



~Where can one find the detailed program of study for the various levels?

The program of study for the various levels is contained in the documents referring to the "Curriculum Structure for GATS" The bachelor degree program is in the formulation stage but available material is also placed in this manual.

~Where can one find the course outlines for each course, along with copies of recommended textbooks?

These should be included in the *GATS Policy and Training Manual* and also posted at www.gatsonline.org.

~How does a membership nation receive copies of recommended textbooks?

The *GATS Training and Resource CD* provides electronic copies of most textbooks. This allows for the books to be printed within the membership nation or its schools.

GATS has an agreement with Africa Aflame and the Foreign Missions Division to print any of their books without royalty being paid.

The PPH has an agreement and there are nominal fees for printing their books. Terms of this agreement include:

1. The published products can only be distributed overseas.
2. Each product must carry the appropriate logos, copyright notices, credit lines and the location where these items were printed.
3. Each item can be translated and the artwork can be altered to make the material relevant to each culture, but the doctrinal message cannot be altered in anyway.
4. Five copies of each finished work must be sent to the PPH for the files of those Divisions involved.
5. One electronic copy of the translated work shall be sent to the PPH for possible use in the future.
6. The cost of each reproduced piece shall be as follows: \$.05 for each literature book under 50 pages, and \$.10 for each Literature book over 50 pages.



GATS will also provide an overview showing each textbook, its cost, and where it is available from. Contact our office for updated information on all books. .

~What is the passing grade for the GATS programs?

The passing grade is 70%. To qualify for certificates and or degrees students would need to successfully (pass) complete the required number of classroom hours of instruction.

All core curriculum courses would need to be passed or repeated until passed. When a student fails (or appears to be failing) a core curriculum course a provision can be made for remedial exercises or testing. The highest grade a student could achieve on a remedial exercise, test, exam or course would be 70%.

~What is the attendance policy of GATS?

Students are not permitted to miss more than 10% of the classroom hours. Beyond that a doctor's excuse is required. This should be brought to the administration of the school. School administration would certify/verify the condition of the student and how much time will be required for him/her to be away.

Attendance records should be kept for each subject. Students missing more than the permissible number of classroom hours will receive "incomplete" on their transcript for the applicable course.

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Roger Buckland
Missionary

~What are the minimum requirements for evaluation for each course?

Instructors should implement various methods of evaluation including (but not restricted to) exams, tests, quizzes, essays, papers, assignments, homework and practical exercises. One test or procedure is not adequate to determine that a student has learned the material.

~Are examination weeks considered as classroom hours?

The examination hours can be counted as part of the required hours for the course.



~What happens when a nation does not have a fulltime training program but would like to be part of GATS?

That is the beauty of GATS. It is based on classroom hours and not on credit hours, number of years to complete the program, etc.

Even small nations or those where the UPCI is just getting started can be involved in GATS. In such cases one or more courses could be taken at a time, and record of grades kept.

~How often should we send student transcripts to GATS?

It is required that completed student transcripts be sent to the GATS six weeks prior to when the certificates or degrees are needed for graduation.

~Is it required to use the student transcript provided by GATS?

Schools can design their own student transcripts and send those to us. However, GATS will provide a model transcript that can be used.

The important thing is:

1. The transcript would need to be e-mailed to GATS@upci.org.
2. The courses would need to be clearly marked using terms easily understood by our staff. We would need to verify that all core curriculum subjects have been covered and using the required classroom hours.

~Is there a fee for certificates and degrees?

There is a nominal fee for the cost of certificates or degrees, folders, and shipping.

If special shipping is needed (DHL, etc.) the membership nation and/or its training programs would need to pay for this.

~Are you obligated to use electives provided in the listing by GATS?





A listing of possible elective courses is provided for you. You can also easily receive approval to add electives to this list, and use it in your training programs.