



2026 SPRING COURSE OFFERINGS FOR AUDIT



Why Audit a Course?

Auditing a college course allows one to embark on the adventure of learning for the sake of learning. Students auditing a course do not receive a grade and assignments are optional.

Aquinas College is offering eight different courses in the spring semester in the areas of Biology, English, Foreign Language, History, Philosophy, Psychology, and Theology. You can pursue your interest to learn new and exciting subject matter by auditing an Aquinas College course.

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Applicants Seeking to Audit a Course

Audited classes carry no academic credit, yet are recorded on a student's transcript with "AU." Application fee is waived for auditing students. Complete terms of enrollment as an audit student are given in the application.

To Register for an Audit Course

Visit the Aquinas College website at www.aquinascollege.edu/admissions/apply-now/. Scroll down to "Applicants Seeking to Audit a Course" and follow instructions.

Cost

Audit Fee \$100 per credit hour

Refund Policy

Courses begin on January 5, 2026. Refunds for fees are available through January 9, 2026. Following that date, fees become non-refundable.

For additional information about auditing courses, please email the Office of the Registrar at srgianna@aquinascollege.edu.

Aquinas College welcomes all students regardless of race, color, ethnicity, or national origin who desire to be part of the faith-based mission of the College to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the College. It does not discriminate based on race, color, ethnicity, or national origin in administration of its education policies, admission policies, scholarships, and loan programs.

BIO 112 – General Biology II

Tuesdays – Lecture

12:20 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.

Thursdays – Lab

12:20 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

Dr. Bill Smart

This course follows successful completion of BIO 111 and continues with the application of the principles studied the first semester. A comprehensive examination of the Kingdoms Plantae and Animalia will be addressed with an emphasis on human reproduction. The material is reinforced with a weekly 2-hour laboratory session, which will consist of microscopy and dissections to illustrate this material.

ENG 214 – American Literature II

Tuesdays/Thursdays

8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.

Sister Mary Edith, O.P.

This survey course includes representative selections of British literature illustrating various genres from the Romantic period to the present. Students should be able to analyze a literary text according to its content, structure, and purpose, as well as to understand it as part of a historical, cultural, and literary tradition.

ENG 315 – World Literature: Christian Epic

Mondays/Wednesdays

1:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sister Mary Edith, O.P.

The Christian world took the best of the classical tradition and integrated it into its own story, allowing the epic genre to reach new heights. In this course, students will read Christian epics, such as *Dante's Divine Comedy*, *Milton's Paradise Lost*, *Beowulf*, and *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight*. The persistent themes of the epic – war, homecoming, the founding of a city, the relationship between the human and the divine – will be explored.

HIS 112 – Western Civilization II

Mondays/Wednesdays

9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.

Dr. Vince Ryan

As a continuation of Western Civilization I, this course studies the history of modern Europe from the Age of Reason to the end of the 20th century. The approach is chronological, emphasizing the development of the modern state, the evolution of scientific inquiry in an industrial and technological age, and the role of ideology against a backdrop of war and revolution.

PHI 330 – Philosophy of Education

Mondays/Wednesdays

9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.

Sister Jean Marie, O.P.

This course investigates the philosophical basis of educational thought from classical to contemporary times. After first establishing the nature of philosophy, the course examines the major philosophical systems and ideologies that have shaped educational theory. The course affords students the opportunity to critique educational philosophies and to begin to develop their own. Field experience included.

PSY 315 – Educational Psychology

Mondays/Wednesdays

12:20 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.

Sister Elena Marie, O.P.

This course analyzes and applies psychological principles of learning to the elementary school-age child. Various learning theories are discussed and researched. Application of theory is viewed through a variety of educational situations and settings. Field experience included.

SPA 111 – Elementary Spanish I

Tuesdays/Thursdays

8:30 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.

Sister Mary Johanna, O.P.

This beginning Spanish course includes elements of grammar, composition, dictation and transcription, oral practice, simple reading and a geographical and historical perspective of the Hispanic peoples with emphasis on their cultures, traditions customs and contributions.

THE 310 – Moral Theology

Tuesdays/Thursdays

9:55 a.m. – 11:10 a.m.

Sister Mary Madeline, O.P.

The theological and philosophical basis of Christian morality as a “call to perfection” (Matt. 5:48) is the subject of this course. In addition to the general principles of moral theology, specialized moral applications will be investigated.

Aquinas College Mission Statement

Aquinas College is a Catholic institution of higher education in the Dominican tradition. The College directs all its efforts to the intellectual, moral, spiritual, and professional formation of the human person in wisdom. Students are formed individually and in Christian community so that the harmonious integration between faith and reason can permeate every dimension of their lives. Immersed in exploring the relationship between human civilization and the message of salvation, the College community embraces the Dominican imperative to preach the Gospel, serve others, and engage culture in truth and charity.

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