FOUNDATIONS
The Foundations Program of Trinity Christian College is rooted in its Mission Statement, which states that “those who teach and learn are called to be coworkers with Christ in subjecting all cultural activities to the reign of God, and that genuine education must involve the whole person as a thinking, feeling, and believing creature.” Through the Foundations curriculum, Trinity students will be grounded, engaged, and called for service to Christ and His Kingdom. One pathway through the Foundations curriculum and a list of Chicago Connect, Interdisciplinary Inquiry, and Thinking and Writing courses is given on page 2 of this document.

See the current College Catalog for course descriptions.

(The number of credits/course hours is provided in parentheses.)

COURSEWORK
Foundations
- FDN 101/111 (2)
- FDN 201 (2)
Christian Scriptures
- THEO 131 (3)
Christian Traditions
- THEO 132 (3)
Literature and Society
- ENGL 105 (3)
Historical Consciousness
- HIST 105 (3)
Oral and Digital Communication
- COMM 105 (3)
Philosophical Perspectives in Worldview
- PHIL 101 (3)
Scientific Thinking
- SCI 102 (4) OR
- Two lab science courses:
  - One from: BIOL 100 (3), BIOL 110 (4), BIOL 204 (4)
  - One from: CHEM 101 (4), CHEM 103 (4), PHYS 101 (3)
Thinking and Writing
- Any TW course (3), or HON 105 (3)
Chicago Connect
- One semester at Chicago Semester OR
- Any CHI course (3), CSEM 306 (3), CSEM 307 (3), HON 215 (3), SOC 246 (3), or THEO 306 (3)
Interdisciplinary Inquiry
- Any INQ course (3), PHIL 102 (3), or PHIL 111 (3)

Fine Arts

Social Science
- One from: ECON 121 (3), PLSC 201 (3), PSYC 121 (3), PSYC 123 (3), SOC 121 (3)

Wellness
- Two credits, chosen from: NURS 221 (2), PE 110 (1), PE 112 (1), PE 180 (1)

World Cultures
- One semester of international off-campus study OR
- Any SPAN course

Language
- Two years of language study in high school OR
  - Native language other than English OR
- One from: SPAN 101 (3), SPED 111 (3) (also fulfills World Cultures) OR
- One semester of another approved language (also fulfills World Cultures)
**Foundations Requirements**

**ONE PATHWAY THROUGH FOUNDATIONS**

First Year, Fall Semester:
- FDN 101, Thrive
- Any Thinking and Writing course
- HIST 105, Historical Consciousness or PHIL 101, Philosophical Perspectives in Worldview
- THEO 131, Christian Scriptures
- One from: COMM 105, Oral and Digital Communication; any Fine Arts course; or any Social Science course

First Year, Spring Semester:
- ENGL 105, Literature and Society
- HIST 105, Historical Consciousness or PHIL 101, Philosophical Perspectives in Worldview
- THEO 132, The Body of Christ and its Traditions
- One from: COMM 105, Oral and Digital Communication; any Fine Arts course; or any Social Science course

Second Year or Third Year:
- FDN 201, Courage, Creativity, and Calling (second semester of second year preferred)
- SCI 102
- Any Chicago Connect course
- Any Interdisciplinary Inquiry course
- Any Fine Arts course (if not taken already)
- Any Social Science course (if not taken already)
- Any two credits of Wellness
- Fulfill World Cultures or Language requirement

Fourth Year:
- All uncompleted Foundations Courses
- Capstone in Major

*This pathway is an example that will work for many students. Some majors have requirements in years one or two that will require some modification to this pathway. Your academic advisor will work with you to develop a plan that best suits your educational goals.*

**CHICAGO CONNECT, INTERDISCIPLINARY INQUIRY, AND THINKING AND WRITING COURSES OFFERED IN 2020-2021**

**Chicago Connect:**
- CHI 201, Chicago Literature: Poetry, Prose, and Performance
- CHI 202, Disability in the Chicagoland Area
- CHI 203, Pullman in History and Today
- CHI 204, Chicago Theater in Local, National, and Global Contexts
- HON 215, Social Entrepreneurship as Civic Engagement
- SOC 246, Urban Sociology
- THEO 306, World Religions

**Interdisciplinary Inquiry**
- INQ 201, Science and Fiction
- INQ 202, Christianity and the Balanced Life
- INQ 203, Police and Social Reform
- INQ 204, Learning: Purpose, Equity, and Hope
- INQ 205, Theology and Biology in Dialogue: Human Origins
- INQ 206, Perspectives on Poverty
- PHIL 102, Vocational Discernment and Faith
- PHIL 111, Person, Health, and Bioethics

**Thinking and Writing**
- TW 101, The Arthurian Tradition
- TW 102, Communities and the Good Life
- TW 103, Hispanic Culture and the Good Life (in Spanish)
- TW 104, Disability and the Good Life
- TW 105, From Memory to Memoir
- TW 106, A History of Toleration
- TW 108, Longing for a Good Home
- TW 109, The People, Language and Culture of Indonesia
- TW 110, Self, Society, and Social Justice
- TW 111, When Tragedy Strikes, What is the Good Life?
- HON 105, Imagination and Community