

THREE REASONS WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN US:

• PERSONAL GROWTH

¹²...set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity... ¹³Devote yourself to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, and to teaching... ¹⁵Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, *so that everyone may see your progress.* ¹⁶*Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.*

(1. Timothy 4:12-16)

• EQUIPPING FOR MINISTRY

¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the man of God may be *thoroughly equipped for every good work.* (2. Timothy 3:16-17)

• GUARDING THE FAITH

²Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage with great patience and careful instruction. ³For the time will come when *men will not put up with sound doctrine...*

(2. Timothy 4:2-3a)



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TO PRESENT
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(2.TIMOTHY 2:15)



OUR VISION:

"Vienna Bible Training Institute (VBTI), a International Pentecostal Study Program, exists to provide the people of the church with biblical education for Christian maturity through the study of scripture and doctrine, but also to provide ministerial education to equip men and women for Christian ministry in the Church and mission to the world."



PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- Pay as you learn! No up-front fees
- Learn at your own pace
- Benefit from our experienced and qualified professors
- International atmosphere
- Lessons accessible online
- Courses transferable to ICI for continual studies toward undergraduate and graduate degrees.
- Meeting the academic and ministerial requirements for ministerial credentials for local church ministry or world missions

Our Modules can be followed through independent studies, online, or through one of our local study centers:

School of Ministry (SOM)

Tuesday, 19:00-21:00

Vienna Masters Commission International (VMCI)

Tuesday-Thursday, 10:00-12:00

Both located at:

Vienna Christian Center
Rennweg 74, 1030 Vienna, Austria



OUR PROGRAM:

Is the adult continuing education program of Global University. The courses are ideal for personal enrichment as well as for ministerial and church leadership training.

The Ordination Board of the Freie Christengemeinde Austria (FCGÖ) and General Presbytery of the American Assemblies of God (AoG) have approved the Ministerial Studies program of Berean School of the Bible to fulfill the educational requirements for ministerial credentials. Ministerial credentials are issued by the Ordination Board of the FCGÖ upon recommendation of the local church leader and the international branch leader.

Individuals who serve in churches other than of the FCG may substitute the organization-specific courses with alternative courses from our Berean ministerial studies program to fulfill the requirements for a diploma in Ministerial Studies.

Although a degree is not granted for Berean School of the Bible courses, transcripts are maintained and diplomas are offered to validate completion of the studies.

OUR DIPLOMAS:

Diplomas are offered in (1) Ministerial Studies, (2) Specialized Ministries (Christian Education, Senior Adult, Youth, Children, and Music), (3) Bible and Doctrine, and (4) Urban Bible Training. Certificates are offered in (1) Ministerial Studies Level1, (2) Ministerial Studies Level2, (3) Ministerial Studies Level3.

Students desiring more than one diploma must take a minimum of four courses in addition to those taken for other diplomas. In some cases, this may require the student to take courses not specifically listed as requirements for a diploma since many courses are used in more than one diploma program.

Consult the Diploma Requirements List for specific requirements for each of these diplomas.

DIPLOMA DESCRIPTIONS:

MINISTERIAL STUDIES DIPLOMA

Upon completion of the Ministerial Studies Diploma (including all three levels of study), the student will have met the minimum academic requirements to apply for the ordination process with the FCGÖ. Successful completion of the Ministerial Studies Program should prepare the student for credentialing interviews, written ordination works, and tests. The student will have mastered basic Bible content (Old and New Testaments), theological principles, and practical ministry skills for service in a church leadership position.

SPECIALIZED MINISTRIES DIPLOMA

Upon completion of the Specialized Ministries program, the student will have the necessary academic preparation for a position of leadership in a designated area of the church: Christian education, youth, children, music, or senior adult. The student will have mastered basic Bible content, theological principles, general ministry skills, and specialized skills in the area of concentration.

For a Specialized Ministries Diploma, the student must complete besides the required core courses a minimum of four elective courses relating to his or her field of ministerial specialization. Selection may be made from the following areas of specialization:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION EMPHASIS

Students who have completed the Specialized Ministries Diploma with an emphasis in Christian Education will have the necessary academic preparation to serve as Christian education directors, Sunday school teachers and administrators, or in other capacities in other educational ministries in the church

YOUTH EMPHASIS

Students who have completed the Specialized Ministries Diploma with an emphasis in Youth Ministry will have the necessary academic preparation to serve as youth pastors, youth sponsors, or in other roles that involve sharing God's Word with teenagers.

CHILDREN'S EMPHASIS

Students who will have completed the Specialized Ministries Diploma with an

emphasis in Children's Ministry will have the necessary academic preparation to serve as children's pastors, children's evangelists, or in other roles that involve sharing God's Word with children.

MUSIC EMPHASIS

Students who have completed the Specialized Ministries Diploma with an emphasis in Music Ministry will have the necessary academic preparation to coordinate church music programs. The program is not designed to teach music, but to teach other skills required for coordinating the church music program.

SENIOR ADULT EMPHASIS

Students who have completed the Specialized Ministries Diploma with an emphasis in Senior Adult Ministry will have the necessary academic preparation to coordinate senior adult ministries or to serve as senior adult pastors in the local church.

BIBLE AND DOCTRINE DIPLOMA

Upon completion of the Bible and Doctrine Diploma, students should have a basic knowledge of Bible and Theology that will help them in Sunday school class discussions, sharing the gospel with friends and neighbors, and in their personal devotional life. This diploma is designed to prepare students for Christian living. Ideal for the layperson who desires a deeper knowledge of God's Word.

URBAN BIBLE TRAINING DIPLOMA

VBTC's Urban Bible Training Centers (UBTC), School of Ministry (SOM) and Vienna Masters Commission International (VMCI), are a cooperative effort of Berean School of the Bible and the FCG.

As such, they are designed as an educational program for urban students already involved in ministry in their churches. SOM and VMCI offers classes in church facilities with approved instructors. All enrollments are handled by a local record-keeper.

Upon completing the requirements of this program through our study centers SOM or VMCI, Students are awarded a Berean School of the Bible Diploma in Urban Bible Training. SOM or VMCI Students may further apply for ministerial credentials as licensed minister with the AoG U.S. Missions, or continue their studies for the ordination credential with the AoG or FCG. For the ordination credential the Student must complete the required courses for Ministerial Studies Level 3 (Ordination) in addition to the diploma program above. Students who have completed the program of SOM or VMCI should possess the necessary Bible knowledge, ministry skills, and spiritual character to minister in an urban setting.

DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS:

	Urban Bible Training Diploma	Bible and Doctrine Diploma	Specialized Ministries Diploma	Ministerial Studies Diploma
<i>(Ministerial Studies Level 1)</i>				
BIB112 Synoptic Gospels*	✓	✓	✓	✓
THE114 Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB115 Acts: The Holy Spirit at Work in Believers	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB117 Prison Epistles*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB121 Introduction to Hermeneutics*	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN123 The Local Church in Evangelism*	✓	✓	✓	✓
THE411 The Church***	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN181 Relationships and Ethics in Ministry	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN191 Beginning Ministerial Internship*	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>(Ministerial Studies Level 2)</i>				
THE211 Introduction to Theology*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB212 New Testament Survey*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB214 Old Testament Survey*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB215 Romans	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN223 Introduction to Homiletics*	✓	✓	✓	✓
THE245 Eschatology: A Study of Things to Come*	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN251 Effective Leadership*	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN261 Introduction to AOG Missions*	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN281 Conflict Management for Church Leaders	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN291 Intermediate Ministerial Internship*	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>(Ministerial Studies Level 3)</i>				
THE311 Prayer and Worship*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB313 The Corinthian Correspondence*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB318 Pentateuch*	✓	✓	✓	✓
BIB322 The Poetic Books*	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN325 Preaching in the Contemporary World	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN327 Church Administration, Finance, and Law	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN382 Pastoral Ministry	✓	✓	✓	✓
MIN391 Advanced Ministerial Internship*	✓	✓	✓	✓
<i>(Specialized Ministries Christian Education Emphasis)**</i>				
MIN111 Biblical Counseling	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)
MIN242 Principles for Christian Teaching	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)	(✓)

MIN325 Preaching in the Contemporary World	(✓)		
MIN441 Leadership in Christian Education	(✓)		
<i>(Specialized Ministries Youth Emphasis)**</i>			
MIN111 Biblical Counseling	(✓)		
MIN253 Foundations for Youth Ministry	(✓)		
MIN325 Preaching in the Contemporary World	(✓)		
MIN441 Leadership in Christian Education	(✓)		
<i>(Specialized Ministries Children's Emphasis)**</i>			
GEN147 Child Guidance	(✓)		
GEN244 Home and School Discipline	(✓)		
MIN257 Introduction to Children's Ministry	(✓)		
MIN441 Leadership in Christian Education	(✓)		
<i>(Specialized Ministries Music Emphasis)**</i>			
GEN265 The Director of Church Instrumental Music	(✓)		
MIN441 Leadership in Christian Education	(✓)		
GEN289 The Ministry of Music	(✓)		
THE311 Prayer and Worship	(✓)		
<i>(Specialized Ministries Senior Adult Emphasis)**</i>			
MIN266 Introduction to Senior Adult Ministries	(✓)		
MIN366 Ministry after 50	(✓)		
MIN441 Leadership in Christian Education	(✓)		
MIN466 Hospital and Nursing Home Ministry	(✓)		
<i>(Bible and Doctrine)</i>			
BIB316 Geography of the Holy Land		✓	
THE221 Systematic Theology 1		✓	
THE222 Systematic Theology 2		✓	

Comments

*Upon satisfactory completion of these courses with an achieved grade of no less than 80%, the student will be able to transfer these courses in partial fulfillments of the academic requirements of various Undergraduate Programs offered by Global University.

**The Student must select one field of Specialized Ministries Emphasis and complete in addition to the core courses the four courses of this area.

***This course only for non-AOG students who are fulfilling the requirements for the Ministerial Studies Diploma. It replaces *THE142 Assemblies of God History, Missions, and Governance*. No separate textbook is required.