



COVENANT
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

COURSE OFFERINGS

2018 – 2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

This list shows all courses offered for the current academic year. Some information may be incomplete at the time of posting, but we will update the list as new information becomes available.

Auditing Courses: Most courses are available for audit by alumni and spouses—and anyone else—at the **reduced audit fee of \$48 per credit hour**. Alumni may audit some language courses in order to refresh their knowledge of these languages for ministry purposes, but in general language and homiletics courses, internships, practicums, independent studies, graduate seminars, and other courses highly specific to our degree programs are not available for audit. **Courses NOT eligible for audit are marked **.**

Learning Modes: Courses listed as “On-Campus Courses” take place entirely on our St. Louis campus. Courses listed as “Online Courses” are offered entirely online. Courses listed as “Hybrid Courses” are offered in a mostly online format but also require some portion of the course to be taken on our St. Louis campus in an intensive weekend or week-long format.

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SUMMER TERM 2018

On-campus courses for this term are listed **in order by start date, then by general category** (“Contemporary Culture,” “Practical Theology,” “Systematic Theology,” etc.), and then by course number within each category. Online courses are listed in order by course number.

ON-CAMPUS COURSES

Advanced Studies in Hermeneutics (ST700-S)

Dates: May 21 – 25

Days/Times: Monday, 1 – 5 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Hans Bayer, Professor of New Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Advanced studies of the thought and methods underlying contemporary approaches to Bible interpretation with historical perspectives on how these approaches should be viewed by today’s committed evangelical pastor and scholar. Open to MDiv and MABTS students with permission of instructor.

Internship Site Lab I (CO540)**

Dates: June 4 – August 10

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): Sabrina Hickel, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling), and Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 0 units

Description: Summer term internship before going into fall internship group.

Contemporary Issues and Evangelical Theology (DM878)

Dates: June 4 – 8

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Doriani, Professor of Theology

Credit: 4 units

Description: This course is designed to help pastors interact with current issues in evangelical theology. The course will examine open theism, debates concerning the afterlife, the exclusivism/inclusivism debate, and discussions in epistemology. [See course syllabus online.](#)

MA Thesis Completion (MA399)**

Dates: June 4 – August 10

Days/Times: To be determined.

Instructor(s): To be determined.

Credit: 4 units

Description: Automatically granted upon thesis approval (no billing).

Greek I (NT302)**

Dates: June 4 – July 13

Days/Times: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. – noon
Instructor(s): **Dr. Bradley Matthews**, Assistant Professor of New Testament

Credit: 4 units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MABTS students without previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MABTS in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular program in the fall semester.

Hebrew I (OT302)**

Dates: June 4 – July 13

Days/Times: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. – noon,
Instructor(s): **Prof. Aaron Goldstein**, Visiting Instructor in Old Testament

Credit: 4 units

Description: Grammar fundamentals of biblical Hebrew.

Greek II (NT304)**

Dates: July 16 – August 3

Days/Times: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. – noon
Instructor(s): **Dr. Bradley Matthews**, Assistant Professor of New Testament

Credit: 2 units

Description: Continuation of NT302.

Hebrew II (OT304)**

Dates: July 16 – August 3

Days/Times: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m. – noon,
Instructor(s): **Prof. Aaron Goldstein**, Visiting Instructor in Old Testament

Credit: 2 units

Description: Continuation of OT302.

Spirit, Church, and Last Things (ST350-S)

Dates: July 23 – 27

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Study of the ministries of the Holy Spirit; the nature and purpose of the church; the means of grace, especially the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; the second coming of Christ and the events associated with it, including the resurrection of the dead, the consummation of the kingdom, and the final judgment.

Disciplemaking in Your Cultural Contexts (DM816)

Dates: August 6 – 10

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Bruce McRae**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 4 units

Description: [See course syllabus online.](#)

Advanced Studies in Biblical Theology (OT715-S)

Dates: August 6 – 10

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Consideration of the progressive character of God's revelation. Specific themes studied in light of this overarching framework through exegesis of select biblical passages and other readings. Open to advanced MDiv and MABTS students with permission of instructor.

ONLINE COURSES

Calvin's Institutes (CH523-C)

Dates: May 21 – July 6

Instructor(s): **TBD**

Credit: 2 units

Description: Reading and analysis of the *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, emphasizing Calvin's method, material arrangement, and biblical-theological content.

Leadership and Ministry Development (EM503-C)

Dates: June 4 – August 10

Instructor(s): **TBD**

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course is designed to prepare ministry leaders for real ministry "in the trenches." Primary areas of focus and equipping are cultivating personal leadership qualities, navigating the politics of ministry, and developing ministry programs. The emphasis is on developing practical skills necessary for effective leadership across a broad spectrum of ministry contexts.

Job: On the Edge of Human Wisdom (OT536-C)

Dates: July 9 – August 24

Instructor(s): **Prof. Leon Brown**, Visiting Instructor in Old Testament

Credit: 2 units

Description: Study of this ancient text confronts us with the limitations of human wisdom and the challenge of relating to God and one another in the face of severe, inexplicable suffering. Job models a different sort of wisdom which pushes beyond easy answers and spiritual clichés.

Calling, Vocation, and Work (CC561-S)

Dates: June 4 – August 10; on-campus intensive session June 7 – 9

Instructor(s): Dr. Mark Dalbey, President and Associate Professor of Applied Theology, and Dr. Michael Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Because God's redemptive sovereignty is creation-wide, all aspects of life have eternal significance. This course will address the implications of this revealed truth for life and ministry by examining biblical, theological, historical, and case study resources. Topics will include worldview formation, image of God, salvation and mission, church and culture, vocational discipleship, and work and rest.

Educational Foundations (EM301-S)

Dates: June 4 – August 10; on-campus intensive session July 30 – August 3

Instructor(s): Dr. Tasha Chapman, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 3 units

Description: How do the many and varied educational ministries of the church engage God's people in growth towards maturity in Christ? This course briefly explores the central issues involved, including biblical and theological foundations of educational ministry, discipleship, teaching and learning, curriculum development, administration, and team building. Specific applications will be made to a variety of ministries, including children's, youth, adult, intergenerational, senior adult, and small group. Students must be involved in current field education work or active leadership in local ministry during this course. Students must have completed the first field education requirements to register for this course.

FALL TERM 2018

Unless otherwise noted, courses run **August 27 – December 19**. Courses are listed in order by general category ("Contemporary Culture," "Practical Theology," "Systematic Theology," etc.) and then by course number within each category. Online courses are listed in order by course number.

ON-CAMPUS COURSES

APPLIED THEOLGY COURSES (AT)

Leading a Missional Congregation: Preaching, Worship, and Prayer (AT212)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to leadership in a missional congregation. Areas of preaching, worship, and prayer will be discussed. **MAMT students only.**

Leading a Missional Congregation: Training for Callings (AT214)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Leading a missional congregation in the area of training laity for their callings in culture. **MAMT students only.**

Leading a Missional Congregation: Pastoral Care, Formation, and Family (AT222)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to leadership in a missional congregation. Areas of pastoral care, formation, and training families will be discussed. **MAMT students only.**

Christian Formation and Calling (AT310)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Brad Matthews**, Assistant Professor of New Testament, and **Dr. Michael Williams**, Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A biblical, theological, and applied study of the implications of God's sovereign and redemptive claim on all of creation for every aspect of human life. The course will explore God's calling for the church and its individual members as it addresses the topics of worldview formation, image of God, salvation and mission, church and culture, work and rest, and vocational discipleship. Instruction is also designed to help students assess, understand, and grow in their personal and vocational giftedness, as well as develop strategies to equip others in their callings.

Theology of Ministry & Worship (AT340)

Days/Times: Monday, 3 – 6 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jerram Barrs**, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture, and **Dr. Mark Dalbey**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A theological and practical study of the duties of the minister, with special emphasis on the development and duties of the pastor as shepherd and the personal care of the church and its people.

Ministry Leadership (AT341)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 29

Days/Times: Tuesday, 2 – 5:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Hugh Barlett**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Students will make significant progress in developing their Personal Philosophy of Ministry based upon the theological convictions that undergird their primary ministry calling, their divine design, and the values and principles that operationalize their vocational service. The course emphasizes helping students determine their optimal ministry fit upon graduation.

Field Education Practicum I (AT411)**

Days/Times: Monday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jeremy Main**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Course description to come.

Preparing for Licensure and Ordination Exams/Capstone (AT490)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, and **Prof. Chris Polski**, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Designed to assist students in preparing for presbytery licensure and ordination exams. Review, memorization, and drill on commonly asked questions and answers. Fundamentals of PCA polity. Especially recommended for students seeking ministry opportunities in the PCA.

MDiv Capstone (AT499)**

Days/Times: Friday, 1 – 3 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Tasha Chapman**, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 1 unit

Description: This course provides students a unique project at the end of their degree that requires them to review, reflect on, and integrate their work from the whole degree experience in light of the Seminary's mission-based

learning outcomes. The portfolio revisiting work allows students time to connect courses and assignments in new ways, bringing closure to learning processes left undone.

CONTEMPORARY CULTURE COURSES (CC)

Understanding Our Missional Context: Spirits of Our Age (CC213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2018; offered through the Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: A study of our missional context attending to the three primary religious spirits of our age: postmodernity, economic modernity, and consumerism. **MAMT students only.**

Foundations of Apologetics and Outreach (CC310)

Days/Times: Wednesday and Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Jerram Barrs, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture; and Prof. Mark Ryan, Adjunct Professor of Religion and Culture

Credit: 3 units

Description: An analysis of the philosophical, religious, and scientific beliefs and ideas (deism, humanism, existentialism, Marxism, mysticism, and Christianity) which have shaped different cultures and which are now reshaping our multicultural and pluralistic society. Differences in attitudes concerning the value and purpose of life, sexual identity and roles, racial and cultural differences, God, good, evil, superstition, etc., are discussed.

FSI Lecture Series (CC500-W)

Note Special Weekend Dates: September 21–22

Days/Times: Friday, 7 – 9 p.m., & Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Mark Ryan, Adjunct Professor of Religion and Culture, and various guest speakers

Credit: 1 unit

Description: The Francis A. Schaeffer Institute invites noted Christian leaders from around the world to the Seminary campus for special lectures focusing on Christian outreach to the contemporary world. May be repeated as topics vary. Theme for fall 2018: Christianity and the Imagination.

Issues in Apologetics: Shakespeare (CC522-E)

Days/Times: Tuesday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Jerram Barrs, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course will take a look at issues in apologetics through the lens of a particular topic each term it is offered.

Communicating Jesus with an Apologetic Sensitivity (CC528)

Days/Times: Thursday, 1 – 4 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Zack Eswine, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Course description to come.

CHURCH GROWTH AND PLANTING COURSES (CG)

Church Planting Field Trip (CG515-W)

Special Weekend Dates: October 5 – 7

Days/Times: To be arranged; involves group travel to other locations.

Instructor(s): Dr. Phil Douglass and other experienced church planters

Credit: 1 unit

Description: A comprehensive on-site study of church planting efforts. The field trip location varies by term. The location for the fall 2018 term will be **Madison, WI.**

CHURCH HISTORY COURSES (CH)

Church History: Ancient Church (CH212)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the history of the early church. Special attention is paid to the encounter of the gospel with the Hellenistic culture in the first decades of the church. **MAMT students only.**

Church History: Medieval and Reformation (CH213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the history of the mediaeval and Reformation church. Special attention is paid to the encounter of the gospel with the cultural context of the churches in these periods. **MAMT students only.**

Church History: Post-Reformation to Present (CH214)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to contemporary church history from after the Reformation to the present. We pay special attention to the encounter of the gospel with the cultural context of the churches in these periods. **MAMT students only.**

Ancient and Medieval Church History (CH310)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Timothy LeCroy, Visiting Instructor in Church History

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of Christianity from the early church to the dawn of the Reformation, with source material readings and an emphasis on the uses and applications of church history to life and ministry.

COMMUNICATIONS COURSES (CM)

Communicating the Scriptures (CM310)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 29

Days/Times: Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., & Wednesday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Zack Eswine, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Introduction to the basic principles of homiletics; the structure of various sermon types; and practice in composition, delivery, and voice methods.

Preaching the New Testament (CM320)**

Note Special Dates: November 1 – December 19

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- **Section 1:** Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD
- **Section 2:** Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD
- **Section 3:** Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Laboratory course in which students practice homiletical principles taught in CM310 as they preach two sermons.

Communicating the New Testament (CM321)**

Note Special Dates: November 1 – December 19

Days/Times: Monday, 1 – 4

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Laboratory course in which students practice principles taught in CM310 as they prepare and deliver two presentations.

Preaching and Culture (CM340)**

Note Special Dates: November 1 – December 19

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- **Section 1:** Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- **Section 2:** Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- **Section 3:** Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- **Section 4:** Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Preparation and presentation of sermons for the life and special occasions of the church. Instruction will include how to prepare sermons for weddings, funerals, and evangelistic services, as well as topics of social concern. Students preach two sermons.

COUNSELING COURSES (CO)

Counseling Intro and Theories I (CO310)

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Paul Loosemore, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: A survey of the main emotional and behavioral problems encountered in counseling. Includes examination of theoretical frameworks for counseling, principles of care and counseling. Emphasis on basic counseling skills and the ability to relate to others, with concentration on areas such as assertiveness and anger, guilt, forgiveness, perfectionism, depression, sexual orientation, and pastoral care. Format includes lecture, role-play, video, and discussion.

Counseling in the Church I (CO320)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Ed Killeen, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 2 units

Description: Designed to equip pastors for marriage and family counseling in the local church, this course surveys the biblical, conceptual, and practical issues involved. The importance of a healthy marriage relationship is stressed.

Counseling in the Church II (CO330)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Brad Matthews, Assistant Professor of New Testament; and Prof. Jeff Loaney, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey of the main emotional and behavioral problems encountered in pastoral counseling, with theoretical frameworks for counseling, principles of care and counseling with strong, and strong emphasis on basic counseling skills and the ability to relate to others. Concentration on areas such as assertiveness and anger, guilt, shame, forgiveness, perfectionism, depression, anxiety, abuse, sexuality, pastoral care, etc. Class format includes lectures, case studies, role play, DVD clips, and discussion

Ethics and Professional Development (CO360)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course provides an ethical framework for pastoral and professional counselors and deals with such issues as confidentiality, professionalism, legal responsibilities, and common ethical dilemmas in counseling.

Social and Cultural Diversity in Counseling (CO370)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course explores various aspects of social and cultural diversity in our world with application to counseling and relationships, including identity formation and multicultural characteristics within and among diverse groups of people and the church. We will engage our cultural formation to better understand this process within ourselves and its impact on how we view others. A component of the class will be reading and hearing stories of those from diverse cultures.

Foundations of Counseling: God and Humanity (CO380)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 2 – 3:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Mike William, Professor of Systematic Theology; and Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the doctrines of the triune God and his relation to the created order, the divine decrees, the creation and fall of man, and sin.

Assessment in Counseling (CO503-E)

Days/Times: Monday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.
Instructor(s): Prof. William Haynes, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling
Credit: 3 units

Description: Study of formal and informal assessment of personality and intelligence and the application of this assessment to counseling. Areas of discussion include conceptualization of personality and intelligence, ethical considerations, and theories driving assessment tools.

Marriage and Family Counseling (CO520)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the Christian foundations of marriage, the dynamics of dysfunctional marriage and family relationships, approaches to marriage and family counseling, and the importance of a healthy, growing marriage relationship. Includes lectures, case studies, and role-play.

Human Growth and Development (CO531)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling
Credit: 3 units

Description: The major transitions and crises of the life cycle in the context of the family and culture, including infancy, childhood, adolescence, singleness, marriage, parenthood, mid-life, retirement, aging, and death. Discussion of racial, ethnic, and cultural differences in counseling. The tension between individual responsibility and reaction within the system of the family will be a recurrent theme. Prerequisite: CO310.

Counseling Internship I (CO541)**

Days/Times: Monday & Friday, 1 – 3 p.m.
Instructor(s):

- **Section 1:** Prof. Suzanne Bates, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 2:** Prof. Sabrina Hickel, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 3:** Prof. DeAnn Yount, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling
- **Section 4:** Prof. Kathy Karigan, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling
- **Section 5:** Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Provides counseling experience with clients for approximately five hours weekly. Students also meet weekly for individual supervision and twice each week for group supervision, case review, evaluation, and interaction. Involves observation of counseling, role-play, and video. Provides a forum for structuring a cohesive model from previous curriculum experience. This fall course continues with CO543 in spring. Total time commitment of approximately 500 hours for the academic year (15–20 hours per week). Prerequisite: MAC candidacy or permission of instructor.

Group Dynamics (CO555)**

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m.
Instructor(s): Prof. Suzanne Bates, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
Credit: 3 units

Description: Introduction to group formation and development stages, roles and norms, cohesion, deviance, conformity, problem-solving, leadership, and verbal and nonverbal communication in different types of groups. Practical application of concepts to counseling in church-related and corporate settings.

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES COURSES (EM)

Teaching and Learning (EM502)

Days/Times: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m.
Instructor(s): Prof. Jessie Swigart, Adjunct Professor of Educational Ministries
Credit: 3 units

Description: This course examines how Christian teachers can deepen their conceptual understanding and educational skills as they communicate gospel teaching as a complement to pulpit ministry. We investigate the role of both the teacher and the learner (of any age) and the variety of effective methods teachers can employ in the learning process in any ministry context. Students are given opportunities to explore teaching using various methods.

MASTER OF ARTS COURSES (MA)

MA Capstone (MA299)**

Days/Times: TBD
Instructor(s): TBD
Credit: 2 units

Description: This course provides students a unique project at the end of their degree that requires them to review, reflect on, and integrate their work from the whole degree experience, in light of the Seminary's mission-based learning outcomes. The portfolio revisiting work allows students time to connect courses and assignments in new ways, bringing closure to learning processes left undone. This purposeful collection of assignments, reflective work, and synthesis writing provides both the students and the faculty summative and longitudinal learning assessment of the degree program. MA299 for two units will be awarded upon successful completion

MA Thesis Completion (MA399)**

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 4 units

Description: Automatically granted upon thesis approval (no billing).

NEW TESTAMENT COURSES (NT)

Synoptic Gospels and Acts (NT211)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the synoptic gospels and Acts. We will pay special attention to a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Reading the New Testament: Pauline Literature (NT212)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction the Pauline literature of the New Testament. The course will pay special attention to a faithful hermeneutical approach to these books especially attending to a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Reading the New Testament: Johannine Literature and General Epistles (NT213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction the Johannine literature and general epistles of the New Testament. The course will pay special attention to a faithful hermeneutical approach to these books especially attending to a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Greek I (NT302)**

Days/Times: Monday, 11 a.m. – noon; Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Robert Yarbrough, Professor of New Testament

Credit: 4 units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MABTS students without

previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MABTS in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular program in the fall semester.

New Testament Exegesis (NT305)**

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Brad Matthews, Associate Professor of New Testament

Credit: 2 units

Description: Rapid review of grammar and reading. Further study of morphology and syntax principles.

Gospels (NT320)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Doriani, Professor of Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the four Gospels' form and content as a distinct body of literature, with exegesis of key passages.

Acts and Paul (NT330)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Hans Bayer, Professor of New Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: An examination of the purpose, theology, and chronology of Acts, and study of Paul's theology and major epistles, with exegesis of key passages.

Pastoral & General Epistles and Revelation (NT350)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. David Chapman, Professor of New Testament and Archaeology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Study of the New Testament in the context of contemporary criticism. Questions regarding the history of canonization, textual transmission, as well as particular textual, literary, and historical phenomena of the NT will be analyzed and discussed.

The World of the New Testament (NT518)

Days/Times: Tuesday, 2 – 4 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. David Chapman, Professor of New Testament and Archaeology

Credit: 2 units

Description: A study of the intertestamental period and the New Testament's Greek, Roman, and Jewish backgrounds, with application of this background to the study of the Gospels, Acts, and Epistles.

OLD TESTAMENT COURSES (OT)

Pentateuch and Historical Books (OT211)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the Pentateuch and historical books of the Old Testament. We will pay special

attention to a faithful a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Reading the Old Testament: Prophets (OT212)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the prophetic literature of the Old Testament. The course will pay special attention to a faithful hermeneutical approach to these books especially attending to a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Reading the Old Testament: Songs and Wisdom (OT213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the Psalms and Wisdom literature of the Old Testament. The course will pay special attention to a faithful hermeneutical approach to these books especially attending to a theological/kerygmatic, holistic-literary, and missional reading with implications for the twenty-first century that equips leaders for their ministry. **MAMT students only.**

Hebrew I (OT302)**

Days/Times: Monday, 11 a.m. – noon; Wednesday and Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 4 units

Description: Grammar fundamentals of biblical Hebrew.

Old Testament Exegesis (OT305)**

Note Special Dates: August 21 – November 2

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Extensive reading with grammar review and further study of Hebrew philology and syntax, with a goal of greater accuracy in Old Testament exegesis.

Old Testament Historical Books (OT330)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Jack Collins, Professor of Old Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey and analysis of the historical books of the Old Testament in light of ancient Near Eastern history and historiography. Prerequisite: OT303.

Prophetical Books (OT350)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Jack Collins, Professor of Old Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Content and themes of the prophetical books of the Old Testament, with a focus on sound principals of interpretation. Includes detailed exegesis of key texts. Prerequisite: OT303, OT330

Old Testament History and Theology (OT500-E)

Days/Times: Thursday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Bruce Clark, Visiting Instructor in Old Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey of the cultural context and major themes of the Old Testament with particular focus on the role of covenant and the mission of God.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY COURSES (ST)

Prolegomena: Gospel, Story, Mission (ST211)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the core dynamic that will shape the theological curriculum. We examine the gospel, the biblical narrative as a worldview-story, and mission as central to the biblical story. **MAMT students only.**

Prolegomena: God and Creation (ST212)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to theology and to the doctrine of God. Attention is given to the unity of the Bible's teaching in the narrative structure of Scripture, to important historical-contextual developments in understanding a doctrine of God, and its importance for the missional church. **MAMT students only.**

Sin and Salvation: Israel, Christology, Eschatology (ST213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the doctrines of sin and salvation with focus on Israel, Christology, and eschatology. Attention is given to the unity of the Bible's teaching in the narrative structure of Scripture, to important historical-contextual developments in understanding a doctrine of sin and salvation, and its

importance for the missional church. **MAMT students only.**

Sin and Salvation: Spirit, Church, Christ, Consummation (ST214)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the doctrine of salvation with focus on Spirit, church, benefits of Christ, and consummation. Attention is given to the unity of the Bible's teaching in the narrative structure of Scripture, to important historical-contextual developments in understanding a doctrine of salvation, and its importance for the missional church. **MAMT students only.**

Interpreting Scripture: Biblical Authority and Hermeneutics (ST221)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the nature and purpose of the authority of Scripture and to the interpretation of Scripture. We will introduce biblical hermeneutics with attention to understanding a holistic hermeneutic in the context of listening for God's address in Scripture. **MAMT students only.**

Covenant Theology (ST300)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45

Instructor(s): **Dr. David Chapman**, Professor of New Testament and Archaeology; **Dr. Jay Sklar**, Professor of Old Testament; and **Dr. Michael Williams**, Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Interdisciplinary introduction to the study of Scripture as God's authoritative and inerrant Word for his covenant people and a normative guide for Kingdom service. Emphasis upon theological method and interpretation of Scripture; interface between the gospel and contemporary cultures; God's self-revelation in the history of redemption, culminating in Christ and the Scriptures; unity of Scripture in the unfolding of the covenant story; and spiritual formation of the student. Course requires Covenant Group participation.

God and Humanity: Foundations of Counseling (ST310)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 2 – 3:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Williams**, Professor of Systematic Theology, and **Dr. Dan Zink**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the doctrines of the triune God and his relation to the created order, the divine decrees, the creation and fall of man, and sin.

Christ and Salvation (ST330)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the person of Christ, including his incarnation, deity, and humanity; his saving work, including his death and resurrection; election, including Calvinist and Arminian views; and the application of salvation, including union with Christ, regeneration, calling, repentance/faith, justification, adoption, sanctification, and perseverance.

Spirit, Church, and Last Things (ST350)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the ministries of the Holy Spirit; the nature and purpose of the church; the means of grace, especially the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; the second coming of Christ and the events associated with it, including the resurrection of the dead, the consummation of the Kingdom, and the final judgment.

WORLD MISSION COURSES (WM)

Prolegomena: Missionary Encounter with Western Culture (WM211)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An introduction to the core dynamic that will shape the theological curriculum. We examine the religious roots of the Western story and a missionary encounter with Western culture. **MAMT students only.**

Leading a Missional Congregation: Outreach Into the Neighborhood (WM213)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Areas of outreach into the neighborhood will be discussed. **MAMT students only.**

Leading a Missional Congregation: Missiology and Ecclesial Structures (WM214)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Michael Goheen**, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Leading a missional congregation and the importance of understanding the global mission of the

church and the structures of the local congregation.
MAMT students only.

Exegeting the City (WM221)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: An anthropological and ethnographic empirical analysis of Phoenix as an urban missional setting to enable leaders to exegete and understand the city in which they minister. Much of this course will be taught “on the road” in various places in Phoenix. MAMT students only.

Global Christianity and Third World Theologies (WM224)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: A study of the global church with attention to contextual theologies of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. MAMT students only.

Understanding Our Missional Context: Pluralism and World Religions (WM234)

Dates: August 27, 2018 – May 15, 2019 – Offered through Missional Training Center–Phoenix

Days/Times: TBD.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: A study of our missional context attending to religious pluralism, a theology of religions, and the major world religions. MAMT students only.

God’s World Mission (WM310)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Vince Bantu, Visiting Professor of Missiology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A biblical, theological, and historical consideration of God’s redemption of his world, including integration with other coursework and unavoidable personal involvement.

People’s Religious Traditions (WM540)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Vince Bantu, Visiting Professor of Missiology

Credit: 3 units

Description: An historical, theological, and sociocultural survey of religious faiths throughout the world, considered in relation to God’s world mission.

ONLINE COURSES

Foundations of Apologetics and Outreach (CC310-C)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 19

Instructor(s): Prof. Jerram Barrs, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture; and Prof. Mark Ryan, Adjunct Professor of Religion and Culture

Credit: 3 units

Description: An analysis of the philosophical, religious, and scientific beliefs and ideas (deism, humanism, existentialism, Marxism, mysticism, and Christianity) which have shaped different cultures and which are now reshaping our multicultural and pluralistic society. Differences in attitudes concerning the value and purpose of life, sexual identity and roles, racial and cultural differences, God, good, evil, superstition, etc., are discussed.

Online Student Orientation (MA200-C)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 19

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 0 units

Description: Introduces students taking online courses to Covenant Seminary’s community, resources, and procedures. The semester-long course is divided into four modules: Learning in Seminary, Mastering the Tools, Using the Library, and Navigating the System. Special focus will be given to learning in community and becoming familiar with tools and resources such as the library’s website and the tools on Covenant Seminary’s learning management system, Sakai. A zero-credit, pass/fail course, students in

this course should expect to devote one hour a week toward completion.

Life and Letters of Paul (NT230-C)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 19

Instructor(s): Dr. Hans Bayer, Professor of New Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Study of Paul’s theology and major epistles, with emphasis on application to modern life.

Greek I (NT301-C)**

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MABTS students without previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MABTS in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular program in the fall semester.

New Testament History and Theology (NT500-C)

Note Special Dates: October 22 – December 14

Instructor(s): Prof. Bruce Clark, Visiting Instructor in New Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: A survey of the cultural context and major themes of New Testament teaching, with particular focus on the death and resurrection of Christ and its implications for the believer’s faith and life.

Covenant Theology I (ST300-C)

Note Special Dates: August 27 – October 19

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Interdisciplinary introduction to the study of Scripture as God's authoritative and inerrant Word for his covenant people and a normative guide for Kingdom service. Emphasis upon theological method and the interpretation of Scripture; the interface between the gospel and contemporary cultures; God's self-revelation in the history of redemption, culminating in Christ and the Scriptures; the unity of Scripture in the unfolding of the covenant story; and spiritual formation of the student.

God and Humanity: Foundations of Counseling (ST310)-C

Instructor(s):): **Dr. Michael Williams**, Professor of Systematic Theology, and **Dr. Dan Zink**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the doctrines of the triune God and his relation to the created order, the divine decrees, the creation and fall of man, and sin.

Spirit, Church, and Last Things (ST350-C)

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the ministries of the Holy Spirit; the nature and purpose of the church; the means of grace, especially the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; the second coming of Christ and the events associated with it, including the resurrection of the dead, the consummation of the Kingdom, and the final judgment.

Christian Ethics (ST360-C)

Note Special Dates: October 22 – December 14

Instructor(s): **Dr. Dan Doriani**, Professor of Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Structure and content of Christian ethics; goal, motive, and norm of Christian life; analysis of ethical issues of authority, life, sexuality, property, and truthfulness. It is recommended that a student complete one of the following courses prior to taking Christian Ethics: NT303, OT303, NT500 or OT500. If one of these courses is not already completed, please consult with professor prior to registering.

God's World Mission (WM310-C)

Note Special Dates: October 22 – December 14

Instructor(s): **Dr. Vince Bantu**, Visiting Professor of Missiology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A biblical, theological, and historical consideration of God's redemption of his world, including integration with other coursework and unavoidable personal involvement.

HYBRID COURSES

No hybrid courses this semester.

JANUARY TERM 2019

Courses for this term are listed in **order by start date, then by general category** ("Contemporary Culture," "Practical Theology," "Systematic Theology," etc.) and then by course number within each category. Unless otherwise indicated, all January term courses are held on the Covenant Seminary campus.

ON-CAMPUS COURSES

Greek II (NT304)**

Dates: January 2 – 11

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Robert Yarbrough, Professor of New Testament

Credit: 2 units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MAET students without previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MAET in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular fall program.

Hebrew II (OT304)**

Dates: January 2 – 11

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 2 units

Description: Grammar fundamentals of biblical Hebrew.

Internship Site Lab II (CO542)**

Dates: January 2 – 18

Days/Times: To be determined.

Instructor(s):

- **Section 1:** Prof. Suzanne Bates, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 2:** Prof. Sabrina Hickel, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 3:** Prof. DeAnn Yount, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 4:** Prof. Kathy Karigan, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology (Counseling)
- **Section 5:** Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 0 units

Description: Continuation of Counseling Internship CO540.

Addictions (CO532-S)

Dates: January 7 – 18

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. David Koch, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Most of us live on the edge of addiction of one sort or another. We'll take a bird's-eye view of addiction in general, use chemical dependency as a paradigm for dealing with addiction, explore contemporary scientific models of understanding and treating addictions, and reflect on biblical teaching on the topic, especially on how "common grace wisdom" in psychology and medicine can be used within a Christian worldview to help people break free from the grip of addiction.

DMin Dissertation Preparation (DM896)

Dates: January 7 – 11

Days/Times: Tuesday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Tasha Chapman, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 2 units

Description: Required of all DMin students prior to submission of a dissertation proposal. This one-week course is to be taken after the completion of the cohort year-two class and project.

Sense and Sexuality (CO-561-S)

Dates: January 8 – 12

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Richard Winter, Professor Emeritus of Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Sex is a powerful force for creativity, love, and goodness or for destructiveness, deceit, and evil. The Bible has a wonderfully high view of sexuality, which is designed to give us a taste of relationship with God. How are we brainwashed by the vivid and powerful cultural messages about sex and our bodies? What has the Bible to say about how we should care for our bodies? What has the Bible to say about sexuality in a world where "anything goes"? What is the relevance of the incarnation, resurrection, and union of Christ with the church to our sexuality? How can we move toward purity in singleness and marriage? Now that the overwhelming flood of pornography is so easily available on the Internet, most young men and women are learning about sex, love, and relationships in all the wrong places. How can we protect ourselves and help those caught in sexual compulsion and addiction? This course will explore the answers to these questions.

The Church's Mission in Changing Cultures (DM871)

Dates: January 14 – 18

Days/Times: Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Goheen, Professor of Missional Theology

Credit: 4 units

Description: [See course syllabus online.](#)

Worship in Today's Church (AT576-S)

Dates: January 15 – 18

Days/Times: Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Instructor(s): Prof. Scotty Smith, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology **Credit:** 2 units

Description: This course examines current models for worship in light of Reformed theology and the experience of a church known for its worship.

SPRING TERM 2019

Unless otherwise noted, courses run **January 22 – May 15**. Courses are listed **in order by general category** ("Contemporary Culture," "Practical Theology," "Systematic Theology," etc.) and then by course number within each category. Online courses are listed in order by course number.

ON-CAMPUS COURSES

APPLIED THEOLOGY COURSES (AT)

Theology of Ministry & Worship (AT340)

Days/Times: Monday, 3 – 6 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jerram Barrs**, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture; and **Dr. Mark Dalbey**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A theological and practical study of the duties of the minister, with special emphasis on the development and duties of the pastor as shepherd and the personal care of the church and its people.

Ministry Leadership (AT341)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Hugh Barlett**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Students will make significant progress in developing their Personal Philosophy of Ministry based upon the theological convictions that undergird their primary ministry calling, their divine design, and the values and principles that operationalize their vocational service. The course emphasizes helping students determine their optimal ministry fit upon graduation. Student wives are encouraged to audit the spring class and attend "Ministry Matters: Practical Preparation for Ministry" (two-hour women's breakout session with this course). Limited free babysitting for the spring class only.

Field Education Practicum (AT411)**

Days/Times: Monday, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jeremy Main**, Visiting Instructor in Educational Ministries

Credit: 2 units

Description: Course description to come.

Preparing for Licensure and Ordination Exams (AT490)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Robbie Griggs**, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology; and **Prof. Chris Polski**, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: Designed to assist students in preparing for presbytery licensure and ordination exams. Review, memorization, and drill on commonly asked questions and answers. Fundamentals of PCA polity. Especially recommended for students seeking ministry opportunities in the PCA.

MDiv Capstone (AT499)**

Days/Times: Monday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Tasha Chapman**, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 1 unit

Description: This course provides students a unique project at the end of their degree that requires them to review, reflect on, and integrate their work from the whole degree experience in light of the Seminary's mission-based learning outcomes. The portfolio revisiting work allows students time to connect courses and assignments in new ways, bringing closure to learning processes left undone.

CONTEMPORARY CULTURE COURSES (CC)

Foundations of Apologetics and Outreach (CC310)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jerram Barrs**, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture; and **Prof. Mark Ryan**, Adjunct Professor of Religion and Culture

Credit: 3 units

Description: An analysis of the philosophical, religious, and scientific beliefs and ideas (deism, humanism, existentialism, Marxism, mysticism, and Christianity) which have shaped different cultures and which are now reshaping our multicultural and pluralistic society. Differences in attitudes concerning the value and purpose of life, sexual identity and roles, racial and cultural differences, God, good, evil, superstition, etc., are discussed.

Issues in Apologetics: Common Objections (CC522-E)

Days/Times: Tuesday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Jerram Barrs**, Professor of Christian Studies and Contemporary Culture

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course will take a look at issues in apologetics through the lens of a particular topic each term offered. Topic for spring 2019 is Common Objections.

CHURCH HISTORY COURSES (CH)

Reformation and Modern Church History (CH320)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Dan Doriani**, Professor of Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of Christianity from the Reformation to the present, with readings in primary sources. Emphasizes the history of Protestant thought and the origins of contemporary issues, with application to life and ministry.

COMMUNICATION COURSES (CM)

Communicating the Scriptures (CM310)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15

Days/Times: Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., & Wednesday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Zack Eswine**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Introduction to the basic principles of homiletics; the structure of various sermon types; and practice in composition, delivery, and voice methods.

Preaching the New Testament (CM320)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- Section 1: Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD
- Section 2: Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD
- Section 3: Monday, 1 – 4 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Laboratory course in which students practice homiletical principles taught in CM310 as they preach two sermons.

Communicating the New Testament (CM321)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Days/Times: Monday, 1 – 4

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Laboratory course in which students practice principles taught in CM310 as they prepare and deliver two presentations.

Preaching the Old Testament (CM330)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- Section 1: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 2: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 3: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 4: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 5: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 6: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Preaching practicum with special emphasis on the place and uniqueness of the atonement in Christian preaching. Students preach two sermons.

Communicating the Old Testament (CM331)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- Section 1: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 2: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD
- Section 3: Tuesday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Laboratory course in which students practice principles taught in earlier courses as they prepare and deliver two presentations.

Preaching and Culture (CM340)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Days/Times/Instructor(s):

- Section 1: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

- Section 2: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

- Section 3: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m., TBD

Credit: 1 unit

Description: Preparation and presentation of sermons for the life and special occasions of the church. Instruction will include how to prepare sermons for weddings, funerals, and evangelistic services, as well as topics of social concern. Students preach two sermons.

COUNSELING COURSES (CM)

Foundations of Counseling: God and Humanity (CO380)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Mike William**, Professor of Systematic Theology; and **Dr. Dan Zink**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the doctrines of the triune God and his relation to the created order, the divine decrees, the creation and fall of man, and sin.

Counseling Practicum (CO390)**

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Supervised counseling practicum outside of the standard internship year.

Career Counseling (CO502-E)

Days/Times: Thursday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Mark Powers**, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology (Counseling)

Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey of approaches to counseling about career choices, as well as issues involved in career and career-related choices (view of work, principles of decision-making, etc.). Designed to familiarize the student with theory, materials, and techniques that focus on helping individuals in their relationships to the world of work.

Advanced Marriage and Family Counseling (CO521)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Dan Zink**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Builds on concepts and principles developed in earlier courses on this subject

Counseling Internship II (CO543)**

Days/Times: Monday & Friday, 1 – 3 p.m.

Instructor(s):

- Section 1: **Prof. Suzanne Bates**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- Section 2: **Prof. Sabrina Hickel**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)
- Section 3: **Prof. DeAnn Yount**, Visiting Instructor in Applied Theology (Counseling)
- Section 4: **Dr. Mark Pfuetze**, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

- **Section 5: Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter**, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Spring semester continuation of CO541.

Counseling Theories II & Techniques (CO551)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter**, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Students will explore one major school of counseling and psychotherapy each week and in the process learn to appreciate, evaluate and critique the theory. We will look at the methodology and technique of each school in order of historical development over the last 100 years in order to understand the ideas that shape the confusing array of contemporary therapeutic models. Weekly reading assignments will be followed by class discussion and viewing video examples of counseling by experts in each field. Students will have an excellent outlet for immediate practical application as this class runs in parallel with the Counseling Internship.

Research Methods (CO552)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Jeremy Ruckstaetter**, Assistant Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of social research design and interpretation, with a view toward profitable interaction with professional literature, including guidelines for writing professional papers.

Group Dynamics (CO555)**

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Mark Pfuetze**, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling

Credit: 3 units

Description: Introduction to group formation and development stages, roles and norms, cohesion, deviance, conformity, problem-solving, leadership, and verbal and nonverbal communication in different types of groups. Practical application of concepts to counseling in church-related and corporate settings.

Psychological Disorders (CO570-E)

Days/Times: Tuesday, 6:15 – 9 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Prof. Suzanne Bates**, Adjunct Professor of Applied Theology (Counseling)

Credit: 3 units

Description: An intensive study of the main emotional and behavioral problems encountered by those counseling in a church or any context. Includes basic knowledge, evaluation, and critique of commonly used categories and descriptions of mental illness (DSM-IV), and an awareness of both Christian and secular helping agencies, including their advantages, limitations, and place in the spectrum of care. Prerequisite: CO310 (in progress for MAC students only).

EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES COURSES (EM)

Educational Foundations (EM301)

Days/Times: Monday, 3 – 6 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Tasha Chapman**, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 3 units

Description: How do the varied educational ministries of the church engage God's people in growth toward maturity in Christ? This course briefly explores the central issues involved, including biblical, theological, and historical foundations of educational ministry; teaching and learning theories and methods; human development; curriculum planning; administration; and team building. Makes specific applications to a variety of ministries, including children's, youth, adult, intergenerational, senior adult, and small group. Students must be involved in current field education work or active leadership in local ministry during this course. Students must have completed the first field education requirements to register for this course.

Leadership and Ministry Development (EM503)

Days/Times: Monday & Wednesday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Instructor(s): **Dr. Tasha Chapman**, Adjunct Associate Professor of Educational Ministries

Credit: 3 units

Description: This course is designed to prepare ministry leaders for real ministry "in the trenches." Primary areas of focus and equipping are cultivating personal leadership qualities, navigating the politics of ministry, and developing ministry programs. The emphasis is on developing practical skills necessary for effective leadership across a broad spectrum of ministry contexts.

MASTER OF ARTS COURSES (MA)

MA Capstone (MA299)**

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 2 units

Description: This course provides students a unique project at the end of their degree that requires them to review, reflect on, and integrate their work from the whole degree experience, in light of the Seminary's mission-based learning outcomes. The portfolio revisiting work allows students time to connect courses and assignments in new ways, bringing closure to learning processes left undone. This purposeful collection of assignments, reflective work, and synthesis writing provides both the students and the faculty summative and longitudinal learning assessment of the degree program. MA299 for two units will be awarded upon successful completion.

MA Thesis Completion (MA399)**

Days/Times: TBD

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 4 units

Description: Automatically granted upon thesis approval (no billing).

NEW TESTAMENT COURSES (NT)

New Testament Exegesis (NT305)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Robert Yarbrough, Professor of New Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Introduction to the exegetical analysis of the Greek New Testament, with emphasis on the interpretive principles and practices that form the basis of sound teaching and preaching. Further study of Greek vocabulary, morphology, and syntax.

Gospels (NT320)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. David Chapman, Professor of New Testament and Archaeology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the four Gospels' form and content as a distinct body of literature, with exegesis of key passages.

Acts and Paul (NT330)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Brad Matthews, Assistant Professor of New Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Explores the purpose, theology, and chronology of Acts, including exegetical study of Paul's theology and major epistles, with exegesis of key passages.

Pastoral and General Epistles and Revelation (NT350)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Robert Yarbrough, Professor of New Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Continued exegetical study of the Pauline corpus, through the Pastoral Epistles, with the general epistles and Revelation, emphasizing the contribution each makes to the NT canon. Prerequisite: NT303 in progress.

New Testament History and Theology (NT500)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 1 – 2:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Brad Matthews, Assistant Professor of New Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey of the cultural context and major themes of New Testament teaching, with particular focus on the death and resurrection of Christ and its implications for the believer's faith and life.

OLD TESTAMENT COURSES (OT)

Old Testament Exegesis (OT305)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Brian Aucker, Associate Professor of Old Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Extensive reading with grammar review; further study of Hebrew philology and syntax with a goal of greater accuracy in Old Testament exegesis.

Pentateuch (OT320)

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Jay Sklar, Professor of Old Testament
Credit: 2 units

Description: Coverage of the Pentateuch: its authorship, theology, and place in the story of God's people.

Old Testament Historical Books (OT330)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor: Dr. Brian Aucker, Associate Professor of Old Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey and analysis of the historical books of the Old Testament in light of ancient Near Eastern history and historiography.

Psalms and Wisdom Literature (OT340)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Jack Collins, Professor of Old Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: An orientation to the nature of Hebrew poetry, with introduction to each poetical book within its ancient Near Eastern and biblical context, and a survey and content sampling of each book. Includes introduction to and application of the biblical principles of Christian worship.

Prophetic Books (OT350)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Instructors: Dr. Jack Collins, Professor of Old Testament
Credit: 3 units

Description: Content and themes of the prophetic books of the Old Testament, with a focus on sound principals of interpretation. Includes detailed exegesis of key texts.

SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY COURSES (ST)

Covenant Theology (ST300)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. David Chapman, Professor of New Testament and Archaeology; Dr. Michael Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology
Credit: 3 units

Description: Continuation of ST300. Interdisciplinary introduction to the study of Scripture as God's authoritative and inerrant Word for his covenant people and a normative guide for Kingdom service. Emphasis upon theological method and interpretation of Scripture; interface between the gospel and contemporary cultures; God's self-revelation in the history of redemption, culminating in Christ and the Scriptures; unity of Scripture in the unfolding of the covenant story; and spiritual formation of the student. Course requires Covenant Group participation.

God and Humanity: Foundations of Counseling (ST310)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology, and Dr. Dan Zink, Associate Professor of Applied Theology and Counseling
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the doctrines of the triune God and his relation to the created order, the divine decrees, the creation and fall of man, and sin.

Christ and Salvation (ST330)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Robbie Griggs, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the person of Christ, including his incarnation, deity, and humanity; his saving work, including his death and resurrection; election, including Calvinist and Arminian views; and the application of salvation, including union with Christ, regeneration, calling, repentance/faith, justification, adoption, sanctification, and perseverance.

Spirit, Church, and Last Things (ST350)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 1– 2:15 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Robbie Griggs, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the ministries of the Holy Spirit; the nature and purpose of the church; the means of grace, especially the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper; the second coming of Christ and the events associated with it, including the resurrection of the dead, the consummation of the Kingdom, and the final judgment.

Christian Ethics (ST360)

Days/Times: Tuesday & Thursday, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Dan Doriani, Professor of Theology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the structure and content of Christian ethics; the goal, motive, and norm of Christian life; and an analysis of ethical issues of authority, life, sexuality, property, and truthfulness.

WORLD MISSION COURSES (WM)

God's World Mission (WM310)

Days/Times: Thursday, 2 – 5 p.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Vince Bantu, Visiting Professor of Missiology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A biblical, theological, and historical consideration of God's redemption of his world, including integration with other coursework and unavoidable personal involvement.

Christianity and Race (WM571)

Days/Times: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.
Instructor(s): Dr. Vince Bantu, Visiting Professor of Missiology
Credit: 3 units

Description: Required for MARC CMI Fellows (but open to others as an elective), this course explores the professed and lived theologies of churches that fought to maintain racial segregation and of African American churches where the civil rights movement was born and nurtured. By examining the preaching and practices of these communities, students will engage critically the doctrine of the spirituality of the church and construct a public theology of evangelical renewal—not as a mere academic exercise, but as cultivated practices of personal and corporate discipleship in a gospel that teaches the unity of one faith in one body under one Lord.

ONLINE COURSES

Christian Formation and Calling (AT310-C)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15
Instructor(s): Dr. Brad Matthews, Assistant Professor of New Testament, and Dr. Michael Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology
Credit: 3 units

Description: A biblical, theological, and applied study of the implications of God's sovereign and redemptive claim on all of creation for every aspect of human life. The course will explore God's calling for the church and its individual members as it addresses the topics of worldview formation, image of God, salvation and mission, church and culture, work and rest, and vocational discipleship. Instruction is also designed to help students assess, understand, and grow in their personal and vocational giftedness, as well as develop strategies to equip others in their callings.

Online Student Orientation (MA200-C)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15
Instructor(s): TBD
Credit: 0 units

Description: Introduces students taking online courses to Covenant Seminary's community, resources, and procedures. The semester-long course is divided into four modules: Learning in Seminary, Mastering the Tools, Using the Library, and Navigating the System. Special focus will be given to learning in community and becoming familiar with tools and resources such as the library's website and the tools on Covenant Seminary's learning management system, Sakai. A zero-credit, pass/fail course, students in this course should expect to devote one hour a week toward completion

MA Capstone (MA299-C)**

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 2 units

Description: This course provides students a unique project at the end of their degree that requires them to review, reflect on, and integrate their work from the whole degree experience, in light of the Seminary's mission-based learning outcomes. The portfolio revisiting work allows students time to connect courses and assignments in new ways, bringing closure to learning processes left undone. This purposeful collection of assignments, reflective work, and synthesis writing provides both the students and the faculty summative and longitudinal learning assessment of the degree program. MA299 for two units will be awarded upon successful completion.

Greek I (NT301-C)**

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MABTS students without previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MABTS in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular program in the fall semester.

Greek II (NT303-C)**

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Grammatical study of biblical Greek. Prescribed for entering MDiv and MAET students without previous Greek knowledge. Students seeking to complete the MDiv in three years or the MAET in two years must take these courses in the summer session prior to beginning their regular fall program.

Old Testament History and Theology (OT500-C)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15

Instructor: Dr. Brian Aucker, Associate Professor of Old Testament

Credit: 3 units

Description: Survey of the cultural context and major themes of the Old Testament with particular focus on the role of covenant and the mission of God.

Covenant Theology (ST300-C)

Note Special Dates: January 22 – March 15

Instructor(s): TBD

Credit: 3 units

Description: Continuation of ST300. Interdisciplinary introduction to the study of Scripture as God's authoritative and inerrant Word for his covenant people and a normative guide for Kingdom service. Emphasis upon theological method and interpretation of Scripture; interface between the gospel and contemporary cultures; God's self-revelation in the history of redemption,

culminating in Christ and the Scriptures; unity of Scripture in the unfolding of the covenant story; and spiritual formation of the student. Course requires Covenant Group participation.

Covenant Theology II (ST301-C)

Instructor(s): Dr. Michael Williams, Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 2 units

Description: Continuation of ST300. Interdisciplinary introduction to the study of Scripture as God's authoritative and inerrant Word for his covenant people and a normative guide for Kingdom service. Emphasis upon theological method and interpretation of Scripture; interface between the gospel and contemporary cultures; God's self-revelation in the history of redemption, culminating in Christ and the Scriptures; unity of Scripture in the unfolding of the covenant story; and spiritual formation of the student. Course requires Covenant Group participation.

Christ and Salvation (ST330-C)

Note Special Dates: March 25 – May 15

Instructor(s): Dr. Robbie Griggs, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology

Credit: 3 units

Description: A study of the person of Christ, including his incarnation, deity, and humanity; his saving work, including his death and resurrection; election, including Calvinist and Arminian views; and the application of salvation, including union with Christ, regeneration, calling, repentance/faith, justification, adoption, sanctification, and perseverance.

HYBRID COURSES

No hybrid courses this semester.