

Course Listing

with projected offerings for

2012-13, 2013-14, and 2014-15

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Chicago Theological Seminary



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Levels of Courses:

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Religious Heritage

Hebrew Bible

RH 301

Interpreting the Hebrew Bible

Ken Stone

(M.Div. Required Course) An introduction for beginning students to the problems of the historical and theological interpretation of the Hebrew Scriptures. Special attention given to Pentateuch and narrative history (Joshua-2 Kings).

To be offered: F12e, F12o, F13, F13o, F14e, F14o

RH 302

Interpreting the Hebrew Bible II

Timothy Sandoval or Rachel Mikva

(Fulfills M.Div. requirement) An introduction to the historical, literary and theological interpretation of the prophetic, poetic, and wisdom texts of the Hebrew scriptures.

To be offered: S12, S12o, S13e, S13o, S14, S 14o

RH 319

Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

Ken Stone

An intensive course designed to introduce the fundamentals of reading Biblical Hebrew.

To be offered: TBA

RH 350

Biblical Interpretation in Contemporary Contexts

Alice Hunt

This course seeks to explore a variety of interpretive approaches to the Hebrew Bible, especially in relation to contemporary cultural contexts.

To be offered: F13o

RH 405

Very Different Visions: Jewish and Christian Interpretations of Genesis

Rachel Mikva

A literary, socio-historical and anthropological study of selected passages from Genesis with attention to multiple ways in which it has been interpreted within Judaism and Christianity (with optional Hebrew component).

To be offered: F14

RH 406

Reading Genesis

Ken Stone

A literary, socio-historical, and anthropological study of selected passages from Genesis with attention to multiple ways in which it has been read within Judaism and Christianity. Hebrew is not required but a Hebrew reading component will be included for students who have completed "Introduction to Biblical Hebrew."

To be offered: TBA

RH 408

Wisdom Literature

Timothy Sandoval

This course examines one or more of the major wisdom texts of the Hebrew Bible (Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes). Major historical, literary, and theological themes will be highlighted.

To be offered: F12, F14

RH 409

Study Tour to Israel/Palestine

Rachel Mikva, Susan Thistlethwaite

History pours out of every rock in the land of Israel, and hopes for the future pour out of every face. This 12-day journey will explore the biblical heritage, the vitality of the modern State of Israel, and the tremendous challenges in pursuing justice and peace for Israelis and Palestinians. Substantial subsidies for students will be available.

To be offered: Fall and J-Term 2013/14

RH 410

The Festival Scrolls: Ruth, Esther, Song of Songs, Ecclesiastes, Lamentations

Ken Stone

A consideration of the Megillot, five biblical books traditionally read at Jewish festivals. Attention given to their literary structure, socio-historical context, and history of interpretation.

To be offered: TBA

RH 411

Judges, Gender and Biblical Theology

Ken Stone

This course uses a close reading of Judges to examine both the role of gender in biblical interpretation and the implications of difficult texts for the task of "biblical theology."

To be offered: TBA

RH 413

Sex, Gender and Kinship in the Hebrew Bible

Ken Stone

An interdisciplinary study of constructions of sex, gender and kinship in Hebrew Bible texts.

Attention given both to ancient socio-cultural contexts and to hermeneutical issues for contemporary theology and ministry.

To be offered: TBA

RH 416/TEC 419

Dangerous Religious Ideas

Rachel Mikva

Using primary and secondary sources in Scripture and its interpretation, the class will explore religious ideas that are or have been considered "dangerous" in Judaism, Christianity and Islam (e.g., martyrdom, Sabbath, chosenness, free will and divine providence, reward and punishment, homeland, abomination, religious law, Jubilee, etc.). Our goal is to understand the potentially constructive and destructive aspects of each concept, and to consider how we might try to shape their meaning.

To be offered: F12, F14o

RH 417

Loss and Healing in the Bible and in Rabbinic Literature

Rachel Mikva

An exploration of communal and individual loss, along with the rhetorical and theological strategies for coping, for understanding, for healing. Passages for study include Lamentations, Job, Psalms and Ruth, plus select passages from Genesis-Deuteronomy -- with midrashic, medieval and modern interpretation. There will be opportunities to address the subject personally, academically and professionally, with some flexibility based on your objectives.

To be offered: TBA

RH 419

Creation Themes in the Hebrew Bible

Ken Stone

Examines biblical texts that shed light on Israel's understanding of creation. Attention to ancient cultural background; relations among God, humanity, and nature; gender in the creation accounts; and ecological hermeneutics.

To be offered: TBA

RH 420

Suffering, Lament, & Human Existence in the Hebrew Bible

Ken Stone

An examination of biblical texts that articulate experiences of suffering or question the meaning of existence. Texts considered include selected Psalms, Job, Ecclesiastes and Lamentations. Attention to contemporary hermeneutical questions.

To be offered: TBA

RH 463

Apocalyptic Then and Now

Timothy Sandoval

At the recent millennium, we heard many discussions about the end of time, or the end of the world. This course will look at a specific understanding of that ending. We will examine apocalyptic as both a literary genre and a social phenomenon. After a survey of apocalyptic

literature within ancient Jewish and early Christian traditions, we will continue to explore the development of apocalyptic in the medieval and modern periods. (Cross listed as TEC 463.)

To be offered: S14

RH 470

Bible and Economic Ethics

Timothy Sandoval

This course considers the role of the Bible in relation to other sources of Christian moral-theological reflection and certain economic practices and theory in light of such sources, especially key biblical texts.

To be offered: TBA

RH 472

Sex, Race and Class in the Song of Songs

Alice Hunt

This course explores the book of Song of Songs, particularly through interdisciplinary lenses of gender, race, class, and sexuality.

To be offered: S13

RH 473

Character Ethics and the Old Testament

Timothy Sandoval

This class explores recent texts on character ethics and readings of the Bible in those terms; attends to critiques of such efforts and constructs procedures for better engagement of biblical texts through character ethics.

To be offered: TBA

RH 491

Comparative and Competitive Exegesis: The Rabbis and the Church Fathers

Rachel Mikva

These “Fathers of the World” influenced the shape of Judaism and Christianity for the ages. How did they read the Bible? How do their shared hermeneutics lead to radically different interpretations, and what has the impact been on religious history? To what extent may they have known of each other’s work, and even

“cooperated” in the exegetical enterprise?

To be offered: TBA

RH 492

Reading Between the Testaments

Timothy Sandoval

This course examines Jewish literature from c.200 BCE to c.50 CE, such as the Old Testament Apocrypha and the Dead Sea Scrolls. Literary and theological issues emerging from the primary texts will be highlighted.

To be offered: TBA

RH 494

Story and Religious Imagination in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam

Rachel Mikva

Why do religious stories have such a powerful impact? Why are they an essential component of every faith tradition across time and space? What do they share, and how are they distinguished by historical context and culture? The course undertakes a study of hagiography, parable, expanded scriptural narrative, religious folktale and personal testimony from Late Antiquity to the present day, exploring how story shapes and inspires religious thought and action. Cross-listed as TEC 441.

To be offered: S15

RH 495

Bible and Immigration

Timothy Sandoval

Through selected readings, class discussions, lectures and presentations, this course will enable students to gain a basic understanding of the ethical and theological issues regarding immigration to the US, especially from Latin America.

To be offered: J13

RH 498

Homosexuality and Biblical Interpretation

Ken Stone

A reconsideration of the Bible and biblical interpretation from the standpoint of gay and

lesbian experience (cross-listed as TEC 498).

To be offered: S13o, S14, S14o, S15o

RH 499

Animals, Food, and Biblical Interpretation

Ken Stone

This course (1) examines the Hebrew Bible's attitudes toward animals and food, (2) introduces contemporary animal studies and food studies literature, and (3) considers the implications of that literature for biblical interpretation and contemporary ethics.

To be offered: S13, S15

RH 501

Introduction to Biblical Aramaic.

Timothy Sandoval

A course designed to introduce the fundamentals of reading Biblical Aramaic.

To be offered: TBA

RH 503

Anthropology and Biblical Interpretation

Ken Stone

Seminar on the use of anthropological models in biblical interpretation. Attention to such topics as ethnicity, kinship, social role, symbolism, honor/shame, sacrifice, gender. (Non-doctoral students must obtain instructor's permission)

To be offered: TBA

RH 505

Dead Sea Scrolls

Timothy Sandoval

This course considers (in translation) the historical, literary, and theological dimensions of sectarian Qumran texts recognizing the significance of the scrolls for the study of formative Judaism, Christian origins, and the study of the Bible. (Limit 10; Prerequisite: Interpreting the Hebrew Bible and Interpreting the Hebrew Bible II)

To be offered: TBA

RH 506

Bakhtin, Jameson, and the Bible

Timothy Sandoval

This course is an introduction to the thought and writings of Mikhail Bakhtin and Fredric Jameson with special consideration of their relevance for biblical interpretation.

To be offered: S14

RH 533

Feminist Theory and Biblical Interpretation

Seung Ai Yang

Course description listed in New Testament section.

To be offered: S14

RH 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professors in the area of Hebrew Bible on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

RH 601

Contemporary Hermeneutical Strategies

Timothy Sandoval

(Ph.D. required course) Advanced seminar exploring a range of emerging hermeneutical strategies (literary, social-scientific, liberationist, feminist, Afro-centrist, womanist, deconstructive, psychoanalytic) with attention to impact of global and post-Holocaust consciousness.

To be offered: F12, F14

New Testament

RH 320

Beginning Koine Greek

Seung Ai Yang

This course introduces students to the “essentials” of Koine Greek grammar, syntax, morphology, and vocabulary so they can begin to read and translate selected biblical passages.

To be offered: TBA

RH 321

Interpreting the Gospels

Seung Ai Yang

(M.Div. required course) An introduction to contemporary research and perspectives on the four canonical Gospels. Greco-Roman milieu of the Gospels, the methodological development of Gospel scholarship, and the question of the Gospels’ genre[s] will be addressed.

To be offered: F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o

RH 325

Interpreting the Epistles

Seung Ai Yang or Theodore Jennings

(Fulfills M.Div. requirement) Offers an introduction to both the Pauline and non-Pauline corpus. In addition to reading selected letters in light of ancient epistolography and rhetorical practices, we will also pay attention to the historical situations of these letters.

To be offered: S13, S13o, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o

RH 331

Intermediate Koine Greek

Seung Ai Yang

This course is for those who have finished a beginner’s Greek grammar and read at least substantial parts of the Gospel of John in Greek. Students will develop reading proficiency in biblical Greek through reading selected texts from the Greek New Testament thoroughly examining forms and syntax.

To be offered: TBA

RH 423

Sermon on the Mount in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads the Sermon on the Mount in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: TBA

RH 424

Mary Magdalene Debates

Seung Ai Yang

Mary Magdalene is arguably the most controversial figure in Christian history. The course engages the debates on her identity from the first century to today, by examining various genres of literary and artistic resources.

To be offered: Summer 2013

RH 425

Gospel of Mark in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads the Gospel of Mark in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: S13

RH 428

Feminist Theory and New Testament Criticism

Seung Ai Yang

This course focuses on the complex relationship between the New Testament and the liberation of women. It will survey contemporary feminist thought, ancient prescriptions for women from the Greco-Roman world, and various reading strategies New Testament scholars have used to explore androcentric views and the language of marginalization.

To be offered: S14

RH 429

Romans: A Theological/Political Reading

Theodore Jennings

Course emphasizes social, political, and theological dimensions of the themes of justice (righteousness), legality (law) and loyalty (faith) crucial to Paul's argument. Dialogue with theological exegesis (Luther, Barth) will inform our discussion.

To be offered: TBA

RH 430

Gospel of Matthew in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads the Gospel of Matthew in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: S14

RH 435

Luke-Acts in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: F14

RH 438

Paul in Corinth

Theodore Jennings

Close readings of Paul's correspondence to the people of Corinth with attention to political and philosophical as well as theological and ethical issues addressed by Paul.

To be offered: S14

RH 440

Gospel of John in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads the Gospel of John in context. We will examine various contextual issues

related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: S15

RH 445

Paul in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads selected Pauline texts in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, geopolitics, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: TBA

RH 463

Apocalyptic Then and Now

Timothy Sandoval

Course description listed in Hebrew Bible section (cross-listed as TEC 463).

To be offered: S14

RH 498

Bible and Homosexuality

Ken Stone

Course description listed in Hebrew Bible section (cross-listed as TEC 498).

To be offered: S14, S14o, S15o

RH 503

Anthropology and Biblical

Interpretation

Ken Stone

Course description listed in Hebrew Bible section.

To be offered: TBA

RH 506

Bakhtin, Jameson, and Bible

Timothy Sandoval

Course description listed in Hebrew Bible section.

To be offered: S14

RH 521

Feminist Reading of Gospel of Mark

Seung Ai Yang

To be offered: TBA

modes of “isms” such as racism, heterosexism, and (neo)colonialism; various feminist strategies for ethical biblical interpretation.

To be offered: S14

RH 522

Historical Jesus Debates

Seung Ai Yang

The last four decades have witnessed a vigorous scholarly debate on how and what we can reconstruct of the historical Jesus. We will survey the current debate and evaluate several scholarly reconstructions.

To be offered: TBA

RH 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professors in the area of New Testament on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

RH 523

1 Corinthians in Context

Seung Ai Yang

This course closely reads 1 Corinthians in context. We will examine various contextual issues related to ethnicity, gender, sexuality, nationality, religiosity/spirituality, class, etc., both within the text and the readers.

To be offered: F12

RH 601

Contemporary Hermeneutical Strategies

Timothy Sandoval or Staff

(Ph.D. required course) Course description listed in Hebrew Bible section.

To be offered: F12, F14

RH 532

Postcolonial Theory and New Testament Interpretation

Seung Ai Yang

This course introduces postcolonial theory and its applications to the interpretation of the New Testament. We will study key concepts and major theoretical works in postcolonial discourses, examine the complex interplay of colonial and resisting voices in the New Testament, interrogate the colonizing practices of New Testament interpretations, and explore postcolonial interpretations that decolonize both the text and the readers.

To be offered: S13

RH 533

Feminist Theory & Biblical Interpretation

Seung Ai Yang

Seminar on feminist theory and its applications to biblical interpretation. Attention to complex relationships between sexism and other binary

Religious History

RH 344

History of Christian Thought

Julia Speller or Theodore Jennings

(M.Div. required course) This course will survey the significant theologians and movements from the early Christian Church through the Reformation, focusing primarily on the Western Church.

To be offered: F12e, S13o, F13, S14o, F14e, S15o

RH 367

History and Polity of the United Church of Christ

John Thomas or Staff

A study of the history, structure, theology and practices of the United Church of Christ, including its antecedents: the Congregational Christian Churches and the Evangelical and Reformed Church. This course satisfies current UCC requirements for ordination.

To be offered: S12, S12o, S13, S13o, S14, S14o

RH 390 A/B/C

United Methodist

History/Doctrine/Polity

Emery Percell or Staff

A course to partially fulfill the requirement for ordination in the United Methodist Church.

To be offered: F12, J12, S13, F13, J13, S14, F14, J15, S15

RH 402

History of Jewish Thought

Rachel Mikva

An overview of Jewish thought and practice utilizing the great works of Jewish literature from the rabbinic period to modernity. Texts include: Talmud, Midrash, selected works of medieval philosophy, commentary, codes, kabbalah, Abraham Joshua Heschel, Eli Wiesel, Martin Buber and more.

To be offered: F13

RH 421

Jewish Prayer and Practice

Rachel Mikva

An exploration of the range of Jewish belief and practice regarding holidays, life cycles and liturgy, with plenty of opportunity for comparative reflection.

To be offered: S15

RH 451

Religious Masculinities: The Abrahamic Traditions

Bjorn Krondorfer

Co-sponsored with LSTC. Cross-listed as TEC 451.

To be offered: Summer 2012

RH 480

Martin, Malcolm, and Civil Religion

Julia Speller

This course will explore the structures and parameters of civil religion in American by studying responses to its presence and influence found in the speeches, articles and addresses of significant Americans.

To be offered: TBA

RH 481

African American Religious History

Julia Speller

This course will survey the history and development of the variety of religious experiences of African Americans from 17th to 21st centuries.

To be offered: S14

RH 485

Religion in North America

Julia Speller or Susan Thistlethwaite

(M.Div. required course) This course will explore the historical development of religion in America from the 17th to 21st centuries, highlighting the ways that its diversity has shaped American culture and identity.

To be offered: S13, S13o, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o

RH 493

**Women and Religion in the US:
Christianity, Judaism and Islam**

Julia Speller

This course will explore and discuss the diverse histories, experiences, and responses of women in the three Abrahamic traditions in the US as they confront the challenges of patriarchy.

To be offered: S15

RH 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professors in the area of Christian Heritage on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

Theology, Ethics & Contemporary Culture

Theology

TEC 300

Public Theology

Susan Thistlethwaite

Course will cover 'discerning theological themes' in U.S. public discourse and learning to write and speak on these themes in a theologically/biblically grounded way. Requirements include writing op eds and doing mock radio interviews.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 306

African American Religion, Theology, and Spirituality

Lee Butler

Course will explore the religious beliefs of African Americans, with attention on the spirit of accommodation that has inspired works of freedom and justice. Topics: retention of African religions and symbols, the Black Church, nationalism, and Africentrism.

To be offered: S15

TEC 307

Systematic Theology

Laurel Schneider or JoAnne Terrell

(M.Div. required course) The nature of theological thinking and theological method.

To be offered: S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o

TEC 395

Judaism, Christianity, and Islam: Introduction to Interfaith Engagement

Susan Thistlethwaite and Rachel Mikva

Skill building for interfaith partnerships. Personal and social transformation emphasized. Covers beliefs, practices and communities of Judaism, Christianity and Islam; foundations for multifaith

contexts; leadership strategies for interfaith engagement.

To be offered: F13o

TEC 400

Constructive Theology

Laurel Schneider, Theodore Jennings or Susan Thistlethwaite

(M.Div. required course) - The systematic formulation of the student's own theological position is the major task of this course. (Prerequisite: Systematic Theology.)

To be offered: F12e, F13, F14e, F14o

TEC 402

Atonement: The Theology of The Cross

Theodore Jennings

In what way is the cross the center of Christian faith and proclamation? How does the cross of Jesus transform human history and existence? Examination of classical and modern interpretations lays the basis for constructive reformation.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 403

Theology of the Atonement

JoAnne Terrell

This course is a survey of four major theories of the Atonement, an examination of their impact on contemporary worship traditions and discussion of the implications of currently held doctrine for the postmodern context.

To be offered: Summer14

TEC 404

Good and Evil

Susan Thistlethwaite

An examination of Christian interpretations of good and evil from both historic and contemporary theological perspectives. Each student will be asked to develop a constructive position on good

and evil and use that perspective to interpret one historic and one contemporary situation.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 405

Revelation and Religious Experience

Laurel Schneider

How should we think theologically about personal and corporate experiences of the divine? What is the relationship between revelation and theories of experience? We will examine these questions via a variety of traditional and non-traditional sources as we rethink the doctrine of revelation (final or ongoing) for contemporary theology.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 406

Eating and Drinking with Jesus: Theology of the Eucharist

Theodore Jennings

Biblical, historical and anthropological perspectives on eating and drinking provide the foundation for re-thinking the doctrine and the practice of the Eucharist. (Cross-listed as CM 411.)

To be offered: J14, S14o

TEC 410

Ecclesiology in Context

Laurel Schneider

To be offered: TBA

TEC 411

Theopoetics and Novel Theologies

Laurel Schneider

Through reading in narrative theory, poetry, fiction and some contemporary theologies that incorporate them, this course will introduce and investigate the role of poetics and story in religious imagination and theological construction.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 412

Theologies of Spirit

Laurel Schneider

This course will examine the concept of spirit using historical and comparative approaches in Christian theology, with some attention to other religious traditions that may include Jewish, Muslim, Native American, African traditional sources. We will pay particular attention to the connections between ideas of spirit, incarnation, and community.

To be offered: S15

TEC 413

The Theology of the Body

JoAnne Terrell

How has Christianity come to be associated with the denigration of the body? What are resources in tradition for a theological re-appropriation and celebration of the body?

To be offered: TBA

TEC 414

The Theology of Art

Bo Myung Seo

This course examines the ideas of the aesthetic and art in the history of Christian thought. After a historical survey, some contemporary reflections on art will also be examined.

To be offered: S15

TEC 415

Feminist Theologies in Multicultural Context

Laurel Schneider

Introduction to norms, historical developments, challenges of tradition, social location, white privilege, experience, ideas of divinity, post-Christian and post-colonial critiques in contemporary feminist theology. Emphasizes critical evaluation/theological construction.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 417

Lesbian Poetics and Politics

Laurel Schneider

This course takes up the question of lesbian “style” and its relationship to “substance” in the recent history of the LGBTQ liberation movements (focus on North American, but not exclusively). In addition to assigned readings, some of which are required before the start of the course, we will engage art, television, movies and other popular media in the effort to distinguish lesbian poetics and politics as it may relate to religious community. May include one day-long field trip away from Chicago (limit 10).

To be offered: TBA

TEC 418

Liberation Theology

Susan Thistlethwaite

Liberation theology in historical and contemporary perspectives. Particular attention to current U.S. economy as a site for students to develop a constructive liberation approach relevant to their current or future ministry contexts.

To be offered: F13

TEC 437

Psychology of the Oppressed and Liberation Theologies

Lee Butler

Course will consider the experiences of race, class, and gender oppression. Phenomenological positions will be critiqued psychologically to understand liberative theological motivations. Works from Latin American, womanist, feminist, and black theology.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 462

Issues in Pastoral Theology

Lee Butler

This course will explore the issues of theological anthropology as they relate to the search for human wholeness, justice, and love. Our basic task will be to encourage a firm foundation for pastoral theological reflection and praxis through the

consideration of human nature, personality, salvation, and healing. Biblical texts will be woven with psychological theories to encourage the usage of Scripture when reflecting theologically.

To be offered: S15

TEC 463

Apocalyptic Then and Now

Timothy Sandoval

At the recent millennium, we heard many discussions about the end of time, or the end of the world. This course will look at a specific understanding of that ending. We will examine apocalyptic as both a literary genre and a social phenomenon. After a survey of apocalyptic literature within ancient Jewish and early Christian traditions, we will continue to explore the development of apocalyptic in the medieval and modern periods. (Cross listed as RH 485.)

To be offered: S14

TEC 484

Theological and Ethical Perspectives on AIDS and Violence

JoAnne Terrell

In this course we examine theological and ethical perspectives on the pandemics of AIDS and violence as they affect policy and theology and ask, “How may historical doctrines be freshly interpreted in order to mediate a humane response?”

To be offered: F12, F13

TEC 491

Interreligious Dialogue

Bo Myung Seo

Reading of Christian theologians who have proposed dialogues with religions of the world. It involves examining some of the Christian doctrines within the context of such dialogues.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 495

Dialogue Among Religions

Bo Myung Seo

The course will investigate the possibility of interreligious dialogues and their practical consequences.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 494

Native American Religious Traditions

Laurel Schneider

Introduction to diversity of First Nation religious traditions in North America, especially Eastern Woodlands and Plains. Focus on common themes, cultural differences, stereotypes, cultural resilience, creativity, adaption and new religious movements.

To be offered: F14

TEC 496

Constructing a Concept of God

Laurel Schneider

We will examine and develop various proposals, both historical and contemporary, for conceiving of God in rapidly changing Christian communities. Special attention to liberationist, post-modern, feminist, African-American, Asian and post-colonial concerns.

To be offered: S13

TEC 497a

Theology in Asia

Bo Myung Seo

Examination of different contemporary theologies in Asia. An attempt will be made to see how they reflect the historical contexts of Asia and how they use the cultural and religious traditions of Asia.

To be offered: S14

TEC 497b

Theology in East Asia

Bo Myung Seo

This course will examine the theological traditions in East Asia and their distinct contributions to Christian theology. As we examine the themes and issues raised by the readings, an attempt will be also made to see how

they appropriate the intellectual and spiritual heritages of Asia.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 499

Introduction to Philosophy of Religion

Bo Myung Seo

The course will examine the basic issues and problems in religion from the philosophical perspective. They include such issues as Religious Knowledge and Experience, God, Evil, Suffering, and Immortality.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 500

Theological Reflection

Scott Haldeman and Dow Edgerton

(D.Min. required course) This required course introduces participants to methods in practical theology. Our goal is to identify theological conversation partners for each student's ministry project.

To be offered: J13, J14, J15

TEC 501

Queer Theories and Theologies

Laurel Schneider

An exploration of key concepts in emerging queer theories and resulting possibilities and/or challenges for queer Christian theology. We will give particular attention to intersecting questions of race, sex and class.

To be offered: F13

TEC 502

Race, Sex, Class, Eschatology

Laurel Schneider

This course examines contemporary theories of race, class, gender and sexuality in terms of imagined visions for human community and theological claims for the reign of God.

To be offered: F14

TEC 504

Augustine, Niebuhr, & Malcolm X

JoAnne Terrell

We will review the ideas of these three highly influential thinkers about the nature of sin in human existence and those qualities of human beings requiring redemption, giving special attention to the theme of sin as pride and sensuality.

To be offered: F12, F13

TEC 505A

God and Philosophy

Bo Myung Seo

First part of two-part course. This course will introduce and examine the theological themes arising out of recent continental philosophy. It will also include an understanding of how God has been understood or appropriated in modern philosophy.

To be offered: S14

TEC 505B

God and Philosophy

Bo Myung Seo

This course will examine philosophical engagements with the idea of God in the 20th century, with a particular attention to the phenomenological tradition.

To be offered: S15

TEC 510

Womanist and Feminist Christologies

JoAnne Terrell

A seminar examining servanthood vs. surrogacy, the Black Christ and the historical Jesus Christ and Christa and atonement and abuse.

To be offered: S14

TEC 511

Bonhoeffer

Laurel Schneider

What does it mean to do Christian theology that resists state and church? In-depth contextual study of Bonhoeffer's theological development in response to unbridled state power and violence.

Particular focus on community, christology, and ethics. (Pre-req: RH 344 and TEC 307 or equivalent for non-doctoral students).

To be offered: F12

TEC 512

Nietzsche and Kierkegaard

Laurel Schneider

This seminar will take up primary texts of both thinkers in an attempt to understand their contributions and challenges to modern western philosophy and the im/possibilities of faith.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 513

Post-Christian Theology

Theodore Jennings

Can we think the truth of the gospel without the religious form of Christianity? Thinking the deconstruction of Christianity in Barth, Bonhoeffer, Gogarten, Soelle, Altizer as well as Gauchet, Derrida, Kristeva and, especially, Jean-Luc Nancy.

To be offered: S13

TEC 514

Theology and the Political

Theodore Jennings

What can Christian faith and theology contribute to the contemporary rethinking of the political under conditions of globalization? Engaging the thought of Hardt and Negri, Agamben, Laclau, and others.

To be offered: F14

TEC 515

Seminar: Judith Butler, Michel Foucault and Religion

Ken Stone

This advanced reading seminar will focus on selected writings by Butler and Foucault and recent appropriations of their work by scholars in Religion, Theology and Biblical Interpretation.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 533

Ruether, Daly and Lorde

Laurel Schneider

Thorough reading of basic texts of Ruether, Lorde and Daly as they emerged in relation to and independently of one another.

We will focus particularly on themes of God, human being, justice, and love.

To be offered: F12

TEC 534

Seminar: Moltmann

Theodore Jennings

Reading of basic texts of Moltmann focusing on themes of hope, cross, spirit and trinity.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 535

Seminar: Pannenberg

Theodore Jennings

Reading of basic texts of Pannenberg emphasizing relationship between theology and the (human) sciences.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 540

Theology and Cultural Analysis

Bo Myung Seo

The course will first examine different theologies of culture in terms of how they see the relation between theology and culture and then examine different ways of reading the contemporary Western culture theologically.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 541

Theology and Global Economy

Theodore Jennings

What does it mean to think theologically about Global economy? Attention to early 20th century critiques of capitalism (Tillich, Barth, Niebuhr) serve as the background for attention to contemporary theological reflection on the global economy, including liberation theology.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 550

Ideas of Freedom

Bo Myung Seo

The course will deal with the idea of freedom from theological, philosophical, and political perspectives.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 555

Works of Love

Bo Myung Seo

This course will examine various conceptions of love in philosophy and theology. The focus will be on more recent thoughts on love.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 581

Perspectives on Suffering

Bo Myung Seo

Theological and philosophical considerations of suffering as to its nature and meaning.

To be offered: S14

TEC 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professors in the area of theology on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 593

Topics in Interreligious Dialogue

Laurel Schneider

Through introduction to the texts and traditions of another world religion, this course will build bases for inter-religious understanding and dialogue.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 595

Master's Seminar

Timothy Sandoval or Staff

(M.A. and S.T.M. required course) Reading and discussion of prominent figures in social and human sciences as appropriated by theologians. Emphases will be on different ways of approaching theology. (Course extends over Fall and Spring terms.)

To be offered: F12&S13, F12o&S13o, F13&S14, F13o&S14o, F14&S15, F14o&S15o

TEC 603

Philosophical Thought

Bo Myung Seo

(Ph.D. required course) The course builds philosophical foundations for beginning doctoral students.

To be offered: F13

TEC 605

20th Century Theology

Theodore Jennings, Laurel Schneider or Susan Thistlethwaite

(Ph.D. required course) Seminar for advanced degree students covering significant developments in theology in the 20th century. Focus on the emergence of new voices and the theological precedents for them.

To be offered: S12, S14

TEC 608

Marxist Thought for Theologians

Theodore Jennings

Readings of texts by Marx, Marxist and "post-Marxist" thinkers that help to shape perspectives on political economy, history, and globalization of importance for theological and ethical reflection.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 609

Jacques Derrida: Deconstruction, Theology and Ethics

Theodore Jennings

A seminar devoted to reading texts by Derrida in

the light of questions for and from Theology, Ethics and Biblical Interpretation.

To be offered: F13

Ethics & Contemporary Culture

TEC 321

Christian Ethics

JoAnne Terrell or Staff

(M.Div. required course) Course examines moral codes, divine commandments and legal proscriptions that influence the development of Christianity, and how the historical expressions of these systems in various communions have led to competing moral theories in Christian thought.

To be offered: S13, S13o, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o

TEC 351

Theories of Change in Personal and Social Transformation

Staff

(M.Div. required course) A comparative study of theories of change in transformative process and leadership.

To be offered: S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o

TEC 390

Introduction to the Study of Black Faith and Life

Lee Butler

This course will explore the critical themes, disciplines and thinkers important to the study of Black faith and Black life. The discussion will be afrocentric in focus, interreligious and socially comprehensive in scope.

To be offered: F12, F13

TEC 416

Feminist/Womanist Theory and Hermeneutics

Laurel Schneider

We will examine some feminist and womanist strategies for understanding and thinking critically about intersections of race, gender, sexuality, and class with an eye toward their impact on ministry, social action, and public theology.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 419/RH 416

Dangerous Religious Ideas

Rachel Mikva

Using primary and secondary sources in Scripture and its interpretation, the class will explore religious ideas that are or have been considered “dangerous” in Judaism, Christianity and Islam (e.g., martyrdom, Sabbath, chosenness, free will and divine providence, reward and punishment, homeland, abomination, religious law, Jubilee, etc.). Our goal is to understand the potentially constructive and destructive aspects of each concept, and to consider how we might try to shape their meaning.

To be offered: F12, F14

TEC 420

Explorations in Jewish Ethics

Rachel Mikva

The course provides both a case study approach in order to explore personal ethics, and a historical review to learn about the development of Jewish ethics—its moral codes, historical movements, and ethical instruction embedded in Jewish narrative. We will explore how these texts and communities shaped Jewish life, and compare the expressions with Christian ethical theory.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 425 A

Strategic Peace-building & Human Security I

Susan Thistlethwaite and Sharon Welch

The ethical and spiritual challenges of new developments in the fields of human security, strategic peacebuilding and just peace. How do we

embody nonviolence in strategic, self-critical and creative ways? How do we talk about peace and security in a way that bridges religious and political differences.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 425 B

Strategic Peace-building & Human Security II

Susan Thistlethwaite and Sharon Welch

TEC 425 A is a pre-requisite for this course.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 437

Psychology of the Oppressed and Liberation Theologies

Lee Butler

We will focus upon those who experience race, class and gender oppression. Phenomenological positions will be critiqued psychologically to understand liberative theological motivations. Selected works from Latin American, Womanist, Feminist and Black Theology will be reviewed.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 441

Story and Religious Imagination in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam

Rachel Mikva

Why do religious stories have such a powerful impact? Why are they an essential component of every faith tradition across time and space? What do they share, and how are they distinguished by historical context and culture? The course undertakes a study of hagiography, parable, expanded scriptural narrative, religious folktale and personal testimony from Late Antiquity to the present day, exploring how story shapes and inspires religious thought and action. Cross-listed as RH 494.

To be offered: S15

TEC 451
Religious Masculinities: The Abrahamic Traditions
Bjorn Krondorfer
Co-sponsored with LSTC. Cross-listed as RH 451.
To be offered: Summer 2012

TEC 455
D.Min. Research Methods
George Cairns or Staff
(D. Min. required course.)
To be offered: August12, August13, August14

TEC 462
Issues in Pastoral Theology
Lee Butler
Course description listed in Theology section.
To be offered: S15

TEC 470
Religion *And*: State, Science, Environment
Rachel Mikva

The intersections of religion and critical contemporary issues present unique challenges to religious leaders and communities. We will review the range of religious voices on each of these topics, and how religion has played a role in the historical unfolding of public attitudes. We also want to seek out and emulate those approaches most able to shape the religious voice as a force for blessing in the public discourse.

To be offered: S14

TEC 472
Religion, Terror, and America
Lee Butler

The construction of the Atlantic World gave rise to Empire in the Americas. We will examine religious ideas and the power of terrorism within America history to consider the formation of the nation-state.

To be offered: S13

TEC 481
Interfaith Action in the World
Staff
This course will explore current public discourse, personal, and cultural narratives of religion, consider theological approaches to interfaith work, and students will explore and develop skills for interaction across religious differences.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 482
Guatemala Spanish Language and Latin American Immersion
Timothy Sandoval
Through selected readings and interactions with church and community leaders, this course considers contemporary religious realities in Guatemala with special attention to the country's social-political and economic contexts. Includes some intensive Spanish language training. Number of participants may be limited. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 483
Same Sex Love and Politics
Theodore Jennings
An investigation of the diverse cultural contexts within which same sex love and political agitation for same sex rights take place. Consideration will be given to, among others, Korea, Japan, Argentina Mexico, South Africa and the Philippines, with attention to cultural diversity and to the possibility of cross cultural alliances.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 484
Theological and Ethical Perspectives on AIDS and Violence
JoAnne Terrell
Course description listed in Theology section.

To be offered: F12, F13

TEC 486

Black Religions and Spiritualities in Postmodern Context

JoAnne Terrell

In this course we will examine Black Religions in the U.S. and will explore the trajectories of Black Spiritualities from the Civil Rights era to the post-modern context.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 487

Theologies of the Third World

Bo Myung Seo

The course will examine some of the recent theological developments in the third world countries, with particular attentions being paid to the historical and economic conditions.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 489

Christianity and Confucianism

Bo Myung Seo

An exploration into the relationship between the two traditions, considered historically, textually, and religiously.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 490

Cinema and Liberation

Bo-Myung Seo

An introduction to third world cinema as an expression of liberation. The course will use images and metaphors of the movies made in Africa, Asia, and Latin America to Guide the discussions of theology and ethics.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 492

Empire Then and Now

Theodore Jennings

Has the U.S. become a new empire? Is the new empire transnational? What insight is available from biblical, especially New Testament literature for understanding faithful witness under condition of global empire?

To be offered: TBA

TEC 498

Bible and Homosexuality

Ken Stone

A reconsideration of the Bible and biblical interpretation from the standpoint of gay and lesbian experience (cross-listed as RH 498).

To be offered: S14, S14o, S15o

TEC 525

Lesbian and Gay Studies for Religion

Ken Stone

This seminar focuses on close readings of recent texts in Lesbian and Gay Studies and Queer Theory. Attention given to implications for the study of religion, theology and culture.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 526

New Horizons in Queer Sexual Ethics

Theodore Jennings

Course will explore questions of sexual ethics raised by pornography, pederasty, prostitution and other boundary situations using the resources of gay and queer theory.

To be offered: S13o, F14o

TEC 536

Seminar: Ethics of Reinhold Niebuhr

JoAnne Terrell

An in-depth discussion group on the implications of Christian realism for postmodern politics.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 564

Forgiveness

Dow Edgerton

Forgiveness considered as a theological, pastoral and ethical problem *and* possibility, not only in individual relationships, but also in ecclesial, social, political, and national contexts. Cross-listed as CM 564.

To be offered: S13, S15

TEC 580

The (De)construction of Homophobia

Theodore Jennings

A critical history of the construction of homophobia within Christendom and an analysis of concomitant deformations in doctrine and church life lays the foundation for counter-homophobic practice.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professor in the area of Ethics and Contemporary Culture on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

TEC 592

Theories and Theologies of Masculinity

Scott Haldeman and Ken Stone

This seminar will explore some of the many ways “masculinity” is deployed to define how “men” act and who they are, and the real-world effects of such constructions on all people, in the discourses of academic theology and the social sciences, in film and literature, and in the living of our individual lives. To be offered: TBA

Christian Ministry

CM 300

Spiritual Journey Workshop

Neil Gerdes

This course begins with an overview of spirituality in the context of western religious movements, but then concentrates primarily upon the individual spiritual journey of class members. Every person present some aspect of their journey, be it a book, meditation, particular practice, or process. Credit can be for either a half or a whole course, and may be repeated. Meets at Meadville Lombard Theological School.

To be offered: TBA

CM 302

Preaching

Edgerton or Staff

(M.Div. required course) The theology and practice of the preaching ministry. The approach will emphasize both the art of sermon preparation and the place of preaching in pastoral ministry. Limited to second and third year students.

To be offered: S13, S14, S15

CM 305

Congregations in Context

Julia Speller

This course will study the dynamics of congregational life and explore a practical method for analyzing and interpreting its form and function in the community. Several class sessions will take place in a local congregation.

To be offered: S14

CM 307

Africentric Christian Education

Julia Speller

This course will explore the historical, theological, biblical and pedagogical foundations of Africentric Christian education and the implications they have on ministry in African American congregations

To be offered: TBA

CM 308

Baptism and Eucharist

Dow Edgerton

An examination of the theology of the sacraments, particularly as they embody the individual and communal shape of Christian life.

To be offered: TBA

CM 310

Church Administration

Staff

This course considers the local church as an administrative unit and the pastor as manager and leader. Organizational techniques, conflict resolution, leadership styles, time management, planning and goal setting, and staffing will be considered in a variety of parish settings.

To be offered: TBA

CM 313 A

Worship and Preaching Throughout the Christian Year: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany

Dow Edgerton

This course considers the pastoral resources of the liturgical calendar in general, then follows the lectionary readings of the seasons. Students will be responsible for planning worship and preparing sermons individually and in groups.

To be offered: F14

CM 313 B

Worship and Preaching Through the Christian Year: Lent, Easter, Pentecost

Dow Edgerton

This course considers the pastoral resources of the liturgical calendar in general, then follows the lectionary readings of the seasons. Students will be responsible for planning worship and preparing sermons individually and in groups.

To be offered: S14

CM 314

**An Introduction to Christian Worship:
The Ministry of Sunday Morning**
Scott Haldeman

This course will engage students in current debates about what worship is, what it means, and how it should be done. We will address questions about the authority of historical forms of practice for communities today; about ancient and new metaphors that we use to capture what word and font and table tell us about God, ourselves and our world; about the many ways our common practices—such as gathering, singing, praying and preaching—are done in a pluralistic world.

To be offered: TBA

CM 331

Introduction to Pastoral Care
Lee Butler

(M.Div. required course) Course seeks to facilitate pastoral formation and introduce ministries of pastoral care. Emphasis placed upon the minister's healing role with people in crisis and the biblical and theological foundations of pastoral care.

To be offered: F12, F13e, F14

CM 335

African-American Pastoral Psychology
Lee Butler

We will consider the African American approach to human nature, personality, theory and key concepts. Biblical texts will be woven with the psychological theories to encourage a pastoral approach to psychotherapy.

To be offered: S14

CM 365

Global Sensitivity in Ministry
Bo Myung Seo or Staff

(M.Div. required course) The learning objectives of this course are to improve understanding of and responsiveness to social movements, cultural variety, and global issues.

To be offered: F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o

CM 400

The Practice of Christian Ministry

Scott Haldeman, John Thomas, and Deborah Derylak

(M.Div. required course) A course to assist the student in experiencing and initiating a style of pastoral and theological reflection and to provide perspective on the nature, history, and practice of ministry in Christian vocation. This course is a year-long course meeting every other week and including online components.

To be offered: F12&S13, F13&S14, F13o&F14o, F14&S15, F14o&F15o

CM 401

Expository Preaching

Dow Edgerton

This course focuses upon traditions and practices of preaching that follows a close reading and exposition of a biblical text. Readings will include both historical and contemporary examples. The majority of class time will be spent with presentation and consideration of student work

To be offered: TBA

CM 402

Preaching and Pastoral Care

Lee Butler

This course will focus upon the sermonic communication of God's love and hope in times of crisis. Students will be challenged to develop homiletical skills, ministerial sensitivity and a vision of congregational life.

To be offered: S14

CM 405

Leading Congregations: Principles and Practices

John Thomas

To be offered: F12, F13, F14

CM 406

Renew: Skills for Leading New and Renewing Progressive Churches

Cameron Trimble and Michael Piazza

Learn practical skills for starting a new progressive church or leading the renewal of a church that is stagnant or in decline. Course is designed around the premise that churches are rarely resurrected, but can be born again. The skills needed in both situations are creating compelling vision, an effective communication strategy, data management, community development, external mission, transformational worship, etc.

To be offered: Summer 2012

CM 407

Creating the Church of the Future: Organizing and Planning for Tomorrow

Ron Lundeen

This course provides essential skills for any religious not-for-profit leader: practical, useful, relevant ways to address resources gathering initiatives and create communities of faith that shake the bonds of comfort, complacency, and convenience.

To be offered: TBA

CM 411

Eating and Drinking with Jesus: Theology of Eucharist

Theodore Jennings

Course description in Theology section. (Cross-listed as TEC 406.)

To be offered: J14, S14o

CM 413

Prayer

Theodore Jennings

Reading of texts on prayer prior to the course, including relevant speech act theory; class sessions will focus on the work of praying in public, the construction of collects, pastoral prayers etc.

To be offered: TBA

CM 414

Worship as/and Transformative Art

Scott Haldeman

Engaging persons and communities in acts of worship both parallels the skills and vocation of the artist and necessarily employs various arts. In this class, we will engage in theological reflection on the arts with the help of theologians, artists, and other theorists in order to equip ourselves to identify images and gestures that have the potential to transform individuals and communities toward greater justice and mercy.

To be offered: F12

CM 415

Ritual Studies

Scott Haldeman

Human beings use ritual to construct themselves as individuals and as social groups. In this course, we will discuss, and experiment with, the work of theorists of ritual to help us understand how this happens. We will learn and practice methods of ritual criticism, which help us to interpret with more clarity and depth the ritual traditions in which we participate. We will explore how rituals change and how rituals are created to meet newly articulated human needs.

To be offered: TBA

CM 416

Leading Worship: A Practicum for Presiders

Scott Haldeman

This course is a practicum in which we explore skills and concepts required to lead worship, such knowledge of the forms of various services and the genres of prayer within them, building one's voice, attending to gesture and posture, and developing a strong and sensitive pastoral presence.

To be offered: S15

CM 417

Worship in World Religions

Scott Haldeman

To foster peace, tolerance and harmony in world of religious pluralism and conflict, and to better understand one's own practices, leaders of

communities of faith need to become familiar with the beliefs and practices of our neighbors. We will study the forms of worship of a sampling of world religions and visit actual communities to learn how to build relationships of trust.

To be offered: TBA

CM 418

Worship as Local Theology

Scott Haldeman

Participants observe, explore, and critique worship practices of congregations as one way to uncover the local operative theology/ethics and to learn what worship is and might be.

To be offered: TBA

CM 419

Sacraments in Practice and Faith

Scott Haldeman

Investigating the ways Christians celebrate around font and table and the meanings they distill from these central acts, we search for words and gestures that communicate fully the promises harbored in baptism and eucharist.

To be offered: TBA

CM 420

Worship Today: Contemporary, Traditional, Transformative

Scott Haldeman

What is “contemporary” worship? What does “traditional” mean? How about “blended”? Grounded in the practices of particular worshipping communities, this course will seek to define these contested terms, consider the history and theology behind various practices, and provide resources for those who would like to develop worship that engages, strengthens and transforms congregations.

To be offered: TBA

CM 421

Chapel Learnings

Scott Haldeman

In this practicum, we learn to preside with greater strength and wisdom but also to identify qualities of good worship—using the services in our chapels as

one of our primary texts.

To be offered: F12, F13

CM 422

Educational Ministry in a Multicultural World

Julia Speller

This course will explore and discuss the complex needs of educational ministries in a variety of diverse settings and will seek to identify resources and activities that will support transformative ministry in a changing society.

To be offered: F14

CM 429

Feminist Liturgical Traditions

Staff

Reading feminist and other liturgical scholarship, accounts of ritualizing among women, and examples of women’s literature, while also engaging in creative ritual experimentation, participants will imagine and embody the past, present, and future of feminist worship.

To be offered: TBA

CM 430

Short-Term Pastoral Counseling Strategies

Lee Butler

We will focus on the effective intervention, management and prevention of crises through the development of counseling skills and techniques. Video taped roll plays will be one learning tool.

To be offered: J14

CM 433

Memories, Dreams and Theological Reflection

Lee Butler

Dreaming is not only a way of negotiating the stressors of our existence; it is also a medium of Divine communication. This course will consider psychological and theological understandings of dreams and dream interpretation.

To be offered: TBA

CM 436

Retying the Celtic Knot: Reconstructing a Spirituality of Contemplation and Action

George Cairns

This experiential and constructive theological intensive will examine historical themes in the early church in Scotland and will seek to reconstruct a contemporary spirituality of contemplation and action based on these themes.

To be offered: TBA

CM 440

The Psychodynamics of Biblical Narratives

Lee Butler

Review of biblical narratives as foundational for considering human transformation. Hermeneutics for understanding textual dynamics will be grounded in psychological theories, and interpretive perspective will be communicated through creative writing.

To be offered: S13

CM 444

Theology, Ministry and People with Development Disabilities

Craig Modahl

This course will explore the multiple issues facing people with developmental disabilities. Central to the course will be the implications for ministry on the part of religious leaders and their communities.

To be offered: F12o

CM 462

Pastoral Counseling with the Oppressed

Lee Butler

This course will consider the issues of race, class and gender (and their inter-dependency) and the impact they have upon human accommodations. These oppressions must be considered when working with individuals who struggle for a sense of autonomy, self-determination, and spiritual well-being. Biblical texts will be woven with psychological theories in an effort to strengthen pastoral counselors.

To be offered: TBA

CM 465

Legal Issues in Contemporary Parish Ministry

Don Clark

Introduction to legal issues in contemporary parish ministry, including sexual exploitation and professional boundaries, confidential communications, employment law, how to negotiate a call contact, and constitutional issues.

To be offered: TBA

CM 480

Interpreting Parables in Teaching and Preaching

Dow Edgerton

Critical contextual examination of gospel parables as primary sources of teaching and preaching. Readings include both contemporary standard works on the parables and a documentary study of an urban neighborhood as shared context for interpretation.

To be offered: F12, F13, F14

CM 481

Marriage: Rites and Wrongs

Scott Haldeman

In this course, participants try to get below and behind the marriage debates that rage in both the churches and the wider society to explore what marriage is--in theological, moral and legal perspective--and what it might be; and what the wedding is and what it might be.

To be offered: F12o

CM 510

Teaching and Learning: Engaged Pedagogy

Julia Speller

This course is designed for Ph.D. students as they identify assumptions and articulate philosophies about teaching and learning. It will provide opportunities to establish and/or sharpen skills for effective and engaged teaching.

To be offered: J15

CM 511

Teaching and Learning: Course Design

Julia Speller

This course is designed for PhD. students as they plan courses and create syllabi for undergraduate and graduate courses and will include discussions on learning outcomes and evaluations.

To be offered: J13

CM 512

Seminar: Liturgical Theology

Scott Haldeman

In this seminar, we will consider the meaning of Christian worship as a primary expression of faith, a locus for the formation of believers and believing communities, and a source for ethical and prophetic living. After reading central works in liturgical theology, students will construct their own articulation in conversation with the larger tradition and their own faith community.

To be offered: TBA

CM 514

Ritualizing LGBTQ Lives

Scott Haldeman

In this course, we will juxtapose the lives of queer folk and the tradition of Christian worship to construct a new ritual system for both the churches and those who have found it necessary to follow other spiritual paths.

To be offered: TBA

CM 542

Poetics of Grief

Dow Edgerton

An advanced seminar on the poetics of grief, drawing upon scriptural, liturgical and literary texts. We will consider the way in which literary form provides structures and processes for expressive grief work.

To be offered: F12, F13

CM 560

Gay Marriage, Christian Marriage

Scott Haldeman

An advanced seminar analyzing the history, theology and practice of “weddings” in western churches and constructing new theologies and rites, with particular emphasis on challenges to tradition raised by the same-sex marriage movement.

To be offered: TBA

CM 564

Forgiveness

Dow Edgerton

Forgiveness considered as a theological, pastoral and ethical problem, *and* possibility, not only in individual relationships, but also in ecclesial, social, political, and national contexts. Cross-listed as TEC 564.

To be offered: S13, S15

CM 585

D.Min. Writing Seminar

Laurel Schneider, JoAnne Terrell, or Susan Thistlethwaite

(D.Min. required seminar.) Final step in writing D.Min. Professional Paper.

To be offered: J12, J13, J14

CM 590/591

Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with faculty in the area of Christian Ministries on topics of student interest not covered by listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

CM 595

M.A.R.L. Project Seminar

Scott Haldeman

Required seminar for M.A.R.L. students.

To be offered: S13, S14, S14o, S15, S15o

Field Education

FE 470

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

All approved CPE Centers

One basic unit of CPE is required of all M.Div. students.

To be offered: TBA

FE 473

Year Long Internship

Staff/Advisors

May be used to satisfy the second M.Div. clinical component.

To be offered: TBA

FE 471A

Concurrent Field Placement

Staff/Advisors

May be used to satisfy the second M.Div. clinical component.

To be offered: TBA

FE 475

ACTS Urban CPE

Barbara Sheehan

May be used to satisfy the one basic unit of CPE M.Div. requirement.

To be offered: TBA

Human Sciences

(Ph.D. Students only)

HS 503

Anthropology and Biblical Interpretation

Ken Stone

Human Science: Anthropology.
Cross listed as RH 503.

To be offered: TBA

HS 507

Bakhtin, Jameson and Bible

Timothy Sandoval

Cross listed as RH 507.

To be offered: S14

HS 514

Theology and the Political

Theodore Jennings

Human Science: Political Science. Cross-listed as
TEC 514.

To be offered: TBA

HS 516

Feminist/Womanist Theory and Hermeneutics

Laurel Schneider

Human Science: Cultural Studies. Cross-listed as
TEC 416.

To be offered: TBA

HS 526

Frontier Questions in Queer Ethics

Theodore Jennings

Human Science: Cross-disciplinary. Cross-listed as
TEC 526.

To be offered: F14o

HS 537

Psychology of the Oppressed and Liberation Theologies

Lee Butler

Human Science: Multi-disciplinary. Cross-listed as
TEC 437.

To be offered: TBA

HS 538

African-American Pastoral Psychology

Lee Butler

Human Science: Psychology. Cross-listed as CM
335.

To be offered: S14

HS 540

Theology and Cultural Analysis

Bo Myung Seo

Human Science: Cultural Studies. Cross-listed as
TEC 540.

To be offered: TBA

HS 541

Theology and Global Economy

Theodore Jennings

Human Science: Economics. Cross-listed as TEC
541.

To be offered: TBA

HS 542

Poetics of Grief

Dow Edgerton

Human Science: Literary Criticism. Cross-listed as
HM 542.

To be offered: F12, F13

HS 572

Religion, Terror, and America

Lee Butler

Human Science: Psychology. Cross-listed as CM
572.

To be offered: S13

HS 601
**Contemporary Hermeneutical
Strategies**

Timothy Sandoval

Human Science: Cross-disciplinary.
Cross-listed as RH 601.

To be offered: F12, F14

HS 608
Marxist Thought for Theologians

Theodore Jennings

Human Science: Economics
Cross-listed as TEC 608.

To be offered: TBA

HS 620 (A-Z)
Topical Seminar
Staff

To be offered: TBA

HS 620 (A-Z)
Directed Study

Staff

Individual study with professor in a Human Science
area on topics of student interest not covered by
listed courses. Permission of instructor required.

To be offered: TBA

HS 660 (A-Z)
Clinically based courses

Staff

To be offered: TBA

Academic Calendar

<u>2012</u>	
Continuing student registration for Fall Semester	April 9-20
Registration late fee charged	April 23
New student registration for Fall Semester	Aug. 24
Fall Semester begins	Sept. 4
Last day to add/drop courses	Sept. 14
Tuition & fee payment due	Sept. 21
Late fee charged -- 10%	Sept. 24
Reading week	October 15-19
Registration for "J" and Spring Terms	Nov. 5-16
Registration Late Fee Charged	Nov. 19
Thanksgiving Recess	Nov. 22-23
Fall Semester ends	Dec. 14

<u>2013</u>	
"J" Term begins	Jan. 7
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (seminary closed)	Jan. 21
"J" Term ends	Feb. 1
Spring Semester begins	Feb. 4
Last day to add/drop courses	Feb. 15
Tuition & fee payment due	Feb. 22
Late Fee Charged-- 10%	Feb. 25
Reading week/Easter recess	March 18-22
Registration for Summer and Fall Terms	April 15-26
Registration Late Fee Charged	April 29
Spring Semester ends	May 17
Commencement	May 18

Tentative Professor Sabbatical Schedule 2012-2015

	Fall	Spring
12/13	Jennings, Seo	Mikva, Thistlethwaite
13/14	Sandoval, Speller, Yang	Haldeman, Schneider, Terrell
14/15	Butler	

Required Course Schedule

M.A.

RH 301: Interpreting the Hebrew Bible , Ken Stone.....	F12e, F12o, F13, F13o, F14e, F14o
RH 321: Interpreting the Gospels , Seung Ai Yang.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o
RH 344: History of Christian Thought , Julia Speller or Theodore Jennings.....	F12e, S13o, F13, S14o, F14e, S15o
TEC 307: Systematic Theology , Laurel Schneider or JoAnne Terrell.....	S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o
TEC 595: Master's Seminar , Timothy Sandoval or Staff....	F12&S13, F12&S13o, F13&S14, F13&S14o, F14&S15, F14&S15o
One of the following:	
TEC 321: Christian Ethics , JoAnne Terrell or Susan Thistlethwaite.....	S13, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o
CM 365: Global Sensitivity in Ministry , Bo Myung Seo.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o

Ten Electives

M.A.R.L.

RH 301: Interpreting the Hebrew Bible , Ken Stone.....	F12e, F12o, F13, F13o, F14e, F14o
TEC 307: Systematic Theology , Laurel Schneider or JoAnne Terrell.....	S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o
TEC 351: Theories of Change in Personal & Social Transformation , Staff.....	S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o
One of the following:	
RH 321: Interpreting the Gospels , Seung Ai Yang.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o
RH 325: Interpreting the Epistles , Seung Ai Yang.....	S13, S13o, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o
One of the following	
RH 344: History of Christian Thought , Julia Speller or Theodore Jennings.....	F12e, S13o, F13, S14o, F14e, S15o
RH 402: History of Jewish Thought , Rachel Mikva.....	F13
CM 400: The Practice of Christian Ministry , Scott Haldeman and Deb Derylak.....	F12&S13, F13&S14, F13o&S14o, F14&S15, F14o&S15o

Project Seminar

Field Education placement

Four courses specific to each concentration

Four electives

M.Div.

RH 301: Interpreting the Hebrew Bible , Ken Stone.....	F12e, F12o, F13, F13o, F14e, F14o
RH 321: Interpreting the Gospels , Seung Ai Yang.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o
RH 344: History of Christian Thought , Julia Speller or Theodore Jennings.....	F12e, S13o, F13, S14o, F14e, S15o
RH 485: Religion in North America , Julia Speller or Susan Thistlethwaite.....	S13, S13o, S14, S14o, S15, S15o
Two of the following three:	
RH 302: Interpreting the Hebrew Bible II , Timothy Sandoval or Rachel Mikva.....	S13e, S13o, S14, S14o, S15, S15o
RH 325: Interpreting the Epistles , Seung Ai Yang.....	S13, S13o, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o
Bible Elective	
TEC 321: Christian Ethics , JoAnne Terrell or Susan Thistlethwaite.....	S13, S14e, S14o, S15, S15o
TEC 307: Systematic Theology , Laurel Schneider or JoAnne Terrell.....	S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o
TEC 400: Constructive Theology , Laurel Schneider, Theodore Jennings or Susan Thistlethwaite.....	F12e, F13, F14e, F14o
TEC 351: Theories of Change in Personal & Social Transformation , Staff.....	S13e, S14, S14o, S15e, S15o
Theology Elective	
CM 365: Global Sensitivity in Ministry , Bo Myung Seo.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o
CM 400: The Practice of Christian Ministry , Scott Haldeman and Deb Derylak.....	F12&S13, F13&S14, F13o&S14o, F14&S15, F14o&S15o
CM 331: Introduction to Pastoral Care , Lee Butler.....	F12, F13e, F13o, F14, F14o
One of the following two:	
CM 302: Preaching , Dow Edgerton or Staff.....	S13, S14e, S15, S15o
Worship Elective	
Ministry Elective	
Two Field Education placements (includes one unit of CPE)	
Eight Electives	

S.T.M.

TEC 595: **Master’s Seminar**, Timothy Sandoval or Staff F12&S13, F12&S13o, F13&S14, F13&S14o, F14&S15, F14&S15o
7 Electives

D.Min.

TEC 450 **Initial Project Proposal Seminar**, CTS Faculty F12, F13, F14
TEC 455: **Research Methods**, CTS Faculty F12, F13, F14
TEC 500: **Theological Reflection**, CTS Faculty J13, J14, J15
CM 585: **Professional Paper Seminar**, CTS Faculty J13, J14, J15
6 Electives

Ph.D.

RH 601: **Contemporary Hermeneutical Strategies**, Ken Stone or Timothy Sandoval F12, F14
TEC 603: **Philosophical Thought**, Bo Myung Seo F13
TEC 605: **20th Century Theology**, Theodore Jennings, Laurel Schneider, or Susan Thistlethwaite S12, S14
11 Electives

Fall 2012

Fall 2013

J 2013

J 2014

Spring 2013

Spring 2014

Summer 2013

Summer 2014

Fall 2014

Spring 2015

J 2015

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