BACHELOR OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES (BCS)

The lay people are the presence of the church in the world They are called to commend their faith particularly in their secular professions or vocations in which they are involved and participate in the process of social change. The BCS course is an external study programme of the Senate. It is designed to provide laity from different walks of life and laity with academic skills for an in-depth understanding of Christian faith, history, doctrines and practical dimensions of ministry to interact with their neighbours and colleagues in their common quest for meaning in life.

OBJECTIVES

To promote in South Asia theological education as a transforming influence in personal, ecclesial and societal life.

To provide tools to understand and interpret Bible in the South Asian context.

To study the interaction of Christianity with people of other faiths and cultures.

To integrate theological education with the professional orientation of the candidates.

To empower communities with basic Christian theological education.

To facilitate lay leadership in church and society in the study of Christianity, its history, faith and practices.

To promote theological education in regional languages as well as in English.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A candidate at the time of admission to the BCS degree course shall fulfill the following requirements:

A holder of Bachelor Degree from a recognised University

A candidate should have passed 10+2 with 3 years of ministerial/ work experience.

A candidate should have passed 10th class and cleared matured candidate exam (as per the existing policy) of the Senate with 2 years of ministerial/work experience.

A candidate should have passed Dip.C.S. or Dip.BT with 2 years of ministerial/work experience.

REGISTRATION

Last date of Registration is 15t December and 31t December with late fee FEES Annually Rs. 14000/- approx. (Senate Fees, College fees, Contact Seminar, Study Materials).

DURATION

The length of BCS degree course is four years starting from January to December. Validity of the registration shall be for Seven years.

CONTACT SEMINAR

Contact seminar shall be arranged once in a year before the exams as it will be more convenient to the candidates. The Affliliated Colleges and the exam centres can conduct the contact seminars as approved by the Senate of Serampore College. Prior information must be given to the SCEPTRE Dean about the dates present during such day/s. Certificates can be issued at the end of the contact seminar which can be used as a proof for attending of the Contact Seminar so that he/she a representative can be the contact seminar.

EXAMINATION

Last date of Examination form submission : 15 July and 31 July with late fee. Examination Centres: Affiliated colleges and Exam Centres Only those who have attended the contact seminars and cleared the dues will be eligible to register for the exams.

AFFILIATION

a. EXAM CENTRE

In order to promote theological education at grassroots and assist the institutions that are interested in conducting BCS programme, the Senate shall approve such institutions with minimum three (3) teachers with BD and above degrees and a Co-ordinator with M.Th and above as exam centres. Candidates shall write heir examsas Senate examined papers.

b. AFFILIATED COLLEGES

For the affiliated colleges, in addition to the staff required for the regular programmes (B.D/B.Th), the college should have an additional faculty with at least B.D/M.Th and shall be responsible for co-ordinating the programme.
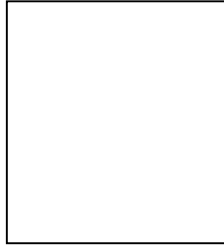
BRIDGE TO OTHER DEGREES

BCS to BD (Two Years), MCS (Three Years)

BCS Graduates have to either complete B.D. or MCS to register for D.Min Studies

Leonard Theological College

Admission Form- 1

Course of Study: B.CS

Name ───

Date of Birth: ───────────────────────────────

Present Address: ─────────────────────────────

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Parents' Name:. ──────────────────────────────

 Permanent Address: ──────────────────────────

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E-mail: ──────────────────────────────────────

Mobile Number(s) ─────────────────────────────

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Admission Form – II
Education Qualification & Work Experience

Class	Name of the Board	Medium	Year	Result (%)	Division
10th					
12th					
Graduation					
Post-Graduation					
Other					

Work Experience (If Any):

As What. _____

Where _____

When _____

How Long _____

Why left the job _____

Name of the Employer _____

Address of the Employer. _____

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Admission Form - III
Church Membership & Sponsorship

Name Of The Local Church _____

Name Of The Denomination _____

Date Of Baptism & Confirmation- _____

Date Of Joining The Church _____

Name Of The Pastor-In-Charge_____

Address Of The Pastor _____

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Name Of The Sponsoring Body _____

Address Of The Sponsoring Body _____

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This Sponsorship Includes : (Sponsoring body needs to tick the correct Box)

1. Sponsorship Without Financial Support, No Guarantee for Recruitment After Studies ☐

2. Sponsorship Without Financial Support, Yes Guarantee for Recruitment After Studies ☐

3. Sponsorship With Full/ Partial Financial Support, And Yes Guarantee for Recruitment After Studies ☐

_____   _____
Name & Designation of the   Sign & Seal of
Head of Sponsoring Body   the Sponsoring Body

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Admission Form - IV
Financial Guarantee Form

This is to certify that Mr./Ms. _____ is a

sponsored candidate form   _____

The responsibility to meet the financial obligations in terms of College Fee, Book Grant, Senate Fee and other such expenses will be met by the persons and/or agencies in the following ratio:

_____ will pay _____ % of the Total Expenses.

Name & Postel Address :   Sign & Seal   _____

_____ will pay _____ % of the Total Expenses.

Name & Postel Address: Sign & Seal. _____

_____ will pay _____ % of the Total Expenses.

Name & Postel Address: Sign & Seal, _____

_____ will pay _____ % of the Total Expenses.

Name & Postel Address: Sign & Seal, _____

List of Documents to be Attached with the Application Forms

1. Date of Birth & Residence Proof.
2. Copies of Mark Sheets & Degree of Academic Qualifications from class 10th onward up to the last.
3. Migration Certificate will be needed once the admission is done.
4. Church Membership Certificate.
5. Church Sponsorship Certificate duly signed and sealed by the Competent Authority
6. Financial Guarantee Letter from the Parent or Sponsoring Agency as the case may be
7. Medical fitness Certificate to undertake the Studies from a Registered Medical Practitioner
8. Name & Addresses of Three Persons (Teacher, Church Elder & Congregation member) who can give a reference lettre.
9. Recent Passport Size Photographs - Four (4 Nos.)
10. Your Testimony for joining the Ministry.