

Association of Independent Holiness Churches (AIHC)



School of Biblical Studies

Certificate Program

The Certificate of Completion in Biblical Studies is a 30-credit hour certificate program designed to equip church lay leaders and Christian ministers with the necessary tools to serve God's people and congregants in the Greater Memphis area. This certificate is awarded upon the completion of all course work and practical training sessions. The combined courses and practical experiences will instruct students on the basic principles of the bible and expose them to different areas of ministry. The program will provide students with a foundation in the biblical principles of Christian life as well as practical knowledge to serve in their churches and communities.

Objectives

Students who complete this program will

- a. develop a comprehensive knowledge of the bible.*
- b. develop a basic understanding of how to minister to the needs of individuals in different settings*
- c. strengthen their knowledge in the principles of Christian living*
- d. strengthen their ability to defend their faith*

Requirements

- a. Applicants must be at least 18 years old.*
- b. The prerequisite for this certificate is a high school diploma or GED equivalent.*
- c. A total of 30 credit hours is required for the completion of this certificate.*

Certificate of Completion in Biblical Studies Requirements

Biblical and Theological (BS) Studies

AIHC-BS100	Overview and Introduction to AIHC	1
AIHC-BS111	Bible Survey Old Testament	3
AIHC-BS112	Bible Survey New Testament	3
AIHC-BS201	Church History	3
AIHC-BS379	Book of Romans	3
AIHC-BS219	Apologetics	3
AIHC-BS412	Ethics in Ministry	3
	Total	19

Practical Ministry (PM) in Action

AIHC-PM307	Field Study	2
AIHC-PM477	Practicum	2
AIHC-PM510	Practical Counseling Methods	3
	Total	7

General Studies (GS)

AIHC-GS101	Writing & Public Speaking Seminar	2
AIHC-GS211	Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)	1
AIHC-GS220	Mental Health Training	1
	Total	4

Course Descriptions

Overview and Introduction to AIHC- This course is intended to provide students with a general overview of the Association of Independent Holiness Churches (AIHC). It also includes a discussion of the history and organization of the school.

Bible Survey- This course is a complete overview of the whole bible which cover lessons in both Old and New Testaments.

Church History- This course is intended to introduce students to the doctrine of Christianity which includes the basic principles and practices of Christian truth.

Book of Romans- This course is a general study that introduces students to the content, structure, and background of the book. The course also includes a discussion of the epistle's messages and major themes.

Apologetics- This course is a study of the Christian faith and a survey of the strategies and techniques one can use to defend his or her faith.

Ethics in Ministry-This course is design to teach students acceptable behavior from a moral, social, and biblical ethical standpoint.

Field Study- This course provides students with an opportunity to gain exposure and receive information about different areas of ministries (e.g., hospital visitation).

Practicum- This course is designed to give students an opportunity to gain practical experience in a supervised area of ministry/ministries.

Practical Counseling Methods-The course is designed to present the basic counseling skills.

Writing & Public Speaking Seminar- This seminar is to provide students with general tips on how to write and speak with clarity and precision.

Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)- This session will train students on how to resuscitate/revive human lives and provide first-aid assistance to individuals in emergency situations.

Mental Health Training- The session is an 8-hour training course that teaches individuals how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. Individuals who receive the training will be certified as a mental health first aid respondent.