

Certificate in Christian Life

Required Courses

60 credits

These five courses are compulsory. *All courses are 12 credits*

THE1121* Christian Foundations

The objective of this course is to lay a foundation for a fruitful relationship with Jesus Christ by helping you to place Him at the centre of your life. The first unit, "your new life", examines conversion, change, and what to do when you stumble. The second unit, "your new relationship", deals with how to relate to God through prayer and Bible study. Unit 3, "your new Master", takes a look at who God is and cover all three Persons of the Trinity. The last unit, "your new journey", explore three ongoing aspects of the Christian walk, namely, growing spiritually, fellowship, and witnessing. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

BIB1121* Essential Bible Study Principles

The purpose of *Essential Bible Study Principles* is to equip you with the Bible study skills you will need to 'correctly handle the word of truth' (2 Tim. 2:15) and to succeed in the study tasks and assignments in other theological courses. Because all your future courses will require you to interpret the Bible soundly, the knowledge and skills you learn in this course is foundational for the rest of your studies at SATS. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

THE1122* Biblical Worldview

This course presents an introduction to key biblical doctrines and their practical implications for Christian living. It seeks to bridge the vast chasm between "being a Christian" and "thinking like Jesus". It begins by examining what a worldview is and how your worldview governs what you believe and how you behave. Then it devotes on unit to each of five crucial aspects of a biblical worldview: revelation God, the world, the Lord Jesus Christ, and our values. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

PRA1121 Christian Relationships

The purpose of this course is to help you cultivate your relationship with Jesus Christ and with your family. It covers your two most important relationships--with God (worship and prayer) and with your family. The section on your relationship with God includes teachings on both worship and prayer, while the one on the family examines the relationships between husbands and wives, and those between parents and children. It also explores principles regarding singleness, divorce, and witnessing to family members. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

BIB1123* The Words and Works of Jesus

The major interpretative principle employed by SATS is that of Christocentricity. This course, together with BIB1100 will enable the student to base his/her doctrine and practice on what Jesus did and said. *Learning Outcomes:* Survey the life and teachings of Jesus Christ; integrate His life with His teachings; understand why He said and did what He did; apply His teachings in personal and church life; chronologically research the life of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Electives

60 credits

You may select any *five* of the following elective courses. The only rule is that you may not include more than 2 practicum's (courses that have codes starting with PCM).

THE1123 The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit

THE2121 The Doctrine of the Church

This course examines the nature, purpose, organisation and ordinances of the church. In it, you will examine biblical and modern metaphors for the church. You will evaluate contemporary approaches to church life in the light of God's purposes for the church. You will consider various models of church government and the biblical teachings about the role of women in leadership. You will also work through the two ordinances of the church, baptism and the Lord's Supper, in detail. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

BIB1121 Corinthians

BIB2126 Themes from the Old Testament

PRA1122 Introduction to Youth and Children's Ministry

Introduction to youth and children's ministry is made up of two sections. In section one, you will be introduced to children's ministry. In section two, you will be introduced to youth ministry and it is aimed at youth reaching their peers for Christ. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

THE1123 The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit

The purpose of this course is to equip you to minister effectively in the power of the Holy Spirit. In it, you will study the person and work of the Holy Spirit. The units include the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit in the life of Christ, the Holy Spirit in Acts, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

PRA1123 Leading with Purpose

This course aims to help the student lead with purpose. This course aims to show students the actions that need to be taken in order to lead an effective disciple-making ministry. The course will therefore concentrate on what effective leaders do. Learning outcomes: Manage oneself for effective leadership to take place, Lead through spirituality plays, Manage a ministry with clear direction, Lead by goal setting and evaluation, Lead through a team, Understand key people skills needed to lead a team effectively, Lead through change.

PRA1124 Biblical Worldview of Christian Education

Learning Outcomes: Define and explain the concept of a worldview; give examples of some relevant worldviews and know the differences between them; properly and practically apply the knowledge of a worldview in your own life; understand the importance of Scripture in maintaining a proper worldview; discuss the authority of Scripture as it relates to a proper Biblical worldview; demonstrate an understanding of Creation and the theory of Evolution; practically apply the Biblical worldview within your classroom setting; define Humanism; deal Biblically with classroom confrontations; identify conflicts that confront children within society; effectively and Biblically confront secular issues challenging your classroom discussion; understand and practise Christian renewal; practically apply spiritual truths in order to build up strength and faithfulness; make and

commit to daily time-renewal within a hectic schedule; understand how to maintain consistency in your teaching; understand the importance of the educator as the Christ-like example in the classroom; demonstrate practical ways in which to incorporate Biblical truths within the curriculum; understand the role that textbooks play within the curriculum; develop lesson plans based on God's Word; understand the importance of cultural diversity within the classroom; effectively apply the Biblical worldview in understanding and maintaining cultural diversity; facilitate practical studies with learners in order to understand cultural diversity; accept differences and teach your learners to do the same.

MIS2124 Introduction to Missions

In this course, we will not only focus on an academic study of missions, which is necessary, but we will also challenge Christians to consider becoming more involved in missions. If at this time you are not involved in missions but are considering getting involved, this course will help you not only to see the need, but also to become involved in missions. Mission is at the heart of God. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16). It should also be in our heart! This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

MIS2122 Contemporary Issues in Missions

MIS1124 Training Effective Evangelists

This course provides comprehensive training for those who are called as full-time evangelists. Learning Outcome: Demonstrate an understanding of all aspects of full-time evangelism.

PCM2121 Missions Outreach 1

Learning Outcome: Undertake a short-term mission of at least three weeks.

PCM2122 Pastoral Practicum 1

PCM2123 Practical Children's Ministry 1

Learning Outcome: Demonstrate the successful undertaking of at least 120 hours of practical children's ministry.

PCM2124 Practical Youth Ministry 1

Learning Outcomes: Effectively minister to teenagers from a range of youth cultures.

PCM2125 Practical Sports Ministry

CYM1126 Connecting with Children

Learning Outcomes: Play, listen and talk with children.; share stories and use music with children; express love and respect towards children; work with children in groups; use boundaries with children; demonstrate an understanding of relationships with children;.

CYM1127 Walking with Wounded Children

Learning Outcomes: Present a Biblical basis for walking with wounded children; identify trauma and its effect on children; apply generally accepted principles to facilitate the development of a healing relationship listen actively; help groups of children in a crisis apply basic play skills to facilitate communication in a relationship with a traumatised child; help a Christian group to walk with wounded children

CYM1123 Youth Ministry Outreach

This course is aimed at youth reaching their peers for Christ. This course will give an overview of how to take the gospel and effectively relate it to different youth culture. The goal of this training will be to implement a programme in the youth ministry that will encourage youth to live a lifestyle of initiating new relationships with people with the goal of leading them to Christ. *Learning outcomes:* See how Jesus and the early Church went about evangelism and how this affect our approach, Distinguish how culture affects evangelism, Strategise to reach the youth of your community. Accurately define what a balanced approach to Evangelism in Africa is, Train youth up in sharing their faith, communicate the gospel through different means.

CYM1124 Youth Ministry Missions

This course is aimed equipping youth for ministry in their own community. The goal of this training is to use short term programmed mission to give youth a passion to reach their local community and peers for Christ. *Learning outcomes:* Understand the purpose of short-term missions and where they fit into the strategy for disciple-making. Understand what different types of Short Term Missions (STM) there are. Put together a STM, to be able to run a STM of their own

CYM1125 Introduction to Sports Ministry

This course has been designed to give you a taster of how sports ministry can impact the world for Christ and grow His church. *Learning Outcome:* Define sports ministry and explain the Biblical mandate the church has to impact sports culture; State the historical development of sports ministry from New Testament times to the current day; Explain the McCown sport in ministry map and how it contributes to a better understanding of sports ministry at large; Examine your own sporting experience and evaluate your calling to sports ministry; Identify and effectively use sports ministry resources to enhance your ministry.

CYM2121 Helping Children Grow in Christian Maturity

CYM2124 Strategy for Youth Ministry

CYM2123 Building Depth in Youth

CWG1120 Introduction to Christian Worship

This course introduces you to the full range of worship traditions in the Christian church, definitions of worship, why studying worship is important, and methods of studying Christian worship. *Learning Outcomes:* Understand and tolerate worship traditions other than your own; assess definitions of worship for their depth, breadth, and biblical connections; see how worship definitions affect worship practices; appreciate the importance of worship in the life of the believer and the life of the church; justify the importance of studying about worship; acquire a method for analysing the worship of any Christian community.

CWG1121 Worship in the Bible

The purpose of this course is to introduce you to foundational concepts of worship, which are found in the Bible. *Learning Outcomes:* Articulate a theology of worship from the Old Testament; articulate a theology of worship from the New Testament; articulate the relationship between an Old Testament theology of worship and a New Testament theology of worship: continuity and discontinuity.

CCC1150 The Biblical Basis of Christian Counselling

Learning Outcomes: Explain why there is a need for lay counselling; understand the concept of Christian counselling; understand the Biblical basis of Christian counselling.

BIB1124 Survey of the Old Testament

The Old Testament makes up 75 percent of the Bible, but is often neglected by Christians. This course contains five units. The first unit offers a general introduction to the Old Testament, and thereafter there is a specialised unit dedicated to each of the four main divisions of the Old Testament, namely, the Pentateuch, the Historical Books, the Wisdom Books, and the Prophetic Books. This is a 12-credit course requiring approximately 10 hours' study per week for 12 weeks.

BIB2124 The Book of Acts

This is a detailed exposition of the book of Acts. Much of our current church life and approach to missions flows out of an understanding of the principles presented in this book. This course is presented as the first subject in the Diploma curriculum as it marks the transition from one learning methodology to another. In all the Certificate courses each subject is self-contained and presented in an interactive learning style. This course starts in that way but ends with the Learning Requirement research methodology adopted by Diploma and the balance of the B.Th subjects. Learning Outcomes: Understand the principles presented in the book understand how to apply the principles of the book in modern church life: master learning outcome methodology (in preparation for the methodology used in the rest of the Diploma).