

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Hamilton Campus

Courses are designated by a letter-number sequence which indicates the department(s) and the level at which the course is taught. Except where indicated, all courses at any level are open to all qualified students, subject to prerequisites, course limits and seniority provisions. Unless otherwise noted, all courses are three semester hours of credit.

Apologetics (Division of Christian Thought)

AP601 Introduction to Christian Apologetics The course examines models of apologetics found in Scripture and throughout church history in order to make application of them to contemporary challenges to the Christian faith.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

AP601-I Introduction to Christian Apologetics The course examines models of apologetics found in Scripture and throughout church history in order to make application of them to contemporary challenges to the Christian faith. *Offered through Semlink.*

AP602 Cultural Apologetics A biblical examination of unbelief with attention to the anatomy and dynamics of idolatry as expressed in contemporary culture. Basic purpose is to equip students to effectively present the gospel to unbelievers in their own cultural setting.

Last Offered: January 2011

AP625 Critiques of Christianity The course examines several major critical assaults on the Christian faith in the 19th and then the 20th centuries with a particular eye to discovering the patterns of the critiques in our own time.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

AP631 Religious Epistemology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2009

AP/WM644 Introduction to Confucianism and Taoism An introductory course on two great religious traditions in China and East Asia. Their histories, beliefs, and shaping influences on Chinese, Korean and Japanese cultures, societies, and daily life of the peoples will be explored and evaluated from Christian perspective. Special attention will be given to their contemporary revivals and growing influences in East Asia, the challenges they have and will pose to Christian missions, and possible Christian responses.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

AP/WM645 Introduction to Hinduism In-depth survey of philosophical and popular Hinduism's historical and theological themes. Exposure to current strategies being used to bring the gospel to Hindus and how Christian theology is being formulated in the Indian context. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM649.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

AP/WM646 Introduction to Buddhism In-depth survey of the main historical and theological themes of the Buddhist religion. Exposure to primary source materials, major Buddhist traditions, and current strategies being used to bring the gospel to Buddhists. Particular emphasis on the Chinese, Korean and Japanese experience of Buddhism. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM649.*

Last Offered: Spring 2010

AP/WM647 Introduction to Islam An introduction to the Islamic faith with a special emphasis on communicating the gospel to Muslims who comprise over 1 billion adherents and is the second largest world religion. The whole of the Qu'ran is read in English.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

AP/WM647-I Introduction to Islam An introduction to the Islamic faith with a special emphasis on communicating the gospel to Muslims who comprise over 1 billion adherents and is the second largest world religion. The whole of the Qu'ran is read in English. *Offered through Semlink.*

AP/WM649 Introduction to Hinduism & Buddhism An overview of the Hindu and Buddhist traditions. We will examine their histories, beliefs, rites, and impacts upon various cultures and societies in Asia and other parts of the world. Efforts will be made to develop a Christian response to the traditions and appropriate missiological thinking and strategies. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM645 or AP/WM646.*

Last Offered: Spring 2012

AP/WM747 Critical Issues in the Christian Mission to Muslims *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2011

AP760 Reading in Apologetics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

AP860 Research in Apologetics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Church History (Division of Christian Thought)

CH500 Survey of Church History A general survey of the history of the Christian church from its founding at Pentecost to the present day. Designed to fulfill the basic church history requirement for all Master of Arts degree programs. This course is not a substitute for CH 501 or 502 and should be taken by M.A. students only.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH500-I Survey of Church History A general survey of the history of the Christian church from its founding at Pentecost to the present day. Designed to fulfill the basic church history requirement for all Master of Arts degree programs. This course is not a substitute for CH 501 or 502 and should be taken by M.A. students only. *Offered through Semlink.*

CH501 The Church to the Reformation A general survey of the history of the Christian church from its founding at Pentecost to the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth century. *For M.Div. and MACH students.*

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CH501-I The Church to the Reformation A general survey of the history of the Christian church from its founding at Pentecost to the Protestant Reformation of the sixteenth century. *For M.Div. and MACH students. Offered through Semlink.*

CH502 The Church since the Reformation A general survey of the history of the Christian church from the beginnings of the Protestant Reformation in the sixteenth century to the present time. *For M.Div. and MACH students.*

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH502-I The Church since the Reformation A general survey of the history of the Christian church from the beginnings of the Protestant Reformation in the sixteenth century to the present time. *For M.Div. and MACH students. Offered through Semlink.*

CH513 Puritanism in America A study of Puritanism in America with special reference to the events and personalities connected with New England.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH/SF591 Dynamics of Spiritual Life Drawing on the Creation-Redemption narrative and the riches of the history of Christian Spirituality, the course presents a comprehensive model of spirituality that can be

used in personal renewal, spiritual formation, direction, discipleship, and counseling. Combining theory and praxis, it explores key spiritual dynamics, equipping for ministry to those seeking a deeper life with Christ. May meet the Spiritual Formation requirement for M.Div., by petition. Petition not required if taking the course as an elective.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CH/TH601 History and Theology of the African-American Church This course will explore the history of the African American Church, how we have known God through our social, political, economic, and religious context, review major themes in African American theological reflection, and suggest areas for further reflection and praxis. Typically taught in Boston.

Last Offered: January 2008

CH/CO/ET602 Human Sexuality: Issues & Ethics in Ancient & Modern World Examines Christian responses to sexual practices and values of the ancient world and contemporary society, beginning with a study of the early church's relationship to standards and practices of its Jewish and Greco-Roman environments, and then investigating current evangelical views.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

CH608 The Social World of Early Christianity Covering the time of the New Testament through the Patristic period, attention will be given to the political, economic, literary and social influences that shaped the development of the early church, with special reference to the Jewish and Greco-Roman cultural traditions.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

CH611 American Christianity An analysis of the major themes in American religious history from colonial times to the present. Special attention will be given to the relation between the church and the social, economic and political context within which it seeks to minister.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

CH/TH614 Jonathan Edwards Surveys the work of America's greatest theologian, exploring the biblical and philosophical roots of his thinking and evaluating his contributions to theology, history, aesthetics and spiritual renewal. Readings include: The Freedom of the Will, Original Sin, The Religious Affections and many shorter works.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH/TH614-I The Theology of Jonathan Edwards Surveys the work of America's greatest theologian, exploring the biblical and philosophical roots of his thinking and evaluating his contributions to theology, history, aesthetics and spiritual renewal. *Offered through Semlink.*

CH/SF618 Medieval Spirituality Medieval approaches to knowing God through mysticism, monasticism, popular piety, sacraments, worship, art, music, architecture, symbolism; exploring relevance to spirituality today.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH620 The Medieval Church The era of monasteries and cathedrals; pilgrims, popes, priests, mystics, crusading knights, saints, schisms, and scholastic theologians.

Last Offered: Spring 2007

CH626 Popular Religion in Nineteenth Century America One of the central themes in American Christianity has been its democratic or populist orientation. This impulse gave rise to a number of different movements that still shape American religion. Emphasis will be given to the Second Coming of Christ Movement.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

CH628 The Early Church This course will focus on the interpretation of key texts from the Patristic period. Various issues, movements, and topics will be covered, including the question of unity and diversity, the Trinity, Christology, creeds, experience of persecution, etc.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

CH/TH632 Augustine of Hippo A study of the life and work of the greatest theologian of the early church. Attention is focused on Augustine's historical context, including the philosophical and religious factors that shaped his early response to Christianity and colored his mature work.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CH/EM/TH635 Catechesis: History, Theology, and Practice This course explores the ministry of instructing people in the essentials of Christian faith and practice. Attention is given to the biblical bases for, and historic practice of, catechesis, with the aim of encouraging contemporary applications of this ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

CH/TH642 John Calvin and the Swiss Reformation Life, work, and times of the consolidator of the Reformation: Geneva, Institutes, letters, theology, polity, pastoral issues.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH/TH643 Martin Luther A seminar on the life, work, and times of Luther, pioneer of the Reformation. Attention will be given to his spiritual pilgrimage and to his development and influence as a leader, particularly through his debates and writings.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CH647 Anglican Church History *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH648 The English Reformation Exploration of the complex motivations and achievements of Wycliffe, Tyndale and the English Bible, Cranmer's Book of Common Prayer; Thomas More, Henry VIII, Edward VI, Lady Jane Grey, Elizabeth I.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CH650 The Protestant Reformation This course will explore the impact of key figures such as Luther, Calvin, Zwingli, Bucer, Munzer, Simons, and Cranmer on both the Continental and English Reformations.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

CH653 History of Liturgy *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2009

CH/TH655 Great Confessions of the Faith A seminar designed to read and analyze the major creeds and confessions of the Christian church.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

CH/TH656 The Life and Theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer As a pastor and member of the German resistance to Hitler, Bonhoeffer distinguished himself as one of the twentieth century's most important theologians. This course presents his life, writings, and theology through lecture and class presentations.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

CH/TH657 Life and Theology of Karl Barth This course presents Barth's life and theology through lectures, readings and discussions in order to gain a critical understanding of the main themes in his theology and their relevance for our own understanding of Christian faith and ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH/SF662 History of Christian Worship Models including Old and New Testament, early church, Orthodox, Medieval, Reformation/Puritan, African-American, revival, renewal, feminist, international, seeker-sensitive and charismatic. Discerning the theological, organizing principles in various worship styles so as to lead worship in a biblical, integrated, and God-honoring way.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

CH665 Women in the Early Church Provides an overall understanding of women's daily lives, activities and personal experience with Christ in the early church. This will include a consideration of attitudes toward women and their manifold ministries and achievements.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH/SF667 C.S. Lewis' Life, Works, and Spirituality Explores the writings and spiritual pilgrimage of one

of the most influential figures of the twentieth century. From County Down to Cambridge University, through two World Wars and a wardrobe, to Narnia and Perelandra, the course follows the life and work of the myth-loving medieval professor, apologist, children's author, and Inkling.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CH/TH668 The Trinitarian and Christological Controversies A detailed look at the two greatest doctrinal controversies of the patristic period. This course focuses on reading and discussion of primary sources from the Trinitarian and Christological controversies, in an effort to discern both the depth of the Church's consensus on these crucial doctrines and the soteriology that lay beneath this consensus.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

CH/SF670 Spiritual Autobiographies: From Augustine to Spurgeon A seminar course in which students will read and analyze the spiritual autobiographies of ten notable figures of Church History, including the writings of Augustine of Hippo, Theresa of Avila, John Bunyan, Charles G. Finney and C. H. Spurgeon.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH675 Readings in English Puritanism A survey of the rise of English Puritanism and an examination of its character. Main emphasis falls on studies of Owen, Bunyan, Sibbes and Baxter. The method will be lecture/discussion with students' papers used in a supportive role.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CH/PR706 The Life and Preaching of A.J. Gordon This course is designed to enable the student to understand the life and ministry of A.J. Gordon, nineteenth-century evangelical leader and shared founder of Gordon College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary as we celebrate the 175th anniversary of his birth. Students will become familiar with Gordon's life, theology, publications and preaching as set in the ferment of late nineteenth-century evangelicalism.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CH/PR730 The Life and Preaching of Martin Luther King, Jr. *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

CH760 Reading in Church History Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

CH812 Historiography A study of historiography and research methodology designed to prepare students for doctoral studies.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CH860 Research in Church History Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

CH891 Church History Thesis - Part I Any session by petition. Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Christian Thought Division.

Prerequisite: Invitation from division.

CH892 Church History Thesis - Part II A continuation of CH891.

Prerequisite: CH891.

CH/TH/WM901 Th.M. Research Seminar in Christian Thought The seminar is designed to instruct students in the area of research skills for Christian thought. The course will consist of lectures, reading, writing, and discussion. *Required of all Th.M. students with a concentration in the Christian Thought Division (CH, TH, WM).*

Th.M. students only

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CH991 ThM Thesis - Part I Any session by petition. Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Christian Thought

Division.

Prerequisite: CH/TH/WM901 and invitation from division.

CH992 ThM Thesis - Part II A continuation of CH 991.

Prerequisite: CH991.

Counseling (Division of Practical Theology)

CO500 Introduction to Counseling An introduction to the basic skills necessary for effective counseling. A review of some of the basic counseling models.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO/CH/ET602 Human Sexuality: Issues & Ethics in Ancient & Modern World Examines Christian responses to sexual practices and values of the ancient world and contemporary society, beginning with a study of the early church's relationship to standards and practices of its Jewish and Greco-Roman environments, and then investigating current evangelical views.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

CO/SF610 Advanced Developmental Psychology An investigation of the major developmental issues across the life span. Integration and critique of these theories from a biblical and theological perspective.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO611 Theories of Personality An understanding and critique of the historical and contemporary theories of personality development.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO614 Family Systems Theory A review of the major theories of family systems development with emphasis on a critical analysis of these theories from an orthodox Christian perspective.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO615 Sociology of the Family An examination of the social, cultural, religious, educational, economic and family lifestyle patterns as a preparation for effective counseling in varied settings.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

CO616 Cognitive Psychology Cognitive Psychology is the study of mental processes underlying our ability to perceive the world, understand and remember our experiences, communicate with others, alter our feelings and control our behavior. The course deals with theoretical assumptions and practical aspects. Research and clinical practice are drawn and integrated into the concrete applications of cognitive psychology.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CO/MC642 Ministering to Women in Pain Students explore the broad range of stressful issues with which many contemporary women deal. The course focuses on helping students refine their pastoral care to such women.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

CO699 Research Methods and Design An overview of the basic approaches to research methods and design. Particular attention is given to the application of research in the counseling setting.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CO709 Counseling in Addictive Behaviors *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

CO710 Psychopathology An overview of the basic theories, concepts and structures which form an understanding of psychopathology. Development of skills in using DSM-IV.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO/PC/SF711 Group Process Application in theory and practice of the use of groups and group process. Class members become part of an active group for the purposes of an effective learning process.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

CO/WM712 Cross-Cultural Counseling Overview of considerations in conducting therapy with those of different cultural backgrounds. Emphasis is given to family roles, structures and functions, and to the context in which individuals develop and relate.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO714 Family Counseling/Therapy A clinical course to develop basic skills in counseling families. Evaluation of the most applicable methods for counseling interventions with families.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500 and CO614.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

CO716 Marital Therapy Basic theories of marital therapy with particular attention to biblical and theological issues. The process of marital therapy is introduced by carefully constructed role-play/feedback sessions.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500 and CO614.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO/PC717 Counseling in Abuse and Domestic Violence This is a course designed to discuss issues related to identification, intervention, and treatment of both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse. The approach and model is a comprehensive one, including: physical, emotional, cognitive, relational, and spiritual factors. The method of instruction is an interactive, adult learning model.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO720 Children in Therapy Understanding the role and function of children as the focus for family therapy. Learning to develop appropriate intervention strategies in working with children in the context of the family.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO/PC/YM725 Counseling the Adolescent A review of the basic issues in adolescent development with a particular focus on understanding the adolescent in the family context. Development of introductory skills in the counseling of adolescents and their families.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

CO730 Psychological Testing - Cognitive Intellectual Evaluation An outline of the basic theoretical and clinical foundations for cognitive/intellectual evaluation. An applied experience in the administration and scoring of tests and the writing of effective test reports.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO732 Psychological Testing - Personality Evaluation An introduction to the use of a variety of clinical assessments tools for evaluation of personality. An applied experience in the administration and scoring of tests and the writing of effective test reports.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500 and CO710.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CO740 Career and Lifestyle Development An overview of the process of evaluation and counseling persons in choosing a career path. A variety of evaluation instruments will be studied and utilized as the application component of this course.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

CO/EM/PC741 Counseling the Aged: Introduction to Gerontology *Course description not available.*

Please contact Division Chair.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CO760 Reading in Counseling Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

CO790 Professional Standards A comprehensive review of the process of professional specialization in the counseling field. Topics include: professional organizations, ethical standards, legal responsibilities, etc.

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Prerequisite: CO500 and CO863A or CO863B.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

CO801A Integrative Seminar This seminar addresses the important issues of the relationship between biblical, theological and psychological perspectives on a wide variety of topics. Led by faculty from all three divisions of the seminary. *CO801A is 1.5 semester hours.*

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

CO801B Integrative Seminar A continuation of CO801A, this seminar addresses the important issues of the relationship between biblical, theological and psychological perspectives on a wide variety of topics. Led by faculty from all three divisions of the seminary. *CO801B is 1.5 semester hours.*

Open to M.A. in Counseling students only. Must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

CO860 Research in Counseling Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

CO863A Clinical Practicum 1 A specific clinical experience under individual supervision in a variety of settings throughout the community. Approximately 10 hours per week is spent in these clinical settings to provide beginning level counseling experience.

Must be taken with CO871A.

CO863B Clinical Practicum 2 A specific clinical experience under individual supervision in a variety of settings throughout the community. Approximately 10 hours per week is spent in these clinical settings to provide beginning level counseling experience.

Must be taken with CO871B.

CO864A Marriage and Family Clinical Internship 1 A continuation of clinical experience at a more advanced level under individual supervision. Approximately 20 hours per week in a variety of clinical settings.

Must be taken with CO872A.

CO864B Marriage and Family Clinical Internship 2 A continuation of clinical experience at a more advanced level under individual supervision. Approximately 20 hours per week in a variety of clinical settings.

Must be taken with CO872B.

CO865A Mental Health Clinical Internship 1 A continuation of clinical experience at a more advanced level under individual supervision. Approximately 20 hours per week in a variety of clinical settings.

Must be taken with CO873A.

CO865B Mental Health Clinical Internship 2 A continuation of clinical experience at a more advanced level under individual supervision. Approximately 20 hours per week in a variety of clinical settings.

Must be taken with CO873B.

CO871A Professional Practicum Seminar 1 For all counseling students. An opportunity to work in small groups with the clinical faculty to evaluate, integrate and develop insight into the professional aspects of counseling.

Must be taken with CO863A.

CO871B Professional Practicum Seminar 2 For all counseling students. An opportunity to work in small groups with the clinical faculty to evaluate, integrate and develop insight into the professional aspects of

counseling.

Must be taken with CO863B.

CO872A Marriage and Family Professional Internship Seminar 1 For all Marriage and Family Track students. A small group experience with the clinical faculty to clarify issues and develop advanced understanding of the role of the Marriage and Family Counselor.

Must be taken with CO864A.

CO872B Marriage and Family Professional Internship Seminar 2 For all Marriage and Family Track students. A small group experience with the clinical faculty to clarify issues and develop advanced understanding of the role of the Marriage and Family Counselor.

Must be taken with CO864B.

CO873A Mental Health Professional Internship Seminar 1 For all Mental Health Counseling Track students. A small group experience with the clinical faculty to clarify issues and develop advanced understanding of the role of the Mental Health Counselor.

Must be taken with CO865A.

CO873B Mental Health Professional Internship Seminar 2 For all Mental Health Counseling Track students. A small group experience with the clinical faculty to clarify issues and develop advanced understanding of the role of the Mental Health Counselor.

Must be taken with CO865B.

Educational Ministries (Division of Practical Theology)

EM/MM501 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 1 Mentored Ministry is the clinical side of preparation for ministry. The primary objective is to provide a context for integration of theory with practical field experience. By means of the mentoring relationship with the approved pastor (or qualified staff member) and the various experiences provided within the church, students will be able to test their vocational commitments, broaden their empirical and experiential knowledge, develop ministry skills, nurture personal identity, enhance self-directed learning, and engage in spiritual formation. EM/MM501 is an orientation unit of Mentored Ministry and does not require field work. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

EM/MM502 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 2 Mentored Ministry is the clinical side of preparation for ministry. The primary objective is to provide a context for integration of theory with practical field experience. By means of the mentoring relationship with the approved pastor (or qualified staff member) and the various experiences provided within the church, students will be able to test their vocational commitments, broaden their empirical and experiential knowledge, develop ministry skills, nurture personal identity, enhance self-directed learning, and engage in spiritual formation. EM/MM502 is the first field unit of Mentored Ministry. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM501 as well as EM502, EM604, or MC/SF501 before or during this course.

EM502 Educational Ministry of the Church This course provides a broad overview of the critical issues concerning the teaching ministry of the church. Students will be challenged to develop a philosophy of educational ministry with a focus on Christian formation.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

EM502-I Educational Ministry of the Church This course provides a broad overview of the critical issues concerning the teaching ministry of the church. Students will be challenged to develop a philosophy of educational ministry with a focus on Christian formation. *Offered through Semlink.*

EM/EV/YM591 Theology and Principles of Dynamic Youth Ministry An overview using the Nine Stages of youth ministry with history of adolescence and youth ministry, adolescent development and identity. Its methodology seeks an integration of the behavioral sciences and theology. Final project involves community research.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

EM/MM601 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 3 A continuation of EM/MM502. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM502 before or with EM/MM601.

EM601 Educational Ministry with Children Ministry with children is related to a Christian philosophy of education emphasizing evangelism, nurture and service in the contexts of the family and local congregation. Special attention is given to the understanding of how children learn and develop.

Last Offered: January 2008

EM/MM602 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 4 A continuation of EM/MM601. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM601 before or with EM/MM602.

EM603 Educational Ministry with Adults The nature of educational ministry with adults is set forth with a focus on the local church. The special needs, developmental issues and potentialities of adults are considered, with a view to helping them toward genuine Christian maturity.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

EM604 The Teacher and the Teaching Task This course examines both the person and the task of those who are called to teach. Attention is given to exploring issues of vocation and spirituality, as well as to understanding the opportunities and challenges teachers face in a wide variety of settings.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

EM/MC619 Congregational Leadership Development In this course, students develop competencies in leading and administering programs, especially in the local church. Students explore such issues as: training others for leadership; organizing, supervising and evaluating programs; basic financial management.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

EM620 Creative Teaching Methods This class explores varieties of teaching styles and strategies, with a particular focus on creative approaches. Students will prepare and present creative teaching sessions.

Last Offered: Summer Session III 2008

EM/CH/TH635 Catechesis: History, Theology, and Practice This course explores the ministry of instructing people in the essentials of Christian faith and practice. Attention is given to the biblical bases for, and historic practice of, catechesis, with the aim of encouraging contemporary applications of this ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

EM650 Understanding Learners The purpose of this course is to develop a biblically grounded understanding of those we are called to teach. Attention is given to biblical, theological, cultural and developmental understandings of who persons are and how they learn.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

EM652 Ministry in Asian-American Contexts The course is designed to inform, equip and challenge individuals who are preparing to minister primarily to Americans of Asian descent. While providing an opportunity to examine the historical and sociocultural context of the Asian-American experience, critical reflection in analyzing the issues that are relevant to Asian Americans will also be encouraged. In addition, biblical and theological appropriate ministry strategies to Asian Americans will be explored in depth.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2009

EM/MM657 Educational Ministry in Cultural Perspective This course explores Educational Ministry in light of the cultural dimensions of life. Students will be challenged to consider how the cultural realities of both the teacher and the learner affect the various aspects of teaching decisions and strategies.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

EM/MC681 Ministry in a Post-Christian World This course simulates non-formal educational approach where the exchange of ideas, concerns, and passions about the ministry as a post-Christian context takes the center stage. The course explores the sociocultural conditions of a late- and post-modern, post-Christian West as they relate to the ministry of the church in North America and the world.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

EM687 Educational Ministry in Urban Settings Participants explore the impacts of urbanization, economic deprivation and racism on the theory and practice of Educational Ministry in urban settings. Consideration is given to the development of educational strategies for the local urban church. Typically taught in Boston.

EM/YM693 Understanding Youth Culture Considers the five major social systems affecting youth and the nature of youth and pop culture. Exegesis of media, movies, TV, magazines, advertising, music, Internet and sexuality. Emphasis on self-understanding to promote youths' discernment and growth.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

EM710 Design for Learning In this class, students explore issues of the curriculum of the teaching ministry. Two central questions are considered: "What is the church to teach?" and "How is the educational experience to be shaped?" Students will develop a major curriculum project.

Prerequisite: ONE of the following: EM502, EM603, EM/WM657, EM687 or EM635.

Last Offered: Fall 2007

EM/SF715 Worship and Christian Formation The focus of this course is on the relationship between two of the church's central tasks: worship and Christian formation. Students will consider the theology and practice of worship and will participate in the design of worship experiences.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

EM720 Project Course in Educational Ministries Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on project courses.

Prerequisite: EM502 or EM603 or equivalent ministry experience.

EM/CO/PC741 Counseling the Aged: Introduction to Gerontology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

EM760 Reading in Educational Ministries Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

EM/MC810 Integrative Seminar in Ministry Formation Readings and discussions of leadership theory and practice, and a strengthening examination of your own leadership, will prepare you to interview for, or to initiate, ministries in various forms.

Prerequisite: A minimum of 10 seminary courses (at least 4 of them in Educational Ministries) must be completed prior to enrolling in this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

EM860 Research in Educational Ministries Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Christian Ethics (Division of Christian Thought)

ET501 Christian Ethics An exploration of how Christians can make and enact good, wise, and faithful ethical choices and develop moral character and community in the midst of a complex world. The course will examine: (1) the foundations of Christian Ethics, especially in Holy Scripture; (2) the contexts of contemporary ethical issues; (3) the methods of moral discernment and decision-making; and (4) the relationship of Christian ethics to that of the surrounding culture and society. Lectures, case studies, and discussion will be employed in an attempt to gain wisdom, understanding, character, and a prophetic voice relative to the moral issues in church and society.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

ET501-I Christian Ethics An exploration of how Christians can make and enact good, wise, and faithful ethical choices and develop moral character and community in the midst of a complex world. The course will examine: (1) the foundations of Christian Ethics, especially in Holy Scripture; (2) the contexts of contemporary ethical issues; (3) the methods of moral discernment and decision-making; and (4) the

relationship of Christian ethics to that of the surrounding culture and society. Lectures, case studies, and discussion will be employed in an attempt to gain wisdom, understanding, character, and a prophetic voice relative to the moral issues in church and society. *Offered through Semlink.*

ET/CH/CO602 Human Sexuality: Issues & Ethics in Ancient & Modern World Examines Christian responses to sexual practices and values of the ancient world and contemporary society, beginning with a study of the early church's relationship to standards and practices of its Jewish and Greco-Roman environments, and then investigating current evangelical views.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

ET/SE625 Conservative Social Thought Reading and discussion of conservative social theorists including Thomas Sowell, Paul Johnson, Michael Novak, Peter Berger, P.T. Bauer, Charles Murray, George Gilder, Julian Simon, Samuel Huntington, and others. Topics include free market economics, limited government, and issues of race, gender, education, and the environment.

Last Offered: Fall 2005

ET631 Business and Professional Ethics A study in applied, practical Christian ethics. What biblically are the purposes, values, and ethical guidelines appropriate to business and the professions (e.g., law, medicine, the pastorate)? How can Christians faithfully respond to the ethical challenges and opportunities arising in these domains today?

Last Offered: Spring 2012

ET/TH637 Workplace Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

ET681 Issues in Sexual Ethics and Bioethics The complexities of our contemporary world raise ethical questions that the Church and Christians are often not equipped to tackle. This course will explore some of those issues in the areas of sexual ethics and bioethics, in light of God's Word and a Christian world view. Among the issues to be addressed are: a theology of sexuality, premarital sex, homosexuality, reproductive technologies, abortion, stem cell research, genetic engineering, treatment termination, and euthanasia. Attention is given to how the Church and Christians can address these issues in secular, pluralistic contexts.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

ET760 Reading in Ethics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

ET860 Research in Ethics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

ET891 Ethics Thesis - Part I Any session by petition. Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Christian Thought Division.

Prerequisite: Invitation from division.

ET892 Ethics Thesis - Part II A continuation of ET891.

Prerequisite: ET891.

Evangelism (Division of Practical Theology)

EV501 Personal Evangelism Through the Local Church Practical theological foundation for the practice of evangelism and for evangelistic leadership in the church. Includes content and communication of the gospel within cultural context at home and abroad. Preparation in class, followed by community experience. Prayer is primary throughout.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

EV/EM/YM591 Theology and Principles of Dynamic Youth Ministry An overview using the Nine Stages of youth ministry with history of adolescence and youth ministry, adolescent development and identity. Its methodology seeks an integration of the behavioral sciences and theology. Final project involves

community research.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

EV/WM665 Church Planting and Growth A practical and biblical-theological perspective on planting and development of churches. Research projects concentrate on sharpening skills in planning, establishing and nurturing churches which will equip members for ministry to their communities, and for continued planting of new churches.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

EV673 Modern Culture and Evangelism Assessing and relating to sub-cultures. Topics include trends in American culture; translation of key biblical concepts into plain language; techniques for assessing and relating to sub-cultures. Hands-on preparation in class, followed by supervised evangelistic experiences in various sub-cultures in the larger community.

Last Offered: Spring 2008

EV683 Small Group Evangelism Students are taken, step by step, through a training program so they may learn and then subsequently teach small group evangelism. They will design and conduct a small group outreach event during the course.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

EV/MC715 Advanced Discipleship Seeks to foster a lifestyle of holiness in the context of group discipleship. Not a class in theory, it is fellowship of likeminded people together accepting a discipline of prayer, study and Christian ministry.

Students must receive department approval to enroll in this course. Limit 12.

Last Offered: Spring 2007

EV/TH718 Theology of Evangelism Examines the biblical and theological basis for world evangelism. Emphasis given to the unified message of redemption flowing through all evangelical theology. Tension centers on the practical aspects of relating what we believe to the way we fulfill the Great Commission.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

EV720 Project Course in Media Production Tutorial course in which the student produces a media/arts project, involving at least 120 hours of work. Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on project courses.

EV760 Reading in Evangelism Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

EV860 Research in Evangelism Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Greek Language (Division of Biblical Studies)

GL501 Basic Greek I Students with little or no prior knowledge of Greek study the basic grammar and vocabulary of New Testament Greek. Course comprises plenary lectures, smaller sectional meetings, translation of selected New Testament passages, tutorials, and computer assisted instruction

Last Offered: Fall 2012

GL501-I Basic Greek I Students with little or no prior knowledge of Greek study the basic grammar and vocabulary of New Testament Greek. Course comprises plenary lectures, smaller sectional meetings, translation of selected New Testament passages, tutorials, and computer assisted instruction *Offered through Semlink.*

GL502 Basic Greek II Continues GL501 expanding grammar and vocabulary. Emphasis on translation and analysis of basic grammatical structures and functions. Students continue in same format and small sections as GL501. Permits concurrent enrollment in NT 502.

Prerequisite: GL501.

Last Offered: Summer Session III 2012

GL502-I Basic Greek II Continues GL501 expanding grammar and vocabulary. Emphasis on translation and analysis of basic grammatical structures and functions. Students continue in same format and small sections as GL501. Permits concurrent enrollment in NT 502. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisite: GL501.

GL601 Intermediate Greek Systematic study of Greek beyond GL 502, combined with close reading and detailed grammatical analysis of several complex passages in the New Testament. Emphasis on grammatical analysis, not full exegesis, of passages.

Prerequisite: GL502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

GL707 Greek Readings in the Apostolic Fathers Selected readings will focus on the language and literature of the Apostolic Fathers. Options to work in other patristic materials will also be available.

Prerequisite: GL502.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

GL710 Advanced Reading in Greek Reading course in differing genres of extra-biblical literature, with special attention to grammatical, syntactical, and lexical forms not ordinarily found in the New Testament. Intermediate Greek strongly recommended. Independent study, any session by petition.

Prerequisite: GL502 with permission of the professor.

GL711 Independent Reading in a New Testament Language A minimum number of passages appropriate to full course credit will be required, with appropriate examination at the conclusion. Language reading may be undertaken at either the beginning or the advanced level. Independent study, any session by petition.

Prerequisites: GL502.

GL714 Biblical Greek:Advanced Concepts Advanced language students examine the place of Koine Greek within the history of the language, and selected problems in Greek lexicography and grammar. Special emphasis on Septuagint studies and Semitic background of New Testament.

Prerequisites: GL601 and OL502.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

GL860 Research in Greek Language Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Prerequisite: GL502.

Ministry of the Church (Division of Practical Theology)

MC/SF501 Spiritual Formation for Ministry The foundational course in the Division of Practical Theology and an introduction to theological seminary. A beginning working knowledge of spiritual formation leading to a lifetime of continuing education. Spiritual exercise and small group practice for personal application and for leadership in the church.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

MC/SF501-I Spiritual Formation for Ministry The foundational course in the Division of Practical Theology and an introduction to theological seminary. A beginning working knowledge of spiritual formation leading to a lifetime of continuing education. Spiritual exercise and small group practice for personal application and for leadership in the church. *Offered through Semlink.*

MC506 Ascetical Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2009

MC546 The Military Chaplaincy *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: January 2008

MC550 Ministry in a Rural Context Held in Dubuque, Iowa, during three weeks in January and sponsored by the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary and Wartburg Theological Seminary of Dubuque. Considers the needs of a rural culture and incorporates field trips. Graded pass/fail.

MC601B United Methodist History And Polity Provides an understanding of the spirit, purposes and operation of the organization of the church as expressed in the Book of Discipline and provides overview of the American history of denomination.

MC601C Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Denominational Standards Polity and standards for the Presbyterian Church (USA). Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

Last Offered: January 2009

MC601D United Church of Christ Denominational Standards Policy and standards for the U.C.C. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

MC601E American Baptist Denominational Standards Polity and standards of the American Baptist churches in the USA. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

Last Offered: Fall 2001

MC601F Conservative Baptist Denominational Standards Polity and standards of the Conservative Baptist Association. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

MC601G Baptist General Conference Denominational Standards Polity and standards of the Baptist General Conference. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

MC601H Conservative Congregational Christian Conference Denom Stds Polity and standards of the C.C.C.C. Graded pass/fail.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

MC601H-I Conservative Congregational Christian Conference Denom Stds Polity and standards of the C.C.C.C. Graded pass/fail. *Offered through Semlink.*

MC601I Christian and Missionary Alliance Denominational Standards Polity and standards of the C.M.A. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

MC601J Assemblies of God Denominational Standards Polity and standards of the Assemblies of God. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

Last Offered: Spring 2003

MC601K Reformed Ecclesiology and Polity This course explores the reformed ecclesiastical tradition(s) and is oriented as an aid to ordination in those traditions. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

MC601L Advent Christian Denominational Standards A study of the organizational structure, standards and ministry procedures of the Advent Christian denomination. Also available as independent study, any session by petition. Graded pass/fail.

MC601M Church of God of Prophecy History *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

MC610 Growing in Ministry Leadership To build a biblical foundation concerning effective leadership as well as cover the critical keys necessary for a leader to be effective both personally and organizationally.

Last Offered: Fall 2004

MC/EM619 Congregational Leadership Development In this course, students develop competencies in leading and administering programs, especially in the local church. Students explore such issues as: training others for leadership; organizing, supervising and evaluating programs; basic financial management.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

MC/PR626 Preacher in Modern Literature & Film: The Preacher as Person *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Summer Session 2009

MC/CO642 Ministering to Women in Pain Students explore the broad range of stressful issues with which many contemporary women deal. The course focuses on helping students refine their pastoral care to such women.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

MC/EM681 Ministry in a Post-Christian World This course simulates non-formal educational approach where the exchange of ideas, concerns, and passions about the ministry as a post-Christian context takes the center stage. The course explores the sociocultural conditions of a late- and post-modern, post-Christian West as they relate to the ministry of the church in North America and the world.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

MC701 Pastoral Ministry Examines the roles and functions of pastoral work as designated in Scripture and various traditions. Ministerial identity and foundational pastoral tasks are discussed. Emphasizes practical aspects of pastoral ministry.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

MC702 Pastoral Theology for Church and Society Especially for experienced pastors, or those called to the marketplace or the para-church. In a working seminar format, each student develops his/her own rich pastoral theology with application.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

MC704 Pastoral Liturgy/Priestly Formation *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2010

MC705 Anglican Ethos and Identity This course attempts an objective overview of ecclesiastical history emphasizing the British Reformation and the idea of Via Media. Based on Christ's own vision for the church's identity and unity, we explore the meaning of "one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church." The rich history and present agony of the Anglican Communion fuels the dynamic of this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

MC707 Leadership Seminar *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2012

MC/EV715 Advanced Discipleship Seeks to foster a lifestyle of holiness in the context of group discipleship. Not a class in theory, it is fellowship of likeminded people together accepting a discipline of prayer, study and Christian ministry.

Students must receive department approval to enroll in this course. Limit 12.

Last Offered: Spring 2007

MC720 Project Course in Ministry Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on project courses.

MC760 Reading in Ministry of the Church Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

MC/EM810 Integrative Seminar in Ministry Formation Readings and discussions of leadership theory and practice, and a strengthening examination of your own leadership, will prepare you to interview for, or to initiate, ministries in various forms.

Prerequisite: A minimum of 10 seminary courses (at least 4 of them in Educational Ministries) must be completed prior to enrolling in this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

MC860 Research in Ministry of the Church Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Church in the Marketplace (Division of Christian Thought)

MK1011 Workplace Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1011 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: Summer Session III 2011

MK1012 Workplace Ethics *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1012 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: Summer Session III 2011

MK1023 Finance and Marketing in Christian Perspective *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1023 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: January 2012

MK1024 Technology and Entrepreneurship in Christian Perspective *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1024 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: Summer Session 2009

MK1035 Globalization and Development in Christian Perspective *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1035 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: January 2010

MK1036 Workplace Leadership in Church and Society *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair. MK1036 is 5 semester hours of credit.*

Open to MAR-WTEL students only.
Last Offered: Summer Session 2010

Mentored Ministry (Division of Practical Theology)

MM/EM501 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 1 Mentored Ministry is the clinical side of preparation for ministry. The primary objective is to provide a context for integration of theory with practical field experience. By means of the mentoring relationship with the approved pastor (or qualified staff member) and the various experiences provided within the church, students will be able to test their vocational commitments, broaden their empirical and experiential knowledge, develop ministry skills, nurture personal identity, enhance self-directed learning, and engage in spiritual formation. EM/MM501 is an orientation unit of Mentored Ministry and does not require field work. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

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MM/EM502 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 2 Mentored Ministry is the clinical side of preparation for ministry. The primary objective is to provide a context for integration of theory with practical field experience. By means of the mentoring relationship with the approved pastor (or qualified staff member) and the various experiences provided within the church, students will be able to test their vocational commitments, broaden their empirical and experiential knowledge, develop ministry skills, nurture personal identity, enhance self-directed learning, and engage in spiritual formation. EM/MM502 is the first field unit of Mentored Ministry. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM501 as well as EM502, EM604, or MC/SF501 before or during this course.

MM502 Mentored Ministry - Unit 2 Mentored Ministry is the clinical side of preparation for ministry. The primary objective is to provide a context for integration of theory with practical field experience. By means

of the mentoring relationship with the approved pastor (or qualified staff member) and the various experiences provided within the church, students will be able to test their vocational commitments, broaden their empirical and experiential knowledge, develop ministry skills, nurture personal identity, enhance self-directed learning, and engage in spiritual formation. MM502 is the first field unit of Mentored Ministry. *Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete MC/SF501 and MM501 before or with MM502.

MM/EM601 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 3 A continuation of EM/MM502. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM502 before or with EM/MM601.

MM601 Mentored Ministry - Unit 3 A continuation of MM502. *Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete MM502 before or with MM601.

MM/EM602 Educational Ministries Mentored Ministry - Unit 4 A continuation of EM/MM601. *For MAEM students only. Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete EM/MM601 before or with EM/MM602.

MM602 Mentored Ministry - Unit 4 A continuation of MM601. *Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete MM601 before or with MM602.

MM701 Mentored Ministry - Unit 5 A continuation of MM602. *Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete MM602 before or with MM701.

MM702 Mentored Ministry - Unit 6 A continuation of MM701. *Each MM unit is zero credit hours.*

Must complete MM701 before or with MM702.

New Testament (Division of Biblical Studies)

NT501 New Testament Survey Introduction to the field of New Testament studies, highlighting central New Testament themes, issues, events, and persons.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

NT501-I New Testament Survey Introduction to the field of New Testament studies, highlighting central New Testament themes, issues, events, and persons. *Offered through Semlink.*

NT502 Interpreting the New Testament Attention given to a variety of methods of interpretation (textual, lexical, grammatical, historical, literary) and bibliographic tools. Students prepare exegesis papers on the basis of the Greek text.

Must complete OT500, NT501, and GL502 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT503 The Life of Jesus A study of the complementary portraits of Jesus in the four gospels to determine the events of his life, the content of his message, and his understanding of his own person and mission.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

NT503-I Life of Jesus A study of the complementary portraits of Jesus in the four gospels to determine the events of his life, the content of his message, and his understanding of his own person and mission. *Offered through Semlink.*

NT504 Paul and His Letters Paul's pastoral and missionary understanding of the Christian faith is examined by assessing the distinctive settings and themes of his letters in the context of the missionary journeys in Acts.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

NT504-I Paul and His Letters Paul's pastoral and missionary understanding of the Christian faith is examined by assessing the distinctive settings and themes of his letters in the context of the missionary journeys in Acts. *Offered through Semlink.*

NT552 Interpreting the Parables A study of Jesus' parables, including a survey of the history of their interpretation, their role in Jesus' ministry and reflection upon their challenge for NT theology and

interpretation. NT552 does not require knowledge of Greek.

NT553 Faith, Hope and Love: A Biblical Theology A history-of-redemption and thematic study of the structure and theology of the Bible, with special attention to its unity, covenantal framework and inaugurated eschatology. Various models and representative examples of Biblical theology will also be explored.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2009

NT564 New Testament Theology for Ministry How was the New Testament church organized for ministry? What are spiritual gifts? What principles did Jesus, Paul, Priscilla and Aquila, Timothy, and others use to spread the gospel? Students will devise their personal theology for ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2008

NT571 The Hellenistic World of the New Testament Reading and analysis of primary documents in Graeco-Roman religious and philosophical thought germane to New Testament literature and theology.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

NT572 The Jewish World of the New Testament In order better to interpret the New Testament, the course will survey the history, literature and practices of Judaism from the Maccabean revolt (175 BC) to the great revolt under Hadrian (AD 135).

Last Offered: Fall 2008

NT575 New Testament Theology Special attention given to various approaches to New Testament theology, the theological relationship between the testaments, inaugurated eschatology and related themes. May focus on the distinctive themes of various New Testament authors or on a specific author or theme. NT575 does not require knowledge of Greek.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT575-I New Testament Theology Special attention given to various approaches to New Testament theology, the theological relationship between the testaments, inaugurated eschatology and related themes. May focus on the distinctive themes of various New Testament authors or on a specific author or theme. NT575 does not require knowledge of Greek. *Offered through Semlink.*

NT577 Biblical Theology: New Testament Focus *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

NT582 Suffering and Joy in the New Testament Why do people suffer? The New Testament (with some attention to the Old Testament) gives reasons and responses to suffering which relate to God's nature. A practical foundation for dealing with people in difficult circumstances.

Last Offered: Spring 2005

NT586 New Testament Basis for Women in Ministry A study of crucial New Testament passages will assist in developing an understanding of the role of women and men in ministry and in marriage. Exemplary women and couples in the New Testament will be studied.

Last Offered: Fall 2003

NT591 Tolkien's Apocalyptic Imagination An in-depth exploration of the works of J.R.R. Tolkien from a biblical and theological perspective. Special attention will be given to the relationship between Tolkien's imaginative world and apocalyptic literature in the Bible.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT611 Exegesis of Matthew An exegetical study of the Greek text of Matthew, focusing on the structure and theology of Matthew's gospel as a literary unit.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

NT613 Exegesis of Mark An exegetical study of the structure, theology and probable setting of Mark, with special attention given to the person of Jesus and his mission.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

NT615 Exegesis of Luke An exegetical study of the Greek text, with attention to the unique theological themes, structure, historical context, and application of Luke.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

NT617 Gospel of John Exegesis of the Greek text, with special focus on John's portrayal of Jesus, the divine family, and the formation of the new family of believers.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT619 Exegesis of Acts An exegesis of the Greek text in light of the ancient Greco-Roman and Jewish world with attention to the exegesis of narrative, historical accuracy and context, theological themes, structure, and application.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT620 Exegesis of Romans Exegesis of the Greek text with examination of principal theological themes in the context of Paul's apostolic mission and his relationship to the church in Rome.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

NT622 Exegesis of First Corinthians An exegetical study of the Greek text of I Corinthians with special reference to Paul's self-understanding as an apostle and the major theological themes of his ministry as they are expressed in relationship to the problems of the Corinthian church.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT624 Exegesis of Second Corinthians An exegetical study of the Greek with attention to the historical context, message and Paul's style of communicating. II Corinthians is helpful for developing ministering principles, financial stewardship, communication with an antagonistic congregation and relating the two testaments.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2007

NT626 Exegesis of Galatians A detailed analysis of the Greek text of Galatians, with special attention given to Paul's apostleship, his relationship with the Jerusalem church, his understanding of the law, justification and the role of the Spirit.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

NT628 Exegesis of Ephesians An exegetical study of the epistle to the Ephesians in the historical and theological context of Paul's apostolic ministry. Special attention is given to the occasion and purpose, structure and theological content of the letter.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

NT630 Exegesis of Philippians Paul's unique relationship and message to the Philippians will be discovered. The course also examines the historical context of the letter. Major emphases are the translation, exegesis and application of the Greek text.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT631 Exegesis of Colossians and Philemon *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Summer Session III 2012

NT632 Exegesis of the Thessalonian Epistles A detailed analysis of the Greek text of the Thessalonian epistles. Special attention is given to the life setting at Thessalonica as well as to the theological motifs of the letters.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2008

NT635 Exegesis of the Pastoral Epistles A study of the Greek text, with attention to the unique themes, structure, historical context, and application of Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus. In-depth interpretation may be limited to one of the three letters.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

NT638 Exegesis of Hebrews A study of the Greek text of the "Letter to the Hebrews" with special attention given to the occasion, purpose, structure and theological content of the letter, and to the author's use of the Old Testament.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2008

NT639 Exegesis of James An exegetical study of the Greek text, with attention to the unique theological themes, images, structure, historical context of James, and application to today.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

NT640 Exegesis of First Peter An exegetical study of the Greek text, with attention to the unique theological themes, structure, historical context of I Peter, and its application to today. The ancient Roman background and literary devices are studied.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT641 Exegesis of Second Peter and Jude A detailed interpretation of the Greek text of Second Peter and Jude, this course will focus on the themes in their historical context as well as on exegetical methodology.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

NT649 Exegesis of Revelation Exegesis of the Apocalypse in its historical setting and Old Testament context, interpreting its meaning in both the first century and today. Special attention is given to the occasion and purpose, structure and theological content of the letter.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

NT652 Interpreting the Parables A study of Jesus' parables, including a survey of the history of their interpretation, their role in Jesus' ministry and reflection upon their challenge for NT theology and interpretation.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

NT/PR655 From Text to Sermon *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisites: NT502 and PR601.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

NT675 New Testament Theology Special attention given to various approaches to New Testament theology, the theological relationship between the testaments, inaugurated eschatology and related themes. May focus on the distinctive themes of various New Testament authors or on a specific author or theme.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT680 Pauline Theology An introduction to both the primary and secondary literature related to Paul's theology. Special attention given to questions of methodology and the quest for the "center" of Paul's thought.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

NT693 The Old Testament in the New An integrative course with a focus on the distinctive uses and applications of Old Testament themes and texts in the New Testament.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

NT697 New Testament Ethics An examination of the New Testament teaching about Christian existence and discipleship. Particular attention devoted to the redemptive-historical character of New Testament ethics.

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Summer Session III 2008

NT760 Reading in New Testament Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

NT860 Research in New Testament Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

NT891 New Testament Thesis - Part I Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Biblical Studies Division.

Prerequisite: Invitation from division.

NT892 New Testament Thesis - Part II A continuation of NT891.

Prerequisite: NT891.

NT/OT901 Seminar in Biblical Theology A seminar focusing on the theological message of the Bible with a survey of critical issues in contemporary scholarship and instruction on research methods and writing. *Required of all Th.M. students with a concentration in the Biblical Studies Division (NT, OT, Biblical Theology).*

Th.M. students only

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT/OT/TH910 Theological Hermeneutics A discussion of main theories and concepts of hermeneutics, with particular attention being paid to the relationship between exegesis and systematic theology; contextual and missional issues. Offered at the Th.M. level.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

NT991 ThM Thesis - Part I Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Biblical Studies Division.

Prerequisite: NT/OT901 and an invitation from the division.

NT992 ThM Thesis - Part II A continuation of NT991.

Prerequisite: NT991.

NT993 The Old Testament in the New An integrative course with a focus on the distinctive uses and applications of Old Testament themes and texts in the New Testament. Offered at the Th.M. level

Prerequisite: GL502 and NT502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

Oriental Languages (Division of Biblical Studies)

OL501 Hebrew I Introduces basic grammar and vocabulary of biblical Hebrew, emphasizing the importance of Hebrew language for understanding the Old Testament. Students with unusual difficulty in language acquisition may petition Director of the Hebrew Language program for tutorial program to fulfill basic Hebrew.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OL501-I Hebrew I Introduces basic grammar and vocabulary of biblical Hebrew, emphasizing the importance of Hebrew language for understanding the Old Testament. Students with unusual difficulty in language acquisition may petition Director of the Hebrew Language program for tutorial program to fulfill basic Hebrew. *Offered through Semlink.*

OL502 Hebrew II Continuation of OL 501 with sustained emphasis on mastery of grammar and vocabulary. OL 502 will emphasize reading from the Hebrew Old Testament with introduction of some rudiments of exegetical method.

Prerequisite: OL501.
Last Offered: Summer Session III 2012

OL502-I Hebrew II Continuation of OL 501 with sustained emphasis on mastery of grammar and vocabulary. OL 502 will emphasize reading from the Hebrew Old Testament with introduction of some rudiments of exegetical method. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisite: OL501.

OL610 Intermediate Hebrew Grammar An intensive study of Hebrew grammatical issues through a direct study of the Hebrew Bible and interaction with the secondary literature.

Prerequisite: OL502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OL710 Independent Reading in the Hebrew Bible A minimum of 30 chapters of prose or 25 chapters of poetry is normally required. Independent study, any session by petition.

Prerequisite: OL502.

OL711 Independent Reading in a Near Eastern Language A minimum number of passages appropriate to full course credit will be required, with appropriate examination at the conclusion. Language reading may be undertaken at either the beginning or the advanced level. Independent study, any session by petition.

Prerequisite: OL502.

OL715 Advanced Hebrew Grammar *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: OL610, OL710, or any 600-level OT course.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

OL860 Research in Oriental Languages Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Prerequisite: OL502.

OL912 Aramaic A study of the grammar of biblical Aramaic, followed by a reading of the Aramaic portions of Ezra and Daniel, as well as short extra-biblical Aramaic texts.

Recommended Prerequisite: OL502.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OL941 Ugaritic Study of Ugaritic grammar with reading of selected materials that are important for Old Testament interpretation.

Prerequisite: OL502

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OL943 Akkadian Introduces the Akkadian language, using readings from the Code of Hammurabi. Students will master a basic list of Neo-Assyrian signs and the elements of Old Babylonian vocabulary and grammar. Emphasis upon benefits of this study for interpretation of Old Testament.

Prerequisite: OL502

Last Offered: Fall 2011

Old Testament (Division of Biblical Studies)

OT500 Old Testament Survey Introduces history, literature and thought of Old Testament as reflected in its major divisions and individual books. Designed and recommended for those who have not had a systematic survey of the Old Testament, enabling them to proceed with seminary-level studies.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT500-I Old Testament Survey Introduces history, literature and thought of Old Testament as reflected in its major divisions and individual books. Designed and recommended for those who have not had a systematic survey of the Old Testament, enabling them to proceed with seminary-level studies. *Offered through Semlink.*

OT501 Theology of the Pentateuch General introduction to the topic, including: creation as foundational to all further revelation; the image of God and its implications for the nature of God's kingdom and temple presence; the primacy of covenant in all of God's dealings.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

OT501-I Theology of the Pentateuch General introduction to the topic, including: creation as foundational to all further revelation; the image of God and its implications for the nature of God's kingdom and temple presence; the primacy of covenant in all of God's dealings. *Offered through Semlink.*

OT502 Introduction to the Old Testament General introduction to issues in Old Testament study, including: inspiration and canonicity, interpretation (including classical and modern critical approaches), languages and original sources, archaeology, history, cultural contexts, chronology, and geography.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

OT503-I The Christian & Old Testament Theology This course considers problems of how the Old Testament relates to the people of God today by examining the foundational theology of the Old Testament as applied to the New Testament and the Church. The course identifies the focal point for the Old and New Testaments, and includes discussions on continuity and discontinuity between the Testaments, saving faith, the people of God, law, worship, atonement, the Kingdom of God, the Messiah, the inclusion of the Gentiles, and the New Covenant. Throughout the course, Dr. Kaiser shows how Old Testament theology is vital to contemporary Christian living. *Offered through Semlink*

OT505 Christ in the Old Testament A survey of selected Old Testament messianic prophecies, as well as messianic types which are identified in the New Testament as fulfilled in Christ. The emphasis will be on the interpretation of these texts within their Old Testament context.

Last Offered: January 2012

OT511 Interpreting the Old Testament *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Must complete OT500, NT501, and OL502 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT551 Genesis in Depth Introduces the student to exegetical tools used for the interpretation of the Bible. The student will learn how to do Hebrew and Greek word studies, using key texts in Genesis as examples. The course will focus on the narrative of Genesis, tracing important redemptive themes and showing how Genesis contributes to the larger redemptive story.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

OT551-I Genesis in Depth Introduces the student to exegetical tools used for the interpretation of the Bible. The student will learn how to do Hebrew and Greek word studies, using key texts in Genesis as examples. The course will focus on the narrative of Genesis, tracing important redemptive themes and showing how Genesis contributes to the larger redemptive story. *Offered through Semlink.*

OT562 Isaiah in Depth *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2008

OT577 Biblical Theology: Old Testament Focus *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

OT581 History and Archaeology of the Ancient Near East *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT587 Biblical Theology This course will lay a foundation for a properly formulated biblical theology. Building on a discussion of methodology, a study of the divine-human biblical covenants forms the context for the rest of the course.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

OT595 Old Testament Ethics Beginning with the theory and practice of how moral decisions are made, the heart of the course focuses on key ethical passages in the Old Testament and how these give direction in today's complex world of contemporary ethical choices.

Last Offered: January 2008

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OT626 Exegesis in Genesis Emphasis upon the fundamentals of Old Testament exegesis, reading select Hebrew passages of Genesis and the study of issues raised in scholarly literature, including Genesis in historical criticism, the structure of Genesis, and the nature of its narrative and theology.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

OT627 Exegesis in Exodus Students will be introduced to the objectives, methods and tools of Hebrew exegesis and principles of hermeneutics. Emphasis upon the Plague Narratives, Passover, Covenant, Decalogue, Tabernacle and the great moment of redemption in the Old Testament.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT637 Exegesis in Conquest Narratives *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

OT638 Exegesis in Kingship Narratives *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

OT645 Exegesis in I & II Samuel *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Summer Session II 2012

OT646 Exegesis in the Historical Books The basics of Hebrew exegesis, including its objectives, methods and tools, are taught in connection with selected passages from the historical books. Students are exposed both to the general characteristics and applicability of interpretation of various individual books.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT647 Exegesis in Elijah-Elisha Narratives Translation and study of the narratives, with regard to such exegetically related matters as: dictionary usage, grammar, textual criticism, word study, historical and literary context study, and sermon preparation. Special emphasis: signs and wonders.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

OT649 Covenant and Theophany in the Pentateuch and Historical Book Translation and study of select passages, with regard to such exegetically related matters as: dictionary usage, grammar, textual criticism, word study, historical and literary context study, and sermon preparation. Special emphasis: role of theophany in covenant administration.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT661 Exegesis in the Minor Prophets Includes reading select Hebrew passages of these books (reading at least one book in full) and a study of historical criticism, the grammar and theology of prophecy, use of the prophets in the church, and fundamentals of Old Testament exegesis.

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

OT664 Exegesis in Old Testament Legal Texts *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: OT511. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

OT750 Old Testament Prophetic Books A study of the institution and contribution of the prophets, including: critical backgrounds, a survey of the prophets, and exegesis of selected passages in the

prophetic literature. Special interest: eschatological patterns and themes.

Prerequisite: OT 600-level exegesis course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT760 Reading in Old Testament Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

OT770 Old Testament Poetical Books A study of the nature and techniques of Old Testament poetry, including: metrics, line and strophic structure, historical-grammatical exegesis and text criticism. Special introduction to the various poetical books of the Old Testament and samples of exegesis, emphasizing the Psalms.

Prerequisite: OT 600-level exegesis course.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT860 Research in Old Testament Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

OT891 Old Testament Thesis - Part I Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Biblical Studies Division.

Prerequisite: Invitation from division.

OT892 Old Testament Thesis - Part II A continuation of OT891.

Prerequisite: OT891.

OT/NT901 Seminar in Biblical Theology A seminar focusing on the theological message of the Bible with a survey of critical issues in contemporary scholarship and instruction on research methods and writing. *Required of all Th.M. students with a concentration in the Biblical Studies Division (NT, OT, Biblical Theology).*

Th.M. students only

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT/NT/TH910 Theological Hermeneutics A discussion of main theories and concepts of hermeneutics, with particular attention being paid to the relationship between exegesis and systematic theology; contextual and missional issues. Offered at the Th.M. level.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

OT991 ThM Thesis - Part I Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Biblical Studies Division.

Prerequisite: OT/NT901 and invitation from division.

OT992 ThM Thesis - Part II A continuation of OT991.

Prerequisite: OT991.

Pastoral Care/Psychology (Division of Practical Theology)

PC511 Introduction to Pastoral Counseling Basic preparation for the complex task of pastoral care and counseling. The focus is upon the pastor in the congregational setting.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PC511-I Introduction to Pastoral Counseling Basic preparation for the complex task of pastoral care and counseling. The focus is upon the pastor in the congregational setting. *Offered through Semlink.*

PC521 Pastoral Counseling in Urban Ministry Application of the unique task of pastoral care and counseling in the context of the urban church.

Last Offered: Fall 1997

PC542-I Marriage Counseling Basic preparation for assessing and counseling married couples in the context of the congregation. Emphasis is upon marriage as a covenant relationship. *Offered through Semlink.*

PC621 Clinical Pastoral Education An intensive pastoral clinical experience in a hospital setting under

the supervision of an approved ACPE supervisor. Requirements are for two days per week throughout the academic year. Completing both units makes students eligible for up to three course worth of credit (nine semester hours) as well as two units of mentored ministry when registered concurrently. Contact the Mentored Ministry Office for detailed instructions. *PC621 is 4.5 semester hours.*

PC622 Clinical Pastoral Education A continuation of PC 621. *PC622 is 4.5 semester hours.*

PC623 Clinical Pastoral Education Same as PC 621/622 except that it is a five day per week commitment for 12 weeks. Contact the Mentored Ministry Office for detailed instructions. *PC623 is 9 semester hours.*

PC/CO/SF711 Group Process Application in theory and practice of the use of groups and group process. Class members become part of an active group for the purposes of an effective learning process.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

PC/CO717 Counseling in Abuse and Domestic Violence This is a course designed to discuss issues related to identification, intervention, and treatment of both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence and abuse. The approach and model is a comprehensive one, including: physical, emotional, cognitive, relational, and spiritual factors. The method of instruction is an interactive, adult learning model.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PC720 Project Course in Pastoral Care and Psychology Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on project courses.

PC/CO/YM725 Counseling the Adolescent A review of the basic issues in adolescent development with a particular focus on understanding the adolescent in the family context. Development of introductory skills in the counseling of adolescents and their families.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PC/CO/EM741 Counseling the Aged: Introduction to Gerontology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

PC760 Readings in Pastoral Psychology Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

PC860 Research in Pastoral Psychology Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Preaching (Division of Practical Theology)

PR601 Preaching: Princ. & Pract. in Prep. Relevant Biblical Sermons An introduction to the principles of preparing relevant biblical sermons. Lectures and exercises cover a stage-by-stage explanation of how preachers think as they prepare to preach. Recitation sessions provide opportunity for students to preach with critique by the professor.

Prerequisites: NT502 or OT511.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PR601-I Preaching: Princ. & Pract. in Prep. Relevant Biblical Sermons An introduction to the principles of preparing relevant biblical sermons. Lectures and exercises cover a stage-by-stage explanation of how preachers think as they prepare to preach. Recitation sessions provide opportunity for students to preach with critique by the professor. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisites: NT502 or OT511.

PR602 Preaching for Modern Listeners Building on PR601, students will interact with the biblical material to prepare sermons that relate to a modern audience. Students will preach with critique by the professor.

Prerequisites: PR601.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PR602-I Preaching for Modern Listeners Building on PR601, students will interact with the biblical material to prepare sermons that relate to a modern audience. Students will preach with critique by the professor. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisites: PR601.

PR/MC626 Preacher in Modern Literature & Film: The Preacher as Person *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Summer Session 2009

PR/NT655 From Text to Sermon *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisites: NT502 and PR601.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

PR701 Preaching for Special Occasions Students will construct and practice expository sermons for special occasions, in addition to introductions of speakers and after-dinner speeches. Not a substitute for PR601 or PR602 for M.Div. students.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

PR703 Advanced Seminar in Preaching Advanced preaching students will build on the foundation of constructing and practicing expository sermons learned in the foundation courses of homiletics and biblical studies. Students will be actively involved in the exegesis, the homiletical considerations, and the preaching of sermons.

Prerequisite: PR601 and PR602.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

PR705 Preachers and Preaching: Homiletical Theories and Methods Students will study various homiletical theories and methods by examining different authors and by listening to sermons preached by those who advocate a given perspective. Not a substitute for PR601 or PR602 for M.Div. students.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

PR/CH706 The Life and Preaching of A.J. Gordon This course is designed to enable the student to understand the life and ministry of A.J. Gordon, nineteenth-century evangelical leader and shared founder of Gordon College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary as we celebrate the 175th anniversary of his birth. Students will become familiar with Gordon's life, theology, publications and preaching as set in the ferment of late nineteenth-century evangelicalism.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

PR708 Preaching and Storytelling *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2007

PR712 SAMS Visiting Professor: The Burnett H. and Dorothy F. Sams Visiting Professor of Preaching course is taught by a renowned homilician recognized for contributing to the field and to the life of the local church. The holder changes from year to year. See announcements from the Registration Office. This course is not a substitute for PR601 or PR602 for M.Div. students.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: January 2012

PR714 Preaching and the Parts of Ministry *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2008

PR716 Roundtable in Preaching *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

PR717 Cultural Exegesis for Preaching This course is designed to train students to exegete various types of listeners in today's culturally-changing church context for the purpose of effective sermon

construction and delivery. Students will obtain theoretical and practical methods to begin exploring a number of sub-cultures that exist within congregations (e.g., faith development, worldviews, gender, age groups, socioeconomic and educational backgrounds, race and ethnicity, among others) and to learn how to preach biblically and culturally-informed sermons to listeners who come from diverse cultural backgrounds and life situations.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PR720 Project Course in Preaching Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on project courses.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

PR721 Narrative Preaching Expository preachers pay attention to what the text says and how it says it. This course takes content and form seriously. Using a literary/rhetorical approach to the interpretation of biblical narrative, this course unlocks the dynamics of the text and shows how to incorporate those dynamics into our own preaching.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

PR722 Preaching, Persuasion, and Leadership Examines the nature and place of persuasion in speech and homiletics. Appreciation of rhetorical theory as a tool for analyzing and improving preaching. Students assess their own ethos, preach a persuasive message, and plan a persuasive campaign for their church or ministry. Consideration of the ethics of persuasive preaching. Lectures, reading, discussion, and exercises.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PR728 Preaching with Variety Examination of the rhetorical characteristics of various genres of Scripture; implications for preaching. Practice developing and delivering messages using communication methods such as story, visuals, and discussion.

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

PR/CH730 The Life and Preaching of Martin Luther King, Jr. *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

PR735 Great Preachers Seminar *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Prerequisite: PR601. PR602 is advisable, but not required.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

PR901 Th.M. Research Seminar in Preaching The seminar is designed to instruct students in the area of research skills for preaching and writing. The course will consist of lectures, reading, writing and discussion. *Required for all students in the Master of Theology in Preaching.*

Th.M. students only

Last Offered: Fall 2011

PR926A The Preacher and the Message Part I As a unique mentoring component of the Master of Theology in Preaching program, students will meet with the preaching faculty and occasional guests to discuss what it means for the preacher to interact with his or her congregation, people, spouse, and ministry priorities. PR926A and PR926B together constitute one course. Students who register for PR926A must take PR926B in the following session in order to receive any credit for the course. *PR926A is 1.5 semester hours.*

Th.M. students only

Last Offered: Fall 2012

PR926B The Preacher and the Message Part II A continuation of PR 926A. *PR926B is 1.5 semester hours. PR926A and PR926B together constitute one course. Only students who have completed PR926A may register for PR926B.*

Prerequisite: PR926A.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

Research Languages (Division of Christian Thought)

RL510 Theological German A single-course introduction to German, with initial emphasis on conversation, reading and writing, leading to representative readings from German Bible and German theologians, including Luther, Bonhoeffer and Barth. *Not for students who have taken RL511 or RL512.*
Last Offered: Spring 2012

RL511 Theological German I Introductory German, with initial emphasis on conversation, reading and writing, leading to representative readings from German Bible and German theologians, including Luther, Bonhoeffer and Barth. *Not for students who have taken RL510.*
Last Offered: Summer Session II 2007

RL512 Theological German II A continuation of Theological German I.
Prerequisite: RL511.
Last Offered: Summer Session III 2007

RL521 Introduction to Latin I An introduction to church Latin. Assignments for each class will consist of vocabulary, grammar and translation. Students will also be encouraged to address the thought patterns that frequently underlie even the simplest statements of the Middle Ages.
Last Offered: Fall 2012

RL522 Introduction to Latin II A continuation of beginning ecclesiastical Latin. There will be increased emphasis on readings from the Vulgate Bible, liturgies, hymns, and the writings of Latin Fathers.
Prerequisite: RL521.
Last Offered: Spring 2011

Social Ethics (Division of Christian Thought)

SE571 Christian Ethics & Social Issues Seeks to develop the student's theological-ethical reflections, social analysis, and types of action for ministering to crucial social issues. Our three-step approach will be: 1) clarification, 2) conceptualization, and 3) confrontation. Issues include: urbanization, economic justice, and environmental ethics.
Last Offered: Spring 2006

SE/ET625 Conservative Social Thought Reading and discussion of conservative social theorists including Thomas Sowell, Paul Johnson, Michael Novak, Peter Berger, P.T. Bauer, Charles Murray, George Gilder, Julian Simon, Samuel Huntington, and others. Topics include free market economics, limited government, and issues of race, gender, education, and the environment.
Last Offered: Fall 2005

SE632 Christianity and the Problem of Racism Multiethnic and interactive class examines racism in terms of a black and white paradigm. A multidisciplinary analysis of this major social problem. Course includes graphic presentations, biblical, psycho-social and ethical principles leading to challenging discussions. Typically taught in Boston.

SE735 Biblical Global Justice A survey of pre-biblical and biblical sources explores the innate desire for justice as well as the mire of dysfunction among human beings. While working through various definitions and theories of justice, additional engagement with relevant media supports an intentional consideration of the dynamics of forgiveness and reconciliation.
Last Offered: Spring 2012

SE760 Reading in Social Ethics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

SE860 Research in Social Ethics Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

Spiritual Formation (Division of Practical Theology)

SF/MC501 Spiritual Formation for Ministry The foundational course in the Division of Practical Theology and an introduction to theological seminary. A beginning working knowledge of spiritual formation leading to a lifetime of continuing education. Spiritual exercise and small group practice for personal application and for leadership in the church.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

SF/MC501-I Spiritual Formation for Ministry The foundational course in the Division of Practical Theology and an introduction to theological seminary. A beginning working knowledge of spiritual formation leading to a lifetime of continuing education. Spiritual exercise and small group practice for personal application and for leadership in the church. *Offered through Semlink.*

SF/CH591 Dynamics of Spiritual Life Drawing on the Creation-Redemption narrative and the riches of the history of Christian Spirituality, the course presents a comprehensive model of spirituality that can be used in personal renewal, spiritual formation, direction, discipleship, and counseling. Combining theory and praxis, it explores key spiritual dynamics, equipping for ministry to those seeking a deeper life with Christ. May meet the Spiritual Formation requirement for M.Div., by petition. Petition not required if taking the course as an elective.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

SF/CO610 Advanced Developmental Psychology An investigation of the major developmental issues across the life span. Integration and critique of these theories from a biblical and theological perspective.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

SF/CH618 Medieval Spirituality Medieval approaches to knowing God through mysticism, monasticism, popular piety, sacraments, worship, art, music, architecture, symbolism; exploring relevance to spirituality today.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

SF/CH662 History of Christian Worship Models including Old and New Testament, early church, Orthodox, Medieval, Reformation/Puritan, African-American, revival, renewal, feminist, international, seeker-sensitive and charismatic. Discerning the theological, organizing principles in various worship styles so as to lead worship in a biblical, integrated, and God-honoring way.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

SF/CH667 C.S. Lewis' Life, Works, and Spirituality Explores the writings and spiritual pilgrimage of one of the most influential figures of the twentieth century. From County Down to Cambridge University, through two World Wars and a wardrobe, to Narnia and Perelandra, the course follows the life and work of the myth-loving medieval professor, apologist, children's author, and Inkling.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

SF/CH670 Spiritual Autobiographies: From Augustine to Spurgeon A seminar course in which students will read and analyze the spiritual autobiographies of ten notable figures of Church History, including the writings of Augustine of Hippo, Theresa of Avila, John Bunyan, Charles G. Finney and C. H. Spurgeon.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

SF/CO/PC711 Group Process Application in theory and practice of the use of groups and group process. Class members become part of an active group for the purposes of an effective learning process.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

SF/EM715 Worship and Christian Formation The focus of this course is on the relationship between two of the church's central tasks: worship and Christian formation. Students will consider the theology and practice of worship and will participate in the design of worship experiences.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

Theology (Division of Christian Thought)

TH501 Theology Survey I A study of theological method, revelation, inspiration, and canon of scripture;

existence and attributes of God; Trinity; creation and providence; human nature; original and actual sin.
Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH501-I Theology Survey I A study of theological method, revelation, inspiration, and canon of scripture; existence and attributes of God; Trinity; creation and providence; human nature; original and actual sin.
Offered through Semlink.

TH502 Theology Survey II A study of the person and work of Christ, predestination, conversion, justification, sanctification, and the work of the Holy Spirit; perseverance; the nature and mission of the church; sacraments; eschatology.

Prerequisite: TH501. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.
Last Offered: Spring 2012

TH502-I Theology Survey II A study of the person and work of Christ, predestination, conversion, justification, sanctification, and the work of the Holy Spirit; perseverance; the nature and mission of the church; sacraments; eschatology. *Offered through Semlink*

Prerequisite: TH501. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

TH504 Systematic Theology I A study of theological method, general and special revelation, inspiration, inerrancy, and canonicity of scripture; existence, attributes, and triune nature of God.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH504-I Systematic Theology I A study of theological method, general and special revelation, inspiration, inerrancy, and canonicity of scripture; existence, attributes, and triune nature of God. *Offered through Semlink.*

TH/CH601 History and Theology of the African-American Church This course will explore the history of the African American Church, how we have known God through our social, political, economic, and religious context, review major themes in African American theological reflection, and suggest areas for further reflection and praxis. Typically taught in Boston.

Last Offered: January 2008

TH/WM602 Theology of Mission A biblical-theological introduction to missions. Topics include: the biblical basis for missions, the relationship of social action to evangelism, mission and development, and the relation of Christianity to other religions.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH603-I Contemporary Theology and Theologians This course examines contemporary theology through the work of several contemporary practitioners of theology. Of particular interest is the discipline of theology in the last 30 years. *Offered through Semlink.*

TH605 Systematic Theology II A study of creation, providence, the image of God, human nature, original and actual sin, and the person and work of Christ.

Prerequisite: TH504. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.
Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH605-I Systematic Theology II A study of creation, providence, the image of God, human nature, original and actual sin, and the person and work of Christ. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisite: TH504. Also must complete OT500 and NT501 before or during this course.

TH606 Modern Theology From the end of the Reformation period, representative figures and movements are studied in order to better understand current orientations to theology and to the theological task. Focus is on the development of Protestant theology in the context of modern European thought and culture; including Protestant Orthodoxy, Deism, Protestant Liberalism, and Neo-Orthodoxy.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH607 Systematic Theology III A study of conversion, justification, sanctification, perseverance, the work of the Holy Spirit, church, sacraments, and eschatology.

Prerequisites: TH504 and TH605.
Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH607-I Systematic Theology III A study of conversion, justification, sanctification, perseverance, the work of the Holy Spirit, church, sacraments, and eschatology. *Offered through Semlink.*

Prerequisites: TH504 and TH605.

TH610 Justification: Recent Controversies & Contexts This course is designed to examine the doctrine of justification in its Biblical contexts and in the context of the history of theology. The course will consider the doctrinal questions in light of recent Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox discussions.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

TH611 Recent Theories of the Atonement The various interpretations of the work of Christ are assessed in light of their historical context. While some attention is given to traditional models (ransom, satisfaction/substitution, moral example), the class focuses on recent proposals (nonviolent atonement, feminist critiques, Eastern Orthodox approaches, scape-goat theories etc.).

Last Offered: Spring 2011

TH613 Christology: Biblical/ Theological Perspectives This course examines the person and work of Jesus Christ across the breadth of the biblical canon as well as key episodes in the church historical development of Christological doctrine.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH/CH614 Jonathan Edwards Surveys the work of America's greatest theologian, exploring the biblical and philosophical roots of his thinking and evaluating his contributions to theology, history, aesthetics and spiritual renewal. Readings include: *The Freedom of the Will*, *Original Sin*, *The Religious Affections* and many shorter works.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

TH/CH614-I The Theology of Jonathan Edwards Surveys the work of America's greatest theologian, exploring the biblical and philosophical roots of his thinking and evaluating his contributions to theology, history, aesthetics and spiritual renewal. *Offered through Semlink.*

TH616 Anthropology: Preserving the Person This course examines human identity as centrally rooted in the creation accounts of Genesis and its development throughout the rest of Scripture. Contemporary cultural understandings of human identity are also explored in contrast.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

TH617 Theological Hermeneutics A discussion of main theories and concepts of hermeneutics, with particular attention being paid to the relationship between exegesis and systematic theology; contextual and missional issues.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

TH/WM626 Evangelical Perspectives on Roman Catholicism & E. Orthodoxy Analyzes essential theological distinctives, ecclesiastical structures, developments, and principal expressions of spirituality of Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches. Issues of church-state relations, ecumenical concerns, biblical and liturgical renewal, and missions and evangelism will be given special attention.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH/CH632 Augustine of Hippo A study of the life and work of the greatest theologian of the early church. Attention is focused on Augustine's historical context, including the philosophical and religious factors that shaped his early response to Christianity and colored his mature work.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH/CH/EM635 Catechesis: History, Theology, and Practice This course explores the ministry of instructing people in the essentials of Christian faith and practice. Attention is given to the biblical bases for, and historic practice of, catechesis, with the aim of encouraging contemporary applications of this ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2010

TH/ET637 Workplace Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

TH/CH642 John Calvin and the Swiss Reformation Life, work, and times of the consolidator of the Reformation: Geneva, Institutes, letters, theology, polity, pastoral issues.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

TH/CH643 Martin Luther A seminar on the life, work, and times of Luther, pioneer of the Reformation. Attention will be given to his spiritual pilgrimage and to his development and influence as a leader, particularly through his debates and writings.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

TH/CH655 Great Confessions of the Faith A seminar designed to read and analyze the major creeds and confessions of the Christian church.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

TH/CH656 The Life and Theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer As a pastor and member of the German resistance to Hitler, Bonhoeffer distinguished himself as one of the twentieth century's most important theologians. This course presents his life, writings, and theology through lecture and class presentations.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

TH/CH657 Life and Theology of Karl Barth This course presents Barth's life and theology through lectures, readings and discussions in order to gain a critical understanding of the main themes in his theology and their relevance for our own understanding of Christian faith and ministry.

Last Offered: Spring 2011

TH/WM659 Evangelical Theology and World Religions A study of five of the world's major religious traditions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Chinese religions. Instructional methods will include readings, lecture, discussion, and audiovisual media.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

TH/WM660 Asian Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

TH665 Postliberal Theology Also known as 'Narrative Theology', Postliberal Theology designates a particular Anglo-American school of theology, strongly influenced by the philosophy of Ludwig Wittgenstein and the sociology of Clifford Geertz, among others. What makes its theological agenda particularly significant is that it has sought to reconceptualize theological method in the wake of classical foundationalism. Its adherents argue that this provides a way beyond liberalism and fundamentalism. I discuss and assess their theological epistemology and some concrete theological applications in the following areas: doctrine of Scripture; theological method; Christology; theological hermeneutics; ecclesiology and religious pluralism.

Last Offered: January 2009

TH/CH668 The Trinitarian and Christological Controversies A detailed look at the two greatest doctrinal controversies of the patristic period. This course focuses on reading and discussion of primary sources from the Trinitarian and Christological controversies, in an effort to discern both the depth of the Church's consensus on these crucial doctrines and the soteriology that lay beneath this consensus.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2011

TH671 Emerging/Emergent Christianity This course will examine the work of leading emergent theologians in light of postfoundationalism and postmodernism. Building on a discussion of postfoundationalism, it will canvas the emergent conversation on the following topics: the doctrine of God, scripture and hermeneutics, progressional dialogue homiletics, ecclesiology, and religious pluralism.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

TH672 Christianity and Culture *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2007

TH673 Christianity and the Postmodern World The course will examine the relationship between Christianity and the "Postmodern" world across a wide swath of contemporary concerns, from the impact of globalization upon the missional identity of the church to the clash of religious cultures, from the abandonment of religious institutions to the revival of ancient liturgies.

TH674 Church and Culture This course examines the intersections between biblical faith and contemporary, Western culture with a view to understanding the many ways in which Christian faith is vulnerable to being transformed by culture and the many ways in which the Church should seek to carefully analyze the ingredients of Western culture such as the nature of modernization, modernity and postmodernity before moving to a consideration of the nature and function of biblical truth in this context, of God as transcendent and sovereign, and of the Church as his human agent in the work of redemption.

Last Offered: Spring 2008

TH675 Divine Sovereignty and Human Responsibility The course examines the canonical shape of the relationship of God's actions and human actions. Several major church historical controversies are also explored on the topic.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

TH680 Doctrinal Distinctives of the Advent Christian Church Cosmic and personal eschatology will be considered from the perspective of the doctrine of resurrection. Topics include New Heavens/New Earth, the intermediate state, the evangelical debate regarding the nature of hell, and the ultimate extinction of evil.

Last Offered: Fall 2007

TH685 Frontiers of Science and Faith A study of the Galileo controversy, the rise of modern geology and the age of the earth, Darwin's theory of evolution, the biblical Flood, quantum physics and "Big Bang" cosmology, genetic engineering, and the environmental movement.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

TH712 Theology of Calvin's Institutes This course provides students an opportunity to critically engage the whole of Calvin's 1559 edition of the Institutes. The text will be studied with both attention to its historical context in the sixteenth-century Reformation, and a focus on its enduring spiritual power to speak to the life, faith and ministry of the contemporary church.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

TH/EV718 Theology of Evangelism Examines the biblical and theological basis for world evangelism. Emphasis given to the unified message of redemption flowing through all evangelical theology. Tension centers on the practical aspects of relating what we believe to the way we fulfill the Great Commission.

Last Offered: Spring 2009

TH731 Sem in Pneumatology: Person & Work of the Holy Spirit This course will be an in-depth examination of the biblical, patristic, and modern understandings of the person and work of the Holy Spirit, with special focus on developments since the modern Pentecostal revival, and current attempts in constructive pneumatology. Attention will be given to the relationship between the doctrines of the Holy Spirit and Trinitarian theology, and to the implications of this study for ministry in the church and personal spirituality.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

TH760 Reading in Theology Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

TH860 Research in Theology Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

TH891 Theology Thesis - Part I Any session by petition. Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Christian Thought Division.

Prerequisite: Invitation from division.

TH892 Theology Thesis - Part II A continuation of TH891.

Prerequisite: TH891.

TH/CH/WM901 Th.M. Research Seminar in Christian Thought The seminar is designed to instruct

students in the area of research skills for Christian thought. The course will consist of lectures, reading, writing, and discussion. *Required of all Th.M. students with a concentration in the Christian Thought Division (CH, TH, WM).*

Th.M. students only
Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH/NT/OT910 Theological Hermeneutics A discussion of main theories and concepts of hermeneutics, with particular attention being paid to the relationship between exegesis and systematic theology; contextual and missional issues. Offered at the Th.M. level.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

TH991 ThM Thesis - Part I Any session by petition. Intensive research into a topic leading to the production of a thesis under the guidance of a thesis director. By invitation of the Christian Thought Division.

Prerequisite: CH/TH/WM901 and invitation from division.

TH992 ThM Thesis - Part II A continuation of TH991.

Prerequisite: TH991.

World Missions (Division of Christian Thought)

WM601 The World Mission of the Church Recognizing the responsibility of all Christians to complete Christ's commission, this course gives an overview of the strategic and historical progress of worldwide missions today. The ways in which a local congregation can fulfill its worldwide biblical mandate are also considered.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM601-I The World Mission of the Church Recognizing the responsibility of all Christians to complete Christ's commission, this course gives an overview of the strategic and historical progress of worldwide missions today. The ways in which a local congregation can fulfill its worldwide biblical mandate are also considered. *Offered through Semlink.*

WM/TH602 Theology of Mission A biblical-theological introduction to missions. Topics include: the biblical basis for missions, the relationship of social action to evangelism, mission and development, and the relation of Christianity to other religions.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM603 History of Missions A history of the Christian church, from the perspective of the global expansion of the church. Key questions related to the global expansion of the church as well as ethnographic studies of particular mission settings will be explored.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM603-I History of Missions A history of the Christian church, from the perspective of the global expansion of the church. Key questions related to the global expansion of the church as well as ethnographic studies of particular mission settings will be explored. *Offered through Semlink.*

WM618 Crossing Frontiers with Gospel Examines obstacles to the acceptance of the gospel and how they can be overcome. Isolates forces in the world which present a primary challenge to Christian witness. Worship, prayer and biblical exposition are integral to the program.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

WM619 Global Pentecostalism The course is an overview of global Pentecostalism and will address the dynamics that led to the rise of the Pentecostal movement around the world. The lenses through which this course will be examined include the history, sociology, theology, and globalization of Pentecostalism.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

WM621 Missions in China A survey and interpretation of the Christian presence in China from the 7th century to the present. Different mission theologies and approaches in Chinese context will be discussed and presented as a case study for the Christian movement in East Asia. The Church's encounters with

Chinese culture and society and developments (The Three-self Patriotic Movement and house church) after 1949 will receive special attention. Efforts will be made to highlight the dynamics and characters of Christianity in China today, their implications for global Christian movement, and the relevant missionary strategies.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM622 Missions in Asian Context *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2008

WM623 The Gospel in Asian Culture As the home of major world religions and cultural traditions. Asia poses special challenges to Christian missions. This course aims to trace Gospel's historical encounters with the religions and cultures in East, South, and West Asia, to survey current issues at stake, to identify existing missionary approaches, and to explore possible missiological breakthroughs.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM624 Christian Faith in the World of Violence & Clashing Civs This interdisciplinary course will examine the role of Christian missions in situations of conflict and violence, with particular attention paid to the recent unexpected renaissance of religion(s) and their increasing influence on geo-political developments and international relations. Models of holistic missionary practice, transformative engagement of the church(es), faith-based diplomacy and the ministry of reconciliation will be proposed and examined.

Last Offered: Fall 2010

WM/TH626 Evangelical Perspectives on Roman Catholicism & E. Orthodoxy Analyzes essential theological distinctives, ecclesiastical structures, developments, and principal expressions of spirituality of Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches. Issues of church-state relations, ecumenical concerns, biblical and liturgical renewal, and missions and evangelism will be given special attention.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM628 Christian Approaches to Islam The goal of this course is the development of biblical strategies for communicating the Gospel with Muslims, both in light of historical contexts and contemporary strategies. Major topics include contextualization, church-planting, Islamic theology, various methods and strategies of approaches to Muslims, apologetics, and principles of witness.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM635 Practice of Prayer *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Summer Session 2010

WM636 Spiritual Formation and Mission Praxis *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2008

WM/AP644 Introduction to Confucianism and Taoism An introductory course on two great religious traditions in China and East Asia. Their histories, beliefs, and shaping influences on Chinese, Korean and Japanese cultures, societies, and daily life of the peoples will be explored and evaluated from Christian perspective. Special attention will be given to their contemporary revivals and growing influences in East Asia, the challenges they have and will pose to Christian missions, and possible Christian responses.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM/AP645 Introduction to Hinduism In-depth survey of philosophical and popular Hinduism's historical and theological themes. Exposure to current strategies being used to bring the gospel to Hindus and how Christian theology is being formulated in the Indian context. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM649.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

WM/AP646 Introduction to Buddhism In-depth survey of the main historical and theological themes of the Buddhist religion. Exposure to primary source materials, major Buddhist traditions, and current strategies being used to bring the gospel to Buddhists. Particular emphasis on the Chinese, Korean and Japanese experience of Buddhism. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM649.*

Last Offered: Spring 2010

WM/AP647 Introduction to Islam An introduction to the Islamic faith with a special emphasis on communicating the gospel to Muslims who comprise over 1 billion adherents and is the second largest world religion. The whole of the Qu'ran is read in English.

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WM/AP647-I Introduction to Islam An introduction to the Islamic faith with a special emphasis on communicating the gospel to Muslims who comprise over 1 billion adherents and is the second largest world religion. The whole of the Qu'ran is read in English. *Offered through Semlink.*

WM648 Cross-Cultural Church Planting *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2011

WM/AP649 Introduction to Hinduism & Buddhism An overview of the Hindu and Buddhist traditions. We will examine their histories, beliefs, rites, and impacts upon various cultures and societies in Asia and other parts of the world. Efforts will be made to develop a Christian response to the traditions and appropriate missiological thinking and strategies. *Not for students who have taken AP/WM645 or AP/WM646.*

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM/EM657 Educational Ministry in Cultural Perspective This course explores Educational Ministry in light of the cultural dimensions of life. Students will be challenged to consider how the cultural realities of both the teacher and the learner affect the various aspects of teaching decisions and strategies.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM/TH659 Evangelical Theology and World Religions A study of five of the world's major religious traditions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Chinese religions. Instructional methods will include readings, lecture, discussion, and audiovisual media.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM/TH660 Asian Theology *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2009

WM662 NGOs and Development in Mission The course is an overview of the role of non-governmental agencies (NGOs) and development in Christian mission. It covers biblical, theological, historical, and current perspectives on the global trend toward integration of development and mission. The course also looks at the role of globalization in the spread of the gospel. It examines plans made by Christians to alleviate social problems.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM/EV665 Church Planting and Growth A practical and biblical-theological perspective on planting and development of churches. Research projects concentrate on sharpening skills in planning, establishing and nurturing churches which will equip members for ministry to their communities, and for continued planting of new churches.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

WM/CO712 Cross-Cultural Counseling Overview of considerations in conducting therapy with those of different cultural backgrounds. Emphasis is given to family roles, structures and functions, and to the context in which individuals develop and relate.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM720 Overseas Missions Practicum Orientation Orientation for students planning to minister inter-culturally with the Overseas Missions Practicum and is a prerequisite for WM721. Topics include: Biblical-theological basics; language study; cultural anthropology; and the history, culture, etc. of the country/group among whom the student plans to minister.

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM721 Overseas Missions Practicum Students travel to an area of evangelistic need and engage in at least six weeks of evangelistic ministry and service. Mentored Ministry credit also available through OMP and course can apply as both WM course credit and Mentored Ministry credit.

Prerequisites: WM720.

Last Offered: Summer Session 2012

WM722 Applied Anthropology for Missions In this course students consider the implications of cultural anthropology for practical problems in missions. Students read case studies, participate in discussions which emphasize the application of insights from anthropology to missions contexts.

Last Offered: Fall 2011

WM725 The Theology of Islam & Implications for Ministry to Muslims This course is a comprehensive introduction to the theology of Islam. Focus will be on both the theological worldview of Muslims in their own context as well as what that context tells them about Christianity, with a view to construct a biblical strategy for Christian ministry to Muslims.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

WM726 Ministry to Folk Muslims *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Spring 2012

WM740 Contemporary Missiology Using primarily a seminar format, this course deals with major issues in missiological discussions during the past quarter-century. Topics include: contextualization, "power encounter," the relation of Christianity to non-Christian religions, and the implications of the increasingly southern shift of Christianity.

Last Offered: Fall 2007

WM/AP747 Critical Issues in the Christian Mission to Muslims *Course description not available. Please contact Division Chair.*

Last Offered: Fall 2011

WM760 Reading in World Missions Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

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WM992 ThM Thesis - Part II A continuation of WM991.

Prerequisite: WM991.

Youth Ministry (Division of Practical Theology)

YM/EM/EV591 Theology and Principles of Dynamic Youth Ministry An overview using the Nine Stages of youth ministry with history of adolescence and youth ministry, adolescent development and identity. Its methodology seeks an integration of the behavioral sciences and theology. Final project involves community research.

Last Offered: Fall 2009

YM/EM693 Understanding Youth Culture Considers the five major social systems affecting youth and the nature of youth and pop culture. Exegesis of media, movies, TV, magazines, advertising, music, Internet and sexuality. Emphasis on self-understanding to promote youths' discernment and growth.

Last Offered: Fall 2008

YM720 Project Course in Youth Ministry Independent study, any session by petition. See Student

Handbook for information on project courses.

YM/CO/PC725 Counseling the Adolescent A review of the basic issues in adolescent development with a particular focus on understanding the adolescent in the family context. Development of introductory skills in the counseling of adolescents and their families.

Last Offered: Fall 2012

YM760 Reading in Youth Ministry Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.

YM860 Research in Youth Ministry Independent study, any session by petition. See Student Handbook for information on reading and research courses.