

GOODNEWS@ABC

ABC'S EVANGEL IS SET TO RELEASE ON MARCH 31ST



Really Good News from ABC

By Stan Helton (ABC President)

We are pleased to announce that Alberta Bible College (ABC) has been reaffirmed by the Commission on Accreditation (COA) of the Association of Biblical Higher Education for Accreditation (ABHE). By June 2015, the board and staff had completed a new self-study to regain ABC's accreditation. In February 2016, ABHE recognized ABC once again as an accredited institution. Since ABC, in this case, had to regain accreditation, we were placed on the five-year initial accreditation cycle and another self-study was required by February 2020. The evaluation of our self-study was conducted via Zoom on April 7-9, 2020. On Friday, February 19, 2020, ABHE announced ABC's continued accreditation at their annual conference.

This is good news for our students because it allows easier transfer of credits between ABHE college and university, and ready recognition to other educational institutions. Our accreditation satisfies Alberta Student Aid as to our credibility and makes students eligible for financial aid in the form of loans and grants. This is good news for ABC because it holds us accountable to high standards and certifies that we are maintaining those standards.

UPCOMING PACE COURSES:

APRIL 6 - MAY 11 (Register by March 30)

- B4214 Johannine Literature
- P4545 Conflict Resolution
- G3216 History of Christianity I

APRIL 8 - APRIL 10 (Register by April 1)

- P4335 Strategic Leadership (Intensive)

MAY 18 - JUNE 22 (Register by May 11)

- B3286 Introduction to Paul
- B3326 Theology of Church and Ministry
- B3327 Theology of Care
- G3217 History of Christianity II
- P3535 Counselling Theory
- P4555 Family & Marriage Counselling

JULY 27 - AUG 31 (Register by July 20)

- B3115 Old Testament Literature
- G4525 Christian Ethics



International Student Quarantine Plan

By Shannon Gugyel (Enrolment Officer)

Alberta Bible College (ABC) has been recognized by Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) for a few years as a Designated Learning Institution (DLI). This has meant students from around the globe could apply to study at ABC and potentially be granted a study permit by the federal agency. COVID-19 has been challenging on so many fronts, but one specific difficulty has been the delay for international students studying in Canada. Travel restrictions, changing requirements, and basic uncertainty surrounding the coronavirus as a whole has caused angst for many.



As a DLI that wants to accept international students, ABC drafted a comprehensive Quarantine Plan to be approved by two provincial bodies (Advanced Education and Alberta Health Services) and the federal government (IRCC).

As of February 23, 2021, ABC has been listed on the IRCC approved list and this is exciting because a major hurdle has been removed for international students wanting to engage in a Christian higher education at ABC.



HOODIES HAVE ARRIVED!

By Shannon Gugyel



ABC's hoodies are here. We have six colours (red, black, ash, navy, purple, army green) and several sizes (Small, Medium, Large, XL, 2XL, and 3XL). If you have not done so, current students can email Cory Pytlarz (cpytlarz@abccampus.ca) to order a hoodie (your school fees paid for one!). We have had an amazing response so colours and sizes are starting to disappear... however, if your size and preferred colour are gone, we will be ordering a second batch mid-March. Arrange with Kim Salcedo (kisalcedo16@abccampus.ca) for pick up... YOU MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT.

Drop-ins are not accepted. Shannon Gugyel is currently shipping swag to all of our students living outside of Calgary, so please ensure your CURRENT address is listed in Populi. For any alumni, board members, and family members of students who would like a hoodie, or students who want multiple colours, please email Cory to place an order. The promotional prices are as follows but please be advised they will be increasing in the near future.

S-XL = \$25

or

2XL-3XL = \$27

Upcoming Graduation

By Cory Pytlarz (Student Development Dean)

Alberta Bible College is excited to announce that plans are in the works to host an in-person graduation service April 25 at Bow Valley Christian Church.

This event will honour the graduates of the classes of both 2020 and 2021, as last year's celebration was postponed due to the pandemic. The President's Cabinet recently approved ABC's COVID-19 Graduation Policy, which aligns with provincial health guidelines and will coordinate our efforts in organizing an event that is both celebratory and safe.

With this in mind, the graduation service will be open to graduates and ABC staff only. However, the event will be livestreamed so that all supporters can celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates.



Further details about our upcoming graduation service will be available in the next edition of the Evangel, ABC's quarterly newsletter. In the meantime, questions about the event can be directed to our academic dean David Ford (dford@abccampus.ca).

