

**Winthrop University**

**Department of Philosophy & Religious Studies**

**Pre-Seminary Program**

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A student who wishes to prepare for admission to a seminary program should have a well-rounded undergraduate education that emphasizes critical thinking skills, a capacity for close and careful reading, and a facility with written and oral communication skills. The Bachelor of Arts degree program in Philosophy & Religion at Winthrop highlights the development of these skills. Courses in the program provide essential elements for a student to prepare for graduate seminary work in theology and biblical studies.

Seminary admissions requirements vary depending on denomination, affiliation, and the student's interests (counseling, pastoring, chaplaincy, type of degree, etc.). The department offers pre-seminary advising to help students identify preferences and determine how best to structure their undergraduate program for seminary success.