

Looking for something that will last a lifetime?  
 Build a solid foundation for life and further study with ABC's one-year program.

# The Rock

## CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN FOUNDATIONS

### C.C.F.

1 Year / 30 Credit Hours

2.00 G.P.A. Minimum

#### PURPOSE

- This program is designed to provide students with foundational knowledge, attitudes and practices for living faithfully and creatively with God in the world.
- This program will help students discern where “their deep gladness meets the world’s deep need” (Buechner).
- This program will serve as the first year of all other ABC programs.

#### OBJECTIVES

- To gain a formative knowledge of scripture and its context.
- To demonstrate a growing competency in interpreting and communicating the biblical message.
- To develop personal rhythms of prayer, study and service.
- To acquire a foundation for further study, including information literacy.
- To experience Christ-centred community through meaningful participation in a local church and at ABC.
- To develop interpretive thinking skills about contemporary culture and consider how the gospel impacts these concerns.
- To engage in a process that will help clarify their self-identity and their calling.
- To experience and/or express the Christian faith through the arts.

#### PROGRAM

All incoming students will attend a two-day orientation prior to the semester in order to introduce them to college life and the city of Calgary.

#### COURSES

<b>1ST SEMESTER</b> .....	<b>15</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Old Testament Literature .....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Life and Teachings of Jesus .....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Intro to the Bible.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Courage & Calling.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Formation/PML .....	1/2

<b>2ND SEMESTER</b> .....	<b>15</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> New Testament Literature .....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Global Perspectives .....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Intro to Teaching & Learning.....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Evangelism & Discipleship .....	3
<input type="checkbox"/> Spiritual Formation/PML .....	1/2

#### COURAGE & CALLING

Every human being that thinks about it is looking for meaning. They are looking for answers to the most elementary questions: Who am I? What am I supposed to do? Does it finally make any difference? (Michael Campo) These are questions of identity and calling. From a Christian perspective, we recognize that this question can only be answered in relation to God – we can only know ourselves as we come to know God. For students, it is often asked as they strive to identify their vocation, a place “where their deep gladness meets the world’s deep need” (Frederick Buechner). But a full and meaningful life is not a future dream; for Christ-followers it ought to be a present reality as we live each day in obedience to God. This course seeks to address these life-long questions through experience, discussion, reading and reflection. Within community, through shared experience, we hope to awaken your imagination – your deep gladness – and invite you to explore your place in God’s Story.