# Undergraduate Curriculum



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courses, first-year students meet collectively for plenaries, in class with their faculty, and with their student mentors in breakout groups of 15-20 students. These groups are designed to give first-year students the kind of support needed to adapt to college life.

# Grace Core Courses

The Grace Core is designed for students to integrate faith and leaning across disciplines, demonstrate

#### HUM 2100 Creative Arts and Culture

Through the landscape of cultural history, this course explores the human phenomenon of creativity from prehistoric culture to our contemporary urban society. Posing the question "Why creative arts?" this course examines how creativity and culture define and reflect each other. Viewed through a global, chronological, or thematic approach and in context of time and place, interrelationships of various modes of expression are presented for works of art, music, and literature. During the course, students are required to select two experiential activities for engaging in creative arts and culture. Examples include, but are not limited to, art museums, gallery exhibits, visual and performing arts festivals, international/cultural festivals, symphony orchestras, music concerts, theatrical productions, and literary events. Grace Core requirement. Three Hours.

## 3000-Level Courses

#### ECN 3000 Consumer Economics

Consumer Economics is a course designed to prepare students to understand the economic system from a Biblical perspective and how it affects individuals as consumers, producers, and citizens. The Greek word "Oikinomia" can be translated as economics or household management. This course will challenge students to take control of and properly manage the part of God's creation (household) that he has put in their charge. Students will integrate knowledge and practice the skills required to manage resources in a technologically expanding global economy. Real world topics covered will include economics, personal money management, as well as managing the precious commodities of time, relationships, and spiritual advancement. Three Hours.

## PHI 3010 Christianity and Critical Thinking

This course will critically examine the beliefs and presuppositions of philosophers and philosophies over the centuries and their impact on modern Christianity and the Christian Worldview. A critical examination will begin by utilizing the lens of Scripture as the basis of truth in evaluating these beliefs. The application of that examination will be centered on the reasons for God as well as the nature of suffering and evil as learners are encouraged to formulate a biblically sound Christian Worldview. Three Hours.

#### BIB 3300 Essential Doctrinal Themes

This course is designed to engage the student in the essential doctrines of the Christian Faith and to help them begin to set a solid foundation for a well-rounded and well-informed theological position in their personal faith. The purpose of this class is to examine eight areas of theology in such a manner as to allow the learners to search the Scriptures and engage multiple theological authors so they can begin to articulate and defend what they believe about the Christian faith. Attention will be given to helping the student critically analyze the historical doctrinal commitments of Grace College and Seminary by engaging students in the evaluation of the presuppositions and conclusions of different doctrinal groups. Three Hours.

## STUDENT SUCCESS COURSEWORK

Some students benefit from additional assistance to maximize their success in college-level courses. Based on their individual circumstances and standardized test scores, students may be enrolled in

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conferred simultaneously and students are able to retain their financial aid for four years by completing both degrees concurrently. More information about degrees that are available as part of the blended degree option can be found on the <u>Accelerated Master's Program page</u> of the institution's website, by contacting the School of Professional and Online Education, or from the student's academic advisor. More information about financial aid can be obtained from the Financial Aid Office.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMS