Christian Education

Haigazian University, in cooperation with the Near East School of Theology (N.E.S.T.), offers a major in Christian Education with a B.A.C.E. degree.

Students who follow this Christian Education major take a number of Education courses at Haigazian University and courses in Religion at the Near East School of Theology (N.E.S.T.).

On completion of the Christian Education program, students will be prepared to:
- Create caring, respectful, and supportive learning environments for all students.
- Demonstrate skills in observation, documentation, and assessment of students’ progress.
- Develop the professional knowledge, skills, and professional dispositions necessary to help all students learn.
- Develop pedagogical content knowledge relevant to Christian education.
- Promote active engagement in learning based on biblical principles.
- Build and maintain positive, productive, and reciprocal relationships with children, families, and colleagues.
- Develop professional ethics, responsibility, and positive attitudes towards the teaching profession.
- Reflect critically and creatively on teaching and learning.
- Develop an overall vision of teaching.
- Put into practice a Christian philosophy that emphasizes the importance of reflection and spiritual guidance in their professional and spiritual growth.

The University determines the admissibility of students to this program, and the application for admission is made through the N.E.S.T. This degree qualifies the graduate to teach religion in primary and/or secondary schools. The minimum residency requirement for students with advanced standing transferring to this program totals 30 credits at both institutions; at least 15 must be taken at Haigazian University. To be eligible for a B.A. degree in Christian Education, students are required to complete 108 credits of 200 level courses.
The Haigazian University requirements for Christian Education majors are the following:

**General Education**

Core requirements for all HU students are listed on page 58.

NEST students will be exempted from taking a Religion course at Haigazian University. One of the Religion courses taken at NEST will serve as a University requirement.

Christian Education students are required to take the following:

- EDU 201, 202, 218, 221, 223, 224, 232  
  21 cr.
- PSY 201, 221 or 222  
  6 cr.

Armenian students are required to take the following Armenian courses:

- ARM 203, 204, 211, 212, 271  
  15 cr.

Two of these courses will fulfill the University language and SBS/Humanities requirements listed under General Education.

**N. E. S. T. Requirements**

- BI 251 Introduction to Old Testament (I)  
  3 cr.
- BI 252 Introduction to Old Testament (II)  
  3 cr.
- BI 255 Introduction to New Testament(I)  
  3 cr.
- BI 256 Introduction to New Testament(II)  
  3 cr.
- HI 251 Introduction to Church History (I)  
  3 cr.
- HI 355 History of the Reformation  
  3 cr.
- ST 251 Introduction to Systematic Theology(I)  
  3 cr.
- PR 209 Music and Art in CE  
  3 cr.
- PR 212 Basic Skills in CE (Elementary)  
  3 cr.
- PR 212a and Practice Teaching  
  3 cr.
  or
- PR 213 Basic Skills in CE (Secondary)  
  3 cr.
- PR 213a Practice Teaching  
  3 cr.
- PR 215 Teaching the Bible (OT)  
  3 cr.
- PR 216 Teaching the Bible (NT)  
  3 cr.
- PR 311 Teaching Ministry with Children  
  3 cr.
- PR 312 Teaching Ministry with Youth  
  3 cr.
- PR 313 Teaching Ministry with Adults  
  3 cr.