Curriculum Course Descriptions

**Professional Studies (20000-59990)**

School of Theology .......................................................... 20000-31990;
34000-37990; 40010-40990; 44300-44990
Scripture and Interpretation ............................................. 20000-24990
Theology and Tradition ................................................... 25000-28450*
Worldview and Culture ................................................... 28500-29990
Ministry and Proclamation ............................................. 30000-31990;
34000-35990; 40010-40990; 44300-449990**
Billy Graham School of Missions, Evangelism
and Church Growth .................................................... 32000-33990;
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Evangelism and Church Growth .................................. 32000-32600
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School of Church Ministries ......................................... 34000-34090;
41500-44290; 45000-49990
Educational Foundations .............................................. 42751; 42754; 45000-45350
Preschool and Childhood Education ......................... 41600; 41700;
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**Doctoral Studies**

Music Education .......................................................... 53000-53490
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* Courses 27800-27870 are taught through the Division of Scripture
and Interpretation. Courses 28020-28022 are taught through the
Division of Worldview and Culture.

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**Doctoral Studies (80000-96990)**

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Doctor of Philosophy ................................................ 90000-94990
Doctor of Education in Leadership .............................. 95000-96990

**Professional Studies (20000-59990)**

Scripture and Interpretation

20060 The World of the Old Testament Prophets from Elijah to Malachi 3 hours
A study of the social, economic, and religious life of Israel
and Judah during the period of the prophets as revealed by
archaeological evidence, especially as such evidence impacts
the message of the prophets.

20080 The Old Testament World and the
Land of the Bible 3 hours
A study of the history and geography of the Middle East with
primary emphasis on the history and religion of Israel. Two
weeks will be devoted to a tour of the major Old Testament
sites of the Middle East and two weeks in class lectures. Per-
mision of professor required.

20100 The Historical Geography of Palestine 3 hours
A study of the geography, geology, and climate of Palestine and the
biblical world and their influence on Old Testament history.

20190 Survey of the Old Testament 3 hours
This course will feature a survey of the Old Testament in Eng-
lish Bible, an exposure to relevant introductory issues, and
some exposure to critical issues. Note: This course is for stu-
dents enrolled in the MATS for Intercultural Leadership degree
program only.
20200 Introduction to the Old Testament, Part I: Pentateuchal and Historical Literature 3 hours
An introduction to the Pentateuch and the historical books of the Old Testament in the English Bible, Genesis through Esther, including an examination of critical, historical, hermeneutical, and theological issues.

20220 Introduction to the Old Testament, Part II: The Prophets and Writings 3 hours
An introduction to the Prophets and Writings in the English Old Testament, Job through Malachi, including an examination of critical, historical, hermeneutical, and theological issues.

20277 Studies in Old Testament 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

20400 Elementary Hebrew 3 hours
An introduction to the Hebrew of the Old Testament, including basic grammar, syntax, and vocabulary.

20430 Intermediate Hebrew Grammar & Syntax 3 hours
The course will focus on Hebrew grammar at the intermediate level. The course will move beyond elementary Hebrew by covering issues of syntax at the word, phrase, and especially, the clause, sentence, and discourse levels. The course is intended to bridge the gap between elementary Hebrew and advanced exegesis courses. (Appendix A)

20440 Hebrew Syntax and Exegesis 3 hours
A review of Hebrew grammar and syntax. A study of syntax in Genesis 1-11, Amos, Jonah, Malachi, Ruth, Esther, and/ or other selected texts with a view to implementing exegesis. Prerequisite: 20400 or advanced placement.

20520 Hebrew Composition and Exegesis 3 hours
An intensive study of Hebrew syntax, morphology, and phonology by composing classical Hebrew prose and poetry. The course will include vocabulary acquisition, sentence diagramming, and exegetical/sermonic outlining. A biblical passage may be exegeted. Note: This course may be taken as free elective, or in place of one of the Old Testament exegesis courses required in the Biblical and Theological Studies concentration of the M.Div. program. It is especially recommended for students with exceptional interest and ability in Hebrew and for those contemplating doctoral studies in Old Testament.

20600 Hebrew Exegesis: Genesis 1-11 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in Genesis 1-11 with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to the author’s use of Hebrew literary devices to communicate the message of the book. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20611 Hebrew Exegesis: Joshua 3 hours
This course will focus on the Hebrew text of Joshua. Special attention will be given to the proficient reading of Hebrew, grammatical and syntactical issues, and translation. The course will also explore the relevance of the message of Joshua for preaching and teaching in the Church of the 21st century.

20620 Hebrew Exegesis: Isaiah 1-39 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in Isaiah 1-39 with a view to exposition. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20624 Hebrew Exegesis: Ecclesiastes 3 hours
The course will focus on the Hebrew text of Ecclesiastes. Special attention will be given to the proficient reading of Hebrew, grammatical and syntactical issues, and translation. The course will also explore the relevance of the message of Ecclesiastes for preaching and teaching in the Church of the 21st century.

20640 Hebrew Exegesis: Psalms 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in the book of Psalms with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to the nature of Hebrew poetry and the forms of individual psalms. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20680 Hebrew Exegesis: Deuteronomy 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in the book of Deuteronomy with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to the author’s use of Hebrew rhetorical devices to communicate the message of the book. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20685 Hebrew Exegesis: Judges 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in the book of Judges with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to the author’s use of Hebrew literary devices to communicate the message of the book. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20700 Hebrew Exegesis: Jeremiah 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in the book of Jeremiah with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to the literary and rhetorical features used to communicate the prophet’s urgent message. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20742 Hebrew Exegesis: Minor Prophets, Joel, and Amos 3 hours
A study of Hebrew rhetoric with special attention to the history and nature of the prophetic sections of the Old Testament with a view to exposition. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20800 Hebrew Exegesis: Isaiah 40-66 3 hours
Advanced exegesis in Isaiah 40-66 with a view to exposition, paying particular attention to literary and rhetorical devices employed to communicate the composition’s lofty theology. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

20880 Biblical Aramaic 3 hours
An introduction to the Aramaic of the Old Testament, including basic grammar, syntax, and vocabulary, and exegesis of Aramaic sections of the Old Testament with a view to exposition. Prerequisites: 20400 (or advanced placement) and 20440.

Note: Unlike the Exegesis courses, the following exposition courses have no Hebrew language prerequisite.

21321 Judges and Ruth 3 hours
An exposition of Judges and Ruth, two books that present widely divergent styles and theological perspectives on the same historical period. Attention will be paid to the distinctive literary artistry of the authors and on the permanent theological messages of the books.

21600 The Psalms 3 hours
Expository studies in the Psalms, with consideration of their message for today. Attention will be given to the special literary qualities of the Psalms and the enduring theology of the book.

21620 The Book of Job and the Wisdom Literature 3 hours
Expository studies in the books of Job, Proverbs, and Ecclesiastes with special attention to the history and nature of the wisdom literature.

22060 The Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha 3 hours
A survey of the Jewish apocryphal and pseudepigraphical writings with emphasis on their relevance for understanding the New Testament and its cultural and religious background.

22080 The Life of Jesus and the Land of the Bible 3 hours
A study of the history and geography of Palestine with primary emphasis upon their relationship to the life of Jesus. Part of the time will be devoted to a tour of the major New Testament sites of Palestine and part to class on campus. Permission of professor required.

22100 Biblical Hermeneutics 3 hours
A study of the history of the English Bible, the goal of biblical interpretation, the presuppositions involved in the interpretation, the means of arriving at the meaning of ancient texts along with its present-day implications, and the formation of the New Testament canon.
22190 Survey of the New Testament 3 hours
This course will feature a survey of the New Testament in English Bible, an exposure to relevant introductory issues, and some exposure to critical issues. Note: This course is for students enrolled in the MATS for Intercultural Leadership degree program only.

22200 Introduction to the New Testament, Part I 3 hours
A study of the materials available for studying the life and teachings of Jesus, the transmission of the gospel traditions in the early church, the teachings of Jesus, the main events in Jesus' life, and the quests for the historical Jesus.

22220 Introduction to the New Testament, Part II 3 hours
A study of the Acts to Revelation in the framework of the history of the early church.

22277 Studies in New Testament 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

22400 Elementary Greek 3 hours
An introduction to the Greek of the New Testament with readings in 1 John and other selected passages.

22410 Greek Review 0 hours
A review of the fundamentals of New Testament Greek, with emphasis on vocabulary building and morphology. This course is designed for students with prior course work in elementary Greek, who need further language work before entrance into 22440 Greek Syntax and Exegesis.

22430 Advanced Greek Grammar 3 hours
A comprehensive and systematic study of phonology, morphology, and syntax of New Testament Greek in light of modern linguistic principles illustrated by readings in the Greek of both the New Testament and contemporary documents. This course is especially recommended for students with exceptional interest and ability in Greek and for those contemplating doctoral studies. Prerequisites: 22400 (or advanced placement) and 22440. Note: Either this course or 22480 may be taken in place of one of the three exegesis courses required in the Biblical and Theological emphasis of the M.Div. program, or it may be taken as an elective.

22440 Greek Syntax and Exegesis 3 hours
A study of intermediate Greek grammar with emphasis on vocabulary building and syntax. Philippians or selected readings elsewhere in the New Testament. Prerequisite: 22400 or advanced placement.

22480 The Textual Criticism of the New Testament 3 hours
An introduction to the history, material, and methods of textual criticism. Study of numerous problems in the Greek text where significant variants appear in extant manuscripts and patristic quotations. Prerequisites: 22400 (or advanced placement) and 22440. Note: This course may be taken as a free elective, or in place of one of the three exegesis courses required in the Biblical Theological Studies concentration of the M.Div. program. It is especially recommended for students with exceptional interest and ability in Greek and for those contemplating doctoral studies in New Testament.

22600 Greek Exegesis: The Gospel of Matthew 3 hours
An inductive study of the Greek of the Gospel of Matthew and exegesis of selected passages with attention to literary structure. Prerequisites: 22400 (or advanced placement) and 22440.

22620 Greek Exegesis: The Gospel of Mark 3 hours
Exegesis of the Greek text of Mark with emphasis on the style, literary structure, and theological significance of Mark's account of Jesus' ministry. Prerequisites: 22400 (or advanced placement) and 22440.

22640 Greek Exegesis: The Gospel of Luke 3 hours
An inductive study of the Greek of the Gospel of Luke and exegesis of selected passages. Prerequisites: 22400 (or advance placement) and 22440.
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**Theology and Tradition**

- **Introduction to Church History, Part I: The Early Church to the Reformation**
  - The course will cover the history of Christianity from its inception to the Protestant Reformation (1600).

- **Introduction to Church History, Part II: The Reformation and the Church in the Modern Period**
  - This course will focus on four major areas of study in the modern period: the history of Protestantism, the origin and history of Baptists, the history of Roman Catholicism, and American church history.

- **Advanced Church History**
  - An advanced survey and interpretation of the history of Christianity from its inception to the modern period. May not be taken for credit if 25100 and 25120 have been or will be taken.

- **Studies in Church History**
  - Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

- **The Ancient Church in Its Graeco-Roman Context**
  - This course leads the student through a detailed study of the nexus of political and philosophical perspectives and religious and social attitudes of the Graeco-Roman world in which the Ancient Church developed until the Constantinian revolution in the early fourth century. At the heart of the course is the hands-on examination of primary sources, both Christian and pagan.

- **The Cappadocian Achievement**
  - A detailed study of certain aspects of the theology of the Cappadocian Fathers—namely Basil of Caesarea (c.330-379), Gregory of Nazianzus (c. 329-389/390), Gregory of Nyssa (c. 335-c. 395), and Ambrose of Milan (c. 340-397)—arguably among the most influential theologians of the Greek-speaking Ancient Church. The Cappadocian Fathers’ interaction with Scripture and their perspective on living from within the context of these areas of thought is also highlighted.

- **Theology of Augustine**
  - A study of the theology of Augustine in the context of his personal development and in light of the controversies of his day. Special attention will be given to reading the Confession and the City of God along with selected treatises.

- **Studies in Patristic Christianity**
  - A study of some of the writings (in translation) of the Greek, Latin, and Syriac Church Fathers, and their overall theological contribution to Christian doctrine, especially as it relates to Trinitarian doctrine, ecclesiology, the Bible, mission, and the theology of history.

- **The Reformation**
  - A study of the Lutheran, Reformed, Anglican, Radical, and Roman Catholic phases of the sixteenth-century Reformation.

- **Puritanism**
  - A consideration of the formative theological literature of Puritanism, its antecedents in the Continental and English Reformations, and some of its consequences in the “New England Way.”

- **Christianity and the Enlightenment**
  - A study of the emergence of rationalism and criticism in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries with special attention to their impact on Christian thought and biblical criticism.

- **Calvin and the Reformed Tradition**
  - A study of the life and theology of John Calvin. Attention will focus on Calvin’s role in the development of Reformed Protestantism as well as his distinctive contribution to Reformation theology. Readings will include selections from Calvin’s commentaries, letters, polemical and theological treatises, and Institutes.

- **History of British Christianity**
  - A study of the nature of biblical theology and its relationship to systematic theology with a special focus on a theological reading of Scripture, as practiced by evangelicals today.

- **History of the Baptists**
  - A study of Baptist origins, development, principles, leaders, and current trends.

- **The Southern Baptist Heritage**
  - A study of cultural, theological, ethical, and institutional factors which have shaped Southern Baptists.

- **Jonathan Edwards**
  - This course centers on the life and thought of Jonathan Edwards. The main areas of study include a biographical survey of Edwards, the theological and philosophical background of Edwards, his contribution to the Great Awakening, an analysis of his sermonic material, and his theological, philosophical, and ethical writing.

- **Jonathan Edwards and Andrew Fuller**
  - This course is a detailed study of certain aspects of the theology of Jonathan Edwards and Andrew Fuller such as the atonement, the Trinity, conversion and revival. Their piety as well as their response to various erroneous perspectives, such as Deism, Arminianism, Hyper-Calvinism, and Sandemanianism will be discussed.

- **American Church History**
  - This course covers the history of Christianity in America from the time of colonization to the present. The focus of attention will be on the milieu of Evangelical Protestantism and issues in American Catholicism that affect evangelical witness.

- **History of American Revivalism**
  - A study of revivalism in America from the Great Awakening through the “Electronic Church.” Historical conditions for awakening, outstanding personalities, and the development of institutional revivalism will be examined.

- **Fundamentalism and Evangelicalism**
  - A study of the origins and development of fundamentalist and evangelical movements in American Christianity, including consideration of how Southern Baptists related to the two and assessment of their successes and failures.

- **The African-American Church in Historical Perspective**
  - The purpose of this course is to trace the developments of African-American church histories in America with a major focus upon African-American Baptist histories. Other denominational histories are presented in the degree of their relative importance. Some attention will also be given to non-Christian black religious experiences as they have developed in the twentieth century. This course is also numbered 37200.

- **Classics of Christian Devotion**
  - A historical and interpretative study of selected devotional literature of the Christian church with some reflections on its contemporary relevance.

- **Survey of Systematic Theology**
  - A survey of the whole corpus of systematic theology, covering the doctrines of revelation and Scripture, God, humanity, sin,
Focused study is here given to the crucial doctrine of God’s primacy in seeking to grapple with our finite understandings of arbitrary importance. God’s self-revelation in Scripture will be given primacy in considering how contemporary Christians should understand and articulate this foundational doctrine.

A careful and systematic study of Christian doctrines, covering introduction to theology, revelation and Scripture, and the existence, attributes, and trune nature of God.

A careful and systematic study of Christian doctrines, covering creation and providence, angels, humanity, sin, and the person and work of Christ.

A study of the nature of biblical theology and its relationship to systematic theology with a special focus on a theological reading of Scripture, as practiced by evangelicals today.

A careful and systematic study of Christian doctrines, covering the person and work of the Holy Spirit, salvation, the church, and last things.

A biblical, historical, and systematic study is undertaken of the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. Special attention will be given to contemporary issues related to the rise of the Pentecostal and Charismatic movements. Scripture’s own teaching will be brought to bear in examining historical and contemporary issues, e.g., the filioque controversy, the relation of the Spirit and the Son both in eternity and in the incarnation, the baptism in the Holy Spirit, gifts of the Spirit, and walking in the Spirit.

Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

Biblical and historical studies on the origin, nature, and destiny of humanity with special reference to current views on anthropology.

A study is undertaken of the Christian doctrine of divine providence, God’s providential preservation of and governmental interrelationship with the world he has created. The examination of several models of divine providence will assist the exploration of several critical issues, e.g., the eternal will and purposes of God, human volition and moral responsibility, the role of prayer, God’s call to labor within his kingdom’s rule, the reality of miracles, and the problems and purposes involved in suffering and affliction.

Study is here undertaken of the epistemological foundation of the Christian faith through the doctrines of divine revelation broadly, and then of the Scriptures as special revelation, the only final and ultimate authority for Christian faith, life, and practice. Historical, philosophical, and contemporary issues will be examined with ultimate care given to understand Scripture’s own witness to these doctrines.

Aspects of God’s existence, attributes, trune nature, and work are examined, with focused attention being given to certain issues of historical, philosophical, biblical, and/or contemporary importance. God’s self-revelation in Scripture will be given primacy in seeking to grapple with our finite understandings of this infinite God.

Focused study is here given to the crucial doctrine of God’s trune being. Attention will be given to the history and outcome of the early church’s struggles to formulate Trinitarian doctrine, along with issues related to various ways this doctrine is being reexamined and reformulated today. Scripture’s own teachings will be given primacy in considering how contemporary Christians should understand and articulate this foundational doctrine.

The central conviction that God has graciously planned and carried out the salvation of sinners will be given focused study. Aspect of the doctrine will be emphasized, e.g., issues involved in divine election, the nature of saving faith, justification by faith, positional and progressive sanctification, the necessity of preserving faith, and the eternal security of those who savingly believe.

A study of the definitive issues (biblically, theologically, and historically) for interpreting the person of Jesus Christ, analyzing the various Christological traditions of the Church and the major contemporary options for conceptualizing the Incarnation.

A study of the Old Testament sacrificial system and Christian perspectives on atonement. Special attention will be given to New Testament texts relevant to a biblical and theological understanding of the death of Christ.

This course involves an investigation of several models of sanctification held within Christian movements and denominations today. Students will examine and evaluate these models bibli- cally, historically, and theologically, with the goal of developing their own proposals for understanding the doctrine of sanctification.

A study of those doctrines pertaining to last things as defined by classical theology: the kingdom of God, judgment, death, millennial perspectives, heaven and hell. An overview of contemporary perspectives on eschatology will be presented.

A critical study of the doctrine of the church and its ministry in Christian theology, giving careful attention to the biblical traditions, the historical development of ecclesiology, and the areas which are pertinent for contemporary Baptist ecclesiology.

An examination of worship in the Bible, both Old and New Testaments, with a view to developing a theology of worship that is consistent with the teachings of Scripture. Special attention will be paid to the appropriate application of this theology for the church today.

This course is a study of the theology and practice of worship. It is designed to help the student develop a biblical and practi- cal framework for planning and leading worship.

A study of primary theological themes of the Old Testament (e.g., the kingdom of God, covenant, Messiah, atonement and reconciliation, promise and fulfillment, faith, the coming of the Lord), exploring both the distinctive perspectives represented by specific compositions, and the manner in which the Old Testa- ment lays foundation for the biblical witness as a whole. The course will include an introduction to the history of and current trends in the theological interpretation of the Old Testament. Prerequisite: one semester of Hebrew.

A study of primary theological themes of the New Testament (e.g., the kingdom of God, covenant, Messiah, atonement and reconciliation, promise and fulfillment, faith, the coming of the Lord), exploring both the distinctive perspectives represented by specific compositions and the manner in which the New
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- Augustine and the Political Order: An exploration of the visual arts and the Protestant tradition. The course includes the iconoclastic controversy of the Protestant Reformation, important Protestant visual artists and their work, visual art and Protestant worship, and the history of Protestantism and the rise of modern visual culture.
- Contemporary Legal Issues and the Church in American Life: A study of the relationship between Christianity and the science fiction genre. The course will explore the history, nature, and theological dimensions of science fiction as well as the Christian science fiction tradition.
- Christianity, Truth and Culture: An investigation of and Christian worldview analysis of "high" as well as popular culture and cultural movements as exemplified in areas such as literature, the press, the educational system, film, TV, and music.
- Christian Doctrine and the Natural Sciences: An exploration of how Christian doctrine has been influenced and shaped by modern science, including how such theological concepts as miracles, theology, judgment, creation, absolutes, sovereignty, and mind, have been influenced by such scientific ideas as natural law, deep time, uniformity, evolution, relativity, chance, and brain.
- Origins: This course examines theological and scientific perspectives on the origin of the physical and biological world, ranging from theistic evolution to young-age creationism, engaging relevant issues of epistemology, theology, and philosophy of science.
- The Natural Sciences and the Local Church: Designed to aid those who minister in the local church in bringing science into the service of the kingdom. An examination of the true nature of science, the proper interaction between science and Christianity, and the utilization of science in worship, evangelism, obedience, and sanctification.
- History of Interaction Between Science and Theology: This course is an introduction to the history of the interaction between the study of the physical world (science) and the study of God (theology). It touches on the religion/science interaction in other cultures, then surveys the history of that interaction in western culture from Greek antiquity through the origin of modern science to modern times.
- Critical Thinking and the Art of Argumentation: An introduction to formal and informal logic with special reference to reasoning and the art of argument construction in the theological disciplines.
- History of Christian Legal and Political Thought: An historical survey of two millennia of Christian thought on the rule of law, the political order, church and state, rights and duties of individuals and institutions.
- The Protestant Reformation and Political Thought: An historical survey of Christian thought on the church's role in the public sphere and on the proper uses of the law.
- Church-State Relations and Religious Liberty in American Life: A study of the history of church-state relations in American theology and practice; and the critical contemporary issues in church-state relations in the United States today.
- Contemporary Legal Issues and the Church: A study of the legal issues facing churches, pastors, lay church members, and para-church organizations.
- Augustine and the Political Order: A study of the teachings of Augustine’s political thought, examining texts in historical, philosophical, and social context, for the modern church and world.
- Biblical Ethics: An examination of the biblical foundations of Christian ethics focusing on the major ethical teachings of the Old and New Testaments and biblical motifs in contemporary ethical thought.
- Studies in Ethics: Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.
- Christian Ethics and the Environment: A study of biblical and theological perspectives on the environment and human responsibility for it. Special attention will be given to the ecological crisis and its causes (e.g., greed, overconsumption, technology), as well as solutions offered from within a Christian worldview.
- Christian Ethics and Biomedical Issues: A study of ethical issues raised by the biomedical revolution in light of biblical and theological perspectives. Topics to be examined include the use of technology, abortion, infertility treatments, experimentation with research subjects, and euthanasia in the context of appropriate medical practice and patient treatment.
- The Church, the World, and Politics: A study of the mission of the church, political theology, and the contemporary American political scene. Attention is given to Christian social strategy, Catholic and Protestant, with reference to political issues.
- Christian Ethical Perspectives on War and Peace: A study of Christian perspectives on war and peace. Particular attention is given to the traditions of pacifism and just war in the light of biblical, theological, and philosophical reflection.
- Church-State Relations: A study of the theories of church-state relations, past and present, and the critical issues in church-state relations in the United States today.
- Christian Ethics and the Family: A study of the family from biblical and theological perspectives. Attention will be given to issues such as the role of the family in society, contemporary challenges to the traditional family, marriage, divorce and remarriage, contraception and reproductive technologies.
- Christian Ethics and Human Sexuality: A study of human sexuality from a Christian worldview perspective. Attention will be given to issues such as a theology of sexuality, the sexual revolution and contemporary perspectives about sex, as well as singleness and celibacy, marriage, divorce and remarriage, procreation and contraception, abortion, and reproductive technology.
Ministry and Proclamation

30000 Christian Preaching 3 hours
A basic course in principles of preaching as they relate to exegesis of the Hebrew and Greek texts, context, content, application, structure, style, and delivery of sermons. This course is offered to men only and is designed to prepare for a preaching ministry in local congregations. Women will substitute course 45400.

30020 Preaching Practicum 3 hours
Sermons by students who are preparing for a preaching ministry will be analyzed and evaluated by the instructor using live and video techniques with attention given to biblical content, organization, application, style, and delivery. Prerequisite: 30000. Women will substitute from courses 45450, 46515, or 48100.

30060 Preaching in a Pastoral Context 3 hours
A course designed to aid in the discipline of preaching in a pastoral setting. Attention will be given to the philosophy and planning of worship, planning pulpit work, gathering and use of preaching materials, and varying types of preaching.

30177 Studies in Preaching 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

30200 Worship in the African-American Church 3 hours
This course, through practical observation, reading, recordings, and dialogues, analyzes worship in the African-American Church tradition. Special attention is given to both music and homiletics as media in the African-American Church. This course is also numbered 37500.

30360 Expository Preaching 3 hours
A course designed to give the student experience in applying knowledge of exegetical and homiletical principles and techniques through the preparation of expository sermons.

30370 Preaching from the Old Testament 3 hours
Students will be guided in preparing sermons from a selected Old Testament book.

30560 Biblical Preaching 3 hours
A study of homiletical methods required for preaching on different types of biblical texts. This approach is made with special attention to the hermeneutical task.

30600 Preaching to Life Situations 3 hours
An exploration of the resources, models, and methods of preaching to the life needs of people. Special attention will be given to preaching to the crisis of grief and death as well as other life problems. Preaching in the context of worship services for communion, baptism, and weddings will also be examined.

30620 Doctrinal Preaching 3 hours
An examination of the methods and skills of preaching Christian doctrine. Attention will be focused on the preparation and communication of some of the cardinal theological themes of the Christian faith for preaching.

31980 Written Communication 2 hours
This course is designed to help students improve their writing style and develop a sense of confidence, a degree of competence, and criteria for evaluating their writing and the writing of others. The semester will include a review of the basic mechanics of writing (grammar, punctuation), a review of composition skills, and an introduction to specific needs for writing in seminary. Non-Credit.

34030 Medical Issues in Ministry 3 hours
This course will incorporate a theological and practical study of pertinent medical issues in pastoral ministry. Broad overviews of topics including anatomy and physiology will enable more effective ministry in key hospital settings (Emergency Department, Labor and Delivery, Surgery, Intensive Care and General Medical Wards). The goal will be the application of these insights into the practice of one's pastoral and/or counseling ministry.

34090 Counseling and Human Development 3 hours
This class will explore the major modern and Christian developmental theories, the application of developmental theory and research to counseling, all within a Christian worldview.

34300 Introduction to Biblical Counseling 3 hours
This course is a basic introduction to biblical counseling theory and techniques. Attention is focused on how the Scriptures and theology form the foundation and substance for Biblical counseling.

34305 Biblical and Theological Foundations for Counseling 3 hours
This course will explore the main theological and biblical themes of the Christian faith that bear on the biblical counseling task. This course will relate a biblical worldview to the claims of modern psychological theory and will provide a theoretical basis for church-based biblical counseling. Prerequisite: 34300.

34310 Essential Qualities of the Biblical Counselor 3 hours
This course will equip biblical counselors to cultivate the Christ-like character and qualities of the discipler/counselor. The course will focus on a thorough knowledge of biblical content about the life and practice of a discipler, how this content applies and relates to one's personal life as a counselor, and how to develop skills in implementing these truths into one's life.

34315 Contemporary Models of Counseling 3 hours
This course surveys major secular and Christian counseling theories and examines the essential components of a biblical understanding of psychology and counseling. The course will apply insights into the implications of these models for the life of the church and the task of the Great Commission.

34320 Christian Theories of the Person 3 hours
This course will explore the biblical and theological foundations of the nature of personhood and the meaning of human existence as it relates to the task of biblical counseling. The course will examine how alternative viewpoints of the meaning of life and the centrality of the "self" express themselves in terms of human spiritual and emotional health.

34325 The Care of Souls in the Congregation 3 hours
This course will equip pastors and church leaders to implement biblical counseling ministry into the life of a local congregation. The biblical and theological reasons for church-based counseling will be emphasized, along with practical training on how to integrate a counseling ministry with the other activities of the local church. Prerequisite: 34300.

34330 Typical Problems in Biblical Counseling 3 hours
This course is designed to apply the biblical principles taught in the Methods and Skills class to a range of specific counseling problems. Topics discussed include fear, sexual sins, depression, anxiety, eating problems, decision-making, suffering, views of self, and crisis counseling. Prerequisite: 34300.

34335 Gender, Marriage, and Sexuality 3 hours
This course examines issues of human gender, sexuality, and male-female relatedness from the perspective of biblical counseling. The course will address foundational issues of biblical masculinity and femininity, dating, courtship, marriage, headship and submission, sexuality, and procreation. Prerequisite: 34300.

34340 Parenting and Family Issues 3 hours
This course examines issues of childrearing and family discipleship from the perspective of biblical counseling. The course addresses foundational issues of the distinctive roles of the father and mother in the rearing of children, discipline, adoption, conflict resolution, education, and character development. Prerequisite: 34300.
34820  Biblical Counseling and Human Crisis  3 hours
A psychological and theological study of major life crises such as accidents, disasters, dying, grief, divorce and remarriage, addictions, physical and mental illness.

35040  Leadership and Family Ministry  3 hours
This course provides an overview of congregational leadership and organization of ministries designed to evangelize and disciple families. Theological, cultural, and practical issues related to ministry to children, teenagers, college students, singles, married couples, and senior adults will be addressed, with particular attention to how each of these aspects contributes to an overall congregational strategy of effective family discipleship.

35077  Studies in Biblical Counseling  3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

35100  Marriage and Family Counseling  3 hours
This course will be an examination of family problems including marriage, parenting, and financial issues. Attention will also be directed to pre-marital counseling. Pre-requisite: 34300.

35160  Marriage and Family Enrichment  3 hours
An experiential involvement in marriage and family enrichment. The principles and methods for developing models of marriage and family enrichment applicable to the local church will emerge from this experience and from theoretical materials. Spouses or fiancés must participate in this course. Students are expected to participate in the life of a local congregation for a minimum of 3 hours per week. Permission of professor required.

35530  Reformational Counseling Training I  3 hours
This course provides practical training in the methods of reformational counseling, soul-care based on the theology of the magisterial Reformation in its Baptist form. The course will also assist the student in addressing personal/relational issues that can get in the way of people-helping. The teaching of this course (RCT I) will focus on specific counseling modalities. Taking this course satisfies the AME requirements in various programs in the seminary. Prerequisite: 34300 or 35000.

35540  Reformational Counseling Training II  3 hours
This course provides practical training in the methods of reformational counseling, soul-care based on the theology of the magisterial Reformation in its Baptist form. The course will also assist the student in addressing personal/relational issues that can get in the way of people-helping. The teaching of this course (RCT II) will focus on how to address specific psychospiritual disorders in counseling. Taking this course satisfies the AME requirements in various programs in the seminary. Prerequisite: 34300 or 35000.

35605  Counseling Observations and Practicum  3 hours
This course is designed to help the student to apply principles of Biblical Counseling learned in other counseling courses. Effective Biblical Counseling is not just a matter of knowing what the Bible teaches about counseling related issues; it is also a matter of knowing how to effectively use that information in order to help people. In other words, counseling involves skill in practice as well as knowledge of Biblical content. Prerequisites: 34300, 34330, 34335.

35590  Counseling Internships  3 hours
This course is designed to provide a supervised and evaluated internship. It consists of at least two counseling sessions of observed and practiced counseling per week. Consequently, all assignments and teaching in counseling courses will be aimed not merely at giving Biblical content, but also at developing in students the skill to understand and apply Scripture in very practical and specific ways to the issues of life. A majority of the work done for this class will be done outside of the class meeting time. The practice of counseling involves applied theology, so this class is to encourage careful, critical thought in the proper application of biblical truth to the serious problems of people's lives. Prerequisites: 34300, 34330, 34335, 35585.

35591  Counseling Internships II  3 hours
This course is designed to provide an extended supervised and evaluated internship experience. It consists of 25-30 counseling sessions throughout the semester. Consequently, all assignments and teaching in counseling courses will be aimed not merely at giving biblical content, but also at developing in students the skill to understand and apply Scripture in very practical and specific ways to the issues of life. The practice of counseling involves applied theology, so this class is to encourage careful, critical thought in the proper application of biblical truth to the serious problems of people's lives. Some assistance will be provided for the student in obtaining counseling appointments.

40150  Personal Spiritual Disciplines  2 hours
An integrative approach to Christian spirituality emphasizing biblical, classical, and contemporary materials. This course will assist the student in personal discipleship through spiritual disciplines such as prayer, Scripture memory, Bible study, fasting, journaling, and personal evangelism.

40301  Pastoral Ministry  3 hours
The course is a guide to the integration of theological and practical aspects of ministry, designed to aid the student's transition to full-time ministry in a church-related vocation. Congregational leadership issues are emphasized, including relational skills, administration, financial stewardship, staff management, worship planning, weddings, funerals, baptisms, and the Lord's Supper.

40302  The Practice of Ministry for Women  3 hours
This course is designed to prepare and assist female students to make the transition from the classroom to fulltime employment in a church-related vocation. It will present the main views of women in ministry and help each woman solidify her own convictions in this area. It will give attention to many practical aspects of ministry that women will encounter (including leadership skills, staff relational skills, etc.) as well as emphasize programs with which women will particularly need to be familiar.

40370  Advanced M.Div. Thesis Research  2 hours
Supervised research on a thesis topic.

40375  Advanced M.Div. Thesis Writing  2 hours
Final research and writing of a thesis under the supervision of a professor in the field of the thesis topic.

44560  Supervised Research Experience  2 hours
The SRE is designed for those who undergo faculty-supervised library research, generally for the purpose of writing a thesis or major paper. This SRE requires that the student’s plan of research and project be approved by the Advanced M.Div. Director and carried out by an approved faculty advisor. Intended primarily for Advanced Master of Divinity students.

44910  Applied Ministry: Theology  2 hours
Approved placement of at least nine hours weekly in a ministry position with weekly small group supervision. Goals and objectives as well as procedures and strategies for ministry in churches, agencies, and communities are the focus for reflective learning. Prerequisite: 40150 and Applied Ministry Orientation.

Missions, Evangelism and Church Growth

30960  Intercultural Communication  3 hours
Study of elements operative upon individuals, groups, organizations, and larger societal units as they attempt to communicate in an intercultural context. Emphasis is upon increase of fidelity and effectiveness of intercultural communication.

32030  Introduction to Evangelism and Church Growth  3 hours
An introduction to the disciplines of evangelism and church
growth that moves from their biblical basis and theological foundations to a study of strategies, methodologies, and trends with a focus on their practical application. Particular attention is given to the Church Growth Movement and its historical emphasis on evangelistic church growth.

32040 Advanced Studies in Evangelism and Church Growth 3 hours
An advanced study of evangelistic church growth, with a particular focus on diagnosing church health and strategizing to build a Great Commission church. Emphasis is given to the biblical and theological foundation necessary for growing an evangelistic church. Prerequisite: 32030.

32060 Building an Evangelistic Church 3 hours
A study of significant components needed to develop an evangelistic church. Emphasis is given to biblical, theological, and methodological principles as a frame of reference to consider the church’s understanding of its context, mission statement, potential leadership, evangelistic methods and programs.

32080 Evangelism and Spiritual Formation 3 hours
A study of the relationships between evangelism and spiritual growth in the Christian experience and discipleship. Emphasis will be placed on the means of effecting and maintaining spiritual formation in recent converts.

32100 Personal Evangelism 3 hours
A study of personal evangelism designed to equip the minister to train others in a variety of skills related to personal evangelism. This required course cannot be satisfied through transfer credit.

32160 Evangelistic Preaching 3 hours
An intensive study of how to prepare and preach an evangelistic sermon. The course includes the history of evangelistic preaching, basic homiletics, the theology of evangelism and sermon content, follow-up to evangelistic preaching, and the actual delivery of an evangelistic sermon.

32177 Studies in Evangelism and Church Growth 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

32200 Contemporary Evangelism 3 hours
A detailed study of current trends and opportunities in evangelism, with special attention to effective, innovative evangelism ministries in specific churches and movements.

32210 The Ministry of the Itinerant Evangelist 3 hours
A study of the ministry of the itinerant evangelist considering biblical, historical and theological principles, reflecting on significant contemporary issues, and examining the relevance of the role of the itinerant evangelist in the life of the church.

32260 The Theology of Evangelism 3 hours
This course examines the practical implications of theology for the task of evangelism and critiques contemporary theological perspectives and evangelistic methodologies in relation to one another.

32300 The Principles of Spiritual Awakenings 3 hours
The history and the theological/biblical principles involved in awakenings and the sociological milieu from which they emerged.

32310 Spiritual Warfare in Evangelism and Missions 3 hours
An examination of spiritual warfare, with a particular focus on the relationship between warfare and evangelism and missions. Attention is given to the biblical, historical, and contemporary perspectives of spiritual conflict.

32330 Urban Evangelism and Church Growth 3 hours
A study of evangelism and church growth strategies in urban settings, with attention given to urbanization and the role of the church in the city. Theological, sociological, and methodological research applicable to the church in the city is emphasized.

32400 Field Involvement: Local Church Evangelism 3 hours
A research and laboratory training course in church-centered evangelism. Professor’s permission required.

32460 Strategies for Youth Evangelism 3 hours
An examination of the development and implementation of strategies for youth evangelism. Attention given to the use of retreats, witness skill development, small groups, youth revivals, special events, leadership development, visitation, and discipleship. A critical introduction to current youth evangelism programs.

32750 History of Christian Missions 3 hours
An intensive study of the worldwide expansion of Christianity from apostolic times to the present.

32860 The Biblical Basis of Christian Missions 3 hours
A missiological study of the Old and New Testament, with special attention being focused on socio-human issues of justice and liberation, and salvific themes of redemption and spiritual renewal, as these relate to the mission of God, the mission of human societies, and the mission of the church.

32900 Cults and Minority Religions in America 3 hours
A historical and critical study of American religious minorities such as Mormonism, Christian Science, Jehovah’s Witnesses, Baha’i and others.

32960 Introduction to Missiology 3 hours
An evaluation of missiological thought with a view to developing a contemporary theology of mission: the what, why, and how of missions.

32977 Studies in World Religions 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

32980 World Religions and the Christian Faith 3 hours
An evaluatory study and appreciation of methods and approaches of third world Christians in their dialogical interaction with the missiological concerns for peoples of other faiths.

32985 History and Religion of Islam 3 hours
This course has a double focus. The course is a historical study of Islamic civilization from its origins up to the modern era and a study of the foundational religious doctrines and practices of the Islamic tradition. The course will consist of lectures, site visits, videos, and student presentations.

32986 Issues in Contemporary Islam 3 hours
This course deals with various substantive issues facing the Islamic tradition in the modern world. The specific issues will vary but will include: Islamic fundamentalism, Islam and terrorism, Islamic modernism, the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, Islamic missions, and Islam in the West.

32987 Islamic Thought: Belief and Practice 3 hours
This course will explore Muslim belief and practice in its various forms. Special attention will be given to the Qur’an and Hadith. The course will focus on the Sunni tradition, but will also cover Shi’ite and Sufi beliefs and practices. Folk Islam will also be covered as it represents a major part of the Muslim world.

32990 Islam and the Christian Mission 3 hours
This course has a double focus. The first part of the course is a historical and phenomenological study of the Islamic religious tradition. The second part of the course is a study of the Christian Mission to Muslim peoples. The course will consist of lectures, guest speakers with practical missionary experience in the Muslim world, videos, and student presentations.

33000 Cultural Anthropology 3 hours
A sociological study of the institution of culture. The purpose is to enable students to understand their own culture and prepare them to relate to persons of another culture and to share the Gospel therein.

33005 Ethnographic Research 3 hours
Ethnographic qualitative research focuses on understanding and describing human cultures and intercultural interaction rather than traditional experimental, empirical, and statistical (quantitative) research. The central purpose of the course will
Communication in Oral Cultures 3 hours
This course concentrates upon effective interaction with cultures of "primary oral learners"; i.e., preliterate people groups that are further characterized by a relational approach to life and non-linear, non-abstract thought patterns. The course seeks to prepare students to communicate with, teach, and interact with preliterate oral culture people groups in culturally appropriate ways utilizing narrative and oral tradition communication patterns.

Field Seminar in Church Planting 3 hours each
An off-campus learning experience in which students will participate in new church starts under the direction of a professor and a mentor in the field. The experience may be either in North America or abroad. Permission of the professor is required.

Principles and Practice of Missions 3 hours
A study of the home and foreign missionary; qualifications for service; methods and types of missionary work; and contemporary developments and problems which affect Christian missions.

Area Study in Christian Missions 3 hours
An analysis of the cultural environment, religious heritage, and the structure of Southern Baptist missions in a specific geographic region of the world. Emphasis will be given to needs and opportunities for missions service on this field.

Missions in North America 3 hours
A study of the contemporary scene in Southern Baptist North American missions, including considerations regarding a strategy for an effective mission to America.

Global Youth Culture 3 hours
Basic determinants critical to adolescent culture will be evaluated and observed. Identification, integration, and application of the contemporary youth culture are emphasized. Focusing on the science of the anthropological and societal nature of the "people grouping" of the young. Special attention will be given to reaching the global adolescent within the context of his or her culture.

Principles and Practices of the Intercultural Youth Minister 3 hours
This course examines the critical competencies of the intercultural youth minister. Special attention is given to leadership qualifications, administrative skills, and pastoral duties distinctive to those who work specifically with youth and their families.

Applied Intercultural Youth Ministry 3 hours
In this course students will explore local church program development for intercultural youth ministry. Course material includes volunteer enlistment and training methods.

Strategies for Cross Cultural Youth Ministry 3 hours
This course is an examination of the development and implementation of philosophical paradigms and strategies for cross-cultural youth ministry such as local church youth group involvement in international youth ministry and training for the implementation of short-term youth cross-cultural experiences. Orientation to various student ministry positions, principles necessary for successful student missions programming, and a survey of methodology involved will be presented. Special attention will be given to connecting with and accessing resources through the International Mission Board and North American Mission Board. Prerequisite: 46110 Advanced Youth Ministry. Also taught under 46125.

Language Learning for Missionaries 3 hours
This course is a specialized course for students involved in the Master of Divinity in Missions with emphasis in International Church Planting. The course will be field based; that is, the course will be taught on an international mission field. The course of study will be supervised by a member of the missions department, but the actual teaching will be provided by missionaries and nationals designated by the International Mission Board. The purpose of the course is to teach the church planter interns to speak at a basic level in their target culture.

Cultural Acquisition for Missionaries 3 hours
This course is a specialized course for students in the Master of Divinity in Missions with emphasis in International Church Planting. The course will be field-based; that is, the course will be taught on an international mission field. The course of study will be supervised by a member of the missions department, but the actual teaching will be provided by missionaries and nationals designated by the International Mission Board. The purpose of the course is to teach the church planter interns to function appropriately in their target culture.

Field Research in Missions 3 hours
This is a field-based course that offers students the opportunity to engage in missions research. Students will be required to travel to an off-campus site to study an ethnolinguistic group and gauge their responsiveness to the gospel.

Studies in Missions 3 hours
Selected studies in specialized areas within this discipline, as designed by a professor and offered with administrative approval.

Ministry to Hispanics 3 hours
This course is designed to prepare the student for ministry to the burgeoning Hispanic population in the United States and the twenty-one countries of Latin America. It includes an orientation to the Spanish language for ministry and evangelism as well as the challenges common to Latin American cultures such as Roman Catholicism and immigration.

Major Living World Religions 3 hours
A phenomenological and historical study of Primal Religion and the primary religious traditions of East Asia, South Asia, Southeast Asia and the Middle East, with particular attention to the challenges of modernization and secularization.

Introduction to Church Planting 3 hours
This course is a study of the biblical and missiological principles of church planting. Though this course is focused on church planting principles, particular emphasis will be placed on the practical implementation of such principles. Students will also be introduced to the respective church planting degree programs of the North American Mission Board and the International Mission Board.

Contextualized Church Planting 3 hours
This advanced course in church planting addresses the biblical, missiological principles, and methods necessary for planting indigenous churches, with an emphasis on the cultural context. Prerequisite: Introduction to Church Planting (33820)

Models of Church Planting 3 hours
This is an advanced course in church planting. Students will study and evaluate several different models of church planting in light of biblical and missiological principles. Prerequisite: 33820 or 33830.

Principles and Methods of Local Church Growth 3 hours
An integrated study of socio-economic factors, organizational structures, and biblical principles that influence assimilation or loss of church members. Prerequisite: 32030

Apologetics in the Local Church 3 hours
A study of the role of apologetics in the local church. Emphasis is given to understanding ways of integrating apologetics training into the teaching ministry of the church. Attention will also be given to understanding how the intrinsic life of the local church can be an apologetic for the faith.

Church Multiplication Strategies 3 hours
This course is an advanced course in church planting. Building upon biblical and missiological principles of church planting, students will study the necessary component of healthy church multiplication strategies for reaching a people group or population segment. During this course, students will develop an
Church and Society

44930 Applied Ministry: BGS Evangelism ½ hour
Approved placement of at least nine hours weekly in a ministry position with weekly small group supervision. Goals and objectives as well as procedures and strategies for ministry in churches, agencies, and communities are the focus for reflective learning. Prerequisite: 40150 and Applied Ministry Orientation.

44945 Applied Ministry: BGS 2+2/3 International ½ hour
Approved placement in an international missions position with guided supervision. Goals and objectives as well as procedures and strategies for ministry in an international setting are the focus for reflective learning. Open only to students approved for the 2+2/3 Program. Prerequisite: 40150.

44946 Intercultural Youth Ministry Field Education: Campus Outreach 1 hour
Approved placement of at least nine hours weekly in a ministry position in intercultural youth ministry with weekly individual and small group supervision focused on individual, family, or small group ministry using verbatims, case studies, and other written reports for reflective learning.

44947 Intercultural Youth Ministry Field Education: Leadership 1 hour
Approved placement of at least nine hours weekly in a ministry position in intercultural youth ministry with weekly individual and small group supervision focused on individual, family, or small group ministry using verbatims, case studies, and other written reports for reflective learning.

Church Music and Worship

31510 Dramatized Scripture 2 hours
Adaptation and presentation of scripture in dramatic form and production, including biblical script adaptations, speech styles, and contemporary culture.

36500 Church Action in the Community 3 hours
An exploration of the multiple forms of Christian ministry and social action whereby a church can have impact on its community, through creative strategies of evangelism and intentional, aggressive social interaction. Special attention will be given to the (1) theological foundations for social concern, (2) an analysis of the social organizations related to church concerns, and (3) how the church can involve itself within the community context. This course is a lecture course that is attached to 44420 Supervised Ministry Experience: Church and Society.

36550 A Church for the Twenty-First Century 3 hours
Emphasis will be given to the church’s interaction with cultural and social change as we move into the twenty-first century. The church and minister as change agents will be addressed; and since change brings conflict, conflict management will be included in the lecture material. Contextualizing ministry and evangelism in a changing world will be central to the course.

37600 The Ministry of the Black Church 3 hours
The origin, development, distinctive, and contributions of the Black Church. Particular attention is given to contemporary trends, with an emphasis upon Black Baptists. Opportunities for contact with Black churches and church persons are provided during the course. This course is also numbered 40400.

37650 Pastoral Care in the Urban Context 3 hours
An examination of contemporary pastoral care issues, models, and techniques utilized in the context of the church serving primarily the urban and African-American community.
40695  Worship Leadership Workshop I  0 hours
Two one-day workshops in the fall semester taught by guest
music ministers or significant leaders in worship. Each student
will be required to take two semesters of the Worship Leader-
ship Workshops.

40696  Worship Leadership Workshop II  0 hours
Two one-day workshops in the spring semester taught by guest
music ministers or significant leaders in worship. Each student
will be required to take two semesters of the Worship Leader-
ship Workshops.

41005  Introduction to Music Ministry  2 hours
An introduction to the views and writings of leading thinkers
and practitioners in the field of church music. Attention will be
given to developing a philosophy of music ministry and admin-
istering a comprehensive music ministry.

41016  Integrative Seminar in Church Music
and Worship  2 hours
A capstone course for church music and worship students
to be taken in the last semester of study. Theology, ministry,
music, and worship courses are synthesized, with concentra-
tion on writing a philosophy of church music, résumé writing,
interviewing, and preparing a worship video project. Prerequi-
site: 44992

41070  Writing Songs for Worship  2 hours
An in-depth approach to writing and developing criteria for
words and music for congregational worship. Projects involve
writing hymns, psalm paraphrases, and contemporary worship
songs in various styles, and composing contemporary settings
for traditional texts. Course prerequisite: Introductory Music
Theory. 41085 Hymnology I recommended.

41085  Introduction to Hymnology  2 or 3 hours
An introduction to the study and use of hymns in the various
ministries of the church, with particular attention to corporate
worship. Offered in fall semesters only.

41090  Congregational Song in World Cultures  2 or 3 hours
A cross-cultural survey of Christian congregational worship
songs and hymns (texts and music) in the context of a world
music overview of characteristic indigenous music from the
major musical traditions of the world.

41093  Congregational Song Since 1960  2 hours
A survey of congregational song repertoires in evangelical Protes-
tant worship primarily in the United States, with special empha-
sis on Southern Baptist worship, from ca. 1960 to the present.
Songs and hymns are examined in their cultural and historical
contexts, using musical, theological, and poetic analysis, and
evaluated for their effectiveness in various worship contexts.

41095  Ethnomusology in Christian Ministry  3 hours
A foundational course introducing theoretical and practical
tools for church planters and worship facilitators to serve more
effectively in cross-cultural worship ministry, whether over-
seas or in multi-ethnic North American churches. Covers mis-
siological framework for music and arts in multicultural and
cross-cultural church contexts, field research and interview-
ing, analysis of song lyrics, models for research and practice,
and a body of worship music from diverse world music tradi-
tions. Congregational Song in World Cultures (41090) recom-
mented but not required. Music reading skills not required.

41099  Applied Ethnomusology  3 hours
A study course of a given musical tradition involving 2-3 weeks
in-country with instruction and daily performance in an instru-
mental and/or vocal music tradition of the culture, observa-
tions of indigenous musicians, and culture study events,
sightseeing, interviews, or related field experiences by which to
understand the culture and absorb the cultural significance of
the musical genres studied.

41100  Hymnology II  2 hours
Critical study of hymn tunes with emphasis on contemporary
trends.

41110  Baptist Hymnody  3 hours
Historical survey of the role of Baptists in writing hymns, comp-
iling hymnals, and using hymns in the life and work of the
church, with attention to cultural and theological contexts.
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57800 Piano Pedagogy I 2 hours
Procedures and materials from the first lesson through the intermediate level. Offered in spring semesters only.

57850 Piano Pedagogy II 2 hours

57900 Graduate Recital: Piano 1 hour
Seven hours of private instruction.

58000 Pre-Graduate Minor: Woodwind 1 hour
Private study for beginning and advanced woodwind minors. One-half hour private lesson.

58010 Pre-Graduate Minor: Brass 1 hour
Private study for beginning and advanced brass minors. One-half hour private lesson.

58020 Pre-Graduate Minor: String 1 hour
Private study for beginning and advanced string minors. One-half hour private lesson.

58030 Pre-Graduate Minor: Percussion 1 hour
Private study for beginning and advanced percussion minors. One-half hour private lesson.

58050 Pre-Graduate Major: Woodwind 2 hours
Forty-five minute private lesson per week or one-half hour lesson and a pedagogy session.

58060 Pre-Graduate Major: Brass 2 hours
Forty-five minute private lesson per week or one-half hour lesson and a pedagogy session.

58070 Pre-Graduate Major: String 2 hours
Forty-five minute private lesson per week or one-half hour lesson and a pedagogy session.

58080 Pre-Graduate Major: Percussion 2 hours
Forty-five minute private lesson per week or one-half hour lesson and a pedagogy session.

58100 Private Study: Woodwind 1 hour
One-half hour private lesson.

58110 Private Study: Brass 1 hour
One-half hour private lesson.

58120 Private Study: String 1 hour
One-half hour private lesson.

58130 Private Study: Percussion 1 hour
One-half hour private lesson.

58150 M.C.M./M.Div.C.M./M.M. Concentration: Woodwind 2 hours
May include recital requirements. One-half hour private lesson. One hour pedagogy session.

58160 M.C.M./M.Div.C.M./M.M. Concentration: Brass 2 hours
May include recital requirements. One-half hour private lesson. One hour pedagogy session.

58170 M.C.M./M.Div.C.M./M.M. Concentration: String 2 hours
May include recital requirements. One-half to three-quarter hour private lesson; may include pedagogy instruction.

58180 M.C.M./M.Div.C.M./M.M. Concentration: Percussion 2 hours
May include recital requirements. One-half to three-quarter hour private lesson; may include pedagogy instruction.

58200 M.C.M./M.M. Performance Major: Woodwind 3 hours
May include recital requirements. Forty-five minute private lesson.

58210 M.C.M./M.M. Performance Major: Brass 3 hours
May include recital requirements. Forty-five minute private lesson.

58220 M.C.M./M.M. Performance Major: String 3 hours
May include recital requirements. Forty-five minute private lesson.

58230 M.C.M./M.M. Performance Major: Percussion 3 hours
May include recital requirements. Forty-five minute private lesson.

58620 Beginning Class: Guitar 1 hour
Prerequisite: 58620 or permission of instructor.

58640 Advanced Class: Guitar, Folk 1 hour

58800 Orchestral Instrumental Pedagogy 2 hours
Methods and materials. All four orchestral families.

58900 Graduate Recital: Woodwind 1 hour
Seven hours of private instruction.

58910 Graduate Recital: Brass 1 hour
Seven hours of private instruction.

58920 Graduate Recital: String 1 hour
Seven hours of private instruction.

58930 Graduate Recital: Percussion 1 hour
Seven hours of private instruction.

Leadership and Church Ministry

40080 The Ministry of Leadership 3 hours
A study of the nature of Christian leadership in the context of the local church ministry. The church as an organism and an organization is examined. The nature and purpose of the church is analyzed. Essential character qualities and leadership competencies are developed. Special attention is given to the skills necessary to guiding the local church through various elements of change and obstacles toward biblical effectiveness.

41500 The Minister of Education 3 hours
A practical study of the person and work of the Minister of Education on a local church staff. Focus is upon personal and professional characteristics which enhance effective functioning, as well as upon required skills, expectations, and ministry problems and possibilities.

41700 The Role of the Minister to Children and Families 3 hours
A study of the role of ministers to children and directors in children's programs, including day care and church kindergartens. The objectives, methods, materials, and trends of church programs for children will be reviewed.

41800 The Youth and Family Minister 3 hours
An examination of various designs for developing a biblically based, purpose driven, church ministry for contemporary youth. The personal integrity, professional qualities, skills, ministry problems and expectations of the Minister of Youth are examined.

42210 Team Ministry Relations 3 hours
An analysis of servant leader roles and ministry team dynamics in a multiple-staff ministry in the local church.

42410 Dynamics of Organizational Leadership 3 hours
A study of the principles and practices for effectively managing the business affairs of a church. Financial management, budgeting, office supervision, personnel administration, building construction and maintenance, food service, and related areas are explored.

42450 Change and Conflict Management 3 hours
An analysis of the leadership role of the minister in managing change and conflict. Principles for leading organizational change and diffusing conflict are examined.

42490 Cooperative Program 0 hours
A study of the history, character, and purpose of the Cooperative Program. We will reflect on such matters as the basis and structure of cooperation, the most effective means to accomplish the Great Commission, and the central role of the Cooperative Program in Southern Baptist missionary efforts.

42710 The Southern Baptist Convention Annual Meeting 3 hours
A study of the Southern Baptist Convention and its decision-making processes through participation in the annual meeting
of the Southern Baptist Convention. Students will attend the pre-convention sessions as well as sessions of the convention, and discussion and evaluation sessions both during the con-
vention and in regularly scheduled class discussions afterward. Permission of professor required.

42751 Leadership and Church Ministry Workshop 0 hours
An exploration of a current issue in Christian education and leadership designed to integrate theory and practice. Two workshops are required. Six contact hours. Non-credit. Fee(s) as required.

42754 Leadership and Church Ministry Conference 0 hours
An exploration of a current issue in Christian education and leadership through a conference designed for professional development. One conference may be substituted for a CE and Leadership workshop. Pre-approval required. Six instructional hours required. Non-credit. Fee(s) as required.

43000 Ministries to College Students 3 hours
A study of ministries with college students in church and campus settings. Attention is given to both traditional and non-traditional college students. History and philosophy of and current approaches to student ministry are addressed. A four-day mission/observation trip may be required.

43200, 43220 Campus Ministry Internship 6 hours each
An internship program designed to afford ministry experience under close supervision for the student who contemplates serving in campus ministry or in some other ministry in a college-oriented community upon graduation. A student who is accepted as an enrollee in the program is required to serve in a paid college-oriented position under the direction of an approved field supervisor for a period of nine months. Permission of professor required.

43400 The Christian Faith and the University 3 hours
A study of the contemporary university and the relation of reli-
gion to its function as well as significant aspects implicit in formulating a Christian philosophy of higher education. Areas of creative tension between church and university are consid-
ered.

43450 Discipleship in College Ministry 3 hours
This course explores the principles and methods of spiritual maturing in the lives of late adolescents. Investigation of the psychological, developmental, social, and environmental fac-
tors which influence spiritual development in college students. Special attention is given to exploring the Biblical and theologi-
cal foundations for discipleship in college ministry and mak-
ing application to the discipleship process. Models and other paradigms for small group ministry to college students are also discussed.

43500 College Ministry Field Education: Survey ½ hour
An experiential learning introduction of field education at a SCM approved site. This course gives the student the opportu-
nity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective college ministry under the guidance of a tenured college ministry professional. Prerequisite: First-year Status, interview with SCM College Ministry Coordinator.

43503 College Ministry Field Education: Leadership ½ hour
This experiential learning course focuses on leadership develop-
ment of laymen. A minimum of five hours per week is required. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective college ministry under the guidance of a tenured college ministry professional. Prerequisite: Interview with SCM College Ministry Coordinator.

43519 Leadership Field Education: Survey ½ hour
An experiential learning introduction of field education at a SCM approved site church. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective leadership and church ministry under the guidance of a tenured ministry professional.

43519 Leadership Field Education: Small Groups ½ hour
This experiential learning course focuses on the traditional Sun-
day School and small group shepherding at a SCM approved site church under the supervision of a tenured ministry profes-
ional. A minimum of five hours per week is required.

43519 Leadership Field Education: Outreach ½ hour
Participation in and/or the supervision of evangelism to fami-
lies at a SCM approved site church under the supervision of a tenured ministry professional. A minimum of five hours per week is required.

43519 Leadership Field Education: Leadership ½ hour
Requires serving at a SCM approved site church under the supervision of a tenured ministry professional. This experiential
45450  The Ministry of Teaching Practicum  3 hours
This course is designed to give students a laboratory experience, with coaching, in the art and skill of communicating the Bible in a classroom teaching style with the purpose of facilitating nurture.

45700  Education of the Preschool Child  3 hours
A study of the relation of patterns of social, emotional, physical, cognitive, and spiritual growth of young children to educational principles. Emphasis is first placed on development of growth, then on learning activities, materials, and equipment appropriate to teaching young children. Observation and participation competencies are developed within the context of church program organizations in the church.

45760  Education of the School Age Child: Grades One to Six  3 hours
A study of the growth characteristics and needs of children of ages 6-12, as related to educational principles. Emphasis is first placed on development of growth, then on learning activities, materials, and equipment appropriate to teaching school age children. Observation and participation competencies are developed under supervision of faculties of programs for younger, middle, and older children.

45800  Discipling Children  3 hours
A study of the spiritual development of children from birth through eleven years of age. The relationship of moral and spiritual development to curricular materials of church organizations is examined.

45810  Effective Communication with Children  3 hours
This course is designed to give students a laboratory experience, with coaching, in the art and skill of communicating biblical truths to children.

45860  Current Trends in Childhood Education  3 hours
An exploration of ways the church can minister to the modern family in all its forms: the single person, the couple with no children, and parents of children in various stages of development. Attention is given to the needs of each form of family and how the church can help meet those needs through education, program design, and other ministries.

45900  Children's Ministry Field Education: Survey  ½ hour
An experiential learning introduction of field education at a SCM School approved site. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective family discipleship ministry under the guidance of a tenured family discipleship ministry professional. Prerequisite: First-year Status, interview with SCM Family Discipleship Ministry Coordinator.

45910  Children's Ministry Field Education: Small Groups  ½ hour
Participation in and/or the supervision of small group discipleship at a SCM School approved site. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective family discipleship ministry under the guidance of a tenured family discipleship ministry professional. Prerequisite: First-year Status, interview with SCM Family Discipleship Ministry Coordinator.

45920  Children's Ministry Field Education: Outreach  ½ hour
Participation in and/or the supervision of evangelism to families at a SCM School approved site under the supervision of a tenured family discipleship ministry professional. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective family discipleship ministry under the guidance of a tenured family discipleship ministry professional. Prerequisite: Interview with SCM Family Discipleship Ministry Coordinator.

45930  Children's Ministry Field Education: Leadership  ½ hour
This experiential learning course focuses on leadership development of laymen. A minimum of five hours per week is required. This course gives the student the opportunity to serve a minimum of five hours per week observing and participating in an effective discipleship ministry to families under the guidance of a tenured family discipleship ministry professional. Prerequisite: Interview with SCM Family Discipleship Ministry Coordinator.

45940  The Ministry of Teaching  3 hours
An exploration of instructional designs and teaching resources for creative and effective bible teaching in the local church and other ministry contexts.

45950  The Ministry of Teaching Practicum  3 hours
This course is designed to give students a laboratory experience, with coaching, in the art and skill of communicating the Bible in a classroom teaching style with the purpose of facilitating nurture.
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46505  Adult Educational Ministry in the Local Church 3 hours
A study in identifying foundational issues of effective educational ministry for adults in the local church. Adult developmental theories, ministries, programs and strategies and teaching approaches particularly unique to adults will be included in the course.

48100  Presentation Skills for Church Leaders 3 hours
Practical instruction in the basic elements of public speaking and communication skills. Class dynamics will include a variety of contributing lecturers, a professional three day workshop/conference, and a practicum.

48300  Biblical Womanhood 3 hours
A careful examination of Scripture’s definition of biblical womanhood and how that is in contrast to the world’s view of womanhood is the basis for this course. Special attention will be given to key Scriptural passages dealing with womanhood, femininity, and the role of women in the home and church.

48350  Women and Family Issues 3 hours
This course will examine critical issues that women experience and discuss education, prevention, and intervention relating to the church’s ministry to women and family. Singleness, marriage, divorce, relationships, parenting, sexuality, and life cycle issues will be considered.

48400  Women and Missions 3 hours
Students will be introduced to historic female missionaries as well as contemporary women serving on the mission field during this course. Attention will be given to the strong connection between women and missions throughout the history of the Southern Baptist Convention. Discussion will also include evangelism strategies and resources for reaching women for Christ.

48500  Leadership Skill Development for Women 3 hours
An in-depth look at leadership styles and skill development as it relates to women is the focus of this course. Students will identify their own leadership style and learn how to improve their existing skills to enhance their ministry. Attention will also be given to spiritual gifts and personality characteristics as they relate to leadership issues.

48550  Women’s Leadership Practicum 3 hours
The purpose of this course is to take the students to locations where women are serving in ministry leadership positions and to help them understand the many aspects of ministry open to them. Special effort is made to include ministries such as: women’s, children, preschool, girls, students, music, counseling, missions, evangelism, education, as well as other creative forms of ministry.

48600  Women and Evangelism 3 hours
This course gives practical training for women in evangelism. A major portion of the course will focus on training in the HeartCall method of evangelism, reviewing additional strategies and resources for incorporating evangelism into a women’s ministry, and identifying women who have significantly impacted their sphere of influence through outreach and evangelism.

48700  Women and Prayer 3 hours
Students will study the basics of prayer and intercession and the mechanics of initiating and implementing a prayer team ministry. Participants will be trained how to minister and intercede for others. They will learn the six steps of intercession, six basic types of prayer, how/why to administer a pre-prayer profile, how to choose and train prayer team members, and how to utilize prayer teams in specific ministry situations.

48800  Feminist Theology 3 hours
Historical and theoretical foundations of American feminism will be considered through the investigation of the writings of selected feminists. Skills of analysis and experience in applying these skills will be part of the course work. Feminist theologians and their respective works will also be considered, as well as what has been labeled “biblical” or “evangelical” feminism and its impact upon modern religious experience.

48900  Women, Crisis, and Conflict 3 hours
An analysis of crises and conflict as experienced by women and how they can be managed from a biblical perspective in the church.

**Doctoral Studies (80000-96990)**

**Professional Doctoral Studies**

80221- Applied Ministry Experience
80224  in Korean Church Leadership I, II, III, IV 2 hours each
The utilization of field experience in the student’s ministry setting to test theory and methodology in the practice of ministry, with specific attention given to Korean Church Leadership.

80300  Christian Scripture and the Practice of Ministry 4 hours
An examination of contemporary approaches to biblical interpretation with a focus upon their use in the practice of ministry.

80311  Theological, Historical and Practical Issues in Expository Preaching 4 hours
An examination of the theology, history and practice of expository preaching. Attention will be given to the biblical/theological basis for expository preaching, the historical developments of expository preaching, and hermeneutical issues related to the art of expository preaching. The essential and relevant nature of expository preaching for the contemporary church will be emphasized.

80312  Expository Preaching and the Old Testament 4 hours
An introduction to the interpretation of the Old Testament with the view to discovering, translating, and communicating in sermonic form the author’s intended messages. Following a general introduction to the interpretation of the Old Testament, attention will be devoted to appropriate hermeneutical strategies to be applied to different genres of biblical literature and demonstrating the relevance of the Old Testament message for the church and the world today.

80313  Expository Preaching and the New Testament 4 hours
A study of the New Testament background for preaching with the view to discovering, translating, and communicating in sermonic form the author’s intended messages. Emphasis will be placed on selection of a text and steps involved in sound exegesis.

80314  Methods and Models of Expository Preaching 4 hours
This seminar will feature the story of the art of expository preaching through the examination of major homiletical methods: The deductive or propositional method and the inductive or narrative and sermonic plot method. Each method will be investigated based on the movement and structure of the bibli cal text. Preachers modeling these homiletical methods in their
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The utilization of field experience in the student's ministry setting to test theory and methodology in the practice of ministry, with specific attention given to biblical counseling.
80600  Project Methodology  2 hours
An analysis of various types of research appropriate to the interests of Christian ministry, with attention to areas, resources, procedures, and requirements for Ministry Research Projects.

80611  Biblical and Theological Issues in Missions  4 hours
A survey of current biblical and theological issues in missions with specific focus on their relevance to the practice of missions. Practical implementation and evaluation of missions and church growth methodologies in light of their theological foundations will be required.

80612  Christian Leadership and Missions  4 hours
A study of the principles of Christian leadership with specific attention to their application to missions contexts. Attention also will be given to strategies for leadership development.

80613  Missions Strategy; Theory and Practice  4 hours
A study of the historical development of missions strategy with special attention given to contemporary strategies. Study will be guided in developing a strategy for evangelizing their target area.

80614  Administration for Missions Leaders  4 hours
An examination of current theories of management as they apply to missions organizations. Case studies will be used extensively to enhance the application of theories to ministry situations.

80621-  Applied Ministry Experience in Missions  2 hours each
80624  Leadership I, II, III, IV  2 hours each
The utilization of field experience in the student’s ministry setting to test theory and methodology in the practice of ministry, with specific attention given to missions leadership.

80700  Ministry Research Project
80801  Theological and Philosophical Issues in Christian Education  4 hours
An investigation of the theological and philosophical issues attendant to the field of Christian Education. Seminar participants will be required to demonstrate practical knowledge and application of seminar content within their immediate ministry context.

80802  Foundations for Teaching and Learning in Christian Education Contexts  4 hours
An examination of Christian teaching and learning theories as applied to the evangelistic and discipling process within the church and denomination. Seminar participants will be required to demonstrate skillful teaching within their personal ministries. Ability to critique and remedy teaching methodology will be expected.

80803  Biblical and Contemporary Models of Christian Leadership  4 hours
A contextual study of both Old Testament and New Testament leadership styles. Comparison with contemporary leadership theory and philosophy will be expected. Seminar participants will be expected to evaluate their ministry context and expectations against biblical and contemporary leadership principles.

80807  Leadership and Management Theory in Church Administration  4 hours
An analysis of current approaches to effective church administration in relationship to leadership and management theory.

80808  Leadership of Effective Ministry Teams  4 hours
A study of practical principles for working together in team ministry to develop, strengthen and maintain effective ministry teams in the church.

80809  Leadership in Volunteer Ministries  4 hours
An investigation of the biblical foundations of volunteer ministry as well as current theories and trends used in volunteer organizations and contemporary churches.

80811-  Applied Ministry Experience in  2 hours each
80819  CELead I-IX

80821  Christian Formation of Children and Adolescents  4 hours
Explores the Christian formation and discipleship of children and adolescents, focusing on the role of the family and on the relationship of Christian formation to theories of cognitive, moral, and spiritual development.

80822  Issues in Student and Family Ministry  4 hours
This course is an active exploration into the cultural trends impacting the adolescent population and their families with an examination of both the current and proposed church ministry response to those trends. Theological, sociological, and methodological research related to the future of student and family ministry will be engaged with emphasis given to a biblical/theological critique of proposed ministry methods.

80823  Models of Student and Family Ministry  4 hours
An in-depth theological and philosophical analysis of the history, methodology, and relative strengths and weaknesses of primary models of student and family ministry. Seminar participants will be expected to evaluate their ministry context and personal leadership competencies in light of the concepts, principles, and guidelines discussed during the seminar.

80831-  Applied Ministry Experience in  2 hours each
80834  Family Ministry I, II, III, IV

80851  Project Methodology Seminar: CELead I  1 hour
An introduction to research and project development, with attention given to research design, available resources, and style requirements for the Ministry Research Project. The seminar will introduce the participants to the Action Research Model that will be used to complete research for the ministry project.

80852  Project Methodology Seminar: CELead II  1 hour
An introduction to research and project methodology, with attention given to research methods, analysis, and reporting for the Ministry Research Project.

80853  Ministry Research Project  6 hours
A written presentation of a project combining professional knowledge, documented research, and ministry application. The project must have direct relevance to Christian leadership in a particular ministry setting. An oral defense of the project before appropriate faculty and appropriate group members is required.

80911  Intro to Biblical Spirituality  4 hours
This seminar introduces the student to the nature, theology, purpose, and practice of biblical spirituality. The emphasis in this seminar is on the individual aspects of biblical spirituality and to personal spiritual disciplines. Some attention is given to understanding contemporary issues in spirituality and to helping the student develop a basis for evaluating popular trends and practices in spirituality.

80912  Christian Classics  4 hours
Every pastor has heard of the great classics from our Christian heritage—such books as Augustine’s Confessions, Calvin’s Golden Booklet of the Christian Life, Rutherford’s Letters, Bonar’s Life of McCheyne—but how many of us have read even a few of them? This D.Min. course explores some of the Christian classics from a number of eras of the Church’s history (Patristic, Reformation & Puritan, 18th and 19th century Evangelicalism). It seeks to help the student know how to interpret these texts and develop life-long strategies for reading them and profiting from their spirituality.
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<td>Supervised research on a thesis topic, preparation of a thesis prospectus, and submission to a student’s Committee of Instruction.</td>
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<td>81921</td>
<td>Applied Ministry Experience in Biblical Spirituality I, II, III, IV</td>
<td>2 hours each</td>
<td>The utilization of field experience in the student’s ministry setting to test theory and methodology in the practice of ministry, with specific attention given to biblical spirituality.</td>
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<td>81980</td>
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<td>“Holding” course for Doctor of Ministry students who are officially on “interrupted” or “continuing enrollment” status.</td>
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**Research Doctoral Studies**

**General Studies**

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<td>Empirical Research and Computer Applications II—</td>
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<td>A non-credit course designed to give the student a working knowledge of the empirical research process and methods in doing quantitative research. Students will create research designs, gather and analyze data using statistical computer software, and relate results to an appropriate theoretical base.</td>
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<td>81190</td>
<td>Empirical Research and Computer Applications II—</td>
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<td>A non-credit course designed to continue the study of available computer resources to aid the counseling clinician in the development of empirical research design. Students will become competent in the use of the latest computer programs for the development of qualitative research.</td>
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<td>81200</td>
<td>Teaching Principles and Methods</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>A seminar designed to introduce the skills and resources necessary for effective teaching. Consideration will be given to the teaching environment, the learning process, instructional methodology, the values of various media, and teaching in the local church as well as in educational institutions.</td>
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<td>Old Testament Studies Colloquium</td>
<td>2 hours</td>
<td>A course designed to develop the student’s understanding of biblical spirituality as experienced and expressed in and through the context of the local church. The emphasis of the seminar will be upon the practical implementation of the interpersonal and congregational aspects of biblical spirituality.</td>
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<td>82100</td>
<td>Archaeology and the Patriarchal Period</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>The Middle Bronze Age and its cultural remains. Attention will be given to the socio-cultural reconstruction and its relevance to an understanding of the Patriarchal Narratives. Prerequisites: 20200, 20220 and 20400 or the equivalent.</td>
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<td>82120</td>
<td>Archaeology and the Conquest/Settlement Period</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>The transition from Late Bronze to Early Iron Age in Palestine. Using a systematic study of cultural remains and socio-cultural reconstruction, this seminar will focus on issues concerning the Hebrew’s entry into Palestine, their institutions, and their relations with Canaanites, Philistines, and other peoples. Prerequisites: 20200, 20220 and 20400 or the equivalent.</td>
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<td>82180</td>
<td>Field Experience in Near Eastern Archaeology</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>Excavation and/or site survey will provide field experience in current scientific archaeological method. A minimum of three weeks field experience at a site affiliated with ASOR or an accredited university offering Ph.D. level work in archaeology, anthropology, history or related fields. The course will include lectures, visits to sites of importance for Near Eastern archaeology along with the field experience.</td>
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<td>82220</td>
<td>The History of Israel’s Religion</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>The study of Israelite religion with particular attention to the fluctuations and developments of Israelite faith occasioned by major historical events. The study includes the history of selected Israelite shrines, the theological emphases of those shrines, and the influence of the cult upon the formation of the Old Testament traditions. Prerequisites: 20200, 20220 and 20400 or the equivalent.</td>
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<td>82335</td>
<td>Septuagint Seminar</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>An introduction to the critical study of the Septuagint, with an assessment of its variant manuscript readings in relation to known Hebrew manuscripts. Special attention will be given to the characteristics of Hellenistic Greek represented by the Septuagint (phonology, morphology, and syntax).</td>
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<td>82340</td>
<td>Biblical Aramaic</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>An introduction to Biblical Aramaic with selections from the Aramaic portions of Ezra and Daniel and from the Aramaic documents of Qumran.</td>
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<td>82345</td>
<td>Seminar in Targumic Aramaic</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>Readings in the Aramaic Targums with an emphasis on the phonology, morphology, and syntax of selected texts. The historical, text-critical, and interpretational value of the Targums will be discussed.</td>
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<td>82350</td>
<td>Exegetical Studies in Prophetic Books</td>
<td>4 hours</td>
<td>The purpose of the seminar is to develop linguistic skills for the purpose of exegesis. The seminar will consist of readings from selected passages from the prophets with attention to grammar, syntax, lexicography, textual criticism, the masoretic tradition, and exegesis.</td>
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An introduction to the prehistory of Hebrew as well as to diachronic development within biblical Hebrew using the tools of comparative and historical linguistics. The focus is not only on phonology and morphology, but also on the system of verbal stems and so-called "tenses." The linguistic context in which the biblical language developed is surveyed, as are the extra-biblical materials from which information on the development can be derived. Special attention will be given to the differences between Classical Biblical Hebrew (prose of Genesis-Kings), Late Biblical Hebrew (Chronicles), and Post-Biblical Hebrew (Ben Sira/Dead Sea Scrolls) in phonology, morphology, and syntax.

A study of the history of the early development of the Hebrew language, with special attention to grammar and orthography. There will be a study of inscriptions from various stages within the development of Hebrew writing.

Reading in Hebrew Prose from biblical (and some non-biblical) poetry. Hebrew phonology, morphology, and syntax will be emphasized along with exegetical and text-critical issues.

Reading in Hebrew Poetry from biblical (and some non-biblical) prose. Hebrew phonology, morphology, and syntax will be emphasized along with exegetical and text-critical issues.

This seminar seeks to equip students to read and study biblical and Christian source texts in Syriac.

A study of the critical methodologies used in the literary analysis of the Pentateuch. Attention is given to the history of Pentateuchal criticism and to current developments in this area. The critical methods will be applied to the interpretation of selected passages.

A study of the nature and aims of the historiographic writings of the Old Testament, interpreted within the ancient Near Eastern cultural contexts from which they were produced. Special attention will be paid to the Hebrew authors’ philosophy (theology) of history and the literary strategies employed to achieve their rhetorical goals.

A study of the nature of prophetic literature and of the methods appropriate for its interpretation. Attention is given to the origin and history of prophecy as it relates to the development and transmission of the prophetic literature. A careful exegesis of a section or sections of the prophetic literature will be made.

A study of the Psalms and Hebrew poetry and/or the Wisdom Literature. Special attention will be paid to the nature of Hebrew poetry and the forms of poetic literature.

Selective readings for the inductive study of Greek, with correlation of grammar, lexicon, textual criticism, and exegesis.

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Exegesis of the Gospel of Mark with attention to critical methods, the ministry of Jesus, Markan distinctives, and new directions in Gospel studies.

The nature and purpose of the Synoptic Gospels with an evaluation of source, form, redaction, and literary criticism. Exegesis of the synoptics with attention to the historical ministry of Jesus, critical and theological problems, classical works and new directions in gospel studies.

Exegesis of the Gospel of Mark with attention to its composition history, its relationship to the Johannine community and the Johannine epistles and apocrypha, and its theological concerns in the light of classical and contemporary contributions to Johannine research.

Introduction to the Pauline Corpus, exegesis of the earlier Epistles, Prison Epistles, and Pastoral Epistles, with attention to critical and theological problems. The historical ministry of Paul.

Introduction and exegesis of Acts, Hebrews, the General Epistles, the Johannine Epistles, and the Apocalypse. The development of pre-Pauline Christianity.

A study of three major traditions of Christian spirituality in the period between the Apostolic Fathers (2nd century A.D.) and the end of the Celtic Church (8th century A.D.).

An advanced course in Greek grammar and reading designed to enable the student to read Patristic Greek with confidence and competence.

An intermediate course in Patristic Latin grammar and reading designed to enable the student to read Patristic Latin with confidence and competence. A wide variety of examples of Patristic Latin from the second century to the sixth century will be employed to this end.
Controversies and Schisms in Baptist History  4 hours
A study of selected controversies and schisms in American Christianity from the Colonial period to the present.

Theological Studies

Theological Studies Colloquium  4 hours
A critical application of the methods of biblical theology to individual prophetic books and to the prophetic corpus as a whole. Attention will be given to methods of interpretation and the development of a theological synthesis for the preaching and teaching of Scripture.

Major Issues in New Testament Theology  4 hours
A study of the major issues affecting the field of New Testament Theology, with special attention to Gospel research, the impact of redactional and canonical emphases, structuralism, and Luke-Acts monographs.

Theology of Synoptic Gospels  4 hours
A study of the message of Jesus, his person and work, and a comparative presentation of the distinctive theological outlook of the Synoptic sources and the Evangelists themselves. There will be provision for concentration on one particular aspect, e.g., the theology of Luke using Luke-Acts, and the significance of Jesus’ death in the Synoptic Gospels.

Theology of Paul  4 hours
A study of Paul’s doctrine of God, humanity, Christology, Holy Spirit, church ethics, and eschatology from his epistles. There will be provision for concentration on a particular area, e.g., Pauline anthropology, Paul’s doctrine of the church.

Hermeneutics and the New Testament  4 hours
A study of the role of hermeneutics, the nature of meaning, the divine-human authorship of the New Testament, the work of the Holy Spirit in interpretation, the bearing of context and philosophical presuppositions or interpretation, and the interrelations between exegesis and theology.

Contemporary Theological Methodologies  4 hours
An analysis of the theological methodologies of such influential modern theologians as Schleiermacher, Ritschl, Barth, Tillich, Bultmann, Pannenberg, and others with a view to understanding the development of modern Protestant theology.

Contemporary Issues in Evangelical Theological Formulation  4 hours
An investigation of contemporary issues confronting the formulation of evangelical systematic theology with an analysis and evaluation of current evangelical responses to these issues.
relationship to activity in the world in terms of the Christian
doctrine of the providence of God.

84920 Theological Anthropology 4 hours
A study of classical and contemporary understandings of
humankind is undertaken. Various issues will be explored, such
as the creation, nature, constitution, development, inner life,
physical body, sexuality, male and female identities and roles,
and personhood of human beings.

84930 Pneumatology 4 hours
An advanced exploration of the doctrine of God, the Holy Spirit,
with a consideration of the phenomenon of spirit in world reli-
gions, in the biblical materials, the Christian heritage, and con-
temporary applications.

84940 Christology and Incarnation 4 hours
An intensive study of critical issues and major movements in
understanding the person of Christ is undertaken. Special
attention will be given to historical positions and contempo-
rary proposals in light of Scripture’s teaching of Christ and the
incarnation.

84945 Christology and Atonement 4 hours
Scripture’s teaching of Christ’s atoning sacrifice will be exam-
ined in light of various theories of the atonement, both ancient
and contemporary. Special concern will be shown to under-
stand current models of the atonement, along with historical,
philosophical, theological, and biblical interaction regarding
their viability.

84950 The Trinity 4 hours
An exploration of Christian expressions of the trifoldness of
God. Biblical implications, classical formulations, and contem-
porary interpretations will be examined.

84955 Revelation, Scripture, and Authority 4 hours
Historical, philosophical, theological and biblical issues are
examined in regard to the Christian belief in divine revela-
tion and the divine inspiration and authority of the Scripture.
Various contemporary issues and proposals will be considered,
and focus will be given to articulating and upholding biblical
authority in today’s world.

84965 Soteriology 4 hours
Select biblical and theological issues in the doctrine of salva-
tion are examined. Classical and contemporary understandings
are examined, critical questions of our day are considered, and
Scripture’s teaching is studied in an endeavor to formulate our
soteriology in a manner faithful to Scripture while speaking to
contemporary issues and concerns.

84980 Ecclesiology 4 hours
Issues concerning the nature of the church and the practice of
ministry in and through the church will be examined. Various
areas are treated in this seminar, e.g., historic understandings
of the marks of the church, Baptist ecclesiology in comparison
and contrast to other traditions, the relation of church and
para-church organizations, and the role of the church within
the larger culture.

84990 Eschatology 4 hours
An examination of selected issues in Christian eschatology,
particularly ideas of the Kingdom of God, millennialism, resur-
rection, divine judgment, and eternal life.

Christian Philosophy

85200 Christian Philosophy Colloquium 2 hours
85230 Epistemology 4 hours
A critical study of such topics as the nature of truth, the respec-
tive roles of reason and experience in acquiring knowledge,
rationalism versus empiricism, revelation and warrant.

85250 Philosophy of Religion 4 hours
A systematic elaboration and analysis of some of the classi-
cal issues in philosophy of religion, such as the existence and
attributes of God, the problem of evil, the nature of scientific
knowledge, the nature of value, miracles, religious experience,
immortality, and the resurrection.

85270 Seminar in Worldview Analysis 4 hours
A study of the history and theory of Weltanschauung (world-
view) and its role in shaping ideas and beliefs. The belief-shap-
ing power of Weltanschauung will be examined as applied to
various representative worldviews, such as theism, naturalism,
pantheism, and post-modernism.

85290 Seminar in Christian Apologetics 4 hours
An exploration of the foundational issues in apologetics with
special reference to the history of apologetics, various episte-
ological approaches and particular issues in the discipline.

85340 Philosophy of History 4 hours
A consideration of the Christian understanding of history in its
various expressions during the course of Christian thought and
of its relation to various philosophies of history.

85350 The History of Western Philosophy 4 hours
The study is designed so the seminar participant may develop
an advanced understanding of western philosophy and it
impact on Christian theology and mission.

85370 Metaphysics 4 hours
A critical survey of key philosophical positions and disputes
concerning the nature of reality.

85420 God in Modern Philosophy 4 hours
A study of the concept of God in the thought of major represen-
tative philosophers from Descartes to contemporary think-
ers, with a focus on arguments for and against the existence
of God, classic concepts of the nature of God and His relation-
ship to the world, and the debate over the logical coherence of
theism.

85430 Postmodernity and Christian Thought 4 hours
An examination of various formulations of postmodern philoso-
phy with a view to understanding the implications of the con-
temporary paradigm change for a possible reconceptualization
of Christian faith.

85450 Christianity and the Visual Arts 4 hours
An exploration of foundational issues in the study of Christian-
ity and the visual arts with special reference to the history of
the visual arts in the church and to philosophical and theologi-
cal issues in the discipline.

Christian Ethics

85500 Christian Ethics Colloquium 2 hours
85600 Biblical Ethics 4 hours
A study of the ethical teachings of the Old and New Testa-
ments and their relation to Christian ethics. Issues in method
and authority will be posed for examining moral problems in
Scripture and contemporary society.

85620 Contemporary Theological Ethics 4 hours
A study of current developments in theological ethics focus-
ing on selected contemporary Protestant and Roman Catholic
ethicists and their methodologies.

Christian Missions

86000 Christian Missions Colloquium 2 hours
86100 The History of Christian Missions 4 hours
A detailed study of the patterns of development in missions

86110 Ethnographic Research and
Worldview Identification 4 hours
The central purpose of the course will be to come to under-
stand various methods, resources, and tools for ethnographic
research and worldview identification in order to make the
most effective use of them in fulfilling the Great Commission.

86120 Philosophy and Methodology of Missions 4 hours
A historical and critical analysis of representative philosophies
of missions and the methodologies employed.
Cultural Anthropology and Christian Witness 4 hours
A study of the discipline of anthropology from its widest descriptions to its narrowest applications in “Practical Missiology.” Special attention will be given to the debate between preservationist and interventionist orientations. The central purpose of the course will be to come to understand anthropology in its fullest dimensions in order to make the most effective use of its lessons in fulfilling the Great Commission.

Theology of the Christian Mission 4 hours
A study of the encounter between the missionary enterprise and the church and its theology. An effort will be made to develop a contemporary theology of mission.

Christian Preaching

Christian Preaching Colloquium 2 hours
Reformation Preaching 4 hours
A historical survey of Reformation preaching: a detailed study of the lives of the leading preachers, giving attention to their homiletical methods, their sermonic work, and their contributions to the theory of preaching.

American Preaching 4 hours
An analysis of the influence of preaching on American churches and society from the Puritan era to the present.

Canons of Criticism 4 hours
The analysis and discussion of rhetorical and homiletical works and of sermons with a view to the formulation of principles of criticism.

Doctrinal Preaching 4 hours
The study and articulation of biblical doctrines of the Christian faith for the task of preaching.

Expository Preaching 4 hours
An exploration of the science and art of biblical exegesis for the purpose of expository proclamation of scripture. Historical and contemporary theories and models of expository preaching will be examined.

Theology of Preaching 4 hours
The study of the preaching task in the context of its theological foundations. Contributions of major theologians to preaching will be explored. Exegetical developments and contemporary theological trends and movements and their effect on preaching also will be examined.

Pastoral Preaching 4 hours
An examination of preaching within the pastoral context as it relates to human needs. Selected preaching models from the past and present will be studied to determine sermon preparation, content, methods, work habits, and delivery.

Paul: Model and Source of Preaching 4 hours
The intent of this course is to help each of us to understand better the content and dynamic of Paul’s preaching. Answers will be sought to two fundamental questions: What did Paul preach? Why did Paul preach?

Hermeneutics for Preaching 4 hours
An examination of the history and theory of hermeneutics for the art of Christian preaching. Modern hermeneutical theories and their impact on the preaching assignment will be carefully critiqued.

Church and Society

Church and Society Colloquium 2 hours
Challenges Facing Black Theology in the Twenty-First Century 4 hours
This seminar will explore in depth ethical challenges facing Black theology in the twenty-first century.

The Black Church: Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Class Issues 4 hours
This seminar will examine contemporary challenges confronting the Black church’s role in addressing race, ethnicity, gender, and class issues. Special attention will be devoted to reconcili-

Biblical Counseling

Christian Counseling Colloquium 2 hours
Theological Issues in Pastoral Care and Counseling 4 hours
A study of contemporary pastoral theologians and of the major theological issues which inform both the theory and practice of pastoral care and counseling.

Guilt, Shame, and Forgiveness 4 hours
This seminar will explore the pastoral theology of guilt, shame, and forgiveness in the context of Christian counseling and family ministry. It will explore both theoretical and therapeutic dimensions of the subject, from a biblical, psychological, theological, and systemic perspective.

Research Methodology in Pastoral Theology 4 hours
Pastoral research as a method of utilizing theology at each stage of the researching process is examined alongside the scientific model of research.

Research on Special Issues in Family Ministry 4 hours
This course is designed to introduce graduate students to the multiple research methodologies used in family ministry research. Since this is a survey course, the emphasis is on breadth of coverage rather than depth.

Biblical Counseling 4 hours
This seminar is an exploration of the foundations for biblical counseling. The seminar participants will be encouraged to develop a hermeneutic for biblical counseling that is consistent with a biblical anthropology of personhood. Thematic issues from ministry situations of a contemporary nature will be examined in light of biblical theology and biblical principles for care and counseling. Prerequisite: 2 units of Clinical Pastoral Education.

Redemption and Counseling 4 hours
Christian counseling is based upon God’s plan, accomplishment, and application of redemption to God’s people. In this class we will explore biblical and dogmatic descriptions of redemption and develop a model for helping others in the application and internalization of redemption.

Christian Counseling Clinical Training I 4 hours
This functional seminar provides both theoretical and clinical training in the methods of reformational counseling, soulcare based on the theology of the magisterial Reformation in its Baptist form. The seminar will also assist the student in addressing personal/relational issues that can get in the way of people-helping. This seminar requires on-going active pastoral care ministry and will thereby integrate clinical experience with theoretical understandings of the characterological nature of human sin’s impact on both the caregiver and care receiver.

Supervision of Marital and Family Therapy Supervision 4 hours
The development of a philosophy of education, a learning theory, and a theory of pastoral supervision congruent with one’s practice in the supervision of marital and family therapy.

Supervision of Marital and Family Therapy 4 hours
A practicum focused on developing and practice of pastoral counseling in the context of marital and family therapy. Individual supervision and case conferences may continue for two consecutive semesters.

World Religions

World Religions Colloquium 2 hours
An evaluatory review of contemporary literature which addresses the religion pluralism of our time.

Hinduism Within Indian Life and Thought 4 hours
A phenomenological and historical study of the Hindu tradition with specific attention to religious thought, the way and value of life, sacred literature, rituals, social and cultural practices,
and the various expressions of the tradition in the modern West.

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**Evangelism and Church Growth**

- **Church Music Colloquium**
  - Fall semester.
- **D.M.A./D.M.M. Major:**
  - Voice: 3 hours
  - Percussion: 3 hours
  - String: 3 hours
  - Brass: 3 hours
  - Woodwind: 3 hours
  - Organ: 3 hours
  - Piano: 3 hours
- **D.M.A. Performance Major:**
  - Organ: 4 hours
  - Percussion: 4 hours
  - Voice: 3 hours
  - Woodwind: 4 hours
  - Brass: 2 hours
  - String: 3 hours
- **D.M.A./D.M.M. Major:**
  - Composition: 4 hours
  - Conducting: 2 hours
  - Performance: 4 hours
  - Research and Writing: 4 hours
  - Conducting: 2 hours
  - Performance: 2 hours
- **D.M.A. Performance Major:**
  - Composition: 4 hours
  - Conducting: 2 hours
  - Performance: 4 hours
  - Research and Writing: 4 hours
- **D.M.A. Dissertation:**
  - Performance: 4 hours
  - Research: 8 hours
- **D.M.A. Dissertation: Absentia**
  - Leadership and Church Ministry
  - Leadership and Church Ministry Colloquium: 1 hour
  - Christian Higher Education: 4 hours
  - Readings in Leadership: 4 hours
  - Seminar in History and Education: 4 hours
  - Seminar in Philosophy and Education: 4 hours
93080  Readings in Education Foundations  4 hours
A self-directed analysis of precedent literature on a significant issue in the theoretical foundations of education.

93090  Readings in Higher Education  4 hours
A self-directed analysis of precedent literature on a significant issue in higher education.

93420  Curriculum Theory and Design  4 hours
An exploration of the major curriculum developments in Christian education including a review of historical trends, the design of curriculum frameworks and teaching-learning sessions, the supervision of curriculum in the local church, and a critique of curriculum issues in higher education.

93480  Readings in Ministry  4 hours
A self-directed analysis of precedent literature on a significant issue in education ministry.

93565  Issues in Student and Family Ministry  4 hours
Examines the state of youth and family ministry programs and strategies, the many profiles of youth today, the impact of the family, the development of the adolescent, intergenerational relationships, and the challenges of cultural diversity.

93570  Spirituality of Adolescents  4 hours
Explores the spiritual and mental development of adolescents, and wrestle with methods and methodologies that may effectively promote spirituality in adolescents.

93575  Models of Student and Family Ministry  4 hours
Examines and critiques the history, philosophy, methodology, and relative strengths and weaknesses of major youth and family ministry leadership models through a theological and psychosocial grid.

93610  Communication and Team Dynamics  4 hours
A study of team/group dynamics theories and their application to organizational leadership. Issues of team leadership and team effectiveness are explored. Examines theory and practice of professional communication in organizations and its impact on team process.

93920  Current Theory and Practice in Adult Education  4 hours
A critical examination of current issues in adult education, including the assumptions and philosophies underlying andragogy, and program planning models and principles.

93950  Directed Doctoral Study  0 hours
Self-directed research for students who have completed all course work and are studying for the comprehensive examinations and/or preparing the prospectus.

93980  Doctoral Dissertation Research and Writing  1 hour
For students who have completed the prospectus and are writing the dissertation.

95100  Personality and Developmental Theory  4 hours
An evaluation of personality theories, educational psychology and developmental psychology and an analysis of their contributions to the practices of leadership, instruction and spiritual formation.

95200  Social Systems in Ministry Context  4 hours
An exploration of the findings of sociology and anthropology as they relate to Christian education ministry and the development of Christian leadership across social groups and cultures.

95300  Theological Analysis of Educational Assumptions  4 hours
An investigation of the theological presuppositions that inform the education and leadership assumptions of ministry praxis. Students will articulate and evaluate their working philosophy of ministry in light of biblical theology and systematic theology.

95500  Critical Inquiry and Research Design  4 hours
Critical thinking and reflection processes are explored and applied to research evaluation and interpretation. Students develop the knowledge, skills and disposition for critical inquiry and research development, preparation, analysis, interpretation and evaluation.

95600  Teaching and Learning: Theory And Practice  4 hours
An analysis of learning theory and contemporary models of teaching with an emphasis on instructional techniques used in higher education.

95700  Biblical and Theological Foundations for Leadership  4 hours
Students examine leadership theory from a biblical worldview perspective by critically examining the theological assumptions that underlie various models of leadership. Examines theological themes that directly impact leadership practice. Builds a theological foundation for the practice of leadership.

96100  Leadership and Management Theory  4 hours
A critical examination of contemporary leadership principles and practices in the light of biblically-based models and criteria for Christian leadership and administration.

96200  Leadership for Church Development  4 hours
An evaluation of a variety of contemporary ministry models and church growth strategies and an analysis of their contributions to the development of Christian leadership.

96300  Organizational Theory and Development  4 hours
Explores psychological and developmental underpinnings of organizations. Presents classical and contemporary theories and principles of organizational development. Students gain skills in the analysis of organizational culture, communication processes, and staff training.

96400  Change, Power and Conflict  4 hours
An analysis of the change process, the role of power and authority in the development of change and conflict, and approaches to conflict management.

96800  Empirical Research Methods  4 hours
A study of research methodology, including methods and techniques of literary, quantitative, and qualitative analysis, data collection and tabulation, statistical analysis, and the documentation of findings.

96850  Analysis of Empirical Research  4 hours
A study of the methods of empirical data gathering and analysis including the design and validation of instrumentation, the selection of statistical measures and options for data computation, and the documentation and display of research findings.

96920  Comprehensive Examinations  0 hours
A series of individualized research questions incorporating and expanding upon the findings of doctoral course work. Enrollment continues under Directed Doctoral Study until the comprehensive examinations are passed. Prerequisite: Successful completion of all requisite research seminars.

97000  Theological Anthropology and Human Development  4 hours
A study of classical and contemporary perspectives on human nature, constitution, and development, with a focus on critiquing social-scientific perspectives in light of divine revelation and orthodox Christian theology.

97005  Christian Formation of Children and Adolescents  4 hours
Explores the Christian formation and discipleship of children and adolescents, focusing on the role of the family in the relationship of Christian formation to theories of cognitive, moral, and spiritual development.

97010  Theology of Marriage and Family  4 hours
This course examines marital and parental relationships in their biblical, theological, historical, and cultural contexts, with special attention being given to developing a biblical and theological perspective on issues of sexuality and complementary relationships between husbands and wives.

97015  Marriage and Family Counseling  4 hours
An in-depth analysis of the fundamental principles of biblical counseling and of the application of these principles in the context of marital and parental relationships. Student will apply
principles from biblical counseling through the development of case studies.

97020  Readings in Family Ministry  4 hours
A self-directed analysis of precedent literature on a significant issue in family ministry.