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WINTER 2019

Winter I - January 26, 2019 - Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Course # Course Title

1001 Introduction to the Bible (Phase 1)

This course introduces the 66 books of the Bible, its origin, and the important events, periods, and personalities that led to the development of the Bible in its present form.

1112 Survey of Revelation (Phase 4)

Students will explore the book of Revelation with emphases on authorship, date, themes and recipients. Additionally, students will discuss the prophetic themes, symbols, and interpretations of various revelations.

Winter II - February 16, 2019 - Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

1004 Effective Bible Reading (Phase 1)

Students will learn to identify methods and approaches to Bible study that can lead to spiritual growth and Christian maturity. Areas that will be covered include the structure of the Bible and resources for personal study. Students will employ resources and tools of hermeneutics.

4012 The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit (Phase 2)

Students will learn about the person and work of the Holy Spirit. We will take a thorough look at the corresponding doctrines that influence our understanding of the work of the Holy Spirit. We will identify this doctrine of the church with a holistic understanding of salvation, with special emphasis on justification, redemption, and sanctification.

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Winter III - March 30, 2019 - Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Spiritual Formation (Phase 1)

This course will enable people to mature in their Christian walk. Focus on a creative and dynamic approach to nurturing people from children to mature adults—to become better disciples of Jesus Christ. Students will deliberate on what it means to be Christian.

7024 Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts (Phase 2)

This course will help students understand who God has uniquely made them to be. Students will work through a spiritual gift assessment that will help them discover their spiritual gift(s). Discovering their spiritual gift(s) will prepare them to move into a meaningful area of service where they best fit into the body of Christ.

SPRING 2019

Spring – April 13, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

2011 Baptist Doctrine (Phase 1)

This course will examine with simplicity and clarity the basic teachings of the Baptist faith. Students will explore each doctrinal position and the basis or foundation for them.

2023 Creative Ways of Teaching (Teacher Certification)

This course will assist teachers in discovering innovative ways to teach that lead to transformed students' lives, and in discovering new ways of teaching that will include learning behaviors and strategies of student learning and behavior.

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9004 Writing Techniques I (Phase 2)

This course focuses on the Certificate of Progress Program writing requirements for Phase 2. Emphasis will be placed on the development of the skills necessary to complete the writing assignments. Skills that will be mastered range from the development of paragraphs, topic sentences, and sentences to develop thesis-driven essays.

SUMMER 2019

<u>Summer I – June 29, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm</u>

Survey of John (Phase 3)

This course focuses on the fourth gospel and its uniqueness. Students will identify the specific feature that characterize John's gospel and distinguish it from the Synoptic Gospels, with emphasis on John's writings and the ministry of Jesus Christ.

Organizing the Church for Christian Education (Phase 4)

This course focuses on the various administrative and organizational skills needed to organize the Christian Education Department. Emphasis will be placed on structure, leadership and staffing needs for Christian Education in the Church.

Summer II – August 17, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

9005 Writing Techniques II (Phase 3)

This course focuses on the Certificate of Progress Program writing requirements for Phase 3. Emphasis will be placed on the writing of documented research and the development of other skills necessary to complete the writing assignments in this phase. This course will introduce students to the library and the use of reference materials.

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9008 Public Speaking (Teacher Certification)

This course will identify the process and principles for writing speeches and delivering them in a public setting. Students will be introduced to basic verbal and nonverbal communications skills that will enable them to effectively communicate with audiences of all sizes.

The Computer in the Life of the Church (Phase 4)

This course will focus on training pastors, office workers, Christian educators, and others who want to utilize computer technology in the church. Students will discuss issues of administration, setting up computer labs, tutorials on Bible study, membership record keeping, introduction to the use of social media to share the gospel.

FALL 2019

Fall I – September 14, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Survey of Romans (Phase 3)

This course presents an overview of the major issues presented in Paul's doctrinal letter to the Roman Christians and consider life application for our contemporary times.

2015 Foundations of Christian Ethics (Phase 4)

This course focuses on gaining an understanding of the philosophical and Christological approaches to Christian ethics. Students will learn biblical principles for decision making and conduct for living.

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Fall II – October 19, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

7005 Christian Evangelism (Phase 3)

This course teaches the basic steps in developing a program of evangelism. Students will learn the appropriate Scriptures to use, and the methods, techniques, and media best suited for witnessing to nonbelievers.

The African American Church and Social Justice (Phase 4)

In this course, students will investigate the lives, theology, and methods of the great servants of God who dedicated their lives in the struggle for liberation of people. They will discuss the role of the African-American church in the struggle for the liberation of people.

Fall III – November 16, 2019 – Saturday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

3007 History of Baptists (Phase 3)

In this course, students will examine the roots of the Baptist faith. Students will study the historical development of the Baptist denomination.

8066 Christianity and Contemporary Issues (Phase 4)

This course will challenge students to identify and confront contemporary issues. They will learn about issues that affect the church, home, and community; and think through practical solutions and approaches to immediate and emerging social and ecclesiological concerns.