

## Seminars

By providing opportunities to interact with others, the fortnightly seminars help students to deepen their personal grasp of course material. In-person seminars typically run on a weekday evening and are offered in a number of centres around the UK. Online seminars are available both in the evening and daytime.

Details of the current locations and timings of seminars are on our website – [biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse](http://biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse)

To qualify for the certificate, students must attend a minimum of 70% of the seminars for the modules in that certificate.

All the seminar tutors have completed the BCUK Certificate Course or studied with CCEF, and are currently engaged in biblical counselling in the context of their local church.

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*The support and fellowship of the seminars are particular highlights.”*

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*It's changed the way I see myself, changed the way I see other people and changed the way I reach out to those who are hurting.”*

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*I have worked in counselling for years but am so grateful for all this course has given me; a greater insight, understanding and equipping as to what biblical counselling should look like in a community of believers as well as having a profound impact on my own relationship with God.”*

## Seminar Venues

Bath • Belfast • Edinburgh  
Liverpool • London • Sheffield

Plus **Online** Seminar options  
(daytime and evening)

## Applications

Apply at [biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse](http://biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse). We ask for a supporting reference from your church pastor.

The deadline for applications is in early July.



Biblical Counselling UK

Christ-centred change, enabled by the Spirit, through the ministry of the Word, in the local church.

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CERTIFICATE  
IN BIBLICAL  
COUNSELLING



## The Certificate in Biblical Counselling aims to equip students to develop a culture of care in the local church.

Underlying the course is a conviction that the gospel connects with every human experience and struggle, and a desire to help church communities connect the riches of Scripture to the realities of life.

Starting with an emphasis on our own need for biblical change and personal growth in wisdom, the course then seeks to build students' confidence in conversational ministry with a goal of developing the deep, relational one-anothering that the New Testament describes.

The course provides a model for ministry that is applicable to formal and informal ministry contexts – from opening Scripture with a friend in the hard moments of life, to shaping preaching that engages the heart.

Youth workers, small group leaders, pastors, secular counsellors and ordinary church members eager to be better equipped to help friends, will all benefit.

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*I've seen, in theory and in practice, how directing people to the true source of hope and peace—Christ—changes lives.”*

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*I've been challenged to look at how God wants to mould me and use me to help others.”*

## Course content

- The Course combines material from CCEF's School of Biblical Counselling with new content developed by BCUK for the UK context.
- Lectures, reading and assignments are delivered via an online learning platform which students access at a time that suits them.
- Fortnightly seminars with an experienced tutor encourage the development of practical skills in personal ministry and provide interaction with other students.
- The week-long Summer Intensive develops a student's personal attributes and skills in conversational ministry.
- Each Certificate is completed in one academic year. Students can take one, two or all three Certificates.
- The first module, *Dynamics of Biblical Change* provides a foundation for all the others but can be taken for stand-alone study, either in the first term of the Certificate Course, or in the slower-paced *Dynamics of Biblical Change for Leaders* course (see [biblicalcounselling.org.uk/dynamicsforleaders](http://biblicalcounselling.org.uk/dynamicsforleaders)).

Details of all these modules are available at [biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse](http://biblicalcounselling.org.uk/certificatecourse)

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*A challenging and transforming journey, where you learn more of what it means to love God and others wholeheartedly.”*

## Programme

FOUNDATIONS CERTIFICATE	
Autumn Term	Dynamics of Biblical Change
Spring Term	Helping Relationships
Summer Term	Counselling in the Local Church
SKILLS CERTIFICATE	
Autumn Term	Scripture for Life and Ministry
Spring Term	Marriage Counselling
Summer Intensive*	Personal Qualities for Biblical Counselling, plus Counselling Observation
TOPICS CERTIFICATE	
Autumn Term	Human Personality
Spring Term	Theology and Secular Psychology

\* The residential Summer Intensive is offered every year and can also be taken on completion of the Foundations or Topics Certificates.

Please see our website for the module and venue schedule.

## Assessment

All the modules have required assignments and a final exam or project. The time commitment varies according to the module but a rough guide is 8–10 hours per week in addition to the time required to attend the fortnightly seminars.

There are no minimum academic requirements, but students should be aware that there is a significant amount of reading which includes both book extracts and journal articles.

## Cost (\*Prices correct at the time of publication)

The cost of each module is £495\*.

The Summer Intensive week is £445\*. Accommodation and meals are available at an additional cost.