

Diploma Programs and Requirements

Midwestern offers three College-level diploma programs at various CLD centers that provide Biblical, theological, vocational, educational, and Christian leadership training to language/cultural pastors, missionaries, and church leaders by offering the courses in their language and/or contextually in their multiethnic setting. A high school diploma or its equivalent is required for admission to these programs. Those not having a high school diploma may apply for a certificate. Those in a certificate program participate in the classroom experience of the courses but do not complete the prescribed coursework required of Diploma students.

DIPLOMA IN BIBLICAL STUDIES (Dip-BS)

The **Diploma in Biblical Studies (Dip-BS)** is a 30 semester-hour college-level program consisting of 15 hours of Foundational Core courses and 15 hours of Biblical Studies Concentration courses. The purpose of the Biblical Studies Diploma program is to equip church leaders with introductory Biblical, theological, and historical study.

Foundational Core	15 Hours
U-BS101 Survey of Old Testament Literature	3 hrs
U-BS102 Survey of New Testament Literature	3 hrs
U-BS202 Biblical Interpretation	3 hrs
U-HT111 Baptist History and Practice	3 hrs
U-MN201 Personal Evangelism and Discipleship	3 hrs
Biblical Studies Concentration	15 Hours
U-BS320 The Pentateuch	3 hrs
U-BS350 The Gospels	3 hrs
U-HT350 Christian Doctrine I	3 hrs
U-HT351 Christian Doctrine II	3 hrs
U-HT401 Worldviews	3 hrs
TOTAL	30 Hours

Upon completion of the Dip-BS the graduate will be able to:

- Demonstrate skill in the study and interpretation of the scriptures for personal and community application;
- Express a theological and historical understanding of the Christian faith and its ethical implications for themselves and the Church;
- Exercise cognitive disciplines which foster continued growth and effectiveness in Christian living and leadership in ministry;
- Pursue a growing relationship with Christ through the practice of spiritual disciplines/formation;
- Convey the Christian faith through preaching, teaching, and personal witnessing;
- Minister to people and provide leadership to facilitate the ministry; and
- Demonstrate a commitment to life-long learning.