

Online Course Schedule

Spring 2020

[Dates noted in Schedule]

JANUARY 6–FEBRUARY 28

Pentateuch [BI602]

Dr. Mark McGinniss

Examine the structure, content and theology of the first five books of the Bible and the unique function of this group of books as the initial component of biblical revelation.

Launching and Growing a Missional Church [MI821]

Dr. Kenneth Davis

Get a practical study of the remaining four stages of the church planting process: pre-natal development, birth, growth to maturity and reproduction. The focus is on the steps vital to planting a healthy church capable of reproducing. The course covers contextualizing evangelism; gathering a committed core group; preparing for a dynamic grand opening; designing a marketing strategy; organizing small groups; assimilation of newcomers; administrative, legal and financial issues; and planning for parenthood. You will design a leadership-development plan for an actual or potential church plant in North America or overseas. *Prerequisite: MI 804*

Introduction to New Testament & NT Literature [NT501]

Dr. Wayne Slusser

Examine selected representative types of New Testament literature from the perspective of their characteristics and hermeneutical issues peculiar to each. Attention will be given to the importance of approaching each with an Old Testament orientation. Selected critical problems of the New Testament text will also be considered.

Evangelism and the Growing Church [PT509]

Dr. Scott Bixby

Get exposed to a wide variety of programs, principles and methods in order to become equipped and more effective in sharing the gospel. Emphasis will be placed on immediate implementation of principles into your personal ministry as well as helping students develop a philosophy of outreach that can be used to train their church to become more effective in outreach.

Theology and Practice of Worship [PT520]

Dr. Kenneth Pyne

This course is designed to help those in pastoral leadership to gain a greater understanding of the theology, history and practice of corporate community worship. It will help pastors and musicians to realize the importance of regular communication, for pastors to know what to look for in a worship/music leader and for worship leaders to respect the centrality of preaching in his work to lead the congregation in vital and effective worship. Elements of traditional and contemporary worship patterns will be studied and discussed as they relate to designing appropriate, meaningful and biblical worship. As an introductory/pilot course in worship ministry, it will, to a degree, serve as a survey of material offered in more depth in other Worship Ministry elective courses. *Required for all MMin and MDiv students.*

Studies in Presuppositional Apologetics [TH527]

David Gunn

Take an overview of the presuppositional approach to Christian apologetics. Attention is given to the strengths and limitations of this approach. The methodology of some prominent presuppositional apologists will be compared and contrasted.

Christology - Soteriology [TH601]

Dr. Ken Gardoski

The first section considers the deity of Christ, the two natures and the hypostatic union in the person of Christ, the ontological and economic aspects of the Trinity, and the work of Christ. The second section considers the benefits of Christ's death and resurrection and the application of these benefits to the believer.

JANUARY 6–APRIL 10

Analysis of Old Testament Books [BI2]

Dr. Mark McGinniss

Take an in-depth survey of the Old Testament in which you prepare a detailed analytical outline of each of the Old Testament books with a brief survey of its historical setting.

Analysis of Old Testament Books [D871]

Dr. Mark McGinniss

JANUARY 6–APRIL 24**Elements of Hebrew - 2 [OT503]****Dr. Mark McGinniss**

In this continuation of OT502, increasing emphasis is placed on syntax and the translation of extended texts. Prerequisite: OT502

Elements of Greek - 2 [NT503]**Dr. Wayne Slusser**

Elements of Greek is a two-semester introductory course covering the basic aspects of New Testament Greek grammar. The course is designed to prepare the student to read the Greek New Testament through a mastery of Greek vocabulary, grammar, and syntax.

MARCH 9–MAY 1**Exposition of Daniel/Revelation [BI501]****Dr. Kenneth Pyne**

Survey the books of Daniel and Revelation for their historical and prophetic significance. Prophetic issues which coalesce between these premier Old Testament and New Testament statements concerning the eschaton will be given special attention. The specialized aspects of literary genre and hermeneutics which affect the interpretation of these books will be surveyed. The variety of interpretive approaches to the Book of Revelation will be highlighted.

Church History [CH601]**Mike Weston**

Take an overview of church history from Pentecost to the 1900's. Special emphasis will be given to the development of major doctrines, major church movements, the trials and tribulations faced by the Church from without and within, and the impact of cultural and historical events on the growth of the church. An analysis and comparison of the forces which were a part of the development of both the Roman Catholic and Orthodox Church and the Independent Church movements in history will be used to assist the student in understanding why the Church has developed in the past and how these same basic forces are still at work in the Church today.

Exposition of Non-Pauline Literature [D878]**Dr. Wayne Slusser****Communicating the Old Testament [GM611]****Dr. Kenneth Pyne**

This course is designed to assist you with the development and delivery of an expositional teaching of various Old Testament literary genres. Attention is given to the organization, explanation and application of the biblical context. A major component of the course involves you implementing stages of the hermeneutical task such as: reading 63 Departmental Course Descriptions

Models of 21st Century Church Planting [MI823]**Dr. Kenneth Davis**

A careful study of sponsorship and church design models for global church planting with emphasis on those strategies that have proven most effective in North America. A wide variety of church models are evaluated including traditional, purpose driven, seeker-driven, multi-site, house church, cell-celebration, multicultural and emerging churches. Parenting and partnering options are recommended. The goal is to enable you to develop a contextualized biblical strategy for planting new churches.

Preaching the Old Testament [PT611]**Dr. Mark McGinniss**

Learn to develop and deliver an expositional teaching of various Old Testament literary genres. Attention is given to the organization, explanation, and application of the biblical context. A major component of the course involves the student implementing stage of the hermeneutical task such as: reading, diagramming, outlining, exegeting, and preparing manuscripts in order to communicate the meaning and significance of different types of Old Testament texts. The goal is to deepen your exposition of the books of the Old Testament.

The Art of Discipling - Training Timothys [PT801]**Dr. Dann Austin**

This course is designed to help the pastor or missionary develop a philosophy and process for training others to enter the Gospel ministry. The emphasis is upon learning to reproduce one's values, knowledge, behaviors, and skills in the life of a disciple. Second Timothy 2:2 is a biblical summary of the course purpose. Spiritual reproduction and leadership multiplication should result. *For students in the Pastoral Ministry Track only.*

Pneumatology & Ecclesiology [TH563]**Dr. Ken Gardoski**

Included are the origin and nature of the Church, the Body of Christ, and the identity, organization, ordinances, and ministry of the local church. Contemporary issues, such as multiple eldership, will receive special attention. The Baptist distinctives are taught as an integral part of the biblical doctrine of the church and other major areas of theology.

A Biblical Theology of Apologetics [TH707]**David Gunn**

Get an extensive examination of the biblical basis and theological underpinnings of the clarity, the knowability and authority of the Scripture in relationship to apologetics. Special attention is given to the how the Scripture authors themselves viewed the knowability and authority of their writings and how these authors anticipated their writings to serve as a foundational and transcultural basis for mission.

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