Logos FAQs

Logos 7 at Bob Jones University Seminary
In the last two decades, Bible study software has proliferated and advanced to the point that any serious student of Scripture seeks familiarity with these tools. The best time to learn how to use these tools for ministry is while training for ministry at the Seminary.

Logos 7 Bronze Edition
Seminary Core Courses (i.e., New Testament Introduction, Old Testament Introduction, Systematic Theology I and II, Biblical Hermeneutics, and Biblical Sanctification) will include class projects and requirements designed to train students to use Logos Bible software. All students enrolled in a Core Course will use Logos to complete class projects and requirements. If you enroll in one of these classes, you should think of Logos as the purchase of a textbook or an essential tool for each of the six Core Courses.

Logos Purchase Agreement—How will you acquire this valuable digital tool?
Bob Jones University Seminary has negotiated with Faithlife, the producer of Logos, to provide Logos 7 (the most current version) Bronze edition at half the regular price for each of our Seminary students enrolling in a Seminary Core Course. In addition, we have negotiated adding a built-in digital Logos training course at the highly discounted price of $50.

Students enrolling in a Core Course will receive a Logos software license and the right to download and use Logos 7 Bronze on their personal computer or data device at the low price of $365 (Bronze retails at $630; the training course retails at $280—this is a net savings of over $500). The University will bill your account in eight equal monthly payments (approximately $46 each) over two consecutive semesters, beginning the first time you take one of the six Seminary Core Courses; or, if you take the course online, for eight consecutive months beginning at the time of the course. Your payments will reimburse the University for the cost of your Logos 7 license, which we will pay in full when you enroll in your first Core Course. The University will not profit from the transaction.

By purchasing Logos 7 Bronze through BJU, you will be able to take advantage of a steep discount available only because of our negotiated agreement with Faithlife. Once you have made the eight payments, you will permanently own the Logos 7 Bronze edition license. As you desire and are able, you can build on Logos 7 Bronze and create an even larger and more advanced digital library and biblical research tool through the Logos system.

Logos 7 Bronze—Is it really worth it?
The answer is an emphatic, “Yes!” The Logos 7 Bronze edition is an extensive digital research library with dozens of key reference resources (such as commentaries, Bible dictionaries, Greek and Hebrew lexicons and grammars) and a Hebrew and Greek morphological location and tagging system.
Logos 7 Bronze includes a total of 453 resources (nearly 100,000 pages of content) and close to 10 million connections between resources and links to Bible passages, and many visual and interactive media collections.

Logos has risen to become the premier digital biblical research tool in the marketplace; it is an extremely valuable tool for Bible study as an extensive, transportable digital library with powerful expositional and exegetical research capacity.

Your faculty will show you how to use Logos 7 to the best advantage in the Seminary Core Courses, which will not only aid your studies here but will also help your ministry through the years as you take advantage of the efficient and thorough study made possible by this premier Bible study software.

**Let us Answer Your Questions**

If you have questions about this new initiative, please call the Seminary office at (864) 241-1657 or e-mail us at seminary@bju.edu. First, though, you might want to check out the FAQs below.

**Who needs to get Logos?**

- **Who has to buy Logos?**
  - Everyone taking one of the core courses (New Testament Introduction, Old Testament Introduction, Biblical Hermeneutics, Biblical Sanctification, Systematic Theology I & II) that doesn’t already own Logos will need to purchase it through BJU Seminary. The Seminary’s agreement with Faithlife Corporation (the producer of Logos) will allow you to purchase Logos 7 Bronze through the Seminary at a deeply discounted rate.

- **I’m not taking any core classes for credit. Do I still need to buy Logos?**
  - You are not required to buy the software unless you are in a core course.

- **I only have one core class left and this is my last year of school. Do I still need to buy Logos?**
  - Yes. Treat Logos like a textbook or required class material. You will need it in order to complete assignments that your teachers will give you. Besides, getting the chance to buy the premier Bible study software tool on the market today with a training course for less than half the retail value (total cost = $365; total retail cost = $910) is an incredible deal. And it’s a tool you will use profitably for the rest of your ministry and personal study of the Word.

- **I’m an online student. Do I need to buy Logos?**
Yes. Just because you’re an online student doesn’t mean you get out of the incredible deal we’ve worked out with Faithlife to provide Logos 7 Bronze to you at a fraction of its retail value!

- **I already own Accordance or Bibleworks. Do I have to buy Logos?**
  - We’re glad that you’ve been spending time, effort, and money to build your Bible study software toolkit, but in order to standardize and to get you started on another great resource, you’ll need to buy Logos through the Seminary.

- **I get headaches when I read on a screen. Do I have to buy Logos?**
  - Logos is more than book-reading software. Logos 7 has a send-to-Kindle feature, and you can print resources and perform many other functions that only require the ability to use a computer normally—not excessive screen reading.

- **My friend has a copy. Can I just use his, or do I have to buy my own?**
  - Sorry, no. That would violate the terms of use your friend has with Faithlife. When they sell a copy of Logos, it’s like a buffet—it’s all you can eat, but you can’t eat half your capacity and give the other half to a friend. They sell Logos to an individual, not copies of the software for general use.

- **I already have a Logos package. Do I have to buy anything else?**
  - If you already own a Logos package, the Seminary will not require you to upgrade—but you may want to consider doing so. The professors that teach the core courses use the standard of Logos 7 Bronze, so if you already own Logos you may have to purchase additional resources in order to obtain the resources they are requiring you to use. If you do purchase additional resources, make sure you register for academic pricing (email seminary@bju.edu for information on how to register).

### Obtaining the Software

- **When can I download the software?**
  - After you respond to a sign-up email early in the semester (or for online students, a few days before your class begins), Faithlife will contact you to get you set up.

- **How do I create a Faithlife or Logos account?**
After you respond to a sign-up email early in the semester (or for online students, a few days before your class begins), Faithlife will contact you to get you set up.

- **I already have a Faithlife account, but I don’t own Logos. What do I do?**
  - In the sign-up email sent out early in the semester (or for online students, a few days before your class begins), you will indicate that you already have a Faithlife account. Your new Logos software will be added to that account rather than creating a new account.

- **Will this work on my Mac?**
  - Yes, Logos 7 is fully capable of running on Macs.

- **Where do I get my license?**
  - Faithlife will release the license to you when they contact you.

- **Will this Logos package be mine, or am I just renting it?**
  - You are essentially renting-to-own. Until you make the final payment, the software belongs to the Seminary. If you default on any payment, the license reverts to the Seminary. You will have to start from scratch if you buy Logos again through the Seminary.

- **Can I access Logos from my mobile device?**
  - Yes. See the “Mobile Apps” section of the Logos 7 FAQs page here.

- **Will I have to buy resources not included in the base package?**
  - Possibly. If you already have an earlier version of Logos, you might have to purchase additional resources that are included in the Logos 7 Bronze package that you do not already own.

- **If I buy extra resources not included in the base package and then default on a payment, do I lose those resources if I buy Logos later either through the Seminary or directly through Faithlife?**
  - No. Only the original package and its resources would revert to the Seminary in that case. Faithlife knows who paid for what, and the resources you have paid for stay with you forever no matter what.

**Paying for Logos**

- **Do I ever pay Logos or Faithlife?**
Only if you purchase extra resources beyond the Bronze base library. BJU Seminary owns the license for your Bronze base library and you buy it directly from the Seminary.

- **Do I contact Logos to buy this?**
  - No. Once the results of the sign-up email have been processed, you will be contacted by Faithlife if you need to buy Logos through the Seminary.

- **Who do I pay**
  - You will pay BJU through your school bill.

- **How much do I pay?**
  - $365 is the total cost for the Logos 7 Bronze library. It will be billed to your student account in 8 equal payments.

- **What if I start during the summer? How will I be billed?**
  - In 8 consecutive, equal monthly payments through the Business Office.

- **Is BJU or the Seminary making any money on this?**
  - The Seminary is selling these licenses to you for exactly what they cost the Seminary to purchase from Faithlife. This is not an attempt to make money.

- **What if I withdraw from all core courses?**
  - You are no longer required to have Logos, but you will still be billed for Logos unless you default on a payment or notify the Seminary that you no longer wish to finish the payments. Of course, you may continue to make the payments and purchase the software, but you are not required to do so.

- **What if I don’t come back to school next semester?**
  - You will still be billed for the full amount until you default on a payment or notify the Seminary that you no longer wish to finish the payments. Once you default, you will lose all payments you have made and Faithlife will lock you out of Logos.

- **Can I pay up-front if I want?**
  - Absolutely! Just let us know in the sign-up email that will come out at the beginning of the semester (or for online students, a few days before your class begins) that you would like to pay for your entire Logos purchase in one payment.

- **At what point do I own the software?**
Once you have made the 8th and final payment, the software is yours for good!

**Using Logos**

- **What are the benefits of using Logos?**
  - Logos is the premier Bible study software tool on the market today. Datasets, media collections, books, and myriads of resources can be purchased and then read, analyzed, and searched as you study the Bible to help unpack the meaning of the text.

- **Can I add resources to the Logos 7 Bronze base package?**
  - Of course. You can purchase additional resources from Faithlife at any time.

- **Will I be trained to use Logos?**
  - Not only is a basic training course included in the package you’ll buy, your teachers will help you learn to navigate and use this premier Bible study software.

- **Who do I contact if I have technical problems or questions?**
  - Contact Faithlife for help with technical problems with the software. See their support page here.