

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING (BABC) - 126 CREDITS**

The Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Counseling (BABC) degree is designed for individuals with a heart for counseling others, discipleship and a sanctified church. Students will be equipped with a firm biblical foundation and the necessary tools to counsel and guide others within a biblical framework. Graduates of this program will be prepared to serve within a church's counseling ministry and/or pastoral staff. In addition to their BA degree from Horizon University, they will be able to receive certification from the International Association of Biblical Counselors (IABC).

### **The Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Counseling is designed to:**

- Develop and/or enrich biblical knowledge while providing the student with a strong foundation for their own spiritual growth.
- Provide training opportunities for practical application of biblical counseling principles and methods.
- Equip students with tools to address a variety of situations that come up in a counseling setting.
- Help students develop as counselors and disciple-makers for the overall benefit of the church.

### **Program Objectives**

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Counseling will be able to:

1. Increase biblical knowledge, including Old and New Testament, hermeneutics, apologetics and theology.
2. Develop and apply attitudes, values and beliefs which are consistent with transformed Christian character.
3. Utilize biblical and theological principles to build a counseling methodology that will "help God's people apply His truth to their personal lives in practical ways." (In alignment with IABC philosophy).
4. Develop a missional Christian worldview prepared to disciple, guide and counsel people in their walk with Christ as effective witnesses for Christ in increasingly globalized organizations and communities.

### **Requirements**

The Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Counseling requires a total of 126 credits with the following requirements: Biblical Counseling with Biblical Studies and Theology (72 credits) from the major course sequence below, [General Education](#) (30 credits), and Electives (24 credits).

## Major Courses Sequence

This course registration list represents an ideal sequence for 72 credits required in the degree major. It is designed to maintain academic integrity while moving degree candidates through the required courses as efficiently as possible.

<b>Year 1 – BABC major courses</b>		
Fall	BL100	Biblical Living: <i>Engaging Faith and Life</i>
	BL190	Biblical Interpretation: <i>Hermeneutics</i>
	BL318	Gospel of John
		Gen Ed-Intro to Writing/Research or Comp
Winter	BL112	Book of Acts
	BL150	Old Testament Survey
		GenEd-Science or Math Elective (choose 1)
Spring	BL110	New Testament Survey
	TH222	Church History II
		GenEd-Science or Math Elective (choose 1)
<b>Year 2 – BABC major courses</b>		
Fall	BL314	Ephesians
	BL348	Romans: New Life in the Spirit
	TH221	Church History I (or alternate elective)
	BC101	Intro to Biblical Counseling
Winter	BL353	Genesis: Creation & Covenants
	BL395	Revelation
	BC202	Methodology in Biblical Counseling GenEd-Introduction to Philosophy
Spring	BL322	Hebrews
	BC203	Critique of Modern Counseling Theory

MN125 Introduction to Evangelism  
Elective (choose 1)

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**Years 3 – BABC Major courses**

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Fall MN120 Introduction to Discipleship  
TH210 Intro to Christian Theology  
GenEd-Critical Thinking  
Elective (choose 1)

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Winter BL203 Dynamics of Biblical Change  
GenEd-Social or Behavioral Science  
Elective (choose 1)  
Addl GenEd-choose 1

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Spring TH160 Intro to Christian Apologetics  
BC321 **Psych. Drugs and BC**  
GenEd-choose 1  
**Elective (choose 1)**

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**Year 4 – BABC major courses**

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Fall MN430 Spiritual Formation  
GenEd-Choose 1  
Elective (choose 1)  
Elective (choose 1)

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Winter BC301 Marriage and Family Counseling  
BC340 Biblical Counseling Observation  
Elective (choose 1)  
Elective (choose 1)

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Spring BL110 New Testament Survey  
TH222 Church History II  
**GenEd-Science or Math**  
**Elective (choose 1)**