

THEOLOGY (THEO)

THEO 7310 Doctrine of Creation (3)

This course will examine the biblical witness and the many strands of the Christian tradition regarding the doctrine of creation. Students will explore the real and practical implications of the Church's confession. Course will be taught off-site.

THEO 7317 Studies in Worship (3)

An intensive examination of selected contemporary topics, issues, and methodologies in the dynamic environment of Christian worship. Course may be repeated for credit when the content varies. Maximum 6 hours credit.

THEO 7320 Studies in Systematic Theology (3)

Pre-requisite(s): At least one from THEO 7341, 7360, 7361, or 7362
An intensive examination of various topics in systematic theology. Special attention is given to the biblical materials and to the insights of contemporary Christian philosophers. Course may be repeated for credit when the content varies. Maximum 9 hrs. credit.

THEO 7340 Introduction to Christian Scriptures (3)

An introduction to the Christian Scriptures with an emphasis on the background, historical setting, literary critical methodology, and the interrelationship between the testaments. This course will provide the student with an understanding of the basic issues necessary for in-depth analysis of the biblical text.

THEO 7341 Introduction to Christian History and Theology (3)

A survey of Christian history and theology from the 2nd century through the 20th century. The primary purpose of the course is to prepare students for the Christian Texts & Traditions sequence of courses and for Constructive Theology. The course will focus much on the vocabulary of Christian theology as well as influential Christian leaders, thinkers, movements, events and documents. The formation of Christian doctrines will be also be studied.

THEO 7345 Introduction to Christian Theology (3)

An introduction to the principal issues in Christian theology and a survey of the historical development of teachings that constitute the body of orthodox doctrine in the church.

THEO 7346 New Testament Greek I (3)

A study of the language and literature of the Greek New Testament with attention to vocabulary, grammar, and syntax through the reading of selected texts.

THEO 7347 New Testament Greek II (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7346 recommended
A continuation of the study of the language and literature of the Greek New Testament with attention to vocabulary, grammar, and syntax through the reading of selected texts.

THEO 7356 Hebrew I (3)

An introduction to the language of biblical Hebrew through analysis of the grammar, morphology, vocabulary. The first semester introduces the noun, the adjective, and the basic verb form.

THEO 7357 Hebrew II (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7356 recommended
An introduction to the language of biblical Hebrew through analysis of grammar, morphology, and vocabulary. This semester introduces derived verb forms, basic Hebrew syntax, and exegesis of Old Testament texts in Hebrew.

THEO 7360 Christian Texts & Traditions I (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7341, THEO 7361 or THEO 7362 for advanced standing

A study and analysis of the major texts and traditions of the church from the apostolic period to the beginning of the Protestant Reformation.

THEO 7361 Christian Texts and Traditions II (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7341, THEO 7360, or THEO 7362 for advanced standing

A study and analysis of the major texts and traditions of the church from the Protestant Reformation to the nineteenth century.

THEO 7362 Christian Texts and Traditions III (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7341, THEO 7360, or THEO 7361 for advanced standing

A study and analysis of the major texts and traditions of the church in the twentieth century with an emphasis upon the interaction of Christianity with contemporary culture and the student's ability to read contemporary culture with a view toward ministry.

THEO 7364 Studies in Historical Theology (3)

Pre-requisite(s): At least one from THEO 7341, 7360, 7361, or 7362
An advanced theological review of the major writings of selected theologians who or movements that were significant in Christian history (for example, Tertullian, Augustine, Luther, Anabaptism, John Wesley, or Karl Barth). The course may be taken three times when content changes. Maximum 9 hours credit.

THEO 7370 Christian Scriptures I (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7340, THEO 7371, THEO 7372 or THEO 7373 for advanced standing

In-depth analysis of the literary issues, meaning and message of the text of the Old Testament, including Genesis through II Kings.

THEO 7371 Christian Scriptures III (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7340, THEO 7370, THEO 7372 or THEO 7373 for advanced standing

In-depth analysis of the literary issues, meaning and message of the text of the New Testament, from Matthew through the Acts of the Apostles.

THEO 7372 Christian Scriptures II (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7340, THEO 7370, THEO 7371 or THEO 7373 for advanced standing

Continuation of Christian Scriptures I with an emphasis on the text of the Old Testament, including the Latter Prophets and the Writings.

THEO 7373 Christian Scriptures IV (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7340, THEO 7370, THEO 7371 or THEO 7372 for advanced standing

Continuation of Christian Scriptures III with an emphasis on the text of the New Testament, from Romans to Revelation.

THEO 7374 Old Testament Readings (3)

Features the reading of selected portions or books of the Old Testament in English translation. Seeks to interpret the primary writings of the Old Testament canon at an intensive level. Content may vary. Readings emphasize the historical intention of the text and its theological message. Requires no competence in Hebrew. May be repeated for a maximum of twelve semester credit hours when the content varies.

THEO 7375 New Testament Readings (3)

Features the reading of selected portions or books of the New Testament in English translation. It will seek to interpret the primary writings of the New Testament canon at an intensive level, and the content may vary in subsequent terms. The readings will emphasize the historical intention of the text and its theological message. The course requires no competence in the Greek New Testament. The course may be repeated for a maximum of twelve semester credit hours when the content varies.

THEO 7380 Studies in Christian Ethics (3)

An intensive examination of the moral life and its foundations from the perspective of Scripture and Christian tradition. Attention will be given to the virtues and our responsibilities in community. Theoretical and practical problems will be addressed. Course may be repeated once for credit when the content varies.

THEO 7382 Constructive Theology (3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7360, 7361, and 7362

The culminating course following the Christian T&T sequence covering central themes of Christian systematic theology using the materials of students' studies. The course may focus on a central theme, but in any case will progress through the sequence of themes. As a result of this course and its prerequisites, students should have a firm grasp of and be able to articulate their own doctrinal beliefs in relation to classical Christian orthodoxy.

THEO 7396 The Baptist Identity (3)

A study of the origins, development, leaders, principles, significant controversies and events, and current trends in Baptist life.

THEO 7397 The Song of the Church (3)

See MUS 4374 for course description.

THEO 7V48 Greek Language Readings (1-3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7346 or 7347 recommended

Selected reading of passages or a book in the Greek New Testament. Course may be repeated when content differs for a maximum of twelve semester hours.

THEO 7V54 Hebrew Language Readings (1-3)

Pre-requisite(s): THEO 7356 or 7357 recommended

Selected reading of passages or a book in the Hebrew Scriptures. Course may be repeated when content differs for a maximum of twelve semester hours.

THEO 7V85 Studies in Missions (1-3)

An intensive examination of selected contemporary missiological issues and/or practices. Course may be repeated for credit when content varies. Maximum 6 hours credit.

THEO 7V99 Integrative Capstone Thesis or Project (1-9)

A significant thesis or project/project report that is the result of a comprehensive study of the church's theology and/or congregational ministry. Attention is to be given to how applied theology undergirds and exhibits the ethical meaning of the common life of the church, the doctrinal teaching that defines and supports the life of the church, and the apologetic and foundational philosophy that engages the church in mission.