LOGOS BIBLE SOFTWARE FAQ

"Our goal is to be the worldwide leader in electronic tools and resources for multilingual Bible study. Our mission is to serve the church. We believe that Bible study should be at the heart of the Christian life. It's our privilege to equip pastors, students, missionaries, teachers, and the church at large with tools that make Bible study easier and more accessible. It's our responsibility to ensure that the investment in technology we can afford to make because we serve the western church pays dividends for the whole world. Our hope is that as you learn more about Logos Bible Software you'll see it not only as the best Bible study tool anywhere…"
— From Logos Bible Software's Mission Statement

1. WHAT IS LOGOS BIBLE SOFTWARE?

Logos Bible Software is an application for electronic study of the Bible. Logos integrates different translations of the Bible, commentaries, reference books, maps, photos, preaching and teaching resources, original language tools, and much more into one program for easy access.

2. WHY ARE WE INTEGRATING BIBLE SOFTWARE INTO OUR MBI-SPOKANE EDUCATION?

In the technologically advanced age in which we live, most students use electronic resources, whether software or internet-based. MBI-Spokane is aware that educating students now currently involves exposing them to the resources and ways technology can be leveraged. By teaching students to integrate this technology into their studies through the curriculum, the information is more likely to be learned and used for the rest of their lives. Integrating Bible software allows professors to intentionally plan for the teaching and learning of the skills to use this program in a logical order. Practically, Bible software provides tools for students to do what they would never be able to do by hand or with paper books. For example, if a student were to search for the phrase, "I have sinned," it would appear in 13 places in the Bible. Paper book resources would require a student to look up the words, "I," "have," and "sinned," separately, which would not, of course, yield the same results. An electronic concordance gives the student an opportunity to study what caused various people in the Bible to say, "I have sinned." This is something that a student would never be able to do by hand. In addition, Bible software is a resource that students can take with them wherever they go—overseas, graduate school, or other moves— rather than transporting an entire library.

3. WHAT VERSION OF LOGOS DO I NEED?

MBI-Spokane students will need to purchase the **Logos 6 Standard Silver edition**. This version and its details, including price (see Academic Discount information below), can be found by visiting the Logos website (www.logos.com), mousing over the "Logos 6" tab, and selecting "Base Packages" from the dropdown menu. After scrolling through some basic information about Logos and what it does, visitors to this page will view a lineup of all of the Logos 6 editions and may select the Silver edition to view specific the product details.

Students will also need to purchase the **Logos Academic Training,** which will need to be added to the student's cart manually in addition to the Logos 6 Silver edition. This training package costs $50 for MBI-Spokane students ($279.95 retail value).

4. WHAT RESOURCES COME WITH LOGOS 6 STANDARD SILVER EDITION?

The Logos website gives this overview: "*Study Scripture and ancient texts side by side with Ancient Literature tool, and explore biblical meaning with the Propositional Flow Outline and Semantic Roles and Case Frames dataset. Access key commentaries, like the NAC, Lenski's Commentary, and Calvin's Commentary, plus all of Logos 6's new Media Collections.*"

Here is a breakdown of some of the resources that will come with Logos 6 Silver:

- 180 Bible commentaries
- 26 volumes on theology
- 11 volumes on counseling and ministry
- 126 sets of data
- 55 original- language tools and resources
- 46 English and interlinear Bibles
- 9 volumes on hermeneutics and exegesis
- Over 30 sets of maps, photos, and media resources
- Over a dozen volumes on Bible introduction and background (resources on how believers today received the Bible, from inspiration to translation)

5. HOW DO I APPLY FOR THE ACADEMIC DISCOUNT?

Simply click on the following link: https://www.logos.com/about/academic. Or navigate to www.logos.com on your internet browser. On the navigation bar located just above the site's advertisement banner, find "Programs," and from the drop-down menu that appears, select "Academic Program." This will take you to "Academic Discount Program." Once on the Academic Discount Program page, you will see information about how to apply. Click "Apply Now," and you will be taken to the Logos login page. Quickly register for a new account. Once this is complete, you will automatically be taken to the Academic application. In order to qualify for the discount, you will need to provide evidence that you are a student that is currently registered at MBI-Spokane. You can do this by uploading a picture of your student ID, scanning your acceptance letter, or taking a screen shot of your classes on your Student Center.

6. WHY LOGOS AS OPPOSED TO OTHER BIBLE SOFTWARE OPTIONS?

Logos Bible Software is considered the "gold standard," in the field of Bible study software. It is a multi-platform and multi-operating system that offers the widest range of supported devices (smartphone apps, as well as iPod, iPhone, and iPad apps). Logos is not merely a Bible search program, such as the resources often found online. It is a research library management system which allows the user to conduct faster searches as well as the capability of managing an enormous library.

7. IF I AM A NON-BIBLE MAJOR, HOW WILL LOGOS BE BENEFICIAL FOR ME?

Every believer should be a student of the Bible, regardless of a student's choice of educational major. Moody Bible Institute-Spokane desires to equip you to use the best tools available for a lifetime of ministry, in any context. Please consider the following quote from MBI-Spokane's Campus Dean:

> *"God is more concerned with your preoccupation than He is your occupation. We desire to educate students for a lifetime of ministry, whether that is vocational or a-vocational. We believe students will appreciate this regardless of their future employment."*
> *— Dr. Jack G. Lewis, Campus Dean*

8. WHAT COURSES WILL LOGOS BE INTEGRATED INTO, AND FOR WHAT YEARS?

MBI-Spokane looks forward to intentionally teaching students to use the resource through integrated class usage throughout all four years. We have currently assimilated Logos into the courses throughout students' four year programs. In addition to those courses, other faculty members may or may not also require the use of Logos, knowing that students will have access to it. Here are some of the freshman-level classes that will use Logos: Old Testament Survey, New Testament Survey, and Studying and Teaching the Bible.

9. HOW WILL THE SOFTWARE BE INTEGRATED INTO OUR COURSES?

Instructors in subsequent courses will equip students to use different facets of the software, building on previous knowledge that the student is known to have received. Assignments given will expect a student to have certain competencies in using the software. Professors will recommend, and sometimes require, the usage of Logos in any place where students are doing biblical and theological research. This will include the bulk of major papers and assignments in students' Bible and Theology classes.

10. WILL LOGOS WORK WITH MY COMPUTER?

All of the Logos 6 base packages are multi-platform and will work on Mac and PC. Simply follow the download instructions specific to your platform.

11. DO YOU SUGGEST THE DOWNLOAD OR THE USB FORMAT?

It is likely that the download is Logos' most simple format. In addition to ease of installation and elimination of wait time to receive the USB, the download will be available to you for future computers or other devices you may own. However, if no high-speed Internet connection is available, the USB is a great option.

12. CAN TWO STUDENTS SHARE THE LOGOS SOFTWARE?

To quote the Logos Bible Software End User License Agreement, "The license goes with the user. Every user must purchase their own package. If you have a work machine and a laptop and they are both yours for your personal use, you may load it on both for your personal use – because the *license goes with the user*. Can you

purchase one package and have two people use it? No. The license is a single user license. We do not offer site-licenses, shared licenses, co-op licenses, library licenses or multi-user licenses." Therefore, sharing Logos is a question of integrity if you have selected "I Accept the Terms of the License Agreement" upon purchasing the program.

13. DOES LOGOS NEED TO BE PURCHASED ALL AT ONCE, OR IS IT SOMETHING WE CAN PURCHASE AS NEEDED FOR EACH CLASS?

Logos Bible Software offers a customizable payment plan. Upon purchasing the program, students will be able to divide the total cost of the program into monthly payments. Students should be aware that the payment plan constitutes a $5.00 fee for every month.

14. CAN THE COST OF LOGOS BE INTEGRATED INTO THE PAYMENT PLAN FOR TUITION?

Unfortunately, this option is not available for Logos, as the purchase of this software is treated like a textbook. The program must be purchased separate from tuition through the Logos website.

15. WHAT IF I AM FINANCIALLY INCAPABLE OF PURCHASING LOGOS?

Logos Bible Software is highly valuable not only to maximize academic progress within an undergraduate degree, but also for a lifetime of ministry. This software is a requirement for any degree program Moody Bible Institute Spokane offers and is a tool we wish to send every student out with to greater impact the world for Jesus Christ.

16. HOW DOES THE PRICE OF LOGOS COMPARE TO OTHER TEXTBOOKS?

To help put the purchase of Logos in perspective, consider the following equations, knowing that Logos will satisfy partial, if not full, textbook requirements for some classes throughout four years of bachelor's-level education:

$499.98* ÷ 32 weeks in a Moody school year = **$15.63/week**
$499.98 ÷ 128 weeks in a 4-year Moody bachelor's degree = **$3.91/week**
$499.98 ÷ 8 semesters in a 4-year Moody bachelor's degree = **$62.50/semester**
$79 average price of a new textbook in 2013** **x** *5 college classes =* **$340/semester**
$59 average price of a used textbook in 2013** **x** *5 college classes =* **$265/semester**

Though the cost of Logos 6 Silver may seem like a high expense, the resources that a student has access to retail at a print value of over $10,000 and may be beneficial should a student desire to continue to graduate school. In addition to this, it is beneficial to keep in mind that it is a resource that will be relevant and available to the student for a lifetime, whereas a university's textbook is only good for the space of one semester.

*This number is an approximation that includes tax. Prices vary due to shipping depending on whether students elect the electronic download or the CD-ROM.

**Information from "Higher Education Retail Market Facts & Figures, 2013" by NACS (National Association of College Stores)

17. DO UPPERCLASSMEN NEED TO PURCHASE LOGOS?

A textbook summary is available on my.moody.edu to check if any classes a student may be enrolled in requires Logos Bible software. If an upperclassman is not currently enrolled in one of these courses, purchasing Logos is not required. It is, however, highly recommended.

18. HOW CAN I APPLY FOR THE ACADEMIC DISCOUNT IF I DO NOT HAVE MY ACCEPTANCE LETTER, AM CURRENTLY WAITING TO RECEIVE ONE, OR HAVE LOST IT?

Please contact *advising.spokane@moody.edu* as well as the Admissions Department at *admissions@moody.edu* or *(312) 329-4400*. The discount is only available to matriculated MBI-Spokane students.

19. WHAT IF I AM A CURRENT STUDENT BUT I DON'T HAVE A STUDENT ID?

Please contact us at *advising.spokane@moody.edu* or call (*509)-570-5900*.

20. IF I HAVE ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS THAT ARE NOT ON THIS FAQ, WHO DO I CONTACT?

The Logos website has a support page and an FAQ of its own, which you will find at *http://www.logos.com/support* and *http://www.logos.com/support/faq*.

Another very helpful resource is: https://wiki.logos.com/ for tutorials, hints and tips, and troubleshooting.

The librarian (Jaclyn Parrott) keeps Logos Bible Software Training Manuals in her office. Students may contact her via email jaclyn.parrott@moody.edu to borrow these or with other questions.