



Nebra Sky Monastery and Divinity College

Bachelor of Theology With Concentration In Biblical History, Archaeology, and Christian Artifacts

An exciting, adventurous Bachelor Degree with “No General Education” requirements.
Explore our ancient Christian past as we take up:

- traditional theology and scripture study
- monasteries, lost texts, Ethiopian Bibles, artifacts, and relics
- archaeology and historical mysteries
- a tasteful AI component as a research and exploration tool

A timeless, intellectually attractive Bachelor program for students seeking an alternative to the boring, humdrum offerings everywhere else.

Why This Bachelor Program Is The Best:

- (1) **SHORT:** 2 years 8 Months (Full 120 credits)
- (2) **INEXPENSIVE:** \$2950/year x3= \$8850 plus Graduation Fee \$350: Total:\$9200
- (3) **NO GENERAL EDUCATION** Requirements (e.g. no foreign language, economics, diversity)
- (4) **100% ONLINE**, asynchronous, no online classes

**Courses may be substituted or changed at any time,
as curriculums undergo continued revision and updating.**

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Year 1

Term 1: 16 Credits

Old Testament Part I. Covers the first twenty-two books of the Old Testament with emphasis on Genesis: Adam & Eve, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph. The self-portrait of God. **4 Credits.**

Old Testament Part II. Covers in depth study from the reign of King David to the Prophet Malachi. **4 Credits.**

New Testament Part I. Covers the Gospels through the Acts. **4 Credits.**

New Testament Part II. Continues from Part I, covering the life of Jesus Christ, his teachings, and redemptive work ending with in depth study of the Revelation. **4 Credits.**

Term 2: 16 Credits

Biblical Exegesis and Research. Also known as Hermeneutics, the course teaches approaches to biblical interpretation in order to bridge the gap between ancient literal texts and modern cultural contexts. **4 Credits.**

Synoptic Gospels. The study of the life of Jesus from the three accounts, and a comparison to the Gospel of John. **4 Credits.**

Torah: Creation and Liberation. An exploration of Israel's view of Creation, God's will for Israel and the world, including the significance of the Pentateuch. **4 Credits.**

Apocalyptic Literature: Daniel and the Revelation. The relationship between the Old and New Testaments is presented including developments between the testaments. Covered in depth are the apocalyptic literature, the LXX, and the Dead Sea Scrolls. **4 Credits.**

Term 3: 16 Credits

Writing Effective Religious Papers I-Course covers Bible citation, and various style guides including Chicago, APA, and MLA. Citation of other Holy Works also studied including The Quran, The Pali Canon (Tipitaka), Mahayana Sutras, Tibetan Canon, The Shruti (The "Revealed" Texts), The Smriti (The "Remembered" Texts). **4 Credits.**

Writing Effective Religious Papers II-How to research biblical archaeology research reports and citation to published papers. How to write papers relating to Christianity, the Scriptures, both as traditional research and as compared to AI assisted research. **4 Credits.**

The Monasteries. The course covers the creation and development of the great monasteries, which became the center of not only the preservation of Biblical teachings and texts, but also centers for scientific and medical advancements of the highest order of the times. And also presented is why these centers of knowledge and preservation of the works relating to Jesus Christ were crushed by secular powers. **4 Credits.**

Art and the Masters. The great works and masterpieces depicting Christ's life, miracles, as well as of biblical images are reviewed and enjoyed. **4 Credits.**

Year 2
Term 1: 16 Credits

History of Christianity. Covers the development of ancient and medieval Christianity, Gregory the Great to the Reformation, and later as time permits. **4 Credits.**

The Lost Bibles. An exciting course investigating the evidence for the "lost Bibles" and what may remain of them directly or indirectly. **4 Credits.**

The Resurrection and After. Too little is written or considered about what occurred immediately after Christ's resurrection, what did the Apostles do, where did they go, what happened to them. How did the Church begin. **4 Credits.**

The Ethiopian Bibles. A fascinating investigation into the possible additional bibles preserved by the monk's which were not destroyed in the various religious wars. **4 Credits.**

Term 2: 16 Credits

The Church. Presented are considerations of the Church as buildings, the Vatican, and as a political force versus the Church of God, as now being practiced in House Churches and via digital ministries. **4 Credits.**

Samuel and the Coming of the Israelites. The anointment of Saul and David, David's accession to the throne, and kingship of Jerusalem, and the history of David's rule. **4 Credits.**

Comparative Religions. The Bible compared to The Quran, The Pali Canon (Tipitaka), Mahayana Sutras, Tibetan Canon, The Shruti (The "Revealed" Texts), The Smriti (The "Remembered" Texts). How the stories are similar, how different. **4 Credits.**

Letters and Epistles. What was the purpose, where are they found, and what can we learn from the Pauline Letters, Letters of John, and the General Epistles. **4 credits.**

Term 3: 16 Credits

Biblical Archeology. Subject matter may vary each year. This is a Colloquium Style course in which students will investigate what remnants of early Christian history remain. **4 Credits.**

Christian Artifacts. Students will catalog the available Christian artifacts, their locations, and will analyze the veracity of recent findings. **4 Credits.**

The Ark of the Covenant. Facts and mystery. Historical records are investigated and the possible travels and locations mapped, and consideration of the Church of Our Lady Mary of Zion considered. **4 Credits.**

Pointing AI As A Microscope For Biblical Research. An amazing course in which students will be guided in using AI for Biblical Archaeological research into the many mysteries relating to Christian artifacts and relics, and in particular to try to unravel the many historical mysteries that exist due to the passage of time. Can AI penetrate old data and point to clues? Subject material may change every term, and may include using AI to translate ancient texts, bibles, scrolls, cave writings, hieroglyphs. **4 Credits.**

Year 3
Term 1: 16 Credits

Biblical and Theological Mysteries. Revealed by God, we explore The Incarnation, The Trinity, The Church, the Mysteries of the Rosary, and the Sacred Rites. **4 Credits.**

Christian Mystery Fiction. On a lighter note, a fun course off the beaten track, we explore Christian mystery fiction, such as the Father Brown series, or the Circle Series, and others. Students are encouraged to create their own “mystery” outline for circulation and comment. **4 Credits.**

Biblical History. We start with presenting the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Codex Sinaiticus, and Bible translations, and in the second half of the course, we cover the Creation of the Patriarchs, The Monarchy, Exile and Return, and the Compilation of the Torah, Prophets, and Writings. **4 Credits.**

Introduction to AI Applications for Biblical Research. A Comparison of AI Tools and Applications for more in depth biblical research and for developing clearer and better organized writings relating to theology and divinity subjects. **4 Credits.**

Term 2: 8 Credits

Independent Study I. With Faculty guidance, the student will develop, research and publish a worthy research paper within the field of Biblical History, Archaeology, or Christian Artifacts. Topic selection and approval is followed by pre-planning to achieve a viable plan of action. **4 Credits.**

Independent Study II [continues from above]. The plan of action is executed, with the assistance of AI, and papers are submitted for publication or self-published. **4 Credits.**

Total Number of Credits This Program: 120

Notes:

Credits: 1 Nebraska Sky Institute Credit = 1 USA Semester Credit. We follow the **USA Code of Federal Regulations** requiring “one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction [or 60 minutes of preparation in a correspondence course] and a minimum of two hours of out of class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks for one semester or trimester hour of credit”. Hence, each 4-credit course requires 12 hours total work per week [4 hours instruction/learning plus 8 hours of homework] in a

standard 14-16 week semester. **Each Nebra Sky Term is 15 weeks**, and we operate all year round with no breaks. Each term is 15 weeks, comparable to a standard US semester of 15 weeks. Consequently, each student can complete the equivalent of three 15-week terms per year.

Grading: We follow the normal grading table, and students in Bachelor Degree programs must maintain a “C” average to remain in good standing:

Letter Grade	GPA Scale	0-100 Scale
A+	Honors	100-97
A	4.00	96.9-93
A-	3.66	92.9-90
B+	3.33	89.9-87
B	3.00	86.9-83
B-	2.66	82.9-80
C+	2.33	79.9-77
C	2.00	76.9-73
C-	0	0
D and F	0	0

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