

## ACTS Catalog Courses

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FALL	11	500	Introduction to Old Testament C Anderson <b>T 2:30-5:30 pm</b>	Introduction to the legal, historical, poetic, and prophetic books of Hebrew Scriptures, with emphasis on the order and contents, cultural settings, literary forms, religious themes, and interpretive approaches.
OT I. Introductory				
FALL	11	541	Elementary Hebrew I	Introduction to the elements of biblical Hebrew (grammar and syntax) and translation of selected prose texts in the Hebrew Bible.
OT IV. Hebrew Language				
FALL	11	543	Intermediate Hebrew J Duncan	Rapid reading of prose and poetry, review of grammar and vocabulary, introduction to text criticism.
OT IV. Hebrew Language				
Prereq: 11-541 & 11-542				
FALL	11	603 X	Prophetic Books: Book of Daniel B Lester <b>Online course</b>	Advanced study of literary units or theological themes. Emphasis on analytical and synthetic interpretive skills.
OT II. Canoncial Corpus				
Prereq: 11-500				
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FALL	11	626	Biblical Hermeneutics: Judges C Anderson <b>Th 8:00-11:00 am</b>	Discussion of approaches to the use and interpretation of the Bible in the church. Topics vary from year to year and may focus on one of the testaments.
OT II. Canoncial Corpus				
Prereq: 11-500				
FALL	12	500 A	Introduction to New Testament K Yeo <b>F 1:00-9:00 pm &amp; S 9:00 am-3:00 pm</b>	Introduction to the 27 New Testament documents in the light of various historical-critical methodologies as well as of other more recent theories of interpretation.
NT I. Introductory 10/16-17; 11/6-7; 12/4-5				

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FALL 12 500 X Introduction to New Testament  
C Cosgrove **Online course**  
NT I. Introductory

Introduction to the 27 New Testament documents in the light of various historical-critical methodologies as well as of other more recent theories of interpretation.

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FALL 12 541 Elementary Greek I  
O Vena **TTh 1:30-2:20 pm & W 1:00-1:50 pm**  
NT IV. New Testament Greek

Essential forms and principles of New Testament Greek.

FALL 12 632 A NT Topics: Kingdom of God in the Synoptic Gospels  
C Cosgrove **T 2:30-5:30 pm**  
NT III. Topics in New Testament

Study of select New Testament books. May be repeated.

Prereq: 12-500

FALL 12 881 Study Tour: Biblical Theology of Land and Politics  
K Yeo 12/28/2015-1/10/2016  
NT III. Topics in New Testament

A study tour that explores the history, geography, and archaeology of the sites, and engages with the social, political, religious issues then and now in Israel/Palestine. Provides cultural immersion, theological tools, and hands-on on a "dig".

FALL 13 501 A History of Christian Thought & Practice 1  
**Th 2:30-5:30 pm**  
HS I. Introductory

Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the post-apostolic period to eve of the Reformation.

FALL 13 501 X History of Christian Thought & Practice 1  
**Online course**  
HS I. Introductory

Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the post-apostolic period to eve of the Reformation.

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FALL 13 502 X History of Christian Thought & Practice 2  
A Johnson **Online course**  
HS I. Introductory

Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the Reformation to the present.

Prereq: 13-501

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FALL 13 640 African American Religious History: The Souls  
of Black Folk  
L Murphy **T 6:30-9:30 pm**  
HS V. Topics in Church History

Black religious experience, from African roots through theological, institutional, and social expressions in the U.S. Field experiences in African American churches.

No prerequisite.

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FALL 21 505 X Introduction to Theology  
**Online course**  
TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Develops a basic understanding of key doctrinal themes such as trinity, Christology, pneumatology, soteriology, ecclesiology, anthropology, creation, and eschatology. Explores basic theological questions and role of doctrine in the church.

Prereq: 11-500 or 12-500

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FALL            21   506            Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Creation  
                         S Ray   **Th 2:30-5:30 pm**  
TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions relating to monotheism, atheism, idolatry, Trinitarian doctrine, language about God and the doctrine of creation. Analysis of the relationship between these loci and those studied in 21-507 and 21-508.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500) , 13-501 & 21-505.

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FALL            21   507            Christology - Theological Anthropology  
                         A Joh   **M 6:30-9:30 pm**  
TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions concerning Jesus Christ and the human person. Among the topics explored are Jesus and Judaism, kingdom of God, death and resurrection of Jesus, theodicy, anthropodicy and theosis.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500), 13-501 & 21-505.

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FALL            21   508            Pneumatology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology  
                         N Bedford   **F 9:15 am-12:15 pm**  
TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions relating to the Spirit, the Church and the Last Things. Among the topics explored are the filioque, baptism, eucharist, ministry, and eschatology as a doctrine of hope.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500), 13-501 & 21-505.

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FALL            21   615            Topics in Global Christianity: Introduction to  
   Living Religions  
                         H Pieterse   **T 8:00-11:00 am**  
World Mission Studies

Exploration of a variety of topics related to global Christianity within a global religious context.

Prereq: 21-505

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FALL            21   630            Black Theology  
                         S Ray   **Th 6:30-9:30 pm**  
TS III. Topics in Theology

Seminar on themes of theology from the perspective of the black experience.

Prereq: 21-505.

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Prereq: one of 21-505, 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508; by permission for masters students

Prereq: two of 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508.

Sections description: This seminar will examine selected theological and philosophical texts on the relation among good, evil, and justice. Several novels will also be read that illustrate some of the more pressing issues at stake.

Prerequisites: 11-500, 12-500, & 21-505

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FALL 31 532 Preaching in African American Traditions  
 G Brooks **T 6:30-9:30 pm**  
 MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

The course continues coverage of the history, theology and practice of African American liturgical traditions - preaching, worship and music. It includes the development, creation, and experience of sermons, liturgies, and hymns specifically for African American denominations.

Meets preaching requirement in the MDiv program. Prereq: 11-500, 12-500 & 21-505

FALL 31 542 UM Worship: Theory & Practice  
 R Anderson **W 9:00 am-12:00 pm**  
 MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Survey of the ritual and resources provided for United Methodist worship and their theology of worship. Development of skills in the design and leadership of worship.

FALL 31 835 Seminar in Liturgical Theology  
 R Anderson **M 6:30-9:30 pm**  
 MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Investigation of contemporary liturgical theology through works of Protestant, Catholic, and Orthodox scholars.

Prereq: 500-level worship course; by permission for masters students

FALL 31 838 Baptism & Reaffirmation  
 R Duck **T 2:30-5:30 pm**  
 MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Exploration of the history, theology, and practice of baptism and reaffirmation of baptism. Study of liturgies from preparation for baptism to baptismal liturgy to renewal of baptism.

Prereq: 500-level worship course; by permission for masters students

FALL 32 501 Introduction to Pastoral Care  
 D Hogue **Th 6:30-9:30 pm**  
 MS III. Pastoral Care

Study of human development, growth, crisis, and pathology; development of skills in integrating theology and the practice of ministry.

FALL 33 506 Theological Education in the Parish  
 V Lee **Th 8:00-11:00 am**  
 MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Church

Examines the task of the pastor and educator as theological educators in the community of faith, relating theology and teaching methods for the life and mission of the church.

FALL 33 801 A Advanced Practicum in Teaching  
 V Lee **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 9:00 am-3:00 pm**  
 MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Church Sept 18-19; Oct 16-17

The practicum includes significant practice teaching. Theological and educational examination of a variety of teaching/learning models. Attention to teaching in faith development, discipleship, and congregational life. Prereq: Master's 33-502 or 33-506; PhD 90-903

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FALL	33 830	Methods of Qualitative Research M Crain <b>T 2:30-5:30 pm</b> MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu	Exploration and analysis of epistemologies and approaches to research; evaluating work of other researchers; and practicing methods of data gathering.
FALL	33 835	History & Theories of Christian Education J Seymour <b>W 9:00 am-12:00 pm</b> MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu	Examination of the development of Christian religious education as an academic discipline and ministry in church and society in the 19th and 20th centuries.
FALL	3334 627	Educating & Leading for Social Justice Ministries A Cowser <b>W 9:00 am-12:00 pm</b> MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu	Educational approaches for social justice and mission. Educational and ministerial designs that inform about social issues and involve persons and congregations in mission through constituency building and strategic planning and action.
FALL	34 506	Pastor & People M Fowler <b>T 8:00-11:00 am</b> MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry	Roles and responsibilities of the pastor, grounded in a theology of the church and ministry. Congregational analysis and empowerment; issues of pastoral identity, authority, spirituality, and leadership. Practical guidance for various situations.
FALL	34 507	Spiritual Direction/Companionship F Schmidt <b>Th 2:30-5:30 pm</b> MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction	Explores biblical texts, historical traditions, and modern approaches to the art of spiritual direction/guidance and its place in the church today; relationship of spiritual direction to counseling, therapy, and mentoring.
FALL	34 602 A	Practicum/Supervision in Spiritual Direction/Companionship F Schmidt <b>F 1:00-9:00 pm &amp; S 9:00 am-3:00 pm</b> MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction Dates TBA	Supervision in spiritual guidance of individuals and groups, extending at least one year; requiring regular engagement in one's own spiritual direction, offering individual and/or group spiritual direction to others, peer supervision, personal written reflections. Prereq: 34-511 (or 34-540) and 34-507. 1.5 semester hours.
FALL	34 602 B	Practicum/Supervision in Spiritual Direction/Companionship F Schmidt <b>F 1:00-9:00 pm &amp; S 9:00 am-3:00 pm</b> MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction Dates TBA	Supervision in spiritual guidance of individuals and groups, extending at least one year; requiring regular engagement in one's own spiritual direction, offering individual and/or group spiritual direction to others, peer supervision, personal written reflections. Prereq: 34-511 (or 34-540) and 34-507. 2 semester hours.

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FALL 34 613 Art, Spirituality, and Creativity  
K Kincannon **M 6:30-9:30 pm**  
MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction

This course combines techniques and hands-on experience with theories from art, psychology, theology, and spirituality to help each person explore and develop one's own creative process and enhance one's own spiritual practice and renewal.

FALL 34 619 Public Theology in the City  
D Frenchak **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 9:00 am-3:00 pm**  
MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry 9/11-12;10/9-10;11/13-14;12/5

Public theology in the city is an art form that brings the separate elements of diversity together in a way that images the kingdom of God on earth. Public theology, in contrast with private or individual theology, is a collaborative process best learned in the context of urban diversity where public concerns or issues are found. Together, in partnership with an urban church, the class will learn the basics of the art of doing public theology that leads to redemptive action.

Completion of Introduction to Theology is recommended but not required.

FALL 3421 628 Theology of Evangelism  
**M 6:30-9:30 pm**  
MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry

This course will equip students to formulate their own conceptualizations of evangelism through critically examining how various theologies and biblical teachings inform evangelism.

FALL 40 676 X United Methodist History  
**Online course**  
HS II. History of Particular Traditions

This course is designed to provide students with an opportunity to become knowledgeable about the origins of the Wesleyan tradition and its expressions in The United Methodist Church. It explores the roots of the movement in the Anglican Church and the Wesleyan Revival of the 18th century, and the history of the institutional and theological development of American Methodist/Evangelical United Brethren tradition through the beginning of the 21st century.

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FALL            40 677 X        United Methodist Doctrine  
                         **Online course**  
                 TS II. Particular Individuals or Tradition

This course is designed to make the student familiar with the theology of John Wesley by becoming familiar with his sermons, a doctrinal standard in the United Methodist Church. This will become a starting point for understanding Methodist theology in general, which is characterized by a theological method that seeks to contextualize the Christian faith in a connectional structure of the church.

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FALL            40 678 X        United Methodist Polity  
                         M Fowler   **Online course**  
                 MS VII. Polity and Canon Law

This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to fulfill the learning goals described by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of The United Methodist Church for fulfillment of the Polity requirement. We will focus on the broader ecology of the ecclesiological forms, governance configurations, membership and orders as they are expressions of the United Methodist expression of Christian mission. The student's use and growing familiarity with the Book of Discipline (2012 edition) and Book of Resolutions is an essential requirement and expectation of the course.

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FALL            41 881            Study Tour of the Holy Land  
                         K Yeo                            Dec 28, 2015-Jan 10, 2016  
                 Religion and Society Studies

A study tour that explores the history, geography, and archaeology of the sites, and engages with the social, political, religious issues then and now in Israel/Palestine. Provides cultural immersion, theological tools, and hand-on on a "dig".

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JANUARY 21 505 Introduction to Theology  
T Eberhart **MWF 8:00 am-12:30 pm; T Th 8:00-11:00 am; W 1:30-3:30 pm**

TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Develops a basic understanding of key doctrinal themes such as trinity, Christology, pneumatology, soteriology, ecclesiology, anthropology, creation, and eschatology. Explores basic theological questions and role of doctrine in the church.

Prereq: 11-500 or 12-500

JANUARY 31 615 Congregational Song  
R Duck **M-F 1:30-5:30 pm**

MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Analysis of congregational song in the context of worship, with special attention to patterns of worship, the church year, celebration of the sacraments, and the use of the Psalter.

JANUARY 33 612 Introduction to Youth Ministry  
**MWF 8:00 am-12:30 pm; T Th 8:00-11:00 am; W 1:30-3:30 pm**

MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu

Approaches to youth ministry in culturally diverse situations. Counseling, program development, administration, and teaching.

JANUARY 34 504 Church Administration  
M Fowler **To be announced**

MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry January 2-12, 2016

Understanding how administrative practices are informed by images of the church as a covenant community. Effective leadership, authority, and power issues.

JANUARY 40 673 UM Studies: 20th Century to Present  
**MWF 8:00 am-12:30 pm; T Th 8:00-11:00 am; W 1:30-3:30 pm**

MS VII. Polity and Canon Law

Developments within United Methodism, as related to the ecumenical movement, world mission, personal evangelism, and social justice. Evolution of polity, theology, and denominational structure. Prereq: 13-501 or 13-502.

JANUARY 41 681 Cross-Cultural: Outrageous Hope: Peace & Justice in Israel/Palestine

B Bryant

Dates TBA

Religion and Society Studies

Cross-cultural immersion experiences in various ministries and communities with theological reflection. May be repeated.

SPRING 11 500 A Introduction to Old Testament  
J Duncan **Th 6:30-9:30 pm**

OT I. Introductory

Introduction to the legal, historical, poetic, and prophetic books of Hebrew Scriptures, with emphasis on the order and contents, cultural settings, literary forms, religious themes, and interpretive approaches.

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SPRING 11 500 X Introduction to Old Testament  
 B Lester **Online course**  
 OT I. Introductory

Introduction to the legal, historical, poetic, and prophetic books of Hebrew Scriptures, with emphasis on the order and contents, cultural settings, literary forms, religious themes, and interpretive approaches.

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SPRING 11 542 Elementary Hebrew II  
 OT IV. Hebrew Language

Completes and continues 11-541.

Prereq: 11-541

SPRING 11 607 The Writings: Book of Ecclesiastes  
 J Duncan **M 6:30-9:30 pm**  
 OT II. Canonical Corpus

Advanced study of literary units or theological themes. Emphasis on analytical and synthetic interpretive skills.

Prereq: 11-500

SPRING 12 500 A Introduction to New Testament  
 C Cosgrove **T 2:30-5:30 pm**  
 NT I. Introductory

Introduction to the 27 New Testament documents in the light of various historical-critical methodologies as well as of other more recent theories of interpretation.

SPRING 12 542 Elementary Greek II  
 O Vena **TTh 1:30-2:20 pm & W 1:00-1:50 pm**  
 NT IV. New Testament Greek

Completes and continues 12-541.

Prereq: 12-541

SPRING 12 807 Romans  
 K Yeo **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 9:00 am-3:00 pm**  
 NT II. Books of the New Testament 2/12-13; 2/26-27; 3/11-12

Historical setting and theological argument of Paul's Letter to the Romans, with emphasis on the history of exegesis. Emphasis on contribution of Romans to ecumenical and Jewish-Christian dialogue.

Prereq: 12-500; by permission for masters students

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SPRING	12 810	Revelation to John O Vena	Analysis of form, content and function, in light of the genre of the book. Exploration of meaning on the basis of interaction of text with historical setting as well as guidance in differentiating appropriate from inappropriate use.
NT II. Books of the New Testament			Prereq: 12-500; by permission for masters students
SPRING	12 814	Gospel of Mark O Vena <b>To be announced</b>	Critical and exegetical study of leading theological motifs of the Gospel; attention to social dimensions of the community for which it was written.
NT II. Books of the New Testament			Prereq: 12-500; by permission for masters students
SPRING	13 501	History of Christian Thought & Practice 1 J Papandrea <b>M 6:30-9:30 pm</b>	Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the post-apostolic period to eve of the Reformation.
HS I. Introductory			
SPRING	13 502 A	History of Christian Thought & Practice 2 L Murphy <b>T 6:30-9:30 pm</b>	Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the Reformation to the present.
HS I. Introductory			Prereq: 13-501
SPRING	13 502 X	History of Christian Thought & Practice 2 A Johnson <b>Online course</b>	Survey of key developments in Christian thought and practice from the Reformation to the present.
HS I. Introductory			Prereq: 13-501
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SPRING	1331 846	Origins of Christian Worship C Cosgrove <b>W 9:00 am-12:00 pm</b>	Examination of the sources for the study of eucharist, baptism, daily prayer, and ordination from Second Temple Judaism into the late patristic period.
HS V. Topics in Church History			

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SPRING 1331 847 Eucharist

**To be announced**

MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Exploration of the history, theology, and practice of the Lord's Supper. Special attention to the liturgical developments of the twentieth century to the present.

Prereq: 500-level worship course; by permission for masters students

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SPRING 21 505 Introduction to Theology

S Ray **Th 2:30-5:30 pm**

TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Develops a basic understanding of key doctrinal themes such as trinity, Christology, pneumatology, soteriology, ecclesiology, anthropology, creation, and eschatology. Explores basic theological questions and role of doctrine in the church.

Prereq: 11-500 or 12-500

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SPRING 21 506 Doctrine of God, Doctrine of Creation

**Th 6:30-9:30 pm**

TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions relating to monotheism, atheism, idolatry, Trinitarian doctrine, language about God and the doctrine of creation. Analysis of the relationship between these loci and those studied in 21-507 and 21-508.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500) , 13-501 & 21-505.

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SPRING 21 507 Christology - Theological Anthropology

A Joh **Th 2:30-5:30 pm**

TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions concerning Jesus Christ and the human person. Among the topics explored are Jesus and Judaism, kingdom of God, death and resurrection of Jesus, theodicy, anthropodicy and theosis.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500), 13-501 & 21-505.

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SPRING 21 508 Pneumatology, Ecclesiology, Eschatology

B Bryant **M 6:30-9:30 pm**

TS I. Introductory and Foundational

Examination of key issues and basic theological questions relating to the Spirit, the Church and the Last Things. Among the topics explored are the filioque, baptism, eucharist, ministry, and eschatology as a doctrine of hope.

Prereq: (11-500 or 12-500), 13-501 & 21-505.

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SPRING 21 801 Topics in Theology: Sin and Evil  
S Ray **T 6:30-9:30 pm**  
TS III. Topics in Theology

This course will focus on select texts while engaging in the critical and constructive tasks of systematic theology. May be repeated.

Prereq: one of 21-505, 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508; by permission for masters students

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SPRING 21 836 Feminist & Womanist Theology  
A Joh **T 2:30-5:30 pm**  
TS III. Topics in Theology

Critical reconstruction of theological themes in light of feminist theory and experience of women in the church.

Prereq: one of 21-505, 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508; by permission for masters students

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SPRING 2134 633 Interrupting Violence: A Case Study into a  
Power and a Principality  
N Bedford **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 9:00 am-3:00 pm**  
TS III. Topics in Theology 2/5-6; 3/4-5; 4/15-16; 5/6

The purpose of this course is to help students [lay, clergy, seminarians] understand the theological, sociological, and economic roots of violence. We want students to understand the range and depth of what we mean when we say "violence," including economic, political, interpersonal, religious, and state-sponsored dimensions. We also want to educate students to help them stay safe and to help stop the cycle of violence.

Prereq: 21-505

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SPRING 22 506 Christian Moral Theology  
B Waters **T 8:00-11:00 am**  
ES I. Moral Theology

To introduce students to the principal historical, theological, and philosophical sources of Christian moral theology. Particular attention will also be devoted to examining moral questions within the context of Christian community and ministry.

Prereq: two of 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508.

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SPRING 22 857 Moral Theo Topic: Resisting Biocide:  
Environmental Ethics for Discipleship  
T Eberhart **Th 8:00-11:00 am**  
ES II. Topics in Ethics

In-depth analysis of analysis of selected topics or writers in Christian moral theology. May be repeated.

By permission for masters students

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SPRING	31	501 A	Developing & Preaching the Sermon G Brooks <b>T 2:30-5:30 pm</b>	Development of the sermon from text and idea through presentation and evaluation. Delivery of sermons in class.
MS IV. Liturgy and Worship				Prerequisites: 11-500, 12-500, & 21-505
SPRING	31	501 B	Developing & Preaching the Sermon G Brooks <b>T 6:30-9:30 pm</b>	Development of the sermon from text and idea through presentation and evaluation. Delivery of sermons in class.
MS IV. Liturgy and Worship				Prerequisites: 11-500, 12-500, & 21-505
SPRING	31	511	Christian Public Worship R Duck <b>T 2:30-5:30 pm</b>	An examination of the importance of worship in the work of the minister and congregation. Increasing competence in the understanding, theology, planning, and leadership of worship.
MS IV. Liturgy and Worship				
SPRING	31	607	Advanced Preaching G Brooks <b>M 6:30-9:30 pm</b>	Immersion in the practice and discipline of preaching different styles of sermons to different congregations. It is designed for the serious preacher, particularly pastors who must prepare sermons weekly.
MS IV. Liturgy and Worship				Prereq: (31-501 or 31-532) & (one of 21-506, 21-507, or 21-508)
SPRING	32	501	Introduction to Pastoral Care P Holliman <b>T 2:30-5:30 pm</b>	Study of human development, growth, crisis, and pathology; development of skills in integrating theology and the practice of ministry.
MS III. Pastoral Care				
SPRING	32	832	Psychopathology: Diagnosis in Parish and Counseling Settings P Holliman <b>W 9:00 am-12:00 pm</b>	Psychological dynamics preparatory to effective pastoral intervention through pastoral referral, psychotherapy, and/or pastoral care.
MS III. Pastoral Care				
SPRING	32	834	Premarital, Marital & Family Counseling D Hogue <b>Th 6:30-9:30 pm</b>	Theory and practice of pastoral counseling with couples and families, including those in premarital, marital, divorce, and post-marital situation as well as counseling with families.
MS III. Pastoral Care				

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SPRING 33 502 X Teaching for Biblical Faith  
R Blount **Online course**

MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu

Exploration of the role of the Bible in Christian education and faith development. Attention to approaches to teaching the Bible.

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SPRING 33 801 B Advanced Practicum in Teaching  
V Lee **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 9:00 am-3:00 pm**

MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu Feb 19-20; April 15-16

The practicum includes significant practice teaching. Theological and educational examination of a variety of teaching/learning models. Attention to teaching in faith development, discipleship, and congregational life. Prereq: Master's 33-502 or 33-506; PhD 90-903

SPRING 33 824 A Seminar in Christian Education: Emancipatory  
Pedagogy  
R Blount **T 2:30-5:30 pm**

MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu

Advanced seminar in Christian religious education, including topics such as theology, theological education, gender, social change, or ethnicity.

SPRING 33 824 B Seminar in Christian Education: Child Advocacy  
V Lee **T 6:30-9:30 pm**

MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Chu

Advanced seminar in Christian religious education, including topics such as theology, theological education, gender, social change, or ethnicity.

SPRING 34 511 Prayer in Christian Ministry  
F Schmidt **Th 2:30-5:30 pm**

MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction

Identifying, exploring, and participating in diverse forms of prayer and meditation, grounded in Scripture and tradition. Attention to personal spiritual formation and to integration of prayer with the roles of pastor and Christian educator. No prerequisite.

SPRING 34 603 A Practicum/Supervision in Spiritual  
Direction/Companionship  
F Schmidt **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 8:30 am-12:30 pm**

MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction Dates TBA

Supervision in spiritual guidance of individuals and groups, extending at least one year; requiring regular engagement in one's own spiritual direction, offering individual and/or group spiritual direction to others, peer supervision, personal written reflections. Prereq: 34-511 (or 34-540) and 34-507. 2 semester hours.



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SPRING 34 603 B Practicum/Supervision in Spiritual  
Direction/Companionship  
F Schmidt **F 1:00-9:00 pm & S 8:30 am-12:30 pm**  
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SPRING 34 609 Planning & Planting Congregations  
M Fowler **Th 6:30-9:30 pm**  
MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry

Empowers ministers entering new churches to access the capacities and needs of the local churches and communities and to create strategies for effective mission and outreach.

SPRING 3421 628 X Theology of Evangelism  
M Teasdale **Online course**  
MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry

This course will equip students to formulate their own conceptualizations of evangelism through critically examining how various theologies and biblical teachings inform evangelism.

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SPRING 40 673 UM Studies: 20th Century to Present  
B Bryant **Th 2:30-5:30 pm**  
MS VII. Polity and Canon Law

Developments within United Methodism, as related to the ecumenical movement, world mission, personal evangelism, and social justice. Evolution of polity, theology, and denominational structure. Prereq: 13-501 or 13-502.

SPRING 40 674 UM Studies: Wesley & 19th Century  
B Bryant **Th 8:00-11:00 am**  
MS VII. Polity and Canon Law

The foundational contribution of John Wesley to the history, doctrine, and polity of Methodism. The Methodist tradition in the U.S. through the 19th century. Prerequisite: 13-501 or 13-502

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SPRING 40 676 X United Methodist History

**Online course**

HS II. History of Particular Traditions

This course is designed to provide students with an opportunity to become knowledgeable about the origins of the Wesleyan tradition and its expressions in The United Methodist Church. It explores the roots of the movement in the Anglican Church and the Wesleyan Revival of the 18th century, and the history of the institutional and theological development of American Methodist/Evangelical United Brethren tradition through the beginning of the 21st century.

SPRING 40 677 X United Methodist Doctrine

**Online course**

TS II. Particular Individuals or Tradition

This course is designed to make the student familiar with the theology of John Wesley by becoming familiar with his sermons, a doctrinal standard in the United Methodist Church. This will become a starting point for understanding Methodist theology in general, which is characterized by a theological method that seeks to contextualize the Christian faith in a connectional structure of the church.

SPRING 40 678 X United Methodist Polity

M Fowler **Online course**

MS VII. Polity and Canon Law

This course is designed to provide students with the opportunity to fulfill the learning goals described by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry of The United Methodist Church for fulfillment of the Polity requirement. We will focus on the broader ecology of the ecclesiological forms, governance configurations, membership and orders as they are expressions of the United Methodist expression of Christian mission. The student's use and growing familiarity with the Book of Discipline (2012 edition) and Book of Resolutions is an essential requirement and expectation of the course.

SPRING 41 681 Cross-Cultural Seminar: Study Tour of Peace and Justice in China

K Yeo

May 15-26, 2016 (tentative)

Religion and Society Studies

Cross-cultural immersion experiences in various ministries and communities with theological reflection. May be repeated.

SUMMER 11 500 Introduction to Old Testament

O Vena **To be announced**

OT I. Introductory

Introduction to the legal, historical, poetic, and prophetic books of Hebrew Scriptures, with emphasis on the order and contents, cultural settings, literary forms, religious themes, and interpretive approaches.

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SUMMER 12 611 X I Corinthians  
C Cosgrove **Online course**  
NT II. Books of the New Testament

Historical setting and literary problem of 1 Corinthians from the point of view of redaction, rhetorical, and audience criticism; theological and ethical concepts developed by Paul in response to problems in Corinth.

Prereq: 12-500

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SUMMER 31 501 S Developing & Preaching the Sermon  
**To be announced**  
MS IV. Liturgy and Worship

Development of the sermon from text and idea through presentation and evaluation. Delivery of sermons in class.

Prerequisites: 11-500, 12-500, & 21-505

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SUMMER 33 506 Theological Education in the Parish  
**To be announced**  
MS VI. Educational Ministry of the Church

Examines the task of the pastor and educator as theological educators in the community of faith, relating theology and teaching methods for the life and mission of the church.

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SUMMER 34 537 Empowering Congregations for Evangelism  
M Teasdale **M-F 8:00 am-12:30 pm**  
MS I. Nature and Practice of Ministry

Study of the role of the pastor and church leaders in discipling the congregation and motivating and training the laity in faith-sharing outreach ministries.

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SUMMER 34 540 X Spiritual Disciplines for Personal & Parish  
Renewal  
D Judy **Online course**  
MS II. Spirituality and Spiritual Direction

Orientation to Christian practices of contemplative and intercessory prayer for personal and parish renewal. Explores healing process and historic styles of spiritual direction.

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				<b>To be announced</b>	
				MS VII. Polity and Canon Law	
SUMMER	40	674	S	UM Studies: Wesley & 19th Century	The foundational contribution of John Wesley to the history, doctrine, and polity of Methodism. The Methodist tradition in the U.S. through the 19th century. Prerequisite: 13-501 or 13-502
				<b>To be announced</b>	
				MS VII. Polity and Canon Law	
SUMMER	41	681		Cross-Cultural Seminar: Early Christian Rome	Cross-cultural immersion experiences in various ministries and communities with theological reflection. May be repeated.
				J Papandrea <b>To be announced</b>	
				Religion and Society Studies	