

Admission Requirements

Applicants must have

- National Senior Certificate or the equivalent.
- Proficiency in spoken and written English

Note Special arrangements are in place for mature age students who do not have a National Senior Certificate. Other studies and your life experience may be taken into account – please contact us. Credit may be given also for prior learning. Let us know what other studies you have done.

Enrolment

Enrol at any time, and follow the programme at your own pace.

Fees

The fee for the programme is calculated at R30 per credit point, i.e. R240 per module plus airmail postage outside Southern Africa.

WITHIN SOUTHERN AFRICA: *Either*

Per module plan Fifteen instalments of R240 each, one for each module: Total R3600

Per month plan Fifteen monthly instalments of R216 each by debit order: Total R3240

10% discount SAVE R360!

Lump sum payment plan One up-front payment of R3060 **15% discount SAVE R540!!**

OUTSIDE SOUTHERN AFRICA: *Either*

Three-instalment plan Three instalments of US\$230 each (for 5 modules): Total US\$690

Two-instalment plan Two instalments of US\$320 each (8/7 modules): Total US\$640 **SAVE \$50!**

Lump sum payment plan One up-front payment of US\$590 (for all 15 modules) **SAVE \$100!!**

Application Forms

To obtain an application form contact

The Rector

by post, phone, fax or e-mail

(see **Contact Details**)



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ABOUT CATHOLIC BIBLE COLLEGE

Catholic Bible College was established in 1997 by the Catholic Bible Foundation of South Africa under the leadership of Rt Rev Daniel A O Verstraete omi, Bishop Emeritus of Klerksdorp. It is situated in La Rochelle, a suburb of Johannesburg.

The College offers a range of Bible education programs, both locally and internationally:

- o Youth Leadership (Part-time 2011)
- **Biblical Studies by Distance Learning**
- o Gospels in their Jewish Context: in conjunction with Bat Kol Institute Jerusalem
- o Come to Me: reading the Bible in a time of HIV and AIDS
- o *Tshwarelo* Forgiveness and Recon-ciliation: South Africa's gift to a divided world
- o *Qalehong* In the beginning: study creation, evolution and ecojustice in the Cradle of Humankind
- o Public lectures and workshops

LEBONE

means 'lamp' or 'source of light' in Sotho and in Tswana, two of the languages of the region of Johannesburg where the College is located.

CERTIFICATE IN BIBLICAL STUDIES BY DISTANCE LEARNING

Purpose and Aims

The purpose of the Certificate of Biblical Studies programme by Distance Learning is to foster the intellectual, personal and spiritual growth of learners through up-to-date bible education offered at a distance (by correspondence).

The programme aims to:

- Foster a love and enthusiasm for scripture
- Develop the ability to use traditional Jewish methods and modern historical and literary critical methods in the interpretation of biblical writings
- Develop skills in interpreting scripture within the Catholic tradition
- Help learners to appreciate the power of the Bible in bringing about personal and social transformation
- Lead to an understanding of the relationship between scripture and theology

Distance Learning

The programme can be followed in your own home, at your own pace. It is the equivalent of a one year full-time course. You are free to spread your learning over whatever time you decide but we strongly recommend that you complete it in two years.

The programme is offered at present in the form of print materials, supplemented as appropriate by e-mail. For each Module there is one Study Guide that contains all the learning material for that topic. No text books or reference books are required. You will need your own Bible.

Course Outline

Eight (8) Modules (15 credit points each)

Compulsory modules

- BS401 The Bible and Biblical Ministry
- BS402 Old Testament and Beginnings
- BS403 Patriarchs and Latter Prophets I
- BS404 New Testament and Gospel of Mark
- BS405 Passion and Resurrection Stories and Gospel of John
- BS406 Acts of the Apostles and Paul's Letters
- BS407 Biblical Foundations of Faith and Life

Optional modules (select one)

- BS408 Psalms and Parables in the Synoptics
- BS409 The Writing and Sermon on the Mount

Assessment

Your achievement is assessed by means of one short Assignment and a Portfolio of four short statements of personal reflection for each Module, and a final open-book Examination.

In order that the Word of God may be known, loved and preserved in the hearts of the faithful, greater efforts must be made to provide access to the Sacred Scriptures..

John Paul II Post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation 1994