



GRACE & TRUTH
CLASSICAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

2025 Academic Year
Course Descriptions

Omnibus III Reformation to the Present by Veritas Press

Omnibus is a Great Books curriculum for grades 7–12 that teaches students the lessons from the past in order to live in the present. In Latin, Omnibus means “all-encompassing.” The Omnibus curriculum from Veritas Press is designed to help enlighten, train, and develop young minds through the study of everything important, long-lasting, and true: the ideas, arguments and expression of the Western Canon as expressed in the Great Books.

In *Omnibus III* we will cover the period of history from the Reformation of the 16th and 17th Century to the Present. Primary books for the year include, *The Pilgrim’s Progress*, *A Tale of Two Cities* and *Uncle Tom’s Cabin*. Secondary readings include titles like, *Foxe’s Book of Martyrs*, *Frankenstein*, *Pride and Prejudice* and *Gulliver’s Travels*.

Omnibus is designed to prompt discussions from the Great Books in accordance with a Biblical Worldview, while comparing and contrasting the cultural views of today. Students must be equipped for doing what Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians 10:5 We are destroying arguments and all arrogance raised against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ. Omnibus provides students an opportunity to meet with these thoughts and to exercise Biblical Thinking.

Omnibus III Core: Dialectic Level; 23 Books & Documents; 1 Honors English Credit, 1 History Credit, 1 Bible Credit

Omnibus III Honors: Dialectic Level; 20 Books & Documents; 1 Honors English Credit, 1 Honors History Credit, 1 Bible Credit

Student Preparation: Students have assigned sessions for each week, and must prepare by reading the assigned sections in their books and preparing for the discussion questions in class. It is helpful to read through the discussion questions before reading the assigned section, so that students can focus on the themes we aim to draw out in the class discussion.

Assessments: Students are assessed on a continual basis for preparation and participation in class discussions. There are also a number of writing exercises throughout the year along with opportunities for debate and public speaking in class. Students will also write two midterm exams and two semester final exams.



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Full List of Books in Omnibus Textbooks:

PRIMARY (FIRST SEMESTER)

The Westminster Confession of Faith
The Pilgrim's Progress
Of Plymouth Plantation
The Social Contract
Foundational American Documents
The Federalist and Anti-Federalist
Papers
A Tale of Two Cities

PRIMARY (SECOND SEMESTER)

Reflections on the Revolution in France
Uncle Tom's Cabin
Lincoln's Speeches
Slave Narratives
The Communist Manifesto
The Treaty of Versailles
The Great Gatsby
Mein Kampf
Philemon
The Epistles of John
The Epistles of Peter and Jude
Nineteen Eighty-Four
Daniel

SECONDARY (FIRST SEMESTER)

Foxe's Book of Martyrs
Frankenstein
Pride and Prejudice
Gulliver's Travels
Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin
Autobiography of Charles G. Finney
The Pit and the Pendulum
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer

SECONDARY (SECOND SEMESTER)

Little Women
The Killer Angels
Christianity and Liberalism
The Old Man and the Sea
Animal Farm
Death of a Salesman
Postmodern Times
How should we then Live?