

# THE UBF INSTITUTE CATALOG



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*Empowered by Christ's Love, Equipping Disciples for Kingdom Impact*

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## About UBF Institute

To cater to our church leaders' unique needs and time and resource constraints, the UBF Education Committee has developed education/training programs over several years under the guidance of the UBF General Director. The UBF Institute unites these diverse programs into one place and is intended to support and equip UBF leaders, including chapter directors and local UBF ministries.

## Catalog Purpose

This catalog provides information about the programs and courses offered by the institute, such as program objectives, course titles, descriptions, prerequisites, credits, and instructors. This is intended to help students plan their academic program and select the courses that suit their interests and goals. However, the institute reserves the right to change, add, or cancel classes at any time without prior notice. Students are advised to check the online system for the most up-to-date information on course availability and requirements.

# 2. UBF INSTITUTE MISSION

## VISION

The knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ will fill the earth as the waters cover the sea (Isa 11:9; Col 1:9,10).

## MISSION STATEMENT

UBF Institute exists to build up UBF communities both locally and globally by equipping members for the Great Command (to love one another) and the Great Commission (to make disciples of all nations), primarily for world campus ministry.

# 3. DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

- ❖ **We believe that** there is only one living, true God who exists eternally in three Persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ **We believe that** the Bible is the inspired word of God and that it is the final authority for faith, practice, and academic discipline.

- ❖ **We believe that** God created the heavens and the earth and all other things in the universe, that He is the Sovereign Ruler of all things, and that the Sovereign God reveals Himself in creation and in his redemptive work through covenant.
- ❖ **We believe that** God created humanity in his image, but by voluntary transgression, all humankind was alienated from God, and that all people are now lost under the bondage and power of sin by inheritance from Adam and by individual choice and are inherently in need of salvation found exclusively in Jesus Christ.
- ❖ **We believe that** Jesus of Nazareth is the promised Messiah of the Old Testament, that he is God Incarnate who atoned for our sins through his sacrificial, substitutionary death on the cross, that he was raised from the dead, ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father, and that he is the only way of salvation from sin and judgment.
- ❖ **We believe that** God sent his Holy Spirit to empower the Church to carry out Christ's Great Commission to the ends of the earth.
- ❖ **We believe that** regeneration is by the work of the Holy Spirit, that it is necessary to enter the kingdom of God, and that we are saved by grace alone, through faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ alone.
- ❖ **We believe that** the Church is the body of Christ, who is her sole Head, and into which all Christians are baptized, and that as the Messianic community, all people of God are called to participate in the eschatological fellowship and mission.
- ❖ **We believe that** Jesus Christ will return bodily to this earth in glory to judge the living and the dead and that He will restore all things and reign forever as King in the new heaven and new earth.

\* to be reconciled with UBF's Overall Doctrinal Statement

## 4. CORE VALUES AND INSTITUTIONAL OBJECTIVES

### CORE VALUES

Core values are what we, as an institute, value at our core in the effort to care for and educate the students who enroll in our programs.

- Biblical-Theological Formation:
  - The Word of God is the foundation and the final authority for faith and practice. We value scriptural knowledge and exegetical skills for the interpretation, appropriation, and communication of Scripture.

- A worldview (i.e., holistic perspective) built on Scripture, our Christian and UBF tradition that integrates sound doctrine into spirituality and practical living. We strive to promote unity in essentials and liberty in non-essentials.
- Spiritual Formation:
  - Intimate relationship with Christ our Savior and Lord—being conformed to His likeness
  - Self-awareness, confession, and reflection
  - Reliance on the Holy Spirit through fervent prayer
  - Healthy community through Christ-centered leaders
- Missional Praxis Formation:
  - Shepherding individuals according to God’s calling
  - Disciple-making of all believers through teamwork
  - Emphasis on campus mission and house church ministry

## INSTITUTIONAL OBJECTIVES

In light of our mission statement, doctrinal statement, and core values, every course, program, and seminar will strive toward the following objectives:

- Demonstrate a whole-hearted commitment to Scripture and the ability to think critically based on appropriate knowledge of Scripture and sound doctrine.
- Demonstrate mature character and leadership through spiritual disciplines.
- Equip leaders with practical skills and understanding to engage in Christian ministries boldly.

## 5. ADMISSION

### Admission Policies and Procedures

Each program will have its own admission policies and procedures. Please refer to the program-specific sections below for details.

UBF Institute requires all applicants to willingly agree with its educational philosophy and policy as detailed in the Doctrinal Statements and Core Values detailed above.

UBF Institute admits qualifying applicants in accordance with its mission statement and theological convictions, regardless of race, color, age, national or ethnic origin, or physical condition.

Prospective students can apply online or obtain application forms via the website, email, or phone.

Website: [ubfinstitute.org](http://ubfinstitute.org) Email: [ubfinstitute@gmail.com](mailto:ubfinstitute@gmail.com)

Address: 2424 W Albion Ave. Chicago, IL 60645.

## 6. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Student Information System and Online Learning

The UBF Institute utilizes an online, web-based learning management system, located at <https://ubfinstitute.org>, to administer its classes. All students will be given a username and asked to create their unique password. Any information you provide will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed unless requested by the student.

### Registration

Each program has its unique registration policies. Details are given in the program-specific areas below.

### Grading

Each program has its unique grading policies. UBF Institute uses letter grades. The grades are designated as follows:

| Grade | GPA | Numeric Description |
|-------|-----|---------------------|
| A+    | 4.0 | 96-100              |
| A     | 3.7 | 90-95               |
| B+    | 3.3 | 86-89               |
| B     | 3.0 | 81-85               |
| C     | 2.7 | 76-80               |

No credit- Students may need to retake the course for credit if fewer than 76 points are earned.

The following symbols are also used on the transcript:

NC: No Credit

I: Incomplete  
 P: Pass  
 AU: Audited Course

### **Course Attendance**

All students are fully responsible for complying with the attendance policies and requirements indicated in each course syllabus. Generally, students are expected to attend all class sessions of every course. While each instructor is responsible for their own course attendance policies, students who are absent for more than three (3) hours in an intensive course and six (6) hours in a semester course will be recommended for possible disciplinary action, including a potential failing grade. In the event of unavoidable absences, students are responsible for contacting the instructor and completing all missed course assignments.

### **Academic Progress**

To achieve sufficient academic progress, all students must maintain a grade point average (GPA) of 2.7 out of 4.0. If a student falls below a 2.7 GPA for two consecutive semesters, they will be subject to review by the Institute. The Institute will then decide, on a case-by-case basis, whether the student may continue in the program or be removed from it.

### **Academic Honesty Commitment**

Academic honesty is integral to the UBF curriculum. Cheating is a purposeful deception in completing examinations, tests, or quizzes. Students participating in online education courses must complete the academic requirements for those courses with complete integrity.

### **Graduation Requirements:**

A Grade Point Average of 2.7 or above is required for graduation. Pastoral Cohort students must pass a comprehensive Bible exam before graduation. A graduate ministry project for the ELC program is required.

### **Academic Calendar**

| Term        | Period                          |
|-------------|---------------------------------|
| Fall 2025   | September 1 - November 29, 2025 |
| Winter 2026 |                                 |
| Spring 2026 | February 23 - May 23, 2026      |

| Term           | Period                             |
|----------------|------------------------------------|
| Summer 2026    | June 1 - August 8, 2026            |
| Fall 2026      | September 7 - November 20, 2026    |
| Winter 2026-27 | December 1, 2026-February 28, 2027 |
| Spring 2027    | March 1-May 31, 2027               |

## 7. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

UBF Institute strives to keep costs affordable. Tuition and fees are subject to change in response to economic conditions. Each program has its fee structure, as detailed in the program-specific sections below.

Special Circumstances: If you find yourself in a difficult situation that makes timely payment difficult, please contact the Institute. The appropriate course of action in special circumstances will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

## 8. INSTRUCTORS/STAFF

Below is an incomplete list of instructors who are engaged in facilitating either online courses or cohort sessions. Information on qualifications, biographical information, and teaching fields is available on the UBF Institute website.

Ahn, Sarah, DMin (Education, Intercultural Studies)

Albright, Kevin, DMin cand. (Pastoral Ministry, Ethics)

Baik, David, MDiv, LMFT (Counseling, Pastoral Theology)

Cho, Ezra, PhD (New Testament, Biblical Languages)

Hong, Joshua, PhD cand. (Evangelism, Church Planting)

Hong, Paul, PhD (Leadership)

Lincoln, Abraham, DMin (Mission, Spirituality)

Lincoln, Liz, MD (Spirituality)

Lewis, Greg, MA (Spiritual Formation)



Park, Henry, PhD (Preaching)

Rhee, John, PhD cand. (Theology, History)

Seo, John, PhD cand. (Practical Theology, Mission)

Stasinos, Steve, MDiv (Spiritual Formation)

Stumpf, Andy, PhD (Ethics)

Suh, Augustine, PhD (Systematic Theology, Biblical Theology)

Vucekovich, Mark, MA (History, Bible Study)

Ward, Ron, MA (Bible Study, Leadership)

Yang, Mark, DMin (Inductive Bible Study)

#### **Admin:**

Edun, Victor, MSc (Instructional Technologist)

Goang, Oyor, PhD (PAC liaison)

Hembekides, Liz (WEW admin)

Lee, Joseph, DMin (Online Education admin)

West, Ben, MDiv (ELC admin)

## **9. CURRENTLY OFFERED PROGRAMS**

Pastoral Cohort Program

Emerging Leaders Cohort

Online Continuing Education

## **10. PASTORAL COHORT PROGRAM SPECIFICS**

### **PROGRAM DESCRIPTION**

*“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15).*

Pastoral Cohort is equivalent to a Master of Divinity program with an emphasis on UBF's mission, vision, and core values. This program is designed to develop ministry

leaders with sound biblical/theological foundations, leadership strength, and Christlike character as part of the preparation for pastoral ordination in UBF.

## **PROGRAM OBJECTIVES**

- To equip ministry leaders: We want to assist and develop our leaders with sound biblical/theological foundations, leadership strength, and Christlike character.
- To prepare for pastoral ordination: For those who aspire to receive UBF ordination (such as sizable chapter directors), the certificate of the program can be considered, along with the candidates' integrity of character and practical experiences in ministry.
- To provide a unified teaching for UBF ministries based on sound doctrines in a biblical evangelical tradition.

## **QUALIFICATIONS FOR PASTORAL ORDINATION**

- Completion of the required courses
- Needs for pastoral ordination in the missional context
- Candidates' integrity of character
- Shepherding experiences in ministry

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES**

Aspiring students are required to submit an application along with supporting documents, which will be reviewed to confirm the completion of each applicant's file. The application and records will be evaluated based on specific criteria: prior academic performance, recommendations, and life testimony. Lastly, the application process involves an interview with the program committee.

Admitted students will receive new student orientation information, and all applicants will be notified of their admission status by email.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Annual tuition for full-time students in a ministry \$750/year.

UBF chapters with enrolled full-time students are asked \$750/year

\* The Pan-Africa Cohort program will have its own fee structure. Likewise, each future cohort's fee will be adjusted to make sense in context.

## PASTORAL COHORT CURRICULUM

Required credits are 72 (24 courses x 3 credits) and above. Each course (3 credits) is usually 12 weeks long.

The Pastoral Cohort Program is offered only once every four years, in sequence, and does not include electives. Therefore, if students plan to graduate in three years, they must take each class as it is offered. Upon completion of the required courses, UBF will issue a certificate of completion.

\*As a pilot program of the PASTORAL COHORT, the Pan-Africa Cohort launched in January 2024 to provide quality spiritual, biblical, and theological training to African ministry leaders.

\*The Asian Pastoral Cohort program for Asian ministry leaders started in January 2025; the European/CIS Pastoral Cohort program launched in March 2026; the North American Pastoral Cohort program starts in August 2026.

## REQUIRED COURSES

***UBF Shepherdology*** (Discipleship) (1 Course)

***Biblical Studies*** (10 courses): *Methodology* (3), *OT* (4), *NT* (3)

- 1) Methodology (3): New Testament Greek, Biblical Hebrew, Biblical Hermeneutics, Inductive Bible Study, Biblical Theology
- 2) Old Testament (4): Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus...), History (1-2 Samuel...), Wisdom/Psalms, Prophets
- 3) New Testament (3): Gospels, Acts & Pauline Epistles, Revelation

***Historical Studies*** (4 courses):

- 1) Church History I (Early Church), Church History II (Medieval Church, Reformation), III (Modern Church)
- 2) Local church studies (e.g., African Church History), History of Missions

***Doctrines/Ethics*** (5 courses): *Doctrines* (4), *Ethics & Apologetics* (1)

- 1) Christian Doctrines: I (Prolegomena: The Kingdom and Covenant; Scripture; Theology proper); II (Anthropology; Christology); III (Pneumatology; Soteriology), IV (Ecclesiology; Eschatology), Church's Creeds

- 2) Christian Ethics, Christian Apologetics

***Ministry/Mission Studies (5 courses):***

- 1) Ministry Studies: Pastoral Care & Counseling, Pastoral Theology (Ministerial Personhood), Spiritual Warfare, Preaching, Worship [Liturgical Practices], Christian Leadership Development,
- 2) Mission Studies: Theology of Mission, Cultural Anthropology, {African Traditional Religion}

***Electives:***

1. Human Sexuality, Stress Management, Pastoral Epistles, Prayer and Spirituality, [some other courses can be added later]

## **CURRICULUM MAP**

Year 1:

Biblical Doctrine 1, Biblical Doctrine 2, UBF Shepherdology, Biblical Hermeneutics, New Testament Greek, Spiritual Warfare

Year 2:

Biblical Doctrine 3, New Testament Studies, Biblical Theology, Biblical Hebrew, Pastoral Theology, Church History 1

Year 3:

Biblical Doctrine 4, New Testament Studies, Old Testament Studies, Theology of Mission, Pastoral Care and Counseling, Church History 2

Year 4:

Christian Leadership, Apologetics, Church History 3, Liturgy, New Testament Studies, Old Testament Studies, Ethics

## **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS (PASTORAL COHORT)**

Biblical Studies (10 courses): Methodology (3), OT (4), NT (3)

### New Testament Greek (3)

This course is an introductory study of Biblical Greek, focusing on basic vocabulary and analysis of the morphology and grammar of the Greek of the New Testament. It will equip students with a working knowledge of Biblical Greek text.

### Biblical Hebrew (3)

This course is an introductory study of biblical Hebrew, with emphasis on the fundamentals of its morphology, vocabulary, and syntax. It will equip students with a working knowledge of Hebrew text.

### Biblical Hermeneutics (3)

This course covers the principles of biblical interpretation and the major helpful resources for exegesis and addresses selected passages from the various genres of biblical literature to develop a sound method for interpretation of Bible passages.

### Biblical Theology (2)

Biblical theology engages the Old and New Testaments as a unified whole. This course studies biblical revelation from the creation in Genesis to the consummation of all human history in Revelation, with an emphasis on the themes of kingdom and covenant.

### Inductive Bible Study (3)

This course is designed to learn how to study the Bible inductively. It covers how to observe a Bible passage, the boundaries of interpretation, and how to apply the word of God and practice it.

### Old Testament studies (3 courses)

#### Pentateuch (3)

This course is a survey of the Pentateuch and exegetical studies of selected books.

#### History (3)

This course is a survey of Historical books and exegetical studies of selected books.

#### Wisdom/Psalms (3)

This course is a survey of wisdom literature and exegetical studies of selected books.

#### Prophets (3)

This course is a survey of Prophets and exegetical studies of selected books.

### New Testament Studies (3 courses)

#### Gospels (3)

This course is a survey of the Gospels and exegetical studies of selected books.

#### Acts & Pauline Epistles (3)

This course is a survey of Acts and Pauline Epistles and exegetical studies of selected books.

### Revelation (3)

This course is a survey and exegetical study of the book of Revelation.

### ***Historical Studies*** (4 courses):

#### Church History I (3)

This course studies the development of Christianity during the early church. It covers church history from the first century to the patristic period, focusing on major events, issues, and people.

#### Church History II (3)

This course covers church history during the Medieval Ages and the Protestant Reformation, focusing on major events, issues, and people.

#### Church History III (3)

This course covers the development of Christianity from the rise of denominations to the present, including the rise of secularism, revivals, and missionary expansion, focusing on major events, issues, and people.

#### History of Missions (3)

This course is a survey of Christian missions from the early church to the present, focusing on the major eras, major places, and key individuals in Christian Missions.

#### Regional Church History (e.g., Armenian Church History)

This course is a study of the development of the church in America from its Colonial beginnings to the current day, with emphasis on the Puritan tradition and evangelicalism.

### ***Doctrines/Ethics***: Doctrines (4), Ethics & Apologetics (1)

#### Christian Doctrine I (3)

Bible Doctrine courses are designed to provide gospel workers with a sound understanding of biblical faith based on biblical and evangelical theology. Christian Doctrine 1 addresses prolegomena (introduction to theology), the doctrine of Scripture (the Word of God), and the doctrine of God (attributes of God, Trinity, creation of God).

#### Christian Doctrine II (3)

Christian Doctrine 2 addresses the doctrine of humanity (the image of God, sin) and the doctrine of Christ (the person, atonement, resurrection, the offices of Christ).

### Christian Doctrine III (3)

Christian Doctrine 3 addresses the doctrine of the Holy Spirit (the Person, the Work of the Spirit) and the doctrine of salvation (election, calling, regeneration, conversion, justification, adoption, sanctification, perseverance, glorification, and union with Christ).

### Christian Doctrine IV (4)

Christian Doctrine 4 addresses the doctrine of the church (the nature of the church, the ministry of the church, church government, baptism, communion) and the doctrine of the future (the return of Christ, millennialism, the final judgment, the new creation).

### Church's Creeds (2)

This course explores the Church's Creeds that encapsulate the historic orthodox Christian faith that provides guidelines for theology and Bible interpretation. It also addresses the Catechisms of the Reformed church.

### Christian Ethics (3)

This course addresses the foundations of Christian ethics, explores various ethical issues, and aims at the construction of an ethical view as disciples of Jesus Christ.

### Christian Apologetics (3)

This course introduces students to the field of Christian apologetics and equips them to present a rational defense of the Christian faith in our cultural contexts and to lead others to Jesus Christ winsomely.

### ***Ministry/Mission Studies* (6 courses):**

Ministry Studies:

#### UBF Shepherdology (3)

This course is designed to help students reflect on UBF discipleship principles and practices from biblical and historical perspectives. It addresses topics such as outreach, one-to-one Bible study, Daily Bread, Bible reflection writing and sharing, shepherding, Common Life, and worship.

#### Pastoral Care & Counseling (3)

This course aims to equip gospel workers with the knowledge, skills, and sensitivity required to minister effectively to people in need. It covers selected topics in the pastoral care field.

#### Pastoral Theology (3)

This course explores the biblical-theological foundations of the theology of ministry and

provides theological reflection of ministry. Emphasis is placed on the personal spiritual formation and emotional well-being of ministers.

### Spiritual Warfare (3)

Every Christian and the entire church live in the middle of the spiritual battlefield. This course is designed to consolidate the Biblical worldview concerning spiritual warfare and equip students to be kingdom warriors.

### Christian Leadership Development (3)

The course is designed to analyze models of leadership and develop and articulate students' personal philosophy of leadership that is gospel-centered and reflects character maturity.

### Preaching (3)

This course explores how best to write a Biblical sermon, learning about its various components, including careful exposition of Scripture, proper use of illustrations, and discovering how a passage may speak to us today. It consists of both lectures and practicums.

### Corporate Worship (3)

The course is designed to help students become better worshipers, pastoral theologians, and worship leaders. It deals with biblical and Christian perspectives on worship and addresses practices of worship, including ecclesiastical liturgies.

Mission Studies:

### Theology of Mission (3)

God is a missional God who acts missionally by preceding, shaping, and sending the church into the world. This course explores what God's mission means to us and how we can carry it out more effectively, addressing missional ecclesiology, cultural issues for mission, and missional leadership.

### Cultural Anthropology (3)

The course is an introduction to the fundamental aspects of cultural anthropology. It emphasizes the importance of culture and how it affects reality perception. It aims to enable the student to develop greater cultural sensitivity and effective communication in cross-cultural ministry.

African Traditional Religion (for PAN-AFRICA COHORT)



## 11. EMERGING LEADERS COHORT (ELC)

*“Go and Make Disciples!” (Matthew 28:19)*

*“To Be Conformed to the Image of Christ” (Romans 8:29)*

*“Entrust to Reliable People” (2 Timothy 2:2)*

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Emerging Leaders Cohort program (two and a half years) was developed to provide education and discipleship opportunities for key emerging leaders of UBF chapters in North America and around the world. It provides a platform where key leaders meet with senior staff and national leaders to build up relationships, learn and grow in God’s word, and embrace God’s vision for the future of UBF. ELC is a program that provides support and enhancement for the disciple-raising ministries of the UBF chapters.

### PRINCIPLES OF DISCIPLESHIP

The Cohort emphasizes fundamental aspects of Christian life and discipleship: Triune, relational, and holistic.

1) Triune: To grow and live out the grace of participating in the kingdom of the triune God: God-glorifying, Christ-centered, and Spirit-filled

2) Relational: To develop the relational aspects of Christian life with God, within the church, and in the world

3) Holistic: To develop a person’s whole life and ministry as we perceive the need for a broader understanding of salvation and God’s mission

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

To equip emerging ministry leaders to be effective disciples and disciple-makers, especially as campus ministers

- Personal spiritual growth as disciples: biblical and doctrinal foundation, personal relationship with God
- Christian leadership: developing Christlike disciple-makers through healthy Christian practices
- Pastoral care: fostering compassion and wisdom to shepherd those in need

### TARGET GROUP

Emerging ministry key leaders, who are:

- Disciples with a solid Bible study history and the desire to serve Christ’s mission, especially campus ministry
- Post-graduates with shepherding experience

- Recommended by their chapter leader.

## **APPLICATION**

Each cohort consists of 5-8 members. The program committee makes announcements for recruiting a new team each year. During the application period, applicants for ELC are to submit the online ELC application form, life testimony (3-5 pages), and a recommendation letter from their chapter directors. Usually, the application deadline is October 31 each year.

After the student submits the application and supporting documents, the ELC committee reviews the documents and confirms the completion of each applicant's file. The application process involves an interview with the program committee.

Admitted applicants will receive cohort orientation information, and all applicants will be notified of their admission status by email.

Please call or email the committee with any questions regarding this program.

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Annual tuition for full-time students in a ministry \$500/year.

Churches with enrolled full-time students are asked \$500/year.

The cohort member's chapter is encouraged to help with the costs if needed.

## **ELC CURRICULUM OVERVIEW**

Each ELC program consists of 20 relevant topics. Each course requires about 3 hours of work per week, in addition to a 2-hour meeting roughly every other week. Each course lasts 5-8 weeks.

Sessions are facilitated by about 20 UBF staff/leaders in North America.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

A grade point average of 2.7 or above is required for graduation. A graduate ministry project for the ELC program is required.

## **CURRICULUM MAP**

Year 1

- God and His Reign
- Essential Christian Doctrines
- Holistic Ministerial Personhood

- Grace and Faith
- Corporate Worship
- Inductive Bible Study
- Walking by the Spirit
- Prayer
- Gospel-Centered Community

## Year 2

- Preaching
- Christian Leadership
- Marriage and Family
- Apologetics
- Spiritual Warfare
- Counseling
- Biblical Ethics
- Multicultural Ministry
- Evangelism
- History of Missions
- Student Missions

Regarding inquiries or applications, visit [ubfinstitute.org](http://ubfinstitute.org).

Course Platform: [ubfinstitute.org](http://ubfinstitute.org)

\*We've already had seven cohorts complete the program—Alpha team through Gospel team.

## 12. ONLINE CONTINUING EDUCATION SPECIFICS

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Online Continuing Education program is intended to support and equip UBF leaders, including chapter directors and local UBF ministries. It is a concise biblical program with an emphasis on UBF's mission, vision, and core values. It is tuition-free and open to all UBF leaders/members. Courses are conducted online in a communal learning environment, where students and facilitators often interact throughout the course. Our vision is to develop leaders with sound biblical/theological foundation, leadership strength, and Christlike character.

## CURRICULUM

Each course is usually 12 weeks long. Coursework includes reading books/lecture notes, attending online meetings, taking quizzes, writing short essays, and interacting online with other students and instructors through discussion forums.

Online Continuing Education courses will be offered two terms a year. Each term will have two or three courses at a time.

## COURSE PLATFORM

Courses are offered through video conference platforms and the online course platform <https://ubfinstitute.org>.

## QUALIFICATIONS:

This program is open to any UBF Bible teachers and ministry leaders. Those who don't participate in the UBF church ministry require special permission to participate.

## COURSE FEE

At present, our program is offered free of charge. However, we welcome donations and free offerings to continue developing high-quality courses that are relevant and effective for UBF ministry leaders.

Upon completion of the courses, the HQ committee will issue a certificate of completion for the program. This is a work in progress.

## ONLINE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSES:

- UBF Shepherdology
- Early Church History
- Medieval and Reformation Church History
- Modern Church History
- Biblical Doctrine 1 (Fundamentals, Theology Proper)
- Biblical Doctrine 2 (Christology, Theological Anthropology)
- Biblical Doctrine 3 (Pneumatology, Soteriology)
- Biblical Doctrine 4 (Ecclesiology, Eschatology)
- Biblical Hermeneutics
- Inductive Bible Study
- New Testament Interpretation
- Old Testament Interpretation
- New Testament Greek

- Biblical Hebrew
- Bible Teachers Workshop
- Christian Leadership
- Biblical Preaching
- Pastoral Self-Care & Counseling
- Spiritual Warfare
- Marriage and Family
- Emotionally Healthy Spirituality
- Theology of Mission
- Corporate Worship
- Cultural Anthropology
- Biblical Ethics
- Apologetics
- American Church History

For inquiries or applications to take classes, visit [ubfinstitute.org](http://ubfinstitute.org).

### **13. WOMEN ENCOURAGING WOMEN WORKSHOP SPECIFICS**

#### STATEMENT ON THE ROLE OF WOMEN:

Women are pillars of God's church and kingdom.

#### VISION:

To encourage and edify established and emerging women leaders so they can flourish and effectively participate in the expansion of Christ's kingdom and the edification of his Church.

#### OBJECTIVES:

1. Nurture healthy personal growth in Christ through sound Biblical doctrine
2. Nurture Christ-like leadership
3. Develop deep redemptive friendships
4. Facilitate member care

#### WEW TEAM:

Currently, we are blessed to have a group of Christ-centered, seasoned women who have a huge heart of compassion for our UBF women

#### WEW TRACK/WORKSHOP FORMAT:

- Cohort size: flexible
- Preparation for meetings may be required and may entail reading a book, watching a video, or answering (reviewing) discussion questions.
- Specific future topics will be suggested by the women in the cohort. Also, we may switch gears during the progress of a cohort if the women show an interest in spending more time on a particular topic.
- Flexible length: we have found the sweet spot to be either every other Saturday for 8 weeks or six consecutive weeks.

#### TARGET GROUP:

Women leaders with solid Bible study who desire to serve Christ's mission

#### FACILITATORS:

UBF staff, lay leaders or invited guests

\*Any seasoned UBF member who has a passion for women's ministry and women's needs is invited to propose a topic and lead a course that will then be vetted by the WEW committee.

## HISTORY

Over the past 3 years, we have had seven tracks and one workshop:

- 1) 2022: Biblical Soul Care (Grace S. Lee); Delighting in the Trinity (Kathy Vucekovich)
- 2) 2023: Recharge (Dr. Liz Lincoln); Christ-like Compassionate Care for Women in Ministry: A Wholistic Approach to Understanding and Overcoming Anxiety and Depression (Dr. Crystal Morla)
- 3) 2024: Remain I and II (Dr. Liz and P. Abraham Lincoln); Parenting Children with Special Needs For a Lifetime: A Journey from Suffering to Worship (Dr. Ruth Yoon); Homeschooling Workshop (Christian Misurac and Grace Park)

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