

Jackson Hole Bible College 3475 Cheney Lane Wilson, WY 83014

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2025-2026

# **PERSONNEL:**

God has blessed JHBC with exceptional men and women in each facet of the school and we thank God for His continued provision of competent staff. Quality staff and administrative personnel complement a superb faculty of resident and adjunct professors.

# Administration & Staff:

Don & Beverly Landis Scott & Holly Austin Jared & Anne Kuhns Wade & Jessica Woodhouse Grace Persson Abbey Norris Jonathan Landis Abby Weitman Sam Akins Katie Kuhns Caden Hill Silas Leaver

# Some of Our Professors:

- ∼ Dr. Bradley Belcher, Sr. Pastor at Oakwood Bible Church in Kalamazoo, MI
- Dr. Paul Benware Retired Professor, Arizona Christian University, Cairn University and Moody Bible Institute
- ∼ Pastor Mike Cummins Sr. Pastor, Berean Baptist Church, Idaho Falls, ID
- ∼ Dr. Ken Ham Founder of Answers in Genesis in Florence, KY
- ∼ Pastor Eric Hovind Founder and President of Creation Today in Pensacola, FL
- ∼ Pastor Dean Landis Director, Glacier Meadow Lodge, Kalispell, MT
- Pastor Don Landis Sr. Pastor, Community Bible Church in Jackson, WY; Founding Chairman Emeritus of the Board of Answers in Genesis in Florence, KY; President of Jackson Hole Bible College
- ✓ Dr. Brian Livermore Sr. Pastor at Crossroads Bible Church in Burley, Idaho
- Pastor Martyn Iles Chief Ministry Officer at Answers in Genesis in Florence, KY
- Mr. Denny Norris Church-planter, missionary, Cannon Beach Bible Church, Cannon Beach, OR
- Pastor Nate Persson Associate Pastor and Missions Director at Faith Bible Fellowship in North Little Rock, AR
- Answers in Genesis professors: Dr. Georgia Purdom, Dr. Terry Mortenson, Dr. Danny Faulkner, Dr. Bryan Dawson, Dr. Jennifer Rivera, Dr. Dana Sneed and Dr. Gabriela Haynes

# SC 103A-103B Geology II (4 Credit Hours)

This course is a continuation of Geology I and further expands on how the evidence in archaeology and biology confirms the Bible. The course includes a field trip to: the following National Monuments and Parks: Colorado NM, Dinosaur NM, Natural Bridges NM, Sunset Crater NM, Wupatki NM, Arches NP, Bryce Canyon NP, Canyonlands NP, Grand Canyon NP, Petrified Forest NP, and Zion NP in order to more specifically study the effects of the world-wide flood of Noah's day.

SC 121 Yellowstone Geology I (t Credit Hour) This course discusses geological dating methods, the fossil record, the formation of land forms and geography from a young earth perspective. This class gives students a first hand look at geology through a field trip to Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks as well as other geological stops.

# **ADMINISTRATION:**

# **Release of Information:**

JHBC's policy for adult students (18 years old and older) is to obtain written consent from a student before releasing the academic records or disciplinary records of that student to a third party. Confidentiality will be broken only in keeping with the pattern delineated in Matthew 18:15-20 or when life/safety or the well-being of the student body is involved. In this context JHBC is morally, ethically and Biblically required to involve others in the process for the safety of all involved.

# **Reviewal of Program:**

The college regularly reviews programs and curriculum to better meet the needs of students. Tuition, fees, faculty and courses are subject to change without notice. The college reserves the right to change the requirements and regulations contained in this catalog and to determine whether a student has satisfactorily met the requirements for admission or graduation.

# **College Office:**

Questions regarding academics or finances should be addressed to: Office of Admissions Jackson Hole Bible College 3475 Cheney Lane, Wilson, WY 83014

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### HT 121A-121B Church History (3 Credit Hours)

A comprehensive course tracing the growth of the church from its birth shortly after Christ's resurrection, through the struggles of the early centuries, and the reformation and intense persecution across Europe through the 17th century.

# HT 123 Early American History (1.5 Credit Hours)

Tracing the Great Awakening during the formative years of the United States as well as identifying the influential leaders of that movement.

# **Philosophy:**

#### PHIL 101 Introduction to Philosophy and Christian Worldview (1 Credit Hour)

A discussion of various world philosophies as they relate to a Christian worldview encourages students to formulate a clear and cohesive personal philosophy based on the Christian worldview.

### PHIL 103 Creation Worldview (1 Credit Hour)

This class deals with the authority of the Word of God and the importance of having a Biblical foundation in a postmodern world.

### PHIL 120A-B Creation Apologetics (3 Credit Hours)

This will be a two-week trip to Kentucky to visit the Answers in Genesis Creation Museum, Ark Encounter and have lectures by Answers in Genesis scientists and teachers on the importance of creation apologetics and Biblical worldview.

### PHIL 121A-121B Apologetics (3 Credit Hours)

Presenting the flow of thought in societies throughout history, this course will better enable students to understand the world they live in. Students will also learn principles for defending their faith by utilizing lessons learned in previous courses.

### Science:

### SC 100 Geology I (2 Credit Hours)

This course discusses the problems with current geological dating methods, explains the fossil record, and the formation of land forms and geography from a young earth perspective as well as scientific reasons for the Ice Age: what caused it, and how long it lasted. This class gives students a first hand look at geology through a field trip to the following places: Ancient Lake Missoula, Channeled Scab Lands, Mt. St. Helen's, the Columbia River Gorge and Craters of the Moon.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

#### Setting:

The campus of Jackson Hole Bible College (JHBC) is located at Rocky Mountain Lodge, a short drive from Jackson on the way to the Jackson Hole Mountain Resort. The view from the campus encompasses the spectacular Teton range, rising abruptly from the valley floor, with many peaks rising over one vertical mile.

There is easy access to a host of activities ranging from shopping the old west streets of downtown Jackson to exploring scenic wilderness vistas. Grand Teton and Yellowstone National Parks are only a short drive away with some of America's grandest wildlife and awesome natural features.

#### Location/Address:

To get to the campus travel west from Jackson approximately four miles on Wyoming Route 22. Turn right on Wyoming Route 390 and go north for three miles. Turn right onto Cheney Lane and go one eighth of a mile; Rocky Mountain Lodge is on the right. The physical address of RML and JHBC is 3475 Cheney Lane. Mail should be delivered to 3475 Cheney Lane., Wilson, WY 83014.

### **History:**

The dream of having a Bible College in Jackson Hole has been a long time desire for many. Jackson hosted Wyoming Bible College in the 1970's which has since closed. The ground work for Jackson Hole Bible College was started in 1996 by Wyoming Mountain Ministries, a local non-profit Christian organization. Late in 1996 the WMM board of directors asked Community Bible Church to carry on the dream of a Bible college in Jackson Hole. The leadership council of Community Bible Church provides spiritual oversight for the college.

## **Bible Exposition:**

JHBC looks to the Word of God as its foundation. Creationism, dispensationalism, biblical inerrancy and Bible study methods are hallmarks of the curriculum. Our primary goal is to communicate a schematic approach and overview to the entire text of Scripture.

### **Spiritual Life:**

Biblical exposition has its end in glorifying God through lives changed by the Word and devoted to honoring Him. The community atmosphere among students and staff lends itself to discipleship and a well-rounded approach to student life.

#### **Employment:**

Due to the nature of the one-year program, students will not be allowed to have an outside job while attending JHBC. Students are encouraged to provide for financial needs through means other than employment while attending JHBC.

#### Faculty:

Resident and adjunct faculty of JHBC are spiritually gifted, dedicated individuals who are committed to the authority of the Word of God. Professors of international stature also play a vital role in the program.

# **PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION:**

Christianity offers real answers to life's questions of meaning and purpose. Christ who is both Creator and Redeemer has tremendous implication for any philosophy of education especially that of Jackson Hole Bible College

God's revelation in nature providing a basis for various natural disciplines in the realm of science. Such general revelation, however, is limited and incapable of revealing the character of God, something found only in the special revelation of the Word. The inclusion of special revelation in the curriculum is the distinguishing mark of a Christian educational institution.

Christian truth is not only to be learned; it is to be lived. The student of Scripture needs both a keen mind and a willing heart. Education must not only inform the mind, but direct the life. At Jackson Hole Bible College the Bible provides the content and the goals for our curriculum. The uniqueness of this school lies in its commitment to clearly communicate the biblical schematic built on the foundation of creationism, a literal view of the Word of God which includes the six days of creation. We believe this integrated mosaic of truth will prove invaluable as students pursue further training for lay and full-time ministry opportunities.

JHBC is dedicated to bringing glory to God through faithfulness to the Great Commission of our Savior, making and training disciples among all people groups. The strengthening of a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is a core goal for all of our ministry. Please refer to the "Doctrinal and Mission Statement" for details about our mission and doctrine.

### DO 123 Life of Christ (1.5 Credit Hours)

This course will focus on the theology of God the Son, His incarnation, aspects regarding the hypostatic union, and His work on the cross.

#### DO 126 Passion Week (1 Credit Hour)

This course will give students a wonderful grasp of the events and implications of the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The epicenter of all of History!

### DO 128A-128B Genesis: The Two Kingdoms (3 Credit Hours)

A schematic approach to the plan and purpose of God throughout the ages allows students to begin charting a timeline of world history which they can add to continually throughout the remainder of the year. This course also teaches students to contrast God's original creation with the counterfeits promoted by Satan. An emphasis on the book of Genesis reveals Christ's character as both Creator and Redeemer.

#### **Evangelism:**

#### EV 100 Creation Evangelism (1 Credit Hour)

This class teaches the students that every Christian has been given the gift of eternal life and that unless they share their faith they are burying the gift that God has given to them. This class also gives students proper understanding of sharing the gospel and motivation to share their faith standing firmly upon the presuppositions of the Word of God.

### **History:**

#### HT 105 Optional Trip to the Holy Land (3 Credit Hours)

For the Believer who goes to Israel, the Bible is wonderfully transformed from black and white into living color. There is not other place on earth where history and prophecy come together; where God has put His name; where David, Abraham, Jesus and the Apostles walked; and where Jesus will return again.

### HT 120A-120B Old Testament History (3 Credit Hours)

This course is an overview of the majority of the Old Testament with specific emphasis on the 11 foundational books which relate the story of the Old Testament and the establishment of the covenants with Abraham and the remainder of the world.

# BI 131 Prison Epistles (1 Credit Hour)

While under house arrest in Rome, the Apostle Paul penned Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians and Philemon. In these four letters, he expounded on many great doctrines such as salvation, the person and work of Jesus Christ and the church; but also on intensely practical truths from marriage to the believer's spiritual war with the Devil.

# BI 133 James (1 Credit Hour)

James is a manual for practical godliness that shows us how an active faith is lived out. This course of study will be an expositional look at the New Testament book of James. Addressing the topics of trials, temptation, wisdom, partiality, faith, speech, worldliness, use of wealth and prayer. Heavy emphasis will be placed on practical heart application of the wisdom expressed in James.

# **Christian Growth:**

### CG 100-101 Personal Development (3 Credit Hours)

This course incorporates Bible reading and Bible memory assignments as well as practical Christian ministry work into a year long accountability and discipleship program. The group studies, discussions, and activities of this course are designed to promote personal and inter-personal growth under the headship of Christ.

# CG 104 Joy of Learning (1 Credit Hour)

A course that stimulates a lifelong love of learning. This includes practical tips for studying and note taking as well as a philosophy on education emphasizing stewardship of the gifts each has been given.

### **Doctrine:**

### DO 120 Controversies in the Church (1.5 Credit Hours)

This course focuses on theological debates inside the church as well as dealing with controversial issues and discerning biblical viewpoints.

### DO 122 Hermeneutics (1.5 Credit Hours)

A study of the origin, history and character of the Bible. Specific topics such as revelation, inspiration, illumination, interpretation and application will be taught. Emphasis will be placed on the proper literal, historical, grammatical, contextual reading of the Word of God.

# **ADMISSIONS:**

Jackson Hole Bible College admits students of any gender, skin tone, national or ethnic origin to all programs and privileges provided by JHBC.

Applicants for the diploma program must have a high school diploma or GED. Special exceptions may be made at the discretion of the administration. Students not pursuing the diploma program may audit individual courses for personal enrichment.

# **Application Procedures:**

All students taking courses for credit are required to submit the following:

- 1. Application for Admission and \$50 application fee (non-refundable)
- 2. High School transcript or GED equivalency
- 3. SAT or ACT Scores (if taken)
- 4. Three reference forms are required: pastor, business person and a friend (no family members among them). The individuals filling out the references should submit them directly to the Office of Admissions.
- 5. Health History Form

**International Students**: JHBC is authorized under the federal government SEVIS program (Student & Exchange Visitor Information System) to enroll international students with an F-1 visa. Proof of financial ability, evidence of English proficiency are mandatory for the application process. Upon acceptance, the student will receive an I-20 form from JHBC which is to be presented to Immigration officials.

### **Readmission:**

Any student who has withdrawn from the College must apply for readmission. An application, a readmission fee of \$50, and a new recommendation from the student's pastor is also required.

# FINANCES:

# **Policy:**

JHBC relies heavily upon the gifts of individuals, churches, businesses and foundations to supplement the tuition paid by students. The actual cost of education exceeds the tuition and fees which JHBC charges. Half of the tuition is due June 1, 2025, with the remainder due August 18, 2025. Special financial needs must be addressed with the Administration.

To ensure the ability of JHBC to keep tuition costs low, the community atmosphere at the college requires student work contributions. Operated on a rotating basis, this program assigns each student up to six hours of work per week to assist in various needs of the school and facility programs.

#### Insurance:

All students are required to be covered by a health insurance plan that provides for hospitalization and medical-surgical coverage. Students must provide a certificate of insurance to demonstrate coverage.

#### Costs:

Costs for full time resident students include tuition, room, board and a number of special, off-campus activities. Part time students are permitted to pay on a per credit hour basis and are encouraged to participate in off-campus activities.

All classes are available to those wishing to audit. A current financial information sheet is available upon request. All funds need to be in US dollars.

### **Refund Policy:**

When a student must withdraw from JHBC, tuition and fees will be refunded at the following rate:

- $\sim$  Prior to registration: 100%
- ✓ Prior to August 25, 2025: 75%
- Prior to September 1, 2025: 50%
- ∼ On or after September 1, 2025: 0%

Refunds are based on the date when written notice of withdrawal is received by the college.

Jackson Hole Bible College is not recognized as an eligible institution for educational tax credit and therefore cannot grant FAFSA student aid or 1098T forms for the student.

# STUDENT DEVELOPMENT:

At JHBC, small classes enhance close relationships between faculty and students. Discipleship and genuine friendships develop easily. Caring and support undergird all aspects of student life.

#### **Room and Board:**

Housing and regular meals are provided for full time, resident students; however, meals are not provided on the weekends. Dietary needs (gluten free, lactose intolerant, celiac disease, etc.) or personal preferences extending beyond that which is provided at mealtimes will be the responsibility of the student. Offsite campus living requires approval before each semester.

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:**

#### **Bible:**

#### BI 104 Hebrews (1 Credit Hour)

This course is a survey of the book of Hebrews and emphasizes many aspects of the book including: the person and deity of Jesus Christ; the superiority of Jesus over all creation; the ministry of Jesus as High Priest; and the exhortation to "press on" to maturity in Christ.

### BI 105 162 Peter and Jude (1 Credit Hour)

The importance of orthodoxy to the scriptures and discernment of false teachers defines this course and provides practical application to the lives of every believer.

#### BI 120 Acts of the Apostles (1.5 Credit Hour)

A distinctive study of the birth of the church, the initial spread of the Gospel, the unique role of the Holy Spirit, and the churches struggle with the transition from law to grace.

#### BI 121A-121B Prophetic Books (3 Credit Hours)

An expositional study that will provide students with a picture of God's prophetic kingdom-building program. Major themes of prophecy, covenant fulfillment, history, and Christ's return are examined as students come to understand God's redemptive program.

### BI 123 Galatians (1.5 Credit Hours)

The letter of Galatians gives unique biographical insight into the life of Paul, as well as valuable discussions on the matter of justification by faith and how to successfully live as a follower of Jesus Christ.

#### BI 127 Applied Old Testament Literature (1.5 Credit Hours)

The discovery and application of the wisdom of God encapsulated in each proverb. Heavy emphasis is placed on the student's practical use in planning their course of life and solving its dilemmas.

### BI 129, Pastoral Epistles (1.5 Credit Hours)

The books of 1 and 2 Timothy and Titus provide directions from the Apostle Paul on how the church is to function: with well qualified leaders guiding, feeding and protecting Christ's flock. And important truths are given on how the believer is to live authentically for Christ.

#### **Extensions:**

Students may be granted a two week extension to any course with permission from the professor. The student must apply for the extension before the completion of the course. If a student is granted an extension it is their responsibility to complete and submit the course work to the professor before the two-week extension is over.

#### **Incomplete Class:**

If a student receives an incomplete grade at the end of the semester he/she has 4 weeks in which to complete the course. If the course is not completed it will be recorded as failure on the student's transcript.

#### Withdrawal:

A student may request to withdraw from a class pending approval by the Administration. The request must be submitted two weeks prior to the class unless there is an emergency and done by the student. The student will receive a W on their transcript, but it will not penalize their GPA.

#### **Expulsion:**

A student may be expelled at any time if a disciplinary or safety issue cannot be resolved. Expulsion is at the sole discretion of the Administration. No refund will be given for a student's tuition when they are expelled.

#### **Plagiarism Policy:**

Plagiarism is defined as stealing the thoughts or publications of an author and making them one's own original work; this would include the use of AI (Artificial Intelligence). This is considered academic dishonesty and can lead to expulsion. Not only is plagiarism academically dishonest, relationally it breaches trust and Biblically is considered theft (Eph. 4:28). Sometimes plagiarism is unintentional due to unawareness of proper citation methods. This policy is intended for intentional efforts to plagiarize on assignments, speeches, etc. It is the responsibility of the professor to discern and report incidents of intentional plagiarism to the administration. The first offense will result in a failing grade for the assignment or course depending on the severity of the incident. The second offense will be a failing grade for the course and recorded on the student's transcript. Any further offenses of plagiarism by the student will result in failure of the course and expulsion from JHBC.

#### **Transportation:**

Parking space is limited at JHBC. Students wishing to bring a vehicle must first receive permission from the Administration to secure a parking spot.

#### **Church Attendance:**

JHBC is a ministry of Community Bible Church and students are required to regularly attend the morning Sunday services at CBC and participate alongside the members of the fellowship. There are a number of reasons for this including the support of a local fellowship, contact with ministry personnel, and as an extension of the teaching students will receive at the college.

#### **Christian Service:**

Each student is required to participate in a Practical Christian Ministry Assignment (PCMA) while at JHBC.

#### **Student Activities:**

The location of the college lends itself to many activities which enrich student life. Times of fellowship, prayer and recreation enhance the family atmosphere of JHBC throughout the year. Activities such as the following appeal to a variety of tastes:

downhill skiing	cross-country skiing	snowshoeing	backpacking
golf	elk refuge sleigh rides	tram rides	hot springs
fly fishing	mountain biking	horseback riding	boating
hiking/camping	whitewater rafting	wildlife watching	sledding

In addition to activities available to students on their own, the college provides a unique educational experience outside the classroom. The one-year program is designed to include a number of field trips to locations which help us build a Biblical worldview based on the authority of Scripture.

We believe the combination of instruction inside and outside the classroom will enable each student to develop a keen appreciation of the magnificent Creator-God we serve. Anticipated field trips during the year may include:

- I. Hiking/touring in Grand Teton & Yellowstone National Parks
- 2. A creation field trip to Mt. St. Helens
- 3. A Grand Canyon National Park creation field trip which includes Arches, Zion, Natural Bridges, Bryce Canyon, Canyonlands and more.
- 4. Answers in Genesis field trip with visits to the Creation Museum, Ark Encounter and lectures by AiG speakers.

Costs for travel, food and lodging while participating in the field trips, has been included in the tuition costs for all full time students, making a year at JHBC a splendid value for learning, spiritual growth and recreation.

#### ACADEMICS:

#### **Academic Program:**

The education offered by Jackson Hole Bible College is achieved through a one-year program (August to May). To ground students in the Word of God, it provides a solid background of biblically oriented studies in three departments: Systematic Theology, Bible Survey and Christian Growth. A student completing this program will be able to:

- $\sim$  trace God's plan of creation and redemption in the Bible
- ✓ summarize the major doctrines of Christianity
- be involved in the world as a Christian, carrying out the Great Commission
- ∼ study the Bible in a variety of ways, involving personal application
- ✓ continue to grow as a Christian, mentoring others
- $\sim$  reason correctly and logically, discerning right and wrong

#### **Diploma in Biblical Foundations:**

A minimum of 45 credit hours is required to receive the Diploma of Biblical Foundations. Classes are held during the morning on Monday through Friday. Extra class times whether during field trips or to make up missed class times may be scheduled outside of normal class scheduling. From time to time JHBC offers minicourses and seminars from gifted speakers across the nation. We know of no other school in the US that has either our focus or curriculum and so it is not our purpose or desire to be accredited which might possibly make our goals unreachable. However, JHBC has been blessed to receive credit transfer agreements with: Cairn University, Emmaus Bible College, San Diego Christian College, University of Northwestern, Institute for Creation Research School of Biblical Apologetics, The Master's University, and Shasta Bible College. Depending on the college, the amount of transferable credits varies.

#### **Certificate of Completion:**

JHBC recognizes that regardless of earned grades, a year spent in the diligent study of God's Word is a valuable and life-changing experience. Those students who finish the year with a GPA under 2.0 and complete 45 credit hours may receive a Certificate of Completion from Jackson Hole Bible College (not a Diploma of Biblical Foundations), and while not receiving a transcript or transferable credit, will nonetheless have finished the course and presented themselves approved to God as workmen, not needing to be ashamed. JHBC seeks to instill in our students the attitude of stewardship of the gifting that the Lord has graciously given to us as taught in Matthew 25 in the parable of the talents. Christians will not be judged according to the world's standards but by God's ultimate standard of how well we developed the gifting that the Lord has given to each of us.

#### Semester Credit System:

At JHBC most courses are taught in a 15-20 hour modular format. Some courses require pre- or post-course assignments. Educational trips, selected outdoor recreational sports and special seminars are interspersed with the modular courses.

#### **Transcripts:**

One unofficial transcript will be given to the student upon completion of JHBC's program. One official transcript will be sent upon request to another institution without charge. Additional transcripts cost \$5 each. No transcripts will be issued for a student who has not met all financial obligations.

#### Attendance:

In the event of an absence due to emergency or medical illness, a student may still receive a diploma if they complete 35 credits and maintain a GPA of 3.0 or above.

#### **Graduation Requirements:**

To earn a diploma a student must:

- I. Achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or above.
- 2. Complete required JHBC hours.
- 3. Complete all course requirements.
- 4. Meet all financial obligations.

### **Academic Honors:**

Students may receive honors upon recommendation by the Administration for the following cumulative GPA scores:

- ∼ Cum Laude 3.5 GPA (With Honor)
- ∼ Magna Cum Laude 3.675 GPA (With High Honor)
- ∼ Summa Cum Laude 3.85+ GPA (With Highest Honor)

#### **Academic Probation:**

If a students GPA falls below a 2.0, they may be placed on Academic Probation. This disciplinary action could include but is not limited to the following: extra work assignments, mandatory study halls, a stricter curfew, or other freedoms being revoked. Students' grades will be reviewed mid-term and if a student's GPA falls below 2.0, that student will be put on "academic probation." The student can be brought out of "academic probation" if the student raises their GPA above 2.0. If the student is placed on "academic probation" a second time, the student will need to meet with the Administrator, who will review the student's achievement/progress and may allow the student to continue working toward a Certificate of Completion. The Administrator also reserves the right to expel the student if in their opinion the student is not putting the required effort into their studies.