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Sterling Heights, Michigan 48312
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IMPORTANT DATES

OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS:

September 2, 2019 (Labor Day); November 28, 2019 (Thanksgiving); May 25, 2020 (Memorial Day)

IMPORTANT DATES:

FALL: Registration: Aug 11 — September 10, 2019

WINTER: Registration: December 1 — January 7, 2020

SPRING: Registration: March 1 — March 31, 2020

Fall Course Dates:

TUESDAY: September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; November 5, 12, 19, 26.

Winter Course Dates

TUESDAY: January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24.

Spring Course Dates

TUESDAY: April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; June 2, 9, 16, 23.

2020 GRADUATION : July 18, 2020

Commencement — Sat @ 12:00 NOON

Location: Rockpointe Community Church

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FOUNDATIONAL BIBLICAL STUDIES

Program Objective: To develop Christian leaders by equipping them with a foundational biblical, theological and ministerial education.

SEVEN CORE COURSES & ONE ELECTIVE

- Old Testament Survey
- New Testament Survey
- Church History I
- Inductive Bible Study
- Counseling: Self-Confrontation
- Essential Christian Doctrines
- Apologetics: Classical Issues
- Elective Course (see page 10)

The Foundational Biblical Studies Program requires the successful completion of seven core courses and one elective course taken from the Advanced course offerings (see following page). Each course consists of twenty-four hours of classroom instruction. Courses meet once a week on Tuesdays for two hours for the duration of twelve weeks. If a course date falls on a holiday then that course will meet eleven times and the last four classes will meet from 7:00 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M to complete the twenty-four hours of classroom instruction. When classes are canceled due to weather or for a special situation students will be notified regarding class make up dates.

PROGRAM TRANSITIONAL INFORMATION

Students who registered into the DBI Biblical Studies Program prior to the start of the 2009 / 2010 school year (July 1, 2009—June 30, 2010) *and* have completed at least 5 core courses will have the same course requirements to complete as in the original outlined program. Students who registered prior to the start of the 2009 / 2010 school year and have less than 5 core courses completed will abide by the new program guidelines listed above in the Foundational Biblical Studies Program. For additional clarification please consult the DBI administration team.

ADVANCED BIBLICAL STUDIES

Program Objective: To further develop Christian leaders who have completed the Foundational Biblical Studies Program (or an approved equivalent) by equipping them with a more advanced biblical, theological and ministerial education.

COURSE OFFERINGS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acts• Apocalyptic Writings• Apologetics: World Religions• Biblical Leadership• Biblical Stewardship• Church History II• Counseling Special Issues• God the Son — A study of Jesus• Hebrews• Hermeneutics• Historical Theology• Homiletics• Introduction to Greek• Introduction to Greek 2• Introduction to Hebrew• Introduction to Hebrew 2• Introduction to Missions | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Life of Christ — The Gospels• Revelation• Role & Responsibilities of the Minister• Role & Responsibility of the Pastor• Systematic Theology• The Pastoral Epistles• The Epistles of Paul• Theology of Prayer• Theology of Worship• The Major Prophets• The Minor Prophets• The Pentateuch• Urban Apologetics• Wisdom Literature• Worship Ministry Leadership• Women's Ministry Leadership |
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The Advanced Biblical Studies Program requires the successful completion of any six **bolded** courses beyond the Foundational Biblical Studies Program requirements. Each course consists of twenty-four hours of classroom instruction. The course will meet once a week on Tuesdays for two hours for the duration of twelve weeks. When classes are canceled due to weather or for a special situation students will be notified regarding class make up dates.

FOUNDATIONAL BIBLICAL STUDIES

COURSES DESCRIPTION

Apologetics I: (Classical Issues)

This course is designed to equip Christians to understand and uphold the validity of the Christian faith. Apologetics prepares the student to intellectually withstand the frontal attacks and subtle influences of world religions and views, while effectively preparing them to evangelize.

Church History I:

This class will provide the student with the background history of the Orthodox Christian Church including the early church fathers. The student will be exposed to over 2000 years of Christian church history. To recognize the value of knowing how history helps in understanding our times and not to repeat the mistakes of the past. A deep appreciation for the names, places, movements, and creeds of the Christian faith will be realized.

Counseling Self Confrontation: (*Counseling from The Scripture*)

This course is designed to help you become a biblical counselor in the body of Christ (BCBC). This course is for those who are compassionate, caring and concerned about seeing lives enriched by healing past issues, equipped by applying Biblical truth to current life issues, and empowered by experiencing the abundant life to fulfill their Kingdom Dream. This course is foundational in addressing the need for counseling in the world, the church and each counselor's personal life. Some of the topics will include the role of the Holy Spirit; becoming a counselor; ethics, procedure and protocol; understanding yourself; the process of change, utilizing scripture, theories on counseling, life span development, family dynamics and much more

Essential Christian Doctrines:

The course is a basic overview of the major historic doctrines of the Christian faith. Students will begin to see how the essential doctrines of the faith relate to one another.

Inductive Bible Study: (*How to study the Bible*)

This course is designed to teach the student how to use the Inductive Bible Study method of observation, interpretation and application using the book of Mark as an example. The course will culminate with each student sharing a creative presentation of their individual inductive study of Mark.

New Testament Survey:

This class is designed to systematically survey the books of the New Testament portion of the Bible. Students will learn all 27 books in sequential order. They will learn each book's: historical setting, and Literary Features, one sentence summary, teachings about salvation, identifying Christ in the book, when events of the book happened, how the books fit into God's story and fulfilled prophecy .

Old Testament Survey:

This class is designed to systematically survey the books of the Old Testament portion of the Bible. Students will learn all 39 books in sequential order. They will learn each book's: historical setting, and Literary Features, one sentence summary, teachings about salvation, identifying Christ in the book, When events of the book happened, how the books fit into God's story, and prophecies declared.

**FOR THE ONE ELECTIVE COURSE YOU MAY CHOOSE
ANY ELECTIVE COURSE WHEN OFFERED.
SEE ELECTIVE COURSE OFFERINGS**

ELECTIVE COURSE OFFERING: FOR FOUNDATIONAL BIBLICAL STUDIES AND ADVANCED BIBLICAL STUDIES PROGRAMS

Acts: This class is a study of the record of radical change “the Acts” or “actions” of the followers of Christ after the resurrection. Observing the out pouring of the Holy Spirit, through the spreading of the Gospel and some noteworthy activities of Paul during that time.
Apocalyptic Writings: This course will examine the genre of apocalyptic writings in both the Old and New Testaments with special attention given to the books of Daniel and Revelation. Students will understand the significance of apocalyptic literature to its original audience and its relevance for us today in the twenty-first century.
Apologetics II (World Religions): This class will expose student to the major views that make up the religious and philosophical landscape of today’s world. They will learn the major differences between the major religions. They will learn how to effectively evangelize those from other world views who are open and defend their faith against those who are antagonistic.
Biblical Leadership I: Our biblical leadership class will teach emerging and established leaders the principles that govern successful self-leadership, including the mentoring of aspiring leaders. Students will learn a systematic process for developing high quality leaders.
Church History II: Continuing the study of the Christian church from the eleventh century on through the twentieth century. Special attention will be given to the most notable periods like the Renaissance, Reformation and the first and second “Great Awakenings.” We will also heavily consider the development of the modern day Pentecostal and Charismatic movements.
Counseling Special Issues: This course is designed to teach you how to apply God’s word to the issues of life. As we continue to look at the condition, changes and cries of our society. This course is designed to provide Hope, Help, and Healing in specific areas such as: Anger Depression, Addictions, Fear, Stress, Sexual Abuse, Grief and Loss, Premarital Counseling and more. This course will equip counselors to minister to those who are broken, backslidden, or in bondage with confrontation, love and grace.
God The Son – A Study of Jesus Based On The Gospel Of John This class will do a deep dive into the theological view of Jesus as found primarily in the Gospel of John. The other Biblical writings of John will be referenced, as well as other Old and New Testament books that relate to John’s view of Jesus as the Christ. The class will move the student toward entering the kind of deep relationship with God that Jesus had with his heavenly Father.
Hermeneutics: This class will teach the art and science of proper Bible interpretation. Students will be exposed to the major genres and literary styles of biblical writing and will be taught how to understand the historical context and original meaning of a given passage of scripture.
Historical Theology: This course takes the student through the historical development of Christian theology throughout the last 2,000 years. Students will learn the theological foundations of different movements within the Christian Church and examine various creeds that have been influential
Homiletics : This class will teach students the art of sound biblical teaching and preaching. Picking up where Hermeneutics left off, students will learn how to communicate the original meaning of a text in a relevant and powerful way to a contemporary audience. Students will also be required to show proficiency in the areas of biblical research and sermon preparation.
Introduction to Greek: This course is an introduction to the Greek language of the New Testament. Students will be both challenged and inspired to seek deeper levels of knowledge and understanding of the Bible through its original languages, and be given a basic set of tools and resources for doing so.
Introduction to Greek 2: This course is a continuation to the Intro to Greek class. Students will be further challenged and inspired to seek deeper levels of knowledge and understanding of the Bible through its original languages, and be given additional sets of tools and resources for doing so.
Introduction to Hebrew: This course is an introduction to the Hebrew language of the Old Testament. Students will be both challenged and inspired to seek deeper levels of knowledge and understanding of the Bible through its original languages, and be given a basic set of tools and resources for doing so.

CONTINUATION OF ELECTIVE COURSE DESCRIPTION FOR FBS AND ABS PROGRAMS

Introduction to Biblical Stewardship

This course will assist individuals with identifying the criteria for stewarding individual and church resources. The main objectives will center on applying biblical doctrine to the governance of tithes, talents and treasures with respect to the church and beyond.

Introduction to Hebrew 2:

This course is a continuation to the Intro to Hebrew class. Students will be further challenged and inspired to seek deeper levels of knowledge and understanding of the Bible through its original languages, and be given additional sets of tools and resources for doing so.

Introduction to Missions:

Students will learn the fundamentals to mission's ministry. They will also discover their mission field. The students will be required to strategically plan and take part in a missions trip (local, national or international)

Life of Christ—The Gospels:

This course provides an overview of Jesus' life & ministry as presented in the four New Testament gospels, highlighting the historical & cultural background, argument, theology, and practical implications of each gospel.

Role and Responsibilities of the Minister:

This class will teach ministers-in-training the practical responsibilities of their office. Students will be taught how to conduct funerals, weddings, hospital visitations, counseling sessions and much more. This course is designed to be very practical in nature and highly interactive in application

Role & Responsibility of the Pastor:

The focus of this class is to teach senior ministers and aspiring pastors the duties and requirements of their office. Students will learn how to properly lead and manage the church as an organization, going beyond the dynamics of the Sunday service. Seasoned Senior Pastors will teach students the legal, financial, human resource and other administrative functions of the church management.

Systematic Theology:

This class is designed to expose the student to the major doctrines of the Bible. Each doctrine will be studied in an organized and connected manner with the goal of creating a tight knit theological system, which students can use for discerning truth from heresy.

Revelation: This course is designed to overview John's epistle of Revelation. To examine the different scope of its prophecies and discuss the various systems of its interpretation that has emerged through history, with special emphasis on the orthodox protestant approach to scriptures.

The Epistles of Paul: This course offers an overview of the epistles of Paul. Special attention is given to the theology of Romans and Galatians and the doctrine of salvation inherent in Paul's writings.

The Major Prophets:

This is a study of life and writings of the prophets Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel and Daniel. Students will learn the historical background of these prophetic books, their main theological messages and the importance of the role of the prophet in Israel.

The Minor Prophets :

This course looks at the role of the prophet and prophetic literature in Israel by examining the writings of Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi. Students will learn the main message of each book and their impact for our lives today.

The Pastoral Epistles:

An expository treatment of the Epistles to Timothy and Titus, supplemented with appropriate insights for current-day ministry. Special attention is given to the position, qualifications and office of both the elder and the deacon.

The Pentateuch:

This course will survey the books of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy and lift up key themes and stories that form the basis for and identity of the Judeo-Christian worldview. Students will also gain an understanding of the importance of the Pentateuch in the life of Israel and the New Testament authors.

Theology of Worship:

This course is designed to teach the student Biblical doctrine concerning worship. It is also designed to teach the student how to have encounters with God as they worship. It will conclude with an awesome worship service that the student must be a participant in.

CONTINUATION OF ELECTIVE COURSE DESCRIPTION FOR FBS AND ABS PROGRAMS

Theology of Prayer:

This course will explore the biblical foundation for prayer and intercession. The prayers of kings, priest, prophets, apostles and Jesus Christ our Lord will be studied in depth. The course will also feature a prayer lab where students will have opportunity to experience prayer.

Wisdom Literature:

A study of the Old Testament books generally recognized as wisdom books: Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job. Consideration will be given to the relation of these books to the Old Testament as a whole and their individual theological and ethical thrusts.

Women's Ministry Leadership:

This class is designed to equip women with the tools and insight needed to effectively minister to other women. Aspiring and current women ministry leaders will be taught the requirements, along with the specific freedoms and limitations of their office. Additionally, students will be empowered, through practical instruction to create programs and teaching curriculum that is relevant for meeting the unique needs of 21st Christian women.

Worship Ministry Leadership:

This class is designed to explore the Purpose, Power, and Practices of Worship. It will Teach the essential organizational structure of the worship ministry in the local church. Student will explore powerful moments of worship highlighted in the Scripture and their relevance to us today. They will explore historical inspirations of worship. Finally students will be required to participate in a worship ministry activity.

UNDERSTANDING THE BOOK OF HEBREWS:

This class will primarily explore the book of Hebrews, a central book in the Bible that ties the Old and the New Testaments together. It reveals how Christ is the fulfillment of the Scriptures. The course will study the different aspects of Jesus Christ as Savior, High Priest, and Lord that are central to the book. The book of Hebrews is essential to unlocking the unity of the Scriptures and the importance of Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of God's covenant with His people. The course also includes brief study of the book of James, I & II Peter, and Jude.

URBAN APOLOGETICS:

This course will assist believers in dealing head-on with the complex issues of our day from a Biblical Perspective. Issues ranging from Abortion and Sexuality to Social Justice and the Role of the local church and many more.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

FALL SESSION

Courses: Tuesdays from 7:00—9:00PM

OFFICIAL HOLIDAYS:

September 3, 2018 (Labor Day); November 22, 2018 (Thanksgiving); May 27, 2019 (Memorial Day)

IMPORTANT DATES: Please see the registration dates, start and end dates on page 8.

Registration: Aug 11 — September 10, 2019
M-Th 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Sundays 10-11 a.m., 12:30-1:30 p.m.
Or register online at www.rockpointe.org/dbi

ESSENTIAL CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE: Instructor — Dr. Analee Dunn

The course is a basic overview of the major historic doctrines of the Christian faith. Students will begin to see how the essential doctrines of the faith relate to one another.

Textbook: Christian Beliefs: Twenty Basics Every Christian Should Know by Wayne Grudem; Strong's Exhaustive Concordance (KJV or NIV depending on your Bible)

Tuesday: September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; November 5, 12, 19, 26.

THE PSALMS: Instructor — Pastor Keith Nelson

This course is designed to give the student a broad exposure to the Psalms with emphasis on the basic different types of Psalms and how they fit into the Hebrew "Wisdom Literature." facts and themes of some of the Psalms. Various aspects of the historical background of some of the Psalms will be examined briefly along with key events, political aspects, geography, and important chronological data, if known.

Text Book: Students in this course should use their own Bible (translation of choice).

Tuesday: September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; November 5, 12, 19, 26.

THE EPISTLES OF PAUL: Instructor — Dr. George Johnson

The Epistles of Paul: This course offers an overview of the epistles of Paul. Special attention is given to the theology of Romans and Galatians and the doctrine of salvation inherent in Paul's writings.

Text Book: Paul: A Man of Grace and Grit by Charles R. Swindoll

Tuesday: September 10, 17, 24; October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; November 5, 12, 19, 26.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

WINTER SESSION

Registration: December 1 – January 7, 2020
M-Th 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Sundays 10-11 a.m., 12:30-1:30 p.m.
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CHURCH HISTORY 1: Instructor – Dr. Don Pedde

This class will provide the student with the background history of the Orthodox Christian Church including the early church fathers. The student will be exposed to over 2000 years of Christian church history. To recognize the value of knowing how history helps in understanding our times and not to repeat the mistakes of the past. A deep appreciation for the names, places, movements, and creeds of the Christian faith will be realized.

Text Book: Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley

Tuesday: January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24.

THE WISDOM LITERATURE: Instructor — Brian Wassom, J.D.

Wisdom Literature: A study of the Old Testament books generally recognized as wisdom books: Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job. Consideration will be given to the relation of these books to the Old Testament as a whole and their individual theological and ethical thrusts.

Text Book: TBD

Tuesday: January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24.

BIBLICAL LEADERSHIP II – Professor Larry Mann

This class is a continuation and enhancement of material explored in Biblical Leadership I. Further description TBD.

Text Book: TBD

Tuesday: January 7, 14, 21, 28; February 4, 11, 18, 25; March 3, 10, 17, 24.



PROGRAM SCHEDULE

SPRING SESSION

Registration: March 1 — March 31, 2020
M-Th 9 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Sundays 10-11 a.m., 12:30-1:30 p.m.
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COUNSELING FROM THE SCRIPTURES: Instructor – Dr. Sabrina Black

This course is foundational in addressing the need for counseling in the world, in the church and in the personal life of each counselor. Some of the topics will include the role of the Holy Spirit; becoming a counselor; ethics, procedure and protocol; understanding yourself; the process of change, utilizing Scripture, theories on counseling, life span development and family dynamics.

(DBI course ID: Counseling Self Confrontation)

Text Books: Lay Counseling By Siang-Yang Tan; Live Right Now: Honest Answers to Life's Tough Questions by Dr. Sabrina Black

Tuesday: April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; June 2, 9, 16, 23.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY: Instructor – Dr. Randy Rheaume

This class is designed to expose the student to the major doctrines of the Bible. Each doctrine will be studied in an organized and connected manner with the goal of creating a tight knit theological system, which students can use for discerning truth from heresy. A good follow-up to the Essential Christian Doctrine class.

Text Book: Bible Doctrine: Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith by Wayne Grudem

Tuesday: April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; June 2, 9, 16, 23.

HERMENEUTICS: Instructor – Dr. Don Pedde

This course will teach the art and science of proper Bible interpretation. Students will be exposed to the major genres and literary styles of biblical writing and will be taught how to understand the historical context and original meaning of a given passage of scripture.

Textbook: How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth By D. Stuart & Gordon Fee.

Tuesday: April 7, 14, 21, 28; May 5, 12, 19, 26; June 2, 9, 16, 23.



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Detroit Bible Institute exists to develop world-impacting Christian leaders through biblical, theological and ministerial training that is high-quality, affordable and accessible.

CREDIT FOR PREVIOUS EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Decisions regarding credit for previous education and training are made by the Executive Director. New students who have completed the equivalent course work of the Foundational Biblical Studies Program through another ministry training school may enroll directly into the Advanced Biblical Studies Program if approved by the Executive Director. New students interested in this advanced standing must first submit all pertinent transcripts to the Executive Director who will review them and make a decision.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

There are no academic requirements for admission. All are encouraged to apply. Once enrolled a student will be continuously enrolled and eligible to take classes.

ENROLLMENT DATES: Aug. 11—Sept. 10, 2019, Dec. 1, 2019—Jan. 7, 2020, March 1—March 31, 2020

COURSE FRAMEWORK

- 1) A DBI approved instructor will teach the course.
- 2) The course will be for a duration of 12 weeks (2 hour sessions) with a 10-minute break half-way through.
- 3) Each student who receives credit must attend 10 of the 12-week sessions or a minimum of 20 hours per course.
- 4) Each student who receives credit must purchase and read the required textbook (s).
- 5) Each student must successfully complete requirements outlined in the syllabus provided by the instructor.

GRADING SYSTEM

DBI employs a letter-grade system. A student must attain at least 75% of the available points to pass a course. The following letter grades and their achievement equivalents listed below are used by instructors at DBI to reflect a student's performance in a course. "Incomplete" and "Withdrawal" are recorded appropriately. Students who receive "Incomplete" must resolve it within one month of the last date of the class or an "F" is recorded for the class. Transcripts are issued only by student's request. Students will receive written notice of their grades after each session is completed.

<i>Letters</i>	<i>Grade Points</i>	<i>Grade Scale</i>	<i>Letters</i>	<i>Explanation</i>
A	4.0	95-100	W	Withdrawal, No Penalty
A-	3.7	90-94	I	Incomplete
B+	3.3	87-89	AU	Audit
B	3.0	84-86		
B-	2.7	81-83		
C+	2.3	79-80		
C	2.0	77-78		
C-	1.7	75-76		
F	0	0-74		

ATTENDANCE AND MAKE-UP WORK

Our Attendance Policy: is that a student cannot miss more than 2 classes of a given course and still pass. Exceptions can be made for students that complete successfully complete and pass their course work within the Detroit Bible Institute's guidelines that may have miss additional classes due to sickness, work or family hardship. Students who fail to satisfy attendance requirements will be notified in writing by the administrative office.

Our Leave of Absence Policy:

A Student that has registered and have taken three weeks of classes or more in a course that find themselves experiencing sickness, work scheduling conflict, or family hardship is eligible for a leave of absence. This leave will allow the student to take this class when it is offered again through the Detroit Bible Institute without having to pay again for the course. This leave of absence will expire the very next session after it has been offered in the following school year.

Our Make Up Work Policy: All make up work for each absence is due one week prior to the end of course.

ACADEMIC AND CONDUCT REQUIREMENTS

Students are expected to conduct their personal and professional lives responsibly, ethically and in a manner that respects the integrity of others. Criminal activity, disruptive conduct, harassment, cheating, assault, destruction of property or insubordination are considered grounds for dismissal. The DBI administration reserves the right to dismiss a student for the above-stated reasons or for any other reason deemed detrimental by DBI.

REQUIREMENT FOR GRADUATION

- 1) For the Foundational Biblical Studies Program - Successful completion of the 7 core classes and 1 elective class.
- 2) For the Advanced Biblical Studies Program - **Successful completion of any 6 classes listed in bold beyond the Foundational requirements.**

A diploma will be given for the successful completion of the Foundational Biblical Studies program or Advanced Biblical Studies program offered by DBI. A public graduation ceremony will be conducted for those who successfully complete the requirements.

Graduates will be notified of fees and details prior to the end of the school year.

DIPLOMA UPON COMPLETION

For the Foundational Biblical Studies Program a Diploma in Foundational Biblical and Ministerial Studies will be issued to those students that successfully complete the program. For those students enrolled in the Advanced Biblical Studies Program that successfully complete the program a diploma in Advanced Biblical and Ministerial Studies will be issued.

STUDENT RECORDS AND TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

Detroit Bible Institute student records, except records of grades, including enrollment data, payments of fees, attendance, progress, awards, interviews, and placement shall be maintained for not less than three (3) years following graduation. A student's grade records and transcripts shall be retained in perpetuity by the school and shall be available upon his or her request. A school that is no longer operating shall turn over its student records to the board." All student transcripts will be kept electronically utilizing computer software (Microsoft Access). Hard copies of student's records and transcripts will be filed in a locked filing cabinet. Requests for transcripts must be made in writing. DBI will issue its own transcripts, but will not issue copies of transcripts from other institutions. A fee of \$5 is charged for each official transcript. DBI will issue letters of recommendation placed in a student's file for reference purposes upon the student's request. No other documents pertaining to the student or the student's work will be copied or released.

PROGRAM TRANSITIONAL INFORMATION

Students who registered into the DBI Biblical Studies Program prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year (July 1, 2009—June 30, 2010) *and* have completed at least 5 core classes will have the same course requirements to complete the program as originally outlined. Students who registered prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year and have less than 5 core classes completed will abide by the new program guidelines.

Students who registered into the DBI Advanced Biblical Studies Program prior to the start of the 2017-2018 school year may complete however many **bolded** Elective classes they need to satisfy the requirement of 6 in total. For additional clarification please consult the DBI administration team.

REGISTRATION FEE AND COST PER CLASS

After three business days of signing the contract, the sessional cost of registration is non-refundable. This fee is \$35 per student per session. Tuition for each course is \$100. For students who desire to audit (non-graded and not for credit) a class, there will not be a class report given. The auditing student is required to pay a registration fee of \$35.00 and a \$50.00 auditing fee per course. After three business days the registration fee is non-refundable.

"All tuition and fees paid by applicant shall be refunded if the applicant is rejected by the school before enrollment. An applicant fee of not more than \$35.00 may be retained by the school if the applicant is denied. All tuition and fees paid by the applicant shall be refunded if requested within three business days after signing a contract with the school. All refunds shall be returned within 30 days."

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

All tuition and fees must be paid in full two weeks prior to the first day of class. Any NSF returned checks must be paid in full by cash, charge or cashier's check along with bounced check fees charged to DBI.

EQUIPMENT TO BE FURNISHED BY STUDENT AND SCHOOL

No equipment is required for any of the classes by the student except for their own basic school supplies and books. DBI will provide all equipment/furniture consistent with a learning environment. Such items may include: chairs, tables or desks, boards, projectors and the like.

A STUDENT WISHING TO WITHDRAW FROM THE DETROIT BIBLE INSTITUTE

MUST:

Submit a written notice to the Administrative Director, who also acts as Registrar. Stated below is our withdrawal and refund policy.

WITHDRAWAL AND REFUND POLICY:

“All tuition and fees paid by applicant shall be refunded if the applicant is rejected by the school before enrollment. An application fee of not more than \$35.00 may be retained by the school if the application is denied. All tuition and fees paid by the applicant shall be refunded if requested within three business days after signing a contract with the school. All refunds shall be returned within 30 days.”

If an applicant withdraws later than the third business day after signing the contract, the following policy becomes effective.

- Before classes start, student will receive a refund of tuition paid only. The registration fee is the only fee that will be retained. There will be no other fees student has to pay.
- After classes start and before the end of the second class, the withdrawing student will receive a prorated refund of the tuition amount paid only.
- If after second class the student will not receive a refund and is responsible for any balance due on their account.
- The proration Example: For 1 course the Tuition is \$100. That \$100 would be divided by 12 classes to get 8.333 per class. This amount times the number of classes attended or passed since registering is the amount that will be subtracted from amount paid and the balance will be refunded for those students that withdrew no later than the end of second class school day.
- There is no refund the day after second class has ended.

COMPLAINTS

Students who wish to file a complaint with the State of Michigan may do so at www.michiganps.net.

PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE AND HEALTH SERVICES

Courses are not for employment purposes. Placement assistance is not available through DBI. Also, health services are not available through DBI. PLEASE SEE SAFETY ACTION PLAN (located in the main office).

