BIBLE
LEARNING CENTER

SYLLABUS

Course: Apologetics II

Term: Fall 2026
Course Number: BLCI404
Credits: 6 (credits toward a certificate of completion)
Time and Dates: Wednesday 6:30-8:00 pm, September 30th - November 4th
Instructor Name: Nick Cady, Tom Siewert, Nathan White, Josh Witt, Paul Earnst, Dustin Turner
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Course Description:

Apologetics 2 equips believers to be able to engage with difficult questions and objections to the Christian faith and to be able to articulate a reason for the hope that a believer has. The class will include topics on intelligent design, the resurrection, the reliability of the Bible, competing worldviews, and apologetics in conversation.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, each student should be able to:

- **Identify** common objections and challenges to the Christian faith and explain the assumptions behind them.
- **Evaluate** evidence and arguments related to intelligent design, the resurrection of Jesus, and the reliability of the Bible.
- **Analyze** major worldviews and compare their assumptions about truth, morality, humanity, and the existence of God with the Christian worldview.
- **Articulate** biblical and rational responses to common objections to Christianity with clarity and confidence.
- **Apply** apologetic principles in conversations with people who hold different beliefs or worldviews.
- **Demonstrate** how apologetics can be used not merely to win arguments, but to point people toward the truth of the gospel with humility, wisdom, and grace.

Recommended Texts:

- Cady, Nick. *The God I Won't Believe In: Facing Nine Common Barriers to Embracing Christianity.* ISBN-13: **978-1-7361172-0-1**.

- Koukl, Gregory. *Tactics: A Game Plan for Discussing Your Christian Convictions.* 10th Anniversary Edition. ISBN-13: **978-0-310-10146-8**.

- Ernst, Paul. *You Bet Your Life: A Toolbox for Making Life's Ultimate Decision.* CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform, 2013. ISBN-13: **978-1-4839-6276-4**.

- Strobel, Lee. *The Case for Christ: A Journalist's Personal Investigation of the Evidence for Jesus.* Updated and Expanded Edition. Zondervan, 2016. ISBN-13: **978-0-310-34586-2**.

- Bruce, F. F. *The New Testament Documents: Are They Reliable?* Eerdmans, 2003. ISBN-13: **978-0-8028-2219-2**.

Course Schedule:

[Create a table outlining the class meeting times, dates, and topics covered. Include assignments and due dates. This section is heavily influenced by the provided document; feel free to modify the format to better suit your school's structure.]

Date	Week	Topic
9/30/2026	Week 1 - Nick Cady	Hard Questions and Topics
10/7/2026	Week 2 - Tom Siewert	Intelligent Design
10/14/2026	Week 3 - Nathan White	The Reality of the Resurrection
10/21/2026	Week 4 - Joshua Witt	The Reliability of the Bible
10/28/2026	Week 5 - Paul Ernst	Worldviews and Philosophy
11/4/2026	Week 6 - Dustin Turner	Engaging in Conversations

Attendance:

Attendance is a key component of success in this course. To earn credits for the course, you must attend the following number of classes: 5 of 6 classes.

Course Policies:

Attendance: Please contact the class curator using the instructor email listed if you intend to miss a class. To avoid losing credits, obtain notes, slides, and recordings of the class that you will miss.

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