SPORTS MINISTRY (PTSM)

PTSM 7320 Theology and Philosophy of Sports Ministry (3)
This course provides a theological and philosophical framework for understanding sports and sports ministry in churches and other settings while developing a theology of sports as a cultural discourse. Historical antecedents as well as contemporary themes in sports ministry will be examined.

PTSM 7333 Integration of Faith and Sports (3)
Prerequisite(s): PTSM 7320 recommended
This course helps sportspersons and ministers to reimagine how they think about, inhabit, and practice sports. In particular, this course examines how Christians critically understand and practically relate to the culture of sports, using lectures and a sports laboratory to simulate many of the actual problems which sportspersons face in competition.

PTSM 7352 Theological Ethics of Sports (3)
Prerequisites: PTSM 7320 recommended. This course develops Christian moral reasoning on matters related to sports, with an acute emphasis on theologico-ethical reflection and moral deliberation. Selected moral issues specific to sports are examined.

PTSM 7354 Theological Ethics of Chaplaincy (3)
This course develops Christian moral reasoning on matters related to chaplaincy ministry in diverse institutional contexts, including but not limited to healthcare, military, prison, and sport. As narrated in Christian Scripture tradition, we will examine and use theological convictions to interpret particular situations and construct moral norms to guide chaplains in how they practice care and concern for the well-being of others.

PTSM 7366 Soul Care in Sports (3)
Prerequisite(s): PTSM 7320 recommended
This course addresses and assesses models of holistic care and personal development for self and others in sports contexts. Students learn how to bring their knowledge and skills to bear on the social, emotional, spiritual, and relational aspects of flourishing unique to the sportsperson and sports culture.

PTSM 7380 Studies in Sports Culture (3)
Prerequisite(s): PTSM 7320 recommended
This course provides a detailed examination of a selected topic related to the study of sports and ministry. The course may be repeated when the content varies, up to a maximum of 6 hours credit.

PTSM 7390 Organizational Leadership in Sports (3)
This course engages with practical theology, leadership studies, and sports studies. Students develop a theological framework and the necessary skills and methods for sustainable Christian leadership in sports.

PTSM 7392 Sports and Christianity in Historical Perspective (3)
This course examines Christian engagement with sports from the early church to the present day. Students practice methods of historical interpretation and explore key ideas, events, individuals, and institutions related to the history of sports and Christianity.