



Phillips Theological Seminary

Course Schedule Spring 2009

(11-20-08)

I. FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION FOR CONTINUING STUDENTS

Continuing students applying for financial-need-based seminary tuition assistance after the introductory tuition assistance period or planning to apply for federal or state financial aid must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov by January 7, 2009 (January 10, 2009 with a \$50.00 late fee). New incoming student deadline for FAFSA application is January 5, 2009. **No FAFSAs from continuing students will be accepted after January 20, 2009.**

- Seminary tuition assistance, provided by PTS, whether in the form of an award, a scholarship, or financial-need-based tuition assistance, is renewable each year provided the student:
 - continues to meet the specific criteria for her/his award as listed in the catalog;
 - writes a thank-you letter to the donor(s) designated in the student's annual financial aid award letter by a deadline specified in a letter the student will receive from the Stewardship office;
 - maintains satisfactory academic progress by maintaining a 2.25 cumulative GPA. Students whose cumulative GPA falls below 2.25 will be placed on academic probation. Students may continue to receive seminary tuition assistance while on academic probation for up to two consecutive semesters. Those still on probation at the end of two consecutive semesters will lose eligibility for seminary tuition assistance until such time as they are removed from academic probation.
- Students receiving 100% tuition awards and scholarships must enroll in and complete at least 6 semester hours (excluding hours for which tuition is not charged) per semester, excluding summer. Eighty percent tuition awards and scholarships are not subject to the semester-hour minimum.
- Students receiving federal Stafford student loans must successfully complete at least six hours per semester and maintain a 2.25 cumulative GPA in order to maintain satisfactory academic progress for loan eligibility.
- Seminary tuition assistance is normally granted for no more than the total number of credit hours required in the degree or certificate program in which a student is enrolled. In exceptional circumstances a student may receive up to 3 additional semester hours of seminary tuition assistance.
- A student may receive one WD without seminary tuition assistance consequences. Credit hours taken beyond the allowable number of hours of seminary tuition assistance will be billed at full tuition.
- When a student retakes a course in which s/he previously received a grade of F, no seminary tuition assistance will be provided for the course and the student will be billed full tuition for the course. Hours of F received in any course(s) which the student chooses not to retake will still count toward the student's allowable number of hours of seminary tuition assistance.
- Seminary tuition assistance is subject to the time limits listed below. Degree-seeking students who need to temporarily withdraw from PTS may apply for a financial aid leave of absence (see PTS catalog for details) for up to one year, which, if approved, would extend their seminary tuition assistance time limit by the length of the leave.
 - C.G.T.S. students may receive tuition assistance for a maximum of six calendar years from time of first enrollment.
 - M.A.M.C. students may receive tuition assistance for four years in attendance from time of first enrollment. With approved financial aid leave of absence(s), the time may be extended to five years in attendance from time of first enrollment.
 - M.T.S. students may receive tuition assistance for four years in attendance from time of first enrollment. With approved financial aid leave of absence(s), the time may be extended to five years in attendance from time of first enrollment.
 - M.Div. students may receive tuition assistance for five years in attendance from time of first enrollment. With approved financial aid leave of absence(s), the time may be extended to six years in attendance from time of first enrollment. In exceptional circumstances, M.Div. students may appeal to continue seminary tuition assistance for longer than the five or six-year period. In all cases, after eight years in attendance from time of first enrollment, M.Div. students will no longer receive seminary tuition assistance.
- Students who anticipate using any of the various educational assistance programs under the GI Bill are reminded to report this information to the director of student financial aid at the time of enrollment. Students who receive these benefits are expected to pay charges at registration with reimbursement to follow in accordance with the specific form of educational assistance.

II. REGISTRATION POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR CONTINUING STUDENTS

Continuing PTS students must register for Spring 2009 between November 4 – November 14, 2008. Continuing students who fail to register for Spring 2009 by the November 14 deadline may inconvenience their advisers and delay their own graduation. Having missed the primary registration period, they must wait until January 19th, 2008. However, at that point, seniors in program have no special priority in limited enrollment courses. **Please note: In all cases, students whose accounts are in arrears must see Toni Imbler before they may begin the registration process.**

III. GENERAL ENROLLMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR ALL STUDENTS

- Your academic adviser will help you select the appropriate courses for the year. Most first-year courses are required courses, introducing you to the major areas of theological education. Depending on your background and the number of hours that you carry, your first-year program may include some elective hours.
- The primary decision you must make is the number of hours you will carry. This depends on your undergraduate record, your employment during the semester, your commuting time, etc. You must expect seminary courses to require considerably more of your time than undergraduate courses. Normally, PTS instructors expect you will spend three hours outside of class in reading and working on other assignments for every one hour in class. Reading assignments in many three-hour classes are approximately 100 pages of text per week.
- When a schedule of courses has been decided with your adviser, fill out an enrollment form. Enrollment forms must be complete, including the number of hours. If course by-pass forms need to be completed, they should be secured at this time.
- Independent Research: The request to register for an independent study must be filed in the seminary registrar's office with all appropriate signatures by the first day of the semester. Enrollment and Independent Research Forms must include the complete course number and title. Enrollment forms will not be processed without the Independent Research Form.
- Return your completed enrollment form(s) to the registrar after you have consulted with your adviser.
- Supervised Ministry Courses: Students **must** get the approval of the Director of Supervised Ministries to enroll in **any** supervised ministry course.
- Individuals motivated by a desire for personal growth rather than an accumulation of credit hours may audit selected credit courses at the greatly reduced cost of \$90.00 per credit hour and a \$50.00 technology fee. Auditors are allowed in most courses, with permission of the instructor and the dean, if space permits. See PTS catalog for audit policies.

Adding and Dropping Classes

- The Change of Enrollment Form for adding and dropping courses is available in the student commons or on the PTS website: <http://www.ptstulsa.edu>.
- A student may not add a course beyond the first week of a fall or spring semester, regardless of course schedule configuration (e.g., weekly, weekend, concentrated, arranged, online). In a January term, courses must be added at least three weeks prior to the beginning of the term, or in a summer term, at least three weeks prior to the beginning of the module in which the course is offered.
- The policy on dropping courses is as follows:
 - a) During the first three weeks of a fall or spring semester, or within the first 7 class contact hours in a January or summer term, courses may be dropped for any reason. No record appears on the transcript.
 - b) In the fourth through the eighth week of a fall or spring semester, or between 7 and 14 class contact hours in a January or summer term, courses may be dropped for any reason. The dropped courses will be listed on the transcript with a "WD" indicating withdrawal.
 - c) After the eighth week of a fall or spring semester, or after 14 class contact hours in a January or summer term: courses may be dropped with a grade of "WD" only for verified extenuating circumstances of a non-academic nature. A written petition, explaining the extenuating circumstances, must be presented to the dean. If that petition is granted, a "WD" will appear on the transcript. If the petition is not granted, the dean will notify both the student and the course instructor of the decision. The course instructor will assess the student's performance up to the date of the student's withdrawal, and a grade will be issued and will appear on the transcript. Students may appeal a negative decision by the dean to the Master's Committee.
- The policies for adding and dropping courses in a fall or spring semester apply equally to master's level students enrolled in all courses regardless of schedule configuration (e.g., weekly, weekend, concentrated, arranged, online).
- Because seminary courses that convene on several weekends during the semester or during a concentrated course week focus all class contact hours in a limited period of time, faculty will expect students to begin reading and working on other assignments prior to the first class session. Normally, they will also expect students to complete research and writing assignments after the date of the last class session. In other words, despite the concentrated schedule for class meetings, such seminary courses should be understood to require academic work throughout the entire semester. It is the responsibility of all students who register for such courses to contact the dean's office by the first day of the fall or spring semesters (or at least three weeks before the first class session of a January or summer term course) to obtain a course syllabus, which will specify assignments that must be completed prior to the first class session.
- Change of Enrollment forms will be processed the day they are received in the Registrar's Office. If you are unable to be on campus, you may use the following drop procedure:
 - a) To drop a course during the first three weeks of class you may fax your Change of Enrollment form to the registrar, 918-270-6411 or Email your request to the registrar, toni.imbler@ptstulsa.edu. Please include the reason for dropping the course. Requests to drop a course will not be taken over the telephone.
 - b) To drop a class after the third week, you must fill out a change of enrollment form, obtain proper signatures, and return the form to the Registrar's Office.
 - c) If you are unable to return for the semester, please notify the registrar and your adviser before classes start.

IV. CLASS ATTENDANCE POLICY

Class attendance and participation are important. All persons in the community are teachers and learners. Any student who misses 20% or more of the class contact hours for a course, for any reason, cannot pass or successfully audit that course. The intention of the policy is not to be punitive, but to recognize that students should retake courses for credit if they miss a significant number of the class contact hours.

V. INFORMATION FOR THOSE REGISTERING FOR J-TERM, WEEKEND, CONCENTRATED, AND ONLINE COURSES

Students registering for J-Term courses should begin looking at the PTS Blackboard (<http://fishersnet.blackboard.com>) site in early December, to see if course materials are available. If course information is not available by December 12, students should contact the instructor. Assignments for these courses are normally due prior to the first class session and after the final session.

Students who register for weekend, concentrated, and online courses in the Spring 2009 semester should begin looking at the PTS Blackboard site in early January to see if course materials are available. If course information is not available by January 26, students should contact the instructor. Assignments for these courses are normally due prior to the first class session and after the final session.

VI. TUITION AND FEES SPRING 2009

Tuition:	\$485.00 per hour minus any tuition assistance	Community Life Fee:	\$ 8.00 per hour, max. \$20.00
Audit:	\$ 90.00 per credit hour	General Fee:	6 hours or more - \$120.00; 5½ hours or less - \$90.00
Matriculation Fee:	\$ 50.00	Late Enrollment Fee:	\$ 25.00
Technology Fee:	\$ 50.00 per semester	Change of Enrollment Fee:	\$ 25.00 (drop/add after the first day of classes: per slip)

TUITION REFUND POLICY FOR JANUARY TERM 2009

If the completed drop slip is returned (Email and faxes are accepted) to the registrar's office, the refunds are as follows:

From end of registration through December 23 .. all but \$25 per drop slip	
From December 24 to day prior to the start of class	80%
On the first day of the class	50%
On or after the second day of the classes	0%

TUITION REFUND SCHEDULE FOR THE SPRING 2009 SEMESTER

This tuition refund policy applies equally to students enrolled in all courses regardless of schedule configuration (e.g., weekly, weekend, concentrated, arranged, online). Students receiving federal financial aid may be subject to a different refund policy. The refund policy is subject to change upon notification.

The following tuition refund schedule applies to course drops and withdrawals:

First week	January 26 – January 31, 2009	100%
Second week	February 2 – February 7, 2009	80%
Third week	February 9 – February 14, 2009	50%
Fourth week	After February 14, 2009	None

All fees are non-refundable after the first week. No refund for auditors.

FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE BEFORE YOU ATTEND CLASS

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Tuition and fees are due in full at the time of enrollment, although a deferred payment plan may be arranged. Under the terms of the deferred payment plan, a minimum of 25% of the tuition, less seminary tuition assistance, plus fees for the current term, plus any past-due balance must be paid at the time of enrollment. The balance must be paid in full during the semester or summer term, according to a specified schedule. No service charge will accrue on accounts paid in compliance with deferred payment schedules. However, A finance charge of 1.5% (18% annual percentage rate) on past due accounts will be assessed monthly. Students will be responsible for any costs incurred by the seminary in collecting delinquent accounts.

Students with delinquent accounts may not enroll, nor may they receive a diploma or a transcript until the account is paid in full.

Please mail payments to:

Phillips Theological Seminary
PTS Student Accounts
901 North Mingo Road
Tulsa, Oklahoma 74116-5612

VII. DISABILITIES POLICIES

Consistent with its mission to educate women and men for varied Christian ministries in church and society, Phillips Theological Seminary is committed to providing equal access to its programs of graduate professional education for all qualified students with learning, physical, medical, or psychological disabilities. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 prohibit discrimination against individuals with disabilities. Accordingly, the Seminary aims to provide reasonable accommodation for qualified individuals with a disability to ensure their access and participation in Seminary programs.

Once admitted to PTS, but at least 6 weeks prior to matriculation, entering students requesting accommodations should petition the Office of the Associate Dean for Admissions and Student Services for consideration. Current students should petition as early as possible, but at least 6 weeks prior to the beginning of the semester in which accommodations are requested. Later submission of documentation may result in a delay in implementing any accommodation plan. No documentation will result in a waiver of PTS admissions policies, expectations regarding acceptable behavior, or course objectives and requirements, including the attendance policy. For details, see “Disabilities: Policies and Procedures” in the 2008-2009 catalog on the PTS website (www.ptstulsa.edu).

VIII. EMAIL REQUIREMENTS

Students are expected to maintain an email account in order to facilitate communication and to access course information and assignments via the Internet. Students should check regularly for email sent by PTS faculty and staff. Moreover, they should immediately report changes in contact information to the office of the registrar.

IX. CAMPUS INFORMATION

Security Issues

- When a crime has occurred, members of the PTS community should contact campus security or the seminary receptionist. The police or other authorities should also be contacted. Local authorities can be reached as shown below.
 - a. Campus security—(918) 852-4930.
 - b. Emergency—911
 - c. Tulsa Police non-emergency—(918) 596-9222
 - d. Crisis Intervention—(918) 583-4357
 - e. Rape Hotline—(918) 744-RAPE (7273)
- In all situations where a crime may have occurred, especially those involving violence, timely reporting may be critical.
- While crime is not a major problem on campus, all members of the community are wise to take normal precautions of locking cars, keeping valuables with them at all times, and staying in well-lit areas.

Regarding Sexual Assault

The seminary relies on community and denominational educational programs to promote student awareness of rape and other forcible and non-forcible sex offenses. Additional information is available in the chaplain's office.

Should a sex offense occur on campus, seminary personnel will assist the student in notifying the proper authorities listed above, if requested by the student. Students should contact the Chaplain, Mady Fraser, at 918-270-6447 (office) or 918-493-5023 (home), or the Associate Dean for Admissions and Student Services, Belva Brown Jordan, at 918-270-6420 (office). Counseling is available for victims of sex offenses.

X. STUDENT DIRECTORIES

PTS publishes an electronic directory of students every semester. Directory information includes name, home address, home and work phone numbers, email, fax number, and degree program. Students must notify the registrar by January 26, 2009 if they do not wish to have any or all of this information listed in the directory. Changes in contact information must be reported immediately to the office of the registrar.

Students must sign a mandatory release form giving permission for their denominations to be listed in the student directory and for the registrar to release specific information to appropriate denominational representatives. Students who did not sign a release form in the Fall 2008 semester will be asked to return a signed form to the registrar's office for the Spring 2009 term. PTS does not provide the directory to individuals or organizations outside the seminary. Likewise, PTS students should respect the fact that directories and the information they contain are only intended to facilitate appropriate communication within the PTS community.

PHILLIPS THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
J-Term and Spring Semester 2009
Academic Course Offerings—Master’s Level

Notations: Superscript number (shows credit hours); “r” (fulfills a requirement in some academic program); “o” (open to entering students); “p” (has prerequisites); “l” (limited enrollment); “s” (signature of instructor required)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	ADDITIONAL COURSES
	8:00 – 8:20 a.m. Gathering of Community and Morning Prayer	8:00 – 8:20 a.m. Gathering of Community and Morning Prayer	8:00 – 8:20 a.m. Gathering of Community and Morning Prayer	January Term
	8:30 – 11:15 a.m. HS 504 ³ History of Christianity II: Reformation and Modern (ro) -Imbler	8:30 – 11:15 a.m. PT 500 ³ Introduction to Preaching (rpls) -Northcutt NT 510.01 ³ The Synoptic Gospels (rp) -Scott TE 500 ³ Introduction to Theology (rp) -Joh	8:30 – 11:15 a.m. TE 512 ³ Ethics, Culture, and the Mission of the Church (rp) -Owens TE 642.19 ³ Reformation Theologies (rp) -Joh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS 520³ Contemporary World Religions (ro) (M-F Jan. 5-9) -D. Pittman <p style="text-align: center;">Online</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS 550³ Introduction to a Christian Theology of Religions (rp) (2 on-campus Friday sessions: 1/30 & 5/8) -D. Pittman <p style="text-align: center;">Two Saturdays</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CD 610.01¹ Spirituality: the Personal Disciplines (ol) (2/14 & 4/4) -Fraser <p style="text-align: center;">Four Weekends</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TE 624³ Feminist Theology (rp) (2/6-7, 2/20-21, 3/6-7 & 4/3-4) -Joh • CD 620³ Spirituality and Social Action (ro) (2/13-14, 3/13-14, 4/17-18, 5/8-9) -Kunz • PT 610.05³ Interior Life of the Minister and Preacher (rpl) (1/30-31, 2/27-28, 3/27-28, 5/1-2) -Northcutt <p style="text-align: center;">Concentrated Courses M-F Mar. 9-13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PT 565³ Effective Hospital Ministry (ro) -Thomas • HB 510.10³ Jeremiah (rp) -Southard • PT 672³ The Church and Evangelism (ro) -Weber <p style="text-align: center;">Norman Weekend Course</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CC 695.28³ Religion and Politics (ro) (1/30-31, 2/27-28, 3/27-28, 5/1-2) -Bessler <p style="text-align: center;">To Be Arranged</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HB 645¹ Hebrew Readings (p) -Southard
	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Chapel and Lunch	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Chapel and Lunch	11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Chapel and Lunch	
	1:00 – 2:15 p.m. PT 649 ⁵ Worship Practicum (o) -Curry CD 501 ⁵ Orientation to Theological Research (ol) -Powers, Smith	1:00 – 2:15 p.m. PT 649 ⁵ Worship Practicum (o) -Curry NT 645 ¹ Greek Readings (p) -Smith CD 610.04 ¹ Spirituality: Celtic Spiritual Disciplines (ol) -Fraser	1:00 – 2:15 p.m. PT 649 ⁵ Worship Practicum (o) -Curry SM 503 ¹ Integrating Theory and Practice of Ministry (rpls) -Thomas CD 503 ¹ Orientation to the Master’s Thesis (s) -Smith	
2:30 – 5:15 p.m. SM 500 ¹ Reflections on Ministry & SM 504-1 ¹ MAMC Supervision in Ministry (rpls) (2/2, 3/2, 4/6, & 5/4) -Penrose	2:30 – 5:15 p.m. CD 502 ³ Vocation and Theology I: Intro. to Theological Education for Ministry (ro) -Fraser NT 644 ³ New Testament Greek II (rp) -Smith	2:30 – 5:15 p.m. HB 650.06 ³ The Five Festival Scrolls (rp) -Southard PT 571 ³ Vocation and Theology II: The Art and Practices of Ministry (rp) -N. Pittman	2:30 – 5:15 p.m. HS 533 ³ United Methodist Polity (ro) -Lucky HS 539 ³ History and Polity of the United Church of Christ (ro) -Penrose/Ashby	
	5:45 p.m. – 6:05 p.m. Evening Prayer	5:25 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Evening Prayer	5:45 p.m. – 6:05 p.m. Evening Prayer	
	6:15 – 9:00 p.m. NT 500 ³ Introduction to the New Testament (ro) -Smith	6:15 – 9:00 p.m. PT 550 ³ Educational Dimensions of Ministry (ro) -Kunz SM 502 ¹ Leadership in Ministry & SM 504-2 ¹ MAMC Supervision in Ministry (rpls) (1/28, 2/18, 3/25 & 4/29) -Brewer	6:15 – 9:00 p.m. PT 500.02 ³ Introduction to Preaching (rpls) -N. Pittman NT 513 ³ The Parables of Jesus (rp) -Scott	

SPRING 2009 COURSE OFFERINGS: Master's Level

Division I: Biblical Studies

Hebrew Bible

HB 510.10³ Hebrew Bible Exegesis: Jeremiah

HB 645¹ Hebrew Readings

HB 650.06³ The Five Festival Scrolls

Susanna Southard

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New Testament

NT 500³ Introduction to the New Testament

NT 510.01³ The Synoptic Gospels

NT 513³ The Parables of Jesus

NT 644³ New Testament Greek II

NT 645¹ Greek Readings

Dennis Smith

Brandon Scott

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Division II: Historical Studies

HS 504³ History of Christianity II: Reformation and Modern

HS 520³ Contemporary World Religions

HS 533³ United Methodist Polity

HS 539³ UCC History and Polity

HS 550³ Introduction to a Christian Theology of Religions

John Imbler

Don Pittman

Grayson Lucky

Leslie Penrose and Paul Ashby

Don Pittman

Division III: Theology and Ethics

TE 500³ Introduction to Theology

TE 512³ Ethics, Culture and Mission of the Church

TE 624³ Feminist Theology

TE 642.19³ Reformation Theologies

Anne Joh

Ray Owens

Anne Joh

Anne Joh

Division IV: Christianity and Culture

CC 695.28³ Seminar: Religion and Politics

Joe Bessler

Division IV: Practical Theology

Preaching

PT 500³ Introduction to Preaching

PT 500.02³ Introduction to Preaching

PT 610.05³ Interior Life of the Minister and Preacher

Kay Lynn Northcutt

Nancy Claire Pittman

Kay Lynn Northcutt

Christian Education

PT 550³ Educational Dimensions of Ministry

Sandra Costen Kunz

Pastoral Leadership

PT 571³ The Art and Practices of Ministry

PT 672³ The Church and Evangelism

PT 696.05¹ Seminar: Weddings, Funerals, and Other Special Occasions

Nancy Claire Pittman

Rob Weber

Nancy Claire Pittman

Pastoral Care and Counseling

PT 565³ Effective Hospital Ministry

John Thomas

Worship

PT 649⁵ Worship Practicum

Sheri Curry

Supervised Ministries

SM 500¹ Reflections on Ministry Experiences

Leslie Penrose

SM 502¹ Leadership in Ministry

Rick Brewer

SM 503¹ Integrating the Theory and Practice of Ministry

John Thomas

SM 504-01¹ MAMC Supervision in Ministry

Leslie Penrose

SM 504-02¹ MAMC Supervision in Ministry

Rick Brewer

Division VI: Cross Disciplinary Studies

CD 501⁵ Orientation to Theological Research

Clair Powers and Dennis Smith

CD 502³ Vocation and Theology I: I.T.E.M.

Mady Fraser

CD 503³ Orientation to the Master's Thesis

Dennis Smith

CD 610.01¹ Seminar in Spirituality: Personal Disciplines

Mady Fraser

CD 610.04¹ Seminar in Spirituality: Celtic Spiritual Disciplines

Mady Fraser

CD 620³ Spirituality and Social Action

Sandra Costen Kunz

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS FOR SPRING 2009 COURSES

Biblical Studies

Hebrew Bible

HB 510.10: Hebrew Bible Exegesis: Jeremiah (3 hrs.)

A close and comprehensive examination of the canonical and apocryphal writings traditionally associated with Judah's 6th-century prophet Jeremiah. Students will explore ideological, socio-historical and literary issues related to the books of Jeremiah, Lamentations, Baruch, and the Letter of Jeremiah. Successful completion of this course will fulfill the Hebrew Bible exegesis requirement. Meets M-F, March 9-13, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, and 1:15 – 4:45 p.m. Prerequisite: HB 500.

Instructor: Susanna Southard, Instructor of Hebrew Bible, PTS.

HB 645: Hebrew Readings (1 hr.)

Reading of a variety of Hebrew texts with some attention given to advanced syntax. Prerequisite: HB 642 and HB 643 or equivalent. May be repeated.

Instructor: Susanna Southard, Instructor of Hebrew Bible, PTS.

HB 650.06: The Five Festival Scrolls (3 hrs.)

A study of Song of Songs, Ruth, Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, and Esther—the five biblical books liturgically associated with traditional Jewish holidays. The course will focus on close reading of the biblical texts, especially but not exclusively in terms of their liturgical context. Various methods of biblical analysis and elements of reading theory will receive attention. Successful completion of this course will fulfill the Hebrew Bible exegesis requirement. Prerequisite: HB 500.

Instructor: Susanna Southard, Instructor of Hebrew Bible, PTS.

New Testament

NT 500: Introduction to New Testament (3 hrs.)

A basic introduction to the content and theology of the New Testament.

Instructor: Dennis Smith, LaDonna Kramer Meinders Professor of New Testament, PTS.

NT 510.01: The Synoptic Gospels (3 hrs.)

The first three gospels are often referred to as “synoptic” because when laid side by side they follow the same narrative outline. In this course we will investigate the origins of this tradition, especially Q, the synoptic sayings source and the emergence of the gospel traditions. Our focus will be on the history of this tradition, the significance of its plurality (why are there so many gospels?) and how the various stories of Jesus can help shape our theology today. We will develop strategies to help folks understand each gospel as a whole gospel narrative. Prerequisite: NT 500.

Instructor: Brandon Scott, the Darbeth Distinguished Professor of New Testament, PTS.

NT 513: The Parables of Jesus (3 hrs.)

An exegetical and theological study of the parables in the Jesus tradition and their meaning for the church today. Prerequisite: NT 500.

Instructor: Brandon Scott, the Darbeth Distinguished Professor of New Testament, PTS.

NT 644: New Testament Greek II: Greek Exegesis (3 hrs.)

A continuation of NT 642. Includes further study of grammar and the development of sufficient vocabulary to make reading *Koine* Greek easier. The use of Greek as a foundation for exegesis is the primary emphasis. Prerequisite: NT 642 or equivalent. Satisfies an advanced exegetical course requirement in NT.

Instructor: Dennis Smith, LaDonna Kramer Meinders Professor of New Testament, PTS.

NT 645: Greek Readings (1 hr.)

Selected readings from the Greek New Testament and other Greek literature from the New Testament world. Prerequisite: NT 642 and NT 644 or equivalent. May be repeated.

Instructor: Dennis Smith, LaDonna Kramer Meinders Professor of New Testament, PTS.

Historical Studies

Church History

HS 504: History of Christianity II: Reformation and Modern (3 hrs.)

A survey of the Christian church from the Reformation era to modern times. Special attention will be given to the diversity and unity of the church in the period and to the divisions and reconciliations that have shaped various contemporary Christian communities.

Instructor: John Imbler, Associate Professor of the History of Christianity and Disciples Studies, PTS.

Denominational and Ecumenical Studies

HS 533: United Methodist Polity (3 hrs.)

This course, required for candidates for orders in the United Methodist Church, is designed to acquaint students with the *2004 Book of Discipline* and a sense of how its rules and requirements come to life in the practical affairs of the church, as well as to help students understand how polity is related to the church’s historical and theological development.

Instructor: Grayson Lucky, Senior Minister, Nichols Hills United Methodist Church, Oklahoma City, OK.

HS 539: History and Polity of the United Church of Christ (3 hrs.)

An exploration of the history, theology, structure, and practice of ministry within the United Church of Christ. Enrollment is encouraged for Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) students.

Instructor: Leslie Penrose, United Church of Christ minister, Tulsa, OK.

Instructor: Paul Ashby, Minister, Fellowship Congregational Church, Tulsa, OK.

History of Religions

HS 520: Contemporary World Religions (3 hrs.)

An introduction to comparative considerations in the study of religious myth, ritual, and community life, as well as to central doctrines and practices of major religious traditions of the world (Hinduism, Buddhism, Chinese religions, Judaism, and Islam). Satisfies a CC requirement for M.Div. or M.T.S. students. Meets M-F, January 5-9, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, and 1:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Instructor: Don A. Pittman, Dean and the William Tabbernee Professor of the History of Religions, PTS.

Global Christianity, Christian Mission, and Interreligious Dialogue

HS 550: Introduction to a Christian Theology of Religions (3 hrs.)

An introduction of contemporary options for a Christian theology of religions (i.e., different answers to the question, “Is there salvation outside of the church?”), contrasting understandings of global mission, past and present, and critical issues in interreligious dialogue. This online course meets 2 Fridays on campus, 1/30 & 5/8 from 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon. Satisfies an advanced requirement in theology or a CC requirement. Prerequisite: TE 500.

Instructor: Don A. Pittman, Dean and the William Tabbernee Professor of the History of Religions, PTS.

Theology and Ethics

TE 500: Introduction to Theology (3 hrs.)

An introduction to the vocabulary of theology, the thematic structure of its master narrative, and various contextual methods and approaches to the discipline.

Prerequisite: HB 500 or NT 500, plus HS 502 or HS 504.

Instructor: Anne Joh, Assistant Professor of Theology, PTS.

TE 512: Ethics, Culture, and the Mission of the Church (3 hrs.)

An introduction to ethical reflection as a practice of cultural analysis. The churches’ mission in the world will be considered in relation to the ethical challenges presented by the new media, bioethics, globalization, religious pluralism, race, sexuality, and others. Prerequisite: TE 500.

Instructor: Ray A. Owens, Senior Minister, Metropolitan Baptist Church, Tulsa; Affiliate Assistant Professor of Social Ethics and Black Church Studies, PTS.

TE 624: Feminist Theology (3 hrs.)

An exploration of the rich variety of theological writings by feminists, womanists, and other liberationist women writers that has emerged since 1960 with a view toward assessing their critical and constructive import for Christian thought and practice. This course meets 2/6-7, 2/20-21, 3/6-7 & 4/3-4 (Fridays 6:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.) Satisfies an advanced theology requirement for M.Div. or M.T.S. students. Prerequisite: TE 500.

Instructor: Anne Joh, Assistant Professor of Theology, PTS.

TE 642.19: Reformation Theologies (3 hrs.)

This is a seminar course focused on the diverse theologies of the Protestant Reformation. The course aims to familiarize students with the richness and broadness of key Protestant reformation theologies. Not only will we examine the social, political, economic and religious milieu in which the Protestant reformation emerged, but we will engage in careful and close readings of major theologians including those of John Calvin, Martin Luther and the Anabaptists. These readings will focus on key doctrinal differences and similarities proposed by these thinkers including but not limited to: Communion, Baptism, Ordination, Salvation, Forgiveness, Justification, Scripture, Authority of the Church. Prerequisite: TE500.

Instructor: Anne Joh, Assistant Professor of Theology, PTS.

Christianity and Culture

CC 695.28: Seminar: Religion and Politics (3 hrs.)

This course focuses on the 2008 presidential election which provides a fascinating backdrop for studying the interaction between religious and political discourse in the United States. While attending to the legal separation of church and state, the course will focus on the inevitable, and intentional mixing of political and religious interests. In addition, the course will explore several specific theological interpretations of American public life. This course meets at The United Ministry Center at the University of Oklahoma, 1017 Elm Avenue, Norman, OK 73072, 1/30-31, 2/27-28, 3/27-28 & 5/1-2 (Fridays 6:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.) Satisfies a CC requirement.

Instructor: Joe Bessler, the Robert Travis Peake Associate Professor of Theology, PTS.

Practical Theology

Preaching

PT 500: Introduction to Preaching (3 hrs.)

A practical theological introduction to Christian preaching. The course explores the issues and dynamics of preaching, as well as the practices that support preaching. Prerequisites: NT 500 and TE 500, and permission of instructor. Class size is limited.

Instructor: Kay Northcutt, the Fred B. Craddock Associate Professor of Preaching and Worship, PTS.

PT 500.02: Introduction to Preaching (3 hrs.)

A practical theological introduction to Christian preaching. The course explores the issues and dynamics of preaching, as well as the practices that support preaching. Prerequisites: NT 500 and TE 500, and permission of instructor. Class size is limited.

Instructor: Nancy Claire Pittman, Assistant Professor of the Practice of Ministry and Director of the Doctor of Ministry program, PTS.

PT 610.05: Interior Life of the Minister and Preacher (3 hrs.)

This course will investigate the classics of spirituality, including primary texts written by the Desert Fathers and Mothers, mystics, reformers, and non-violent activists such as Thich Nhat Hahn and M. L. King. Students will become familiar with these classic texts, searching among and within them to find sustenance, wisdom, and companionship for a lifetime of preaching and ministry. Careful attention will be paid to the role human temperament plays in spiritual development. The methods, curriculum, and practices of spiritual direction (and group spiritual direction) will be studied including key interdependent pairs of spiritual intelligence such as: activity/receptivity, consolation/desolation, attachment/detachment, self-knowledge/dis-illusionment, prayer, meditation, iconography, labyrinth walking, and *lectio divina*. Participants in this course will pray the daily office together though separated by miles. The final requirement of the course is a group silent retreat led by the professor. This course meets 1/30-31, 2/27-28, 3/27-28 & 5/1-2 (Fridays 6:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.) Satisfies an advanced PT course requirement for students matriculating July 1, 2007 or after. Prerequisites: PT 500 and TE 500, or permission of instructor. Class size is limited.

Instructor: Kay Northcutt, the Fred B. Craddock Associate Professor of Preaching and Worship, PTS.

Christian Education

PT 550: Educational Dimensions of Ministry (3 hrs.)

A basic course that provides an opportunity to explore educational aspects of ministry. Attention will be given to teaching/learning, particular models of education, and the assumptions of these models. Students will be encouraged to reflect on, analyze, and develop a vision of educational practice in ministry.

Instructor: Sandra Costen Kunz, Assistant Professor of Educational Ministries, PTS.

Pastoral Leadership

PT 571: Vocation and Theology II: The Art and Practices of Ministry (3 hrs.)

An introduction to the formation of pastoral identity and imagination that shape all aspects of ministry, including the exercise of leadership, power, and authority; the implementation of administrative tasks; and the application of Christian wisdom and theology. Prerequisite: One Supervised Ministry course or concurrent SM registration.

Instructor: Nancy Claire Pittman, Assistant Professor of the Practice of Ministry and Director of the Doctor of Ministry program, PTS.

PT 672: The Church and Evangelism (3 hrs.)

An exploration of biblical, historical, and theological perspectives on Christian evangelism that inform faithful ministry in the contemporary church. Required of United Methodist Church M.Div. students. The course meets M-F March 9-13, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, and 1:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Instructor: Rob Weber, Minister, Grace Community United Methodist Church, Shreveport, LA.

Pastoral Care and Counseling

PT 565: Effective Hospital Ministry (3 hrs.)

Formerly called Orientation to CPE, this course is an exploration of the theoretical foundations of Clinical Pastoral Education and the practice of ministry in institutional settings. The goal of the course will be to introduce students to the theological model and method of Clinical Pastoral Education. The "action-reflection" and group learning model, commonly used in CPE, will allow students to have a similar experience to CPE training. Persons from various local CPE centers will be invited to participate in class discussions. This course is open only to persons without previous CPE training. Meets M-F, March 9-13, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Instructor: John Thomas, Assistant Professor of Practical Theology and Director of Supervised Ministries, PTS.

Worship

PT 649: Worship Practicum (.5 hr.)

Students in this class are responsible for planning and evaluating the weekly seminary community worship. Regular attendance of class and worship are required. This class is offered tuition free, is graded pass/fail, and may be repeated. A total of no more than three hours may be applied toward the M.Div. or M.A.M.C. degree program.

Instructor: Sheri Curry, (M.Div. PTS), Interim Director of Seminary Worship and Chapel, PTS.

Supervised Ministries

SM 500: Reflections on Ministry Experiences (1 hr.)

Students will explore the meaning and practice of ministry by engaging in systematic theological reflection on particular situations from their own ministry contexts. Prerequisites: CD 502, TE 500, and permission of the director of supervised ministries. The course meets 2/2, 3/2, 4/6 & 5/4, (Mondays 2:30 – 5:15 p.m.) Class size is limited.

Instructor: Leslie Penrose, Minister, United Church of Christ.

SM 502: Leadership in Ministry (1 hr.)

Students serving in ministry sites will consider the personal, social and ecclesial dynamics of assuming their roles as pastoral leaders. Prerequisites: CD 502, TE 500, and permission of the director of supervised ministries. The course meets 1/28, 2/18, 3/25 & 4/29, (Wednesdays 6:15 – 9:00 p.m.) Class size is limited.

Instructor: Rick Brewer, Minister, Christ Church, Tulsa.

SM 503: Integrating the Theory and Practice of Ministry (1 hr.)

A seminar course for advanced students who will look at the interplay of theory and practice in their various contexts for ministry. Prerequisites: two semesters of supervised ministries for M.Div. students, SM 504 for M.A.M.C. students, and permission of the director of supervised ministries. Class size is limited.

Instructor: John Thomas, Assistant Professor of Practical Theology and Director of Supervised Ministries, PTS.

SM 504-01: M.A.M.C. Supervision in Ministry (1 hr.)

M.A.M.C. students will investigate the personal, social, and ecclesial issues present in the ministry settings in which they serve. Prerequisites: CD 502, TE 500, and permission of the director of supervised ministries. The course meets 2/2, 3/2, 4/6 & 5/4, (Mondays 2:30 – 5:15 p.m.) Class size is limited.

Instructor: Leslie Penrose, Minister, United Church of Christ.

SM 504-02: M.A.M.C. Supervision in Ministry (1 hr.)

M.A.M.C. students will investigate the personal, social, and ecclesial issues present in the ministry settings in which they serve. Prerequisites: CD 502, TE 500, and permission of the director of supervised ministries. The course meets 1/28, 2/18, 3/25 & 4/29, (Wednesdays 6:15 – 9:00 p.m.) Class size is limited.

Instructor: Rick Brewer, Minister, Christ Church, Tulsa.

Cross Disciplinary

CD 501: Orientation to Theological Research (.5 hr.)

This course will provide instruction on how to find, evaluate, and cite research resources in the PTS library and through online access. Hands-on instruction in the use of the computer for research will be emphasized. Students will bring an actual assignment from a course they are currently taking and utilize the instruction in this course to help them gather the resources to complete that assignment. This class is offered tuition free and is graded pass/fail. Enrollment is limited.

Instructors: Clair Powers, Technical Services/Reference Librarian, PTS, and Dennis Smith, LaDonna Kramer Meinders Professor of New Testament, PTS.

CD 502: Vocation and Theology I: Introduction to Theological Education for Ministry (3 hrs.)

A “rite of passage” course that provides an orientation for new M.Div. and M.A.M.C. students to the culture, values, and people of the seminary community. The course is required for all M.Div. and M.A.M.C. students within the first 13 hours of their academic programs and before enrollment in supervised ministries.

Instructor: Mady Fraser, Chaplain and Assistant Professor of Spirituality, PTS.

CD 503: Orientation to the Master’s Thesis (1 hr)

This course will provide an introduction to the process of writing a master’s thesis (either M.Div. or M.T.S.). In a workshop format, each student will develop a thesis topic and a plan for the research and writing of the thesis. Instruction will also be provided on the style form for writing a thesis. Highly recommended for all students who plan to write a thesis in the fall of 2009 or otherwise in the near future. May also be taken by students who are in the process of writing a thesis. At the student’s option, the one hour credit for the course may be counted toward the 6-hour thesis credit.

Instructor: Dennis Smith, LaDonna Kramer Meinders Professor of New Testament, PTS.

CD 610.01: Seminar in Spirituality: The Personal Disciplines (1 hr.)

A small group experience with a focus on the spiritual development of the student as an individual and a minister. The primary goals are to develop personal spiritual practices and to build community. A variety of spiritual disciplines are presented, explored, and practiced. Meets two Saturdays, 2/14 and 4/4, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Enrollment is limited to 10 students.

Instructor: Mady Fraser, Chaplain and Assistant Professor of Spirituality, PTS.

CD 610.04: Seminar in Spirituality: Celtic Spiritual Disciplines (1 hr.)

A small group experience with a focus on the holistic, egalitarian, and earth-connected spiritual perspectives and disciplines of Celtic Christianity--a sect of Christianity which arose in the British Isles prior to the 8th century. Enrollment is limited to 15 students.

Instructor: Mady Fraser, Chaplain and Assistant Professor of Spirituality, PTS.

CD 620: Spirituality and Social Action (3 hrs.)

An exploration of the classic divide between contemplation and action in spirituality with an emphasis on people and movements that have sought to integrate the two. This course meets 2/13-14, 3/13-14, 4/17-18, & 5/8-9, (Fridays 6:15 p.m. – 8:15 p.m. and Saturdays 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.) Fulfills a requirement in M.A.M.C. Track III.

Instructor: Sandra Costen Kunz, Assistant Professor of Educational Ministries, PTS.

SPRING SEMESTER 2009

M	Jan 5	Deadline for admissions applications Deadline for new student financial aid applications
M-F	Jan 5-9	January Concentrated Course
M-W	Jan 5-15	D.Min. Fortnight
Tu-Th	Jan 13-15	Ministers' Week
M	Jan 19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday (seminary closed)
Th	Jan 22	Orientation and registration
M	Jan 26	First day of classes
Tu	Feb 3	Last day to add courses
W	Feb 25	Ash Wednesday service
M-F	Mar 9-13	Concentrated Course Week
M-F	Mar 16-20	Reading Week (OK spring break)
Tu	Mar 24	Registration for Summer/Fall 2009 begins
Su-Th	Mar 29-Apr 2	ATS site visit
F	Apr 3	Registration for Summer/Fall 2009 ends
F	Apr 3	Last day for course withdrawals
Su	Apr 5	Palm Sunday
M-F	Apr 6-10	Holy Week recess (no classes, seminary closed Friday)
Su	Apr 12	Easter
M	Apr 13	Easter Holiday (seminary closed)
F	May 8	Grades due for graduating seniors Deadline for incomplete requests
Tu	May 12	Awards luncheon
F	May 15	Last day of classes
Sa	May 16	Commencement
F	May 22	Grades due for all students

SUMMER 2009

M	May 25	Summer Module I begins for master's level
W	May 27	D.Min. enrollment deadline for Summer
M-Fr	June 22-July 3	D.Min. Fortnight
M	Jul 6	Summer Module II begins for master's level
W-Su	Jul 29-Aug 2	General Assembly of the Christian Church, Indianapolis, IN
F	Aug 7	Summer master's level assignments due All D.Min. Project phases work due Summer grades due
F	Aug 21	

FALL SEMESTER 2009

Tu	Jul 28	Deadline for applications for admission Deadline for new student financial aid applications
F	Aug 7	Summer class assignment deadline
Th	Aug 20	Orientation and registration for master's level students
F	Aug 21	Summer grades due
M	Aug 24	First day of classes
Tu	Sep 1	Last day to add courses
M	Sep 7	Labor Day Holiday (seminary closed)
Th-F	Oct 15-16	Stacey Pastors' Workshop
F-F	Oct 9-16	BorderLinks Study Trip
M-F	Oct 12-16	Concentrated Course Week
F	Oct 23	Last day for course withdrawals
M-F	Oct 26	Registration for Spring 2010 begins
F	Nov 6	Registration for Spring 2010 ends
Sa-Tu	Nov 7-10	AAR Montreal
M-F	Nov 9-13	Reading Week
Sa-Tu	Nov 21-24	SBL New Orleans
M-F	Nov 23-27	Thanksgiving recess (seminary closed W-F)
M	Nov 30	Seminary in-service
F	Dec 4	Deadline for incomplete requests
F	Dec 11	Last day of classes
F	Dec 18	Term grades due