

<u>Chapel</u> Co-Curricular

Description

Baylor students will be introduced to and engaged in substantive Christian thinking, perspectives, and practice through community informed chapel experiences.

Core Curriculum Objectives

- 1. As a common course providing all students a shared foundational orientation through unique and diverse experiences, chapel will strive to offer valuable teachings and practices.
- 2. Students will receive spiritual instruction and engagement opportunities through a variety of practices and pedagogies vetted by the Office of Spiritual Life.
- 3. Chapel experiences will expose students to, or continue to form them in, the knowledge of Scriptures, theology, and Christian vocation.
- 4. Chapel experiences will deepen faith formation through a framework of spiritual disciplines and supportive communities.
- 5. Chapel will provide a holistic, faith experience that cultivates cognitive, artistic, and relational engagement with attention to the diverse spiritual and cultural needs of participants.

<u>Criteria</u>

- Credit Hours: two semesters required, no credit
- Course level 1000
- Department or Departments responsible for facilitating instruction: Office of Spiritual Life

<u>Justification</u>

- Baylor Catalog, Curriculum Organization, General Education Outcomes: (p. 35): Baylor graduates should be able to: communicate, . . . think critically, [and] . . . *demonstrate knowledge of the Christian scriptures and heritage that enables engagement with others from a Christian perspective*... commitment to social and civic responsibility. (italics added)
- A&S Vision Statement Preamble: "The College of Arts & Sciences core curriculum is the foundation for a degree from Baylor University; it serves to educate men and women to become informed and productive citizens of a democracy and servant leaders of faith communities." (italics added)
- A&S Vision Statement: "Through this theologically informed education, students will be enabled to pursue and cultivate faith, hope, and love."