Administrator. He may then receive help from the Student Relief Fund. This fund is supported by churches and individuals who wish to go one step further toward making it possible for young preachers to stay in school who might otherwise have to withdraw for financial reasons.

Entrance Information

Entrance Requirements: An individual wishing to enroll at CBI must be able to read, write, be clean in character, be willing to be taught, and conduct himself within the guidelines of the school.

If a student wants to work toward a diploma in the Master of Theology or Doctorate of Theology programs, he must have a high school diploma or a GED. A copy of the GED certificate must be in the students file at CBI before he will be allowed to graduate from the program.

Transfer Students: Credits may be accepted from other schools depending upon the type of course, type of school, and the correlation between it and the Bible courses offered at CBI. Some credits may be accepted as elective only.

CBI conforms to the standards of the American Baptist Institute of Theological Schools and will accept most credits from other such schools. Each student must furnish CBI with transcripts from other colleges or seminaries before credits can be evaluated.

Academic Information

Examinations: Examinations are given every six weeks. Each instructor is at liberty to give daily quizzes, tests, or research themes to his class when he chooses. Any assignment not received the day it is due will lose five points per class period until it is submitted to the instructor.

Final exams are given to every class at the close of the school term. No final may be taken before its scheduled time, unless prior arrangements have been made with your instructor and the school administration.

Grading System and Requirements: The following standard is used in all courses in determining the grades on all tests, exams, themes, graded daily work, and final grades.

95-100	A	Excellent	4.0+	GPA
85-94	B	Good	3.0+	GPA
75-84	C	Average	2.0+	GPA
70-74	D	Below Average	1.5 +	GPA
0-69	F	Failure		

Any student who is not maintaining at least a 2.0 grade point average should speak with that particular instructor if it is just one class or with the Dean if it is an overall problem. All grades will consist of 4 parts; Class Attendance, Examinations, Class Assignments, and Attitude and Classroom Participation.

Thesis Requirements: All bachelor and master theses must have a Bible subject. This subject must be submitted to the Dean by October 1st of the graduate year. Upon approval by the Dean and the Administrator, the student then has until April 1st to complete his thesis and submit it for grading. All theses must be in correct form as taught in Techniques of Thesis Writing in the curriculum of CBI. The proper number of required words is a must. All theses will be approved by the West Somerset Baptist Church and the Parkers Mill Road Baptist Church as approved by the Administrator and Dean. Of course the clock hours and grade point requirements must be met, as well as quality Christian Character and attitude. The length of the bachelor thesis is 15,000 words and the master thesis is 25,000 words. In addition to Scripture quotations or references, at least eight different sources must be quoted or referenced in the bachelor thesis and at least twelve in the master thesis. Progress reports must be made to the Dean periodically.

Students will not be permitted to duplicate subjects or subject matter in another thesis program. Each subject matter must differ from the thesis previously written.

Thesis requirements for the doctrinal program are located in the Doctrinal Program section which follows in this catalog.

Student Grades: The instructor will furnish any student, upon request, a progress report for work he is doing in a particular subject. Grade cards are distributed to each student at the close of each semester. All grades are recorded on the student's transcript and become a part of his records. A student

may view his transcript only in the presence of an authorized staff member. The records must not leave the office of the school.

Transcripts: Transcripts are permanent records of every student who enrolls at CBI. The records belong to the school and can only be seen by certain members of the administration. The student may obtain a copy of his transcripts by making a written request to the registrar. The first copy will be free. All others will cost \$2.00 per copy.

Attendance and Absenteeism

Faithful attendance is a mark of character lacking in many Christians of our day, including those in the ministry. A student who considers it unnecessary to attend his classes will soon see his grades fall and begin to submit work that is below average.

Attendance is marked by points at CBI. Those who are present receive one hundred points for the attendance grade. For those who are absent, a zero will be averaged into his daily grade. These are averaged together with the homework and this becomes his daily grade.

A class period is one hour and twenty minutes. Each subject requires one class period per week.

1. Make up work may be obtained by the student from each instructor for which he will be allowed up to ninety points as part of the daily grade. It is the responsibility of the student to request make-up work. The instructor will not give it of his own accord. If no make-up work is completed, the daily grade will be zero.
2. Missing six class periods (unexcused) in any subject, for any reason, will result in his/her grade being lowered one letter from any possible score.
3. Missing eight class periods (unexcused) in any subject, for any reason, will result in failure in that subject and no credit will be given for any work completed in that particular class.

The Following Will Be Accepted As Excused Absences:

1. Death of immediate family member to include, Spouse, Child, Parent, Sibling and Grandparent.
2. Personal Illness.
3. Church related activities affecting the home church of student's membership.

Extreme circumstances may arise that could override this policy. The student will be required to meet with the administration to determine validity of his/her claim.

Withdrawal

If a student finds it necessary to withdraw from a class, or all classes, he must complete a withdrawal form; any student who fails to withdraw properly will receive a failing grade in each course. The grade will be recorded on his permanent transcript.

No student will be allowed to drop a course if he is passing and simply wants to drop it because he thinks it is too difficult.

Probation

Academic: Any student who does not maintain a grade point average of 2.0 or better during a given semester will be placed on academic probation for one semester during which he shall have opportunity to raise his grade point average.

Disciplinary: Conduct unbecoming to Christian character shall be grounds for dismissal from the school. Re-admission will be gained by full consent of the administration.

Dress Code

All full-time Ministerial students are required to wear slacks, a dress shirt and tie.

Slacks and shirts are the accepted attire for all other male students.

- (No shorts, or cut-offs of any type will be permitted)
- Polo shirts are permitted.

Dresses and slacks are acceptable for female students.

The only acceptable body piercing is ladies earrings.

All other is expressly prohibited!

- Example; no nose rings, eyebrow rings, lip rings or wearing of earrings by males.
- This list is not all inclusive and will be amended as necessary to any and all other items deemed unacceptable by the Administration!

We do not feel that strict guidelines should be a necessity.

As Christians we are aware that the Holy Spirit will not lead us contrary to Godliness.

Therefore we ask each of you to be sensitive to the leadership of the Holy Spirit and allow Modesty and Godliness to be the foundation all is based upon.

Please remember that at all times you are a representative of the Lord Jesus Christ as well as Cumberland Baptist Institute and it is important that we display proper ambassadorship.

Graduation Requirements

All students satisfactorily completing any course will receive a Certificate of Merit stating such. Upon satisfactory completion of the prescribed courses of study as outlined in the curriculum requirements for the various fields of study, the student is entitled to graduation, subject to the following conditions:

Spiritual: Candidates for graduation must manifest exemplary and consistent Christian and moral worthiness. A student whose character has proven to be less than Christian-like may be adjudged by the faculty as not worthy of graduation, even if he has met all other requirements.

Financial: All candidates for graduation must satisfactorily settle all financial accounts with the school prior to graduation day; otherwise no diplomas will be awarded.

Academic: Graduation requires an average of “C” (75 or higher); and expressed and demonstrated personal adherence and belief in the doctrines outlined in the Doctrinal Statement of this school; participation, unless excused by the Administrator for cause, in all graduation exercises of his class; and approved by the Dean on any required theses.

Weekly Class Schedule

Classes offered Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

6:30 – 6:40 p.m.	Opening Devotional
6:40 – 8:00 p.m.	1 st Period
8:00 – 8:10 p.m.	Break
8:10 – 9:30 p.m.	2 nd Period

Monday Class Schedule

Room #	1	2	3	4
1 st Period	Bible Analysis	New Testament Survey	Missions	Systematic Theology
2 nd Period	The Bible in Eight Ages	Old Testament Survey	Hermeneutics	Teaching Techniques

Tuesday Class Schedule

1 st Period	Defense of the Faith	Church Administration	Bible Manners & Customs	Computer Fundamentals / Thesis Writing
2 nd Period	Pastoral Epistles	Church History	Biblical Geography	Methods in Sermonizing

Thursday Class Schedule

1 st Period	Evangelism	1 st Year English	Bible Prophecy	Beginners Greek
2 nd Period	Harmony of the Gospels	Cults	Ministerial Practicalities	Beginners Hebrew

Programs of Study

Cumberland Baptist Institute offers four programs of study.
These include;

One Year Degree	Christian Workers Certificate	30 Hours
Two Year Degree	Associate in Christian Education	60 Hours
Three Year Degree	Bible Certificate of Evangelism	90 Hours
Four Year Degree – Ministerial	Bachelor of Theology	120 Hours
Four Year Degree – Non-Ministerial	Bachelor in Christian Education	120 Hours

Class Requirements By Degree Program

Christian Workers Certificate

One Year Degree – 30 Hours

1st Semester

Bible Analysis	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Defense of the Faith	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
 Cults	2
 Evangelism	2
 Lecture	1
 Elective	2

2nd Semester

Bible Analysis	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Defense of the Faith	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
 Cults	2
 Evangelism	2
 Lecture	1
 Elective	2

Associate in Christian Education
Two Year Degree – 60 Hours

1st Year

1st Semester

Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
1 st Year English	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Cults	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
1 st Year English	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Cults	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Year

1st Semester

New Testament Survey	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Lecture	1
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Elective	2

2nd Semester

New Testament Survey	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Lecture	1
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Elective	2

Bible Certificate of Evangelism

Three Year Degree – 90 Hours

1st Year

1st Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
Ministerial Practicalities	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
Ministerial Practicalities	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Year

1st Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

3rd Year

1st Semester

Bible Prophecy	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Bible Prophecy	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

Bachelor of Theology - Ministerial
Four Year Degree – 120 Hours

1st Year

1st Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
Ministerial Practicalities	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
Ministerial Practicalities	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Year

1st Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

3rd Year

1st Semester

Beginners Greek	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Beginners Greek	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

4th Year

1st Semester

Beginners Hebrew	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Systematic Theology	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Pastoral Epistles	2
Thesis Writing	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Beginners Hebrew	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Systematic Theology	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Pastoral Epistles	2
Thesis Writing	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

Bachelor in Christian Education – Non-Ministerial
Four Year Degree – 120 Hours

1st Year

1st Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2
Elective	2

2nd Semester

1 st Year English	2
Bible Analysis	2
Defense of the Faith	2
Sermonizing	2
The Bible in Eight Ages	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2
Elective	2

2nd Year

1st Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Cults	2
Old Testament Survey	2
Missions	2
Bible Manners & Customs	2
Church History	2
Evangelism	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

3rd Year

1st Semester

Beginners Greek	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Beginners Greek	2
Biblical Geography	2
Harmony of the Gospels	2
Church Administration	2
Hermeneutics	2
New Testament Survey	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

4th Year

1st Semester

Beginners Hebrew	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Systematic Theology	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Pastoral Epistles	2
Thesis Writing	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

2nd Semester

Beginners Hebrew	2
Bible Prophecy	2
Systematic Theology	2
Teaching Techniques	2
Pastoral Epistles	2
Thesis Writing	2
Lecture	1
Elective	2

Approved Electives

A Study of the Post Exile Prophets – H. H. Strickland
Baptist Doctrine – E. C. Gillentine
Bible Doctrine – Don R. Price
Christian Engagements – Roy M. Reed
God’s Eternal Purpose – Allen Adkins
Lifestyle Evangelism – Muncy Harris
Missionary Baptist Distinctives - L. M. Branch
O Israel – I. K. Cross
Personal Work in Evangelism – Paul Goodwin
Revelation – E. C. Gillentine
The Battle for Baptist History – I. K. Cross
The Christian Home and Family – Robert Ashcraft
The Church that Jesus Built – Albert Garner
The Glorious Church – Roy M. Reed
The Marriage of the Lamb – C.N. Glover
The Tabernacle – Bobby Sparks
Those Things Most Surely Believed Among Us – G. F. Crumley
Trail of Blood – J. M. Carroll
Computer Fundamentals

*Additions to this list of electives will be made by the approval of the administration of
Cumberland Baptist Institute.*

Course Descriptions

Bible Interpretation Department

Bible Analysis

Bible Analysis is a system of taking apart, analyzing, and putting together of the entire Bible. It consists of a thorough study of the Bible based on II Timothy 2:15. It is a basic course on the methods of study and proper interpretation of the Bible.

Old Testament Survey

A chronological study of the Old Testament with attention to the introduction, history, background and outline of each book. This course provides a survey from Genesis through Malachi or from creation to the inter-biblical period.

Systematic Theology

This course is divided into five sections each semester.

First Semester – Bibliology, Theology, Christology, Pneumatology and Anthropology.

Second Semester – Hamartiology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, Angelology, and Eschatology.

New Testament Survey

This survey course is designed to give a synopsis of each book, as well as something about the writer, the setting, the customs and the events surrounding each book of the New Testament, together with its significance relating to the values of Inspiration, is also covered in this course.

Bible in Eight Ages

A fundamental Bible course dealing with eight dispensations beginning with God and creation form thence through the history of the Old Testament. The first semester is occupied with four ages up to the giving of the Law at Sinai. The second semester we study from the law through the millennium.

Defense of the Faith

A study of the cardinal doctrines of the bible as taught by the New Testament church is made in this class. The student is given a Bible foundation for these truths.

Pastoral Epistles

This is an exegetical study of the letters written to Timothy and Titus. Emphasis is upon the application of biblical truths found in these books to present day churches and pastors.

Pauline Epistles

This is an exegetical study of the letters written by Paul except for the letters written to Timothy and Titus, which are studied in another course.

Hermeneutics

This course is designed to introduce the student to the principles of sound Biblical interpretation. This will also be a systematic study of Biblical figures of speech.

Harmony of the Gospels

A course of study harmonizing the Gospels both chronologically and theologically.

Bible Prophecy

Prophecy is no more than history written in advance. It is important for every believer to understand the fundamentals of Bible Prophecy, and this course is designed to give you that education in a clear and enjoyable format.

English Department

English I

This course is a comprehensive study of principles of correct usages of parts of speech. Application of these principles is given in oral and written exercises. This course is designed to stimulate the student to think and write more correctly.

Thesis Writing

Principles and techniques of library research will be studied within a laboratory setting. This course begins the student's thesis project. During this course, the student selects thesis topics and prepares a working outline for approval.

Bible Language Department

Beginners Greek

An introduction to the Greek of the New Testament is obtained in this course, including alphabet, inflection and vocabulary building. This course will help you in using a Greek Lexicon.

Beginners Hebrew

This is a foundational course in the Hebrew language. It begins with basic fundamental and progresses into basic grammar.

History Department

Baptist History

This course is taught with the concept that Baptist Churches originated during the public ministry of Jesus Christ on earth, and have continued until the present time with an unbroken succession. The history of these churches is studied from their origin to the American continent, and concluded with a study of the origin of the leading Baptist movements in America.

Leadership Department

Evangelism

This is a study of the moral, social, and spiritual qualifications of the personal soul-winner. This course is also designed to challenge and motivate students to become real soul-winners.

Missions

This course acquaints the students with situations and methods common to the mission field, whether local, state, interstate or foreign. This course is designed to light a fire in the heart of every student to become more mission minded.

Homiletics / Sermonizing

This is an introduction to and experiences in learning to build sermons in a scriptural and logical manner, while filling the need of the hour. Oral and written constructive criticism is offered in this course.

Bible Manners and Customs

This course is designed to enrich the students understanding of the customs of the people living at the time the Bible was written. An understanding in this field will enable the student to better understand many culled “hard to understand” passages of Scriptures.

Biblical Geography

A course of study to acquaint the student with both the historical and geographical backgrounds of the Biblical record. The lands of Bible events are studied with an attempt to put the student mentally in the same environment in which they transcribed, with a view toward more accurate interpretation of the Scriptures.

Ministerial Practicalities

A study of the everyday practical needs of the minister, to give him guidance, not only in such responsibilities at the church, or on the mission field, but also in the handling of his own personal and business affairs.

Teaching Techniques

This course considers the law of teaching together with available methods of today that may be used to instruct students. The aims of teaching, the selection and organization of subject matter, planning, recitation and supervised study are considered. The student is taught to teach for results.

Church Administration

Deals with the organization and administration of church activities. The student is acquainted with the nature of the churches of the New Testament and their goals.

Cults

This course will concentrate on developing a concise, but non-exhaustive, knowledge of the false doctrine and heretical viewpoints of the occult, some predominate cults, and the most popular world religions. Instruction will consist of lecturing, reading, refuting, and basic memorization of what saith the Word of God.

Electives

A Study of the Post Exile Prophets – H. H. Strickland

This is an exegetical study of the prophets listed, with special emphasis placed on God’s Dealing with His people Israel and their restoration as a nation. This will include the books of Ezra, Haggai, Zechariah, Nehemiah and Malachi.

Missionary Baptist Distinctives – L. M. Branch

A study of doctrines peculiar to Missionary Baptist, consisting of twelve outlines with review questions.

The Battle for Baptist History – I. K. Cross

Establishes a continuity of Baptist churches from the ministry of Christ to present.

Baptist Doctrine – E. C. Gillentine

Fifteen lessons with questions, setting forth the truths that have distinguished Baptist in all ages.

Bible Doctrine – Don R. Price

Ideal for the young Christian searching for help in learning New Testament Doctrines.

Christian Engagements – Roy M. Reed

An exhaustive study of the church covenant with supporting Scripture.

O Israel – I. K. Cross

Discusses the origin of Israel's troubles, its history and future in light of prophecy.

Personal Work in Evangelism – Paul Goodwin

Emphasizes the importance of telling everyone the message of salvation.

Revelation – E. C. Gillentine

Designed to make this special book understandable.

The Christian Home and Family – Robert Ashcraft

This book is designed to teach the importance of the Divine Institution of the home.

The Church that Jesus Built – Albert Garner

The local church doctrine is defended, and the fallacy of the universal, invisible church is shown.

The Glorious Church – Roy M. Reed

Presents nine ways to identify a New Testament church and discusses the mission of the church and its bridal relationship.

The Marriage of the Lamb – C.N. Glover

A study of the church – bride question and carries the bridal relationship into eternity.

The Tabernacle – Bobby Sparks

An in depth study of the Tabernacle. Every item in the Tabernacle is described in detail, which shows Christ in the Old Testament.

Those Things Most Surely Believed Among Us – G. F. Crumbley

Fourteen lessons on basic Bible doctrine, giving definition of terms, a brief explanation, flowed by Scripture references and blanks to be filled in.

Trail of Blood – J. M. Carroll

The history of Baptist Church is traced from its founding by Jesus Christ to present day.

Lifestyle Evangelism – Muncy Harris

Help in developing a proper approach to living, producing a powerful witness,

Computer Fundamentals

This course is designed to acquaint the student with the basics of computing.

The topics covered will include the Windows environment, with an overview of word processing, spreadsheet operation, document publishing, and slideshow presentation.

Life Experience and Thesis Requirements for Degree Programs

Bachelor in Christian Education – Non-Ministerial

Satisfactory completion of the prescribed 120 credit hours outlined on the previous page, completion of a 15,000 word thesis on a Bible subject, and must have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or above.

Bachelor of Theology

Satisfactory completion of the prescribed 120 credit hours outlined on the previous page, completion of a 15,000 word thesis on a Bible subject, and must have maintained a GPA of 3.0 or above.

Master of Theology

Cumberland Baptist Institute also offers a Master of Theology to those who are elected by the faculty. To qualify a man must have at least 10 years of successful ministry experience, a bachelor's degree in a related field, and the candidate must write a 25,000 word thesis on a Bible subject.

Doctor of Theology

A Doctor of Theology is also offered at Cumberland Baptist Institute to those who are elected by the faculty. This gentleman must have at least 20 years of successful ministry experience, hold a Master's degree in a related field, and complete a 50,000 word thesis on a Bible subject.

Life Experience

Credit will be awarded for life experience as follows.

Pastoral Experience

2 Credit Hours will be awarded per 1 year Pastoral experience.

Mission Trip

2 Credit Hours will be awarded for Foreign Mission Trips. (Not to Exceed 2 credit hours per year.)

Holy Land Trip

4 Credit Hours will be awarded for a tour taken to Israel. (Not to Exceed 4 Credit Hours per Lifetime.)