



# WORLD CHRISTIAN FOUNDATIONS

## Degree Completion Program

The US Center for World Mission has partnered with Knowledge Elements to transform the world famous World Christian Foundations curriculum into a degree completion format. The WCF Degree Completion program is a sixteen course program that is divided into four semesters of four courses each. Restoring God's glory is the theme of the full 32-semester unit program. God is the Lord of history but we are locked in a cosmic struggle with the powers of darkness. Through their studies, students begin to understand God's plan for reestablishing His glory through "general" and "special" revelation, partnering with humans in defeating the Evil One and restoring Creation through Jesus Christ. Take a look at the exciting content this course has to offer below! Contact us at [iis@uscwm.org](mailto:iis@uscwm.org) now for information on enrolling in the course or adopting this curriculum in your organization!

### [ Semester One ] First Things: The Ancient World

Course 1: Exploring Origins	Course 2: Exploring the Old Testament	Course 3: Exploring World History & Religions	Course 4: Exploring Theology & Culture
Week 1 Mysteries One and Two: Origin of Matter and Life Week 2 Mystery Three: Origin of Man Week 3 Mystery Four: Origin of Civilization Week 4 Mystery Five: God's Central Plan Week 5 Genesis: Three Foundational Promises	Week 1 Exegesis, Hermeneutics and Word Studies Week 2 Saving Faith and the Law in the Old Testament Week 3 The Word of God and Atonement Week 4 Views of the Afterlife Week 5 Wisdom, Prophets and History	Week 1 World History: The Big Picture Week 2 Zoroastrianism and History Continued Week 3 Hinduism and Jainism Week 4 Buddhism, Confucianism, Taoism, and Ancestor Worship Week 5 The People of God and Other Nations	Week 1 Theology of the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament Week 2 Theology of Promise Week 3 Family and the Gospel vs. Religion Week 4 Ancient Greek Civilization Week 5 The Intertestamental Period



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# [ Semester Two ]

## Formulation: The Classical World

Course 5: Examining the New Testament World	Course 6: Examining World Religions and the Life of Jesus	Course 7: Examining the Apostolic Era	Course 8: Examining the Early Church and the World
Week 1 Review of "First Things" Week 2 Cultural Background of the New Testament Week 3 Understanding New Testament Texts Week 4 Missiological Perspectives on the Gospels Week 5 Jesus' Birth, Early Life, and Messianic Teaching	Week 1 Religious Leaders: Rabbis, Messiahs, Gurus, Avatars Week 2 Jesus' Mission: the Synoptic Gospels Week 3 Jesus' Mission: Gospel of John Week 4 Jesus' Death, Resurrection and Commissioning of His Followers Week 5 Salvation, Death, and the Hereafter in the World's Religions (focusing on Buddhism and Hinduism)	Week 1 The Birth and Early Expansion of the Church Week 2 The Expansion of the Church among the Gentiles: Missiological Perspectives on the Book of Acts Week 3 Paul's Missionary Letters Addressed to Problems in the Churches Week 4 Paul's Later Missionary Letters and Issues in the Churches Week 5 The Last Books of the Bible; Eschatology and Missions	Week 1 Early Church History Week 2 Around the World Week 3 The Church in the Roman World: The First 400 Years Week 4 Africa, Oceania, and the Americas: The Early Centuries Week 5 Persia, East, Central and South Asia, 200-400

# [ Semester Three ]

## Fulfillment: The Expanding World

Course 9: Discovering the Early Expansion of the Gospel	Course 10: Discovering Developments in World Religions	Course 11: Discovering Europe's Influence on the Rest of the World	Course 12: Discovering the Global Advance and Retreat of the Gospel
Week 1 Review of the Progress of God's Plan in the Old and New Testament Eras Week 2 The Spread of Christianity to the Whole Mediterranean Area Week 3 The Celtic Movement Week 4 Society and Religion in Europe, 800-1200 CE Week 5 The Rise and Spread of Islamic Civilization 800-1200 CE	Week 1 Growth and Decline of Christianity in Asia from 200-1200 CE Week 2 Religious and Political Developments in Asia 400-1600 CE Week 3 Religious Developments Around the World Week 4 African Empires, Rise and Fall Week 5 Religious and Social Developments in Middle and South America, 400-1200	Week 1 Europe: Death and Renaissance, 1200-1600 Week 2 Europe: Religious and Cultural Freedom Week 3 Colonialism and Slavery Week 4 Europe: Enlightenment and Evangelical Awakening Week 5 European Impact on the World	Week 1 Spiritual Roots of Social Reform Week 2 Western Explosion, 1850-1914 Week 3 Christian Mission and Colonialism among the World's Peoples Week 4 Global Change and Crisis, 1914-1945 Week 5 The Progress of the Gospel as of 1945

# [ Semester Four ]

## Finalization: The Modern World

Course 13: Analyzing Global Trends	Course 14: Analyzing World Religions in the Modern World	Course 15: Analyzing Missions in the Modern World	Course 16: Analyzing Perspectives on God's Global Purposes
Week 1 The Collapse of Colonialism and Rise of Globalism Week 2 Indicators of the Future of Global Development Week 3 Justice and Global Development Week 4 Indicators of the Future of the Christian Faith Week 5 The Expansion of New Missions	Week 1 The Tribal World and Animism Week 2 The Hindu World Week 3 Buddhism and Asian Religions Week 4 The Islamic World Week 5 The Secular World and Judaism	Week 1 A New Face for Missions Week 2 Mission as Transformation, part 1 Week 3 Mission as Transformation, part 2 Week 4 Mission in the 21st Century, part 1 Week 5 Mission in the 21st Century, part 2	Week 1 Theological Perspectives Week 2 Anthropological Perspectives Week 3 Historical Perspectives Week 4 Social and Scientific Perspectives Week 5 Conclusions: God's Purposes and Glory