



PROGRAM OBJECTIVES: COLUMBIA ONE

Columbia One is a one-year certificate designed to offer students a flexible program experience as they choose from a combination of foundational courses in Biblical and Theological Studies, elective courses, and extracurricular activities. In addition, Columbia One opens up several options for students beyond the program, such as transferring courses to other post-secondary schools, moving into one of Columbia's Diploma or BA programs, or entering the workforce.

Columbia One meets the 1st year requirements of Columbia's Core Objectives.

I. Spiritual and Character Formation

Educational Goal: To foster students' spiritual and character formation and their commitment to God's holistic mission for the world.

Core Objectives

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| A. Demonstrate growth in Christian discipleship and transformation towards holistic Christian character (i.e., joy, compassion, honesty, integrity, work ethic, purity, trustworthiness). |
| B. Demonstrate healthy relational skills as an expression of one's commitment to Christian discipleship. |
| C. Demonstrate commitment to God's holistic (spiritual, social environmental) mission of reconciliation and restoration for all creation. |
| D. Demonstrate commitment to active participation in the church and its mission |



II. Christian Worldview/Intellectual Formation

Educational Goal: To provide students a foundational knowledge base, and the abilities to think critically and to interact respectfully with the views of others.

Core Objectives

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| A. Demonstrate foundational knowledge of the Bible and the ability to understand the scriptural message. |
| B. Demonstrate the ability to appropriately utilize hermeneutical principles to interpret and apply the Bible. |
| C. Demonstrate an understanding of biblical theology in relation to the formation of a Christian worldview. |
| D. Demonstrate familiarity with evangelical Anabaptism and its contributions to the larger Christian church, historically, theologically, and ethically |
| E. Demonstrate increasing ability in critical thinking |
| F. Demonstrate familiarity with a breadth of subject material in the Humanities, Social Sciences and Natural Science |

III. Preparation for Service and Ministry in Church and World

Educational Goal: To prepare students for effective service and ministry in the church and in the world particularly in the areas of their chosen field of study.

Core Objective

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| A. Demonstrate effective and sacrificial service in both team member and team leader ministry roles. |
| B. Demonstrate an ability to facilitate Christian discipleship and growth in others. |
| C. Demonstrate healthy interpersonal skills essential for ministry/leadership. |
| D. Demonstrate increasingly effective communication. |
| E. Demonstrate application of biblical and self understanding to their personal and career direction. |
| F. Demonstrate basic levels of competence in an applied ministry setting |

