

Theology

The Whitworth Theology Department is solidly rooted in the Trinitarian faith of the church throughout the ages. We are committed to the authority of Holy Scripture as God's word and to the worldwide mission and ministry of Jesus Christ. Our goal is to provide students with an intellectually challenging, academically rigorous, and spiritually enriching theological education that will equip them to serve in a wide variety of contexts. The theology major focuses on the classical disciplines of biblical studies, church history and Christian theology; as students move through the curriculum, we encourage them to discern Jesus Christ's call on their lives and to respond in faithful obedience.



Students will develop strengths in the following areas:

Understanding of the Bible:

- a good working knowledge of the content, emphases, major theological themes and central message of Scripture
- an awareness of various contextual considerations (historical, religious, political, geographic, socio-economic, linguistic and literary) necessary for reading and understanding scripture
- an ability to interpret Scripture Christo-centrally; the development of a biblical theology with a focus on the gospel of Christ

Understanding of the history, theology and mission of the church:

- an overview of the historical and cultural development of the church throughout the centuries
- an introduction to the major thinkers, texts, leaders, spiritual traditions and movements of the church
- an understanding of the history and development of Christian doctrine
- a commitment to the church and its ministry throughout the world

The skills of critical thinking, reading, research, writing and speaking:

- a spirit of open inquiry
- an appreciation of excellent scholarship
- an introduction to the use of primary and secondary source texts
- the ability to think and communicate clearly and critically
- the ability to understand and argue a point of view
- the ability to develop and formulate independent conclusions

Whitworth's theology department affirms that true knowledge consists of knowing and receiving God's love for the world as revealed in Jesus Christ. At the heart of this revelation is the gospel, Christ's work of reconciliation, which the Holy Spirit applies to our lives. The foundation of the department's curriculum is rooted in this gospel: how the Bible witnesses to it, how theology describes it, how church history explores its global impact over the past 2000 years, and how Christians are called to believe and live. The curriculum also helps students develop important skills, like careful reading and clear writing, which will serve them well no matter what their

vocation is. The curriculum includes a set of core courses all students must take as majors, and a series of tracks, which allows students to go deeper in their area of interest and to apply the discipline of theology to current culture.

Requirements for a Theology Major, B.A.

All theology tracks require the following core curriculum (26)

TH 119	Introduction to the Theology Major	1
TH 241	New Testament	3
TH 313W	History of Christianity I	3
TH 314W	History of Christianity II	3
TH 331	Old Testament Theology	3
TH 361	Christian Theology	3
TH 393	Christian Spirituality	3
TH 376	Theology and Culture	3
TH 368	Interpreting Scripture	3
TH 499	Senior Seminar	1

Basic Track: Theology (41)

Required core courses		26
Select one Research Seminar:		3
TH 301	Spiritual Classics: Books That Can Shape Your Life	
TH 307	Seminar on Early Christianity	
TH 318	Greek Reading and Exegesis I	
TH 323	Religion in American Public Life	
TH 343	Hebrew Reading & Exegesis I (Narrative) *	
TH 371	Great Christian Thinkers	
TH 372	Three Outsiders: Kierkegaard, Barth, and Bonhoeffer	
TH 373	Who Is Jesus Christ?	
TH 449	Paul's Letters	
Four additional theology courses		12

* Course must be taken for 3 credits

Track 2: Biblical Studies (43)

In this track, students will acquire deeper knowledge in the field of biblical studies: what the Bible teaches, considering its original setting, and how students can learn to study it for themselves and teach it to others.

Required core courses		26
Choose one year of a biblical language:		8
TH 310 & TH 311	New Testament Greek I and New Testament Greek II	
TH 341 & TH 342	Biblical Hebrew I and Biblical Hebrew II	
One additional Biblical Literature course		3
One additional upper-division theology course		3
One Research Seminar (see course options under Basic Track: Theology)		3

Track 3: Christian Thought (41)

In this track students will acquire deeper knowledge of Christian thought: how Christians have understood the Christian faith throughout history and how they do today, where and why they have disagreed, and what theology teaches about living the Christian faith.

Required core courses		26
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Choose one:		3
TH 221/PH 221	Ethics	
PH 320	Philosophy of Religion	
TH 370	World Religions	
Two courses in Doctrine		6
TH 367	The Triune God	
TH 373	Who Is Jesus Christ?	
(or other approved courses)		
One Research Seminar		3
(see course options under Basic Track:Theology)		
One additional theology course		3

Track 4: History and Culture (41)

In this track students will acquire deeper knowledge of various Christian perspectives on contemporary issues, like the environment and gender roles. Students must choose an area of concentration that addresses one of these contemporary issues.

Required core courses		26
Choose one:		3
TH 221/PH 221	Ethics	
PH 320	Philosophy of Religion	
TH 370	World Religions	

One Research Seminar (see course options under Basic Track: Theology)		3
Plus an area of concentration:		

A. WOMEN AND GENDER STUDIES

Purpose: to explore how the Bible and Christian theology inform our understanding of what it means to be made in the image of God as male and female, what it means for male and female to be in relationship, and how gender shapes roles in marriage and in society.

TH 362	Christian Anthropology: Man and Woman In the Image of God	3
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Choose two:		6
EL 222	Gender and Faith in Film and Literature	
TH 273	Old Testament and Gender	
TH 274	New Testament and Gender	
TH 350	Gender Theologies	
SO 311	Families and Society	
PO 336, 436W	Gender, Politics and Law	
(or other approved courses)		

B. ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Purpose: to explore how the Bible and Christian theology shape our understanding of the world as created and redeemed by God and what responsibility rests on the shoulders of Christians as they care for creation in the light of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ and in anticipation of the new heavens and the new earth.

TH 214	Theology & Ecology	3
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Choose two:		6
BI 120	Introduction to Environmental Science	
TH 212	Redemption of Creation	
PO 250/EC 250	Environment and Society	
TH 369	Science and Faith	
TH 435	Internship in Ministry	
(or other approved courses)		

C. GLOBAL CHRISTIANITY

Purpose: to explore how the Bible and Christian theology inspire Christians to fulfill the Great Commandment and the Great Commission, especially in light of the global nature of the Christian movement.

TH 316	The Global Christian Movement	3
Choose two:		6
HI 300W	Christianity in Asia	
TH 317	Cross-Cultural Ministry	
TH 359	Early Christian Sites in Greece	
or TH 359H	Early Christian Sites in Greece	
TH 365	Christianity in Britain	
TH 435	Internship in Ministry	

(or other approved courses)

D. THE PUBLIC SQUARE

Purpose: to explore how the Bible and Christian theology inform how Christians view the social order, view various social issues, live out the gospel, and function as salt, leaven and light in society.

TH 377	Theology in the Public Square	3
Choose two:		6
PH 244	Reasons for Faith	
PH 320	Philosophy of Religion	
TH 369	Science and Faith	
PO 421W	Faith and Politics	
TH 435	Internship in Ministry	
(or other approved courses)		

The theology minor is designed to introduce students to the academic field and practical application of theology without having to major in the discipline. Students who minor in theology will be able to sample from the great feast of Christian theology. Our goal is to help students learn to think theologically and to see the relevance of the gospel for every area of life. In addition to the generic theology track, the theology minor also allows students to pursue an area of specialization. These tracks integrate the field of classical theology with important areas of contemporary concern. Our ultimate aim is to help students understand the gospel and to explore its implications for their lives.

Requirements for a Theology Minor (18)

Eighteen theology credits 18

Requirements for Biblical Studies Minor (18)

Choose one:		3
TH 154	Introduction to the Christian Faith	
TH 361	Christian Theology	
TH 241	New Testament	3
TH 331	Old Testament Theology	3
TH 368	Interpreting Scripture	3
Two additional Biblical Literature courses		6

Requirements for Christian Thought Minor (18)

Choose one:		3
TH 313W	History of Christianity I	
TH 314W	History of Christianity II	
TH 361	Christian Theology	3
TH 376	Theology and Culture	3

Two Biblical Literature courses	6
One additional theology course	3

Requirements for Theology and Gender Minor (18)

TH 362	Christian Anthropology: Man and Woman In the Image of God	3
TH 273	Old Testament and Gender	3
TH 274	New Testament and Gender	3
Choose three electives from the following:		9
TH 350	Gender Theologies	
	Courses crosslisted between Theology and Women & Gender Studies	
	Advisor-approved theology courses	

Note: Students cannot declare both a Theology and Gender minor and a Women's and Gender Studies Minor

Requirements for Theology and Ecology Minor (18)

TH 212	Redemption of Creation	3
TH 214	Theology & Ecology	3
Two Biblical Literature courses		6
Two additional, advisor-approved theology courses		6

Requirements for Global Christianity and Missions Minor (18)

TH 316	The Global Christian Movement	3
TH 317	Cross-Cultural Ministry	3
TH 370	World Religions	3
Two Biblical Literature courses		3
One additional, advisor-approved theology course		6

Requirements for Theology in Public Square Minor (18)

TH 323	Religion in American Public Life	3
Choose one:		3
TH 377	Theology in the Public Square	
TH 376	Theology and Culture	
Choose one:		3
TH 221	Ethics	
PH 320	Philosophy of Religion	
One Biblical Literature course		3
Two additional theology courses		6

Requirements for Spiritual Formation Minor (18)

Choose one:		3
TH 154	Introduction to the Christian Faith	
TH 361	Christian Theology	
Choose one:		3
TH 393	Christian Spirituality	
TH 363	Monasticism: Old and New	

Choose one:		3
TH 256	Biblical Theme of Shalom	
or TH 356	Biblical Theme of Shalom	
TH 375	Soul Care Through Life Stages	
Choose one:		3
TH 307	Seminar on Early Christianity	
TH 313W	History of Christianity I	
Two Biblical Literature courses		6

Requirements for Biblical Languages Minor (20-22)

TH 310	New Testament Greek I	4
TH 311	New Testament Greek II	4
TH 341	Biblical Hebrew I	4
TH 342	Biblical Hebrew II	4
Select two of the following reading courses:		4-6
TH 318	Greek Reading and Exegesis I	
TH 319	Greek Reading and Exegesis II	
TH 343	Hebrew Reading & Exegesis I (Narrative)	
TH 344	Hebrew Reading & Exegesis II (Poetry)	

Note: Four credits of Latin may be substituted with department permission.

Courses

TH 119 Introduction to the Theology Major 1

This course is an introduction and invitation to the study of Christian theology. It is intended for students who would like to explore what Christian theology is all about. We'll read great texts and have conversations about a range of interesting and important topics, such as what the point of going to college is, what Christians believe about God and the world, and what it means to follow Jesus Christ in the world today. Spring semester.

TH 130 Introduction to the Bible 3

An overview of the entire Bible, with emphasis on literary, historical and theological themes and the diversity and unity within the Bible.

TH 131H Encountering the Covenantal God 3

This class is an introduction to a theological understanding of God's biblical covenant with mankind. It provides an answer to the following key questions: Who is the covenantal God and who are man and woman created in his image?

TH 135 A Biblical Introduction to God 3

This class presents a Christian view of the nature and character of God based on the Bible. Our goal: to bring students' perspectives on God into conversation with the biblical view, as we learn to think, speak, and write theologically.

TH 140 Great Themes of the Bible 3

An examination of central biblical themes (creation, covenant, sin, forgiveness, salvation, etc.), through which students will develop an understanding of the message of the Bible as a whole. Attention will be given to the connections between these themes and students' ordinary lives.

TH 141 Great Themes in Paul's Letters 3

An examination of the major themes of Paul's letters, such as salvation, discipleship and the Holy Spirit, through discussion of key Pauline passages, with a view to understanding Paul's gospel and applying it to contemporary life. Periodic offering.

TH 154 Introduction to the Christian Faith 3

The major beliefs and practices of the Christian faith. Fall semester. Periodic offering.

- TH 165 The Bible for Doubters** 3
 An introduction to the overall content and themes of the Bible which is organized around difficult questions and welcomes students who are asking such questions. No Christian commitment is presumed.
- TH 172 Foundations for Christian Leadership** 2
 Foundations for Christian Leadership is a 2 credit course each semester (fall and spring: students may choose to take it for only one semester, highly recommended for both semesters) specifically designed to help students build a strong foundation for Christian leadership and to consider a variety of service opportunities. The course will consider different aspects of Christian leadership, theology, spirituality, personal growth, and relational skills in order to clarify students' gifts and calling. The course encourages students to consider servant leadership as a lifestyle and a vital part of their college experience. Fall semester.
- TH 173 Foundations for Christian Leadership II** 2
 Foundations for Christian Leadership II is a 2 credit course which builds on TH 172 helping students develop a spiritual foundation for Christian leadership, and helps students consider a variety of service opportunities. The course will consider different aspects of Christian leadership, theology, spirituality, personal growth, and relational skills in order to help students in their existing ministry and/or helping to clarify students' gifts and calling. The course encourages students to consider servant leadership as a lifestyle and a vital part of their college experience. Spring semester.
- TH 174 Diverse Christian Leadership** 3
 This course is an introduction to diverse Christian leadership. It explores leadership from a biblical and theological perspective while cultivating and developing culturally sensitive leaders. The course will include significant interaction with one another and diverse community ministry leaders. Students will grow in their own leadership gifts and be exposed to opportunities for leadership beyond the course.
- TH 175 The Acts of the Apostles** 3
 The book of Acts begins with Jesus commissioning His disciples to continue His ministry through the power of the Holy Spirit, from Jerusalem, where the church was born, to Rome, the capital of the Gentile world. Acts tells the story of how the church grew, in both numbers and diversity. This course will explore the growth of the church in its infancy and the lessons that can be learned from this story today. Fall semester.
- TH 184 Physicality and Spiritual Formation** 1
 The course seeks to offer students opportunities to explore the biblical, historical and experiential connection of prayer, posturing and movement. An overview of embodied prayers and movement meditations will be presented. Jan Term.
- TH 205 Angels, Demons, Heaven and Hell** 3
 This course examines the life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, with particular emphasis on how our assumptions about angels, demons, heaven, and hell may help or hinder our understanding, experience and communication of the Gospel. The course will examine these New Testament concepts in light of the historical and cultural context from which they emerged.
- TH 210 The Ten Commandments as Moral Law** 3
 See under PH 210. Periodic Jan Term offering.
- TH 211 Wrestling with God's Wrath** 3
 An examination of the biblical theme of God's wrath, especially as it relates to God's love and the redemption of his people. Special attention will be given to this theme as it appears in both pop culture and the public square.
- TH 212 Redemption of Creation** 3
 An introduction to the whole story of the Bible with a focus on the created order and God's plans in redemption and new creation. Considers the significance of a biblical theology of creation and redemption for contemporary issues. Also listed as ENS 212. Fall semester.

TH 213 The Book of Revelation	3
An introduction to the book of Revelation, with a focus on its literary artistry, theological message and relationship to the rest of Scripture. Considers its genre, historical setting, different interpretive approaches and contemporary significance.	
TH 214 Theology & Ecology	3
Develops a biblical theology of creation care rooted in Scripture's portrayal of creation and redemption in Christ. Attention is given to environmental issues and the ecology and natural history of the Northwest. Includes study, work, worship, outdoor exploration and disciplined reflection. Also listed as ENS 214. January, odd years, Tall Timber Ranch in the Cascades.	
TH 221 Ethics	3
See PH/LS 221.	
TH 231 Introduction to the Old Testament	3
This course aims to invite students into the world of the Old Testament. By introducing students to its content and historical, literary, and theological context, the course seeks to offer resources for engaging with the ethical, theological, historical, and hermeneutical challenges the Old Testament poses. This course has no prerequisites and takes for granted no prior knowledge of the Bible. Fall Semester, Odd Years.	
TH 232H Wisdom Literature	3
A detailed study of Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Job within their original and canonical contexts, alongside an examination of their contribution to Christian theology and reflection on what constitutes "wisdom" in contemporary society and how it compares to the biblical vision.	
TH 241 New Testament	3
The content and theology of the New Testament in light of its literary, historical and religious background, with a view to gaining a good working knowledge of the New Testament. Special focus on Jesus Christ, the gospel and the Christian life. Offered Fall and spring semesters.	
TH 242 Life and Teachings of Jesus	3
The pivotal events and major teachings of Jesus as recorded in the Gospels, and their relevance to today.	
TH 243 Jesus and the Kingdom of God	3
A study of the kingdom of God as promised in the Old Testament, fulfilled in the life and ministry of Jesus, and consummated upon his return. Spiritual, social, and ethical implications of Jesus' message.	
TH 245 Philippians	3
The letter to the Philippians is one of the most encouraging epistles of the New Testament by one of the most prominent missionary-pastors of the early Church, the apostle Paul. Philippians is one of the shortest books of the New Testament, but is also one of Paul's letters most relevant to contemporary Christianity nearly two thousand years later. The purpose of this course is twofold. (1) It will provide a thorough exposure to and familiarity with this Pauline epistle. Through careful reading and reflection on Philippians, students will gain an understanding of the epistle's historical circumstances, its structure and development, its major themes, its lasting impact on the church, and its challenge to Christian faith today. (2) It will introduce the student to basic methods of biblical interpretation, which they will practice in their study of Philippians.	
TH 247 The Gospel of Matthew	3
This course offers a thorough exploration of the Gospel According to Matthew, the first book of the New Testament canon and one of the most influential literary works in the early Church. Among other topics, students will explore the Gospel's portrayal of Jesus, literary structure, perspective on discipleship, historical backgrounds, relation to the Old Testament, and transformational power for today.	
TH 250 Gospel of John	3

A detailed study of John's Gospel, chapter by chapter, in a search to understand Jesus and life with him from John's spiritual perspective.

TH 256 Biblical Theme of Shalom 3

A study of the theme of biblical peace through a word study of the Hebrew term shalom and the Greek term eirene, the two words most often translated as "peace," with emphasis on the ministry of Jesus as the epitome of God's revelation of peace and the implications for Christian community. Also listed as CE 256.

TH 256H Honors Biblical Theme of Shalom 3

A study of the theme of biblical peace through a word study of the Hebrew term shalom and the Greek term eirene, the two words most often translated as "peace," with emphasis on the ministry of Jesus as the epitome of God's revelation of peace and the implications for Christian community. Jan Term, even years.

TH 260 Romans 3

A comprehensive introduction to Paul's most complete exposition of the Christian faith, the Epistle to the Romans, with a view to understanding the epistle's historical setting, structure, chief themes, and lasting impact. Periodic offering.

TH 261 C.S. Lewis 3

The thought of C.S. Lewis, as found in his philosophical, theological and imaginative works, and the interconnections between those works. Critical evaluation of Lewis's ideas and application of those ideas to contemporary issues. Also listed as PH 261. Periodic offering.

TH 273 Old Testament and Gender 3

The primary purpose of this course is to develop deeper thinking with regard to the various roles of women and men in Old testament texts and what we can learn from them. Emphasis will be on informed analysis with full awareness of the sociological gender biases that have molded both the texts and their traditional interpretations.

TH 274 New Testament and Gender 3

The primary purpose of this course is to develop a deeper thinking with regard to the various roles of women and men in New Testament texts and what we can learn from them. Emphasis will be on informed analysis with full awareness of the sociological gender biases that have molded both the texts and their traditional interpretations.

TH 275 Bible and Gender 3

The primary purpose of this course is to develop deeper thinking with regard to the various roles of women and men in Old and New Testament texts and what we can learn from them. Emphasis will be on informed analysis, with full awareness of the sociological gender-biases that have molded both the texts and their traditional interpretations. Offered through continuing studies.

TH 279 Theology and Film 3

In this course, we will watch excellent films, read fascinating essays, and have good conversations about some of the most important things in life. The topics we will explore include friendship, work, love, forgiveness, happiness, death, and God. Periodic Jan Term offering.

TH 281 Gospel of Luke 3

This course introduces students to the Gospel of Luke by providing an overview of its basic content and an understanding of its central message. Considerations will be given to its origins, literary nature, historical context, geographical setting, major characters and central themes.

TH 288 Genesis in the Letters of Paul 3

This course examines the Pauline Epistles through the lens of the Old Testament book of Genesis. Each Pauline letter will be examined systematically, addressing the biblical themes of Creation, Sin, Death, Exile, Covenant, Slavery, and Redemption found in Genesis. Theology Majors should take TH 449: Paul's Letters.

TH 299 The Meaning of Life 3

What's the meaning of life? Does human existence have an overarching goal? What should I care most about? How can I make sure I don't waste my life? These are some of the most important questions that anyone can ask, and in this course we will explore them together. To help us do that, we'll draw on the resources of one of the best cities in the world - New York City. During our time in New York, we will have conversations with fascinating people, experience excellent art and architecture, discuss insightful readings, explore the city, and reflect on life's deepest questions. Also listed as PH 299. Offered Jan term, odd years in New York City.

TH 301 Spiritual Classics: Books That Can Shape Your Life 3

This seminar introduces students to classic spiritual writings that have shaped the lives of Christians and influenced Western culture through the centuries. Students will examine the communication modes of allegory, colloquy, correspondence, biography and autobiography used by the authors under consideration. Figures include Francis of Assisi, Teresa of Avila, Thomas a Kempis, John Bunyan, CS Lewis and Martin Luther King, Jr., among others. Spring semester.

TH 306 History and Theology of Worship 3

History and theology of the practice of corporate worship and the role of music in worship from the Old Testament to the present. Particular emphasis will be placed on the evolving role of congregational song in worship.

TH 307 Seminar on Early Christianity 3

A careful study of primary source texts from the early Christian period, including Irenaeus, Origen, and Eusebius, which will culminate in a major research paper. Fall semester, odd years.

TH 308 Christianity in Britain Preparation 1

A prerequisite to the Christianity in Britain Jan Term Study Program, this one-credit course consists of seven class sessions comprised of overview lectures, intercultural awareness training, and reading assignments that will introduce students to the course material and prepare them to travel throughout England and Scotland.

TH 310 New Testament Greek I 4

The basic vocabulary and grammar required for reading the Greek New Testament. An intensive course. Fall semester, odd years.

TH 311 New Testament Greek II 4

Translation of the Epistles of John and selected passages from the Gospel of John in Greek. An intensive course. Prerequisite: TH 310. Spring semester, even years.

TH 312 South Africa Program Prep 1

See SP 312.

TH 313W History of Christianity I 3

The history, thought, and practices of the Christian church from its beginning to the dawn of the Reformation. Also listed as LS 313W. Fall semester. Writing intensive. Also listed as EMS 313W.

TH 314W History of Christianity II 3

The history, thought, and practice of Christianity from the beginning of the Reformation to the present, with special emphasis on the major reformation, renewal and revival movements that have shaped the modern church. Also listed as LS 314W. Spring semester.

TH 316 The Global Christian Movement 3

An introduction to the history of the worldwide Christian movement, the lives of well-known missionaries (both Western and non-Western), different mission organizations, recent mission trends, problems of cultural adaptation, growing persecution, and the creative ways Christians are bearing witness all over the world. Students will have an opportunity to explore their own interests. Jan Term, Odd Years.

TH 317 Cross-Cultural Ministry 3

An introduction to theoretical and practical dimensions of effective cross-cultural communication and ministry. Those planning to work in another culture on a short- or long-term basis will acquire a "tool kit" designed to help them enter, adjust, and thrive in another cultural setting. Jan Term.

TH 318 Greek Reading and Exegesis I 3

This course develops proficiency in the grammar and vocabulary of Koine Greek through the reading of a variety of Greek texts, particularly in the New Testament, and it introduces students to the fundamentals of New Testament exegesis. Prerequisite: TH 311. Fall semester, even years.

TH 319 Greek Reading and Exegesis II 3

Continuation of TH 318. Spring semester, odd years.

TH 323 Religion in American Public Life 3

The major themes, movements, problems, people and institutions in American Christian history, with emphasis on the public practice of the Christian faith. Fall semester, even years.

TH 331 Old Testament Theology 3

The content and theology of the Old Testament in light of its literary, historical and religious background, with a view to gaining a good working knowledge of the Old Testament. This course is designed for Theology majors. Non-majors are encouraged to take TH 231 Introduction to the Old Testament, though any student who has completed another theology course is welcome. Spring semester.

TH 334 Youth Ministry 3

An introduction to the theology of youth ministry; different approaches and models for reaching teens; understanding adolescents in their various cultures; the structures and institutions that affect youth; development and management of youth programs; basic principles and skills necessary for reaching youth both within and outside the church. Spring semester.

TH 335 Theology of Ministry 1-2

An exploration of ministry that is biblically informed and culturally relevant. Capstone course for the Certification program. By permission only. Most often taken in conjunction with TH 435, but not required. 1 credit when offered in the fall, 2 credits when offered in the spring.

TH 339 Gospel & Growth in a Post Christian Society 3

A study of the biblical view of evangelism and discipleship: their historical development, different models and approaches, culturally relevant models for today, and how to work out our witness and growth in the marketplace, the church and the world. Fall semester.

TH 341 Biblical Hebrew I 4

An introduction to Biblical Hebrew, including vocabulary, grammar, and syntax, for the purpose of reading narrative texts from the Hebrew Bible. Fall semester, even years.

TH 342 Biblical Hebrew II 4

Continuation of TH 341. Spring semester, odd years.

TH 343 Hebrew Reading & Exegesis I (Narrative) 2-3

For students who have completed TH 341 and TH 342. Reading and exegesis of selected narratives of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament). Fall semester, odd years.

TH 344 Hebrew Reading & Exegesis II (Poetry) 2-3

See TH 343. Spring semester, even years.

TH 350 Gender Theologies 3

This course invites students into an appreciative and critical dialogue with a broad spectrum of contemporary feminist theologies as they reflect on the classical themes of Christian theology such as God, Christ, creation, human nature, sin and grace, church, spirituality, ministry and ethics. Spring semester.

- TH 356 Biblical Theme of Shalom** 3
 A study of the theme of biblical peace through a word study of the Hebrew term shalom and the Greek term eirene, the two words most often translated as "peace," with emphasis on the ministry of Jesus as the epitome of God's revelation of peace and the implications for Christian community. Also listed as CE 356. Fall semester.
- TH 357 Old Testament Prophets** 3
 A study of the theologies of the prophets of the Old Testament in light of their historical settings, Biblical Theology, and their relevance for today. Periodic offering.
- TH 358 Psalms** 3
 A comprehensive introduction to theological exegesis of the biblical psalms, including those preserved in the Old and New Testament narratives. Special attention is given to the Psalter as a guide to authentic spirituality. Periodic offering.
- TH 359 Early Christian Sites in Greece** 3
 A January study-program of Greece, introducing students to Bronze Age, Classical, Roman and early Christian sites associated with the ministry of the Apostle Paul, Byzantine churches and monasteries, Eastern Orthodoxy, the impact of the Ottoman Empire and Republic of Venice, the rise of modern Greece, and the landscape, natural history, culture and politics of the country. Prerequisite: TH 241 and TH 313. Jan Term, occasional offering.
- TH 359H Early Christian Sites in Greece** 3
 A January study-program of Greece, introducing students to Bronze Age, Classical, Roman and early Christian sites associated with the ministry of the Apostle Paul, Byzantine churches and monasteries, Eastern Orthodoxy, the impact of the Ottoman Empire and Republic of Venice, the rise of modern Greece, and the landscape, natural history, culture and politics of the country. Prerequisite: TH 241 and TH 313. Jan Term, occasional offering.
- TH 361 Christian Theology** 3
 An examination of all the major topics of Christian theology. Attention will be given to the core content of each doctrine, the coherence of the doctrines with one another, and the practical relevance of these doctrines to the lives of students. Fall semester.
- TH 362 Christian Anthropology: Man and Woman In the Image of God** 3
 This course analyzes the biblical and theological foundations of man and woman created in the image of God. It highlights how the Divine Creator and Redeemer works for the full restoration of male and female, whether in married or single life, from broken existence into the true image of God in Jesus Christ. Also listed as WGS 362. Fall and spring semester.
- TH 363 Monasticism: Old and New** 3
 An exploration of monasticism, its genesis, history, theology, and practices, as well as how the model of monasticism might be applicable to various Christian communities today, including the family. At Tall Timber Ranch in the Cascades. Jan Term, even years.
- TH 365 Christianity in Britain** 4
 A study of the origins and development of the Christian church in Britain, covering major historical figures and religious movements from the arrival of the earliest Christian missionaries to today, and visiting important historical, church and cultural sites in England and Scotland. Prerequisite: TH 308. Satisfies general education Global Perspectives or Humanities requirement. Jan Term, odd years.
- TH 366 The Church in Central America** 3
 A foundational course for the Central America Study Program. A study of the religious influence on the development of each country and the current state of the church in Central America. Spring semester, every third year.
- TH 367 The Triune God** 3

Trinitarian faith is vital to the life and health of the Christian church. After surveying the so-called rediscovery of the Trinity in the 20th century, we will explore the biblical foundations of the doctrine, its historical development, and several recent attempts to relate the Trinity to topics like pastoral ministry, human personhood, worship, and interreligious dialogue.

TH 368 Interpreting Scripture 3

This course enables students to develop skills for interpreting Scripture, exploring the ways in which Scripture has been read in various times and places, introducing hermeneutical theories concerning its meaning and significance, and providing practical tools. Spring semester.

TH 369 Science and Faith 3

An introduction to relationship between science and Christian faith as potentially complimentary ways of knowing, with a focus on questions that contemporary scientific interpretations of reality raise for biblical faith and questions that biblical faith raises for the understanding and application of science.

TH 370 World Religions 3

A study of the primary non-Christian religions of the world, with special emphasis on the beliefs and practices of those religions. Spring semester.

TH 371 Great Christian Thinkers 3

An exploration of several indisputably great Christian thinkers (Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Calvin, Barth, and others). Key aspects of their thought will be highlighted and examined, with attention to their exciting biographies and emphasis on their practical relevance to the lives of students. Prerequisite: fulfill the biblical literature requirement. Spring semester.

TH 372 Three Outsiders: Kierkegaard, Barth, and Bonhoeffer 3

This seminar is a study of the life and thought of Soren Kierkegaard, Karl Barth, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Specifically, it will examine their penetrating attacks on religion and the church, as well as their brilliant and timely suggestions for what it means to follow Jesus Christ (and to be the church) in a context that is no longer predominantly Christian. Fall semester.

TH 373 Who Is Jesus Christ? 3

Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" and the church has been pondering that question ever since. For the last two millennia Christians have struggled to understand and respond to this central mystery, and in this seminar we will join that ongoing conversation. We will orient ourselves around a single question, "Who is Jesus Christ?" and throughout the semester we will read and think about some of the very best answers that Christians have ever given to this fundamental question. Fall semester.

TH 375 Soul Care Through Life Stages 3

This course considers the human developmental stages across the entire life span, with special emphasis on the nurture of the spiritual life through their various seasons of life. Students will examine biblical, theological, psychological, and spiritual issues in the life cycle, especially as these issues relate to ministry. Periodic Offering.

TH 376 Theology and Culture 3

"Theology and Culture" begins with the Reformation period and explores how the Christian community has experienced the challenges of modernity, political theologies, ecumenism, postmodernity and the "new" atheism. It focuses on how, in the face of these challenges, the Church has shaped the culture, and how the culture has shaped the Church. Fall semester.

TH 377 Theology in the Public Square 3

With Christendom now behind us, the American church has been given an urgent and exciting opportunity to re-think its presence in the public square. The purpose of this course, then, is to explore the uniqueness of the gospel. We will consider a Christian approach to human life and dignity; to community and its barriers; to excellent work and the freedom of genuine play. Our goal is to gain a fresh appreciation for the creative and unexpected ways that the gospel illumines our world.

TH 380 Young Life Leadership 1

TH 380 YL Practicum is for Young Life leaders who are in the Student Staff Training Program. It is a discipleship/training program that allows motivated and ministry minded college leaders to understand the heart of true ministry. Through both formal training and direct ministry experience, students will learn and reflect upon how to effectively carry out excellent YL ministry with kids. Students can take course for a maximum of 2 credits per year. Instructor permission required.

TH 381 Campus Ministry 2

Designed to explore all aspects of campus-based ministry, including developing a philosophy of ministry, designing and implementing a strategy for leadership development, and the principles and skills necessary to cultivate a sustainable approach to leadership in ministry. Fall semester.

TH 384 The Bible and Outsiders 3

The United States as a melting pot is considered beautiful to some and reproachful to others, with confessing Christians casting their vote on both ends of the spectrum. Those who constitute the melting pot are considered by many in America as 'outsiders'-those who do not belong. Other 'outsiders' include the poor, refugees, women, the incarcerated, those disabled or mentally ill, those caught in forms of modern-day slavery, and religious and ethnic minorities, to name just a few. What is the relationship between such 'outsiders' and the gospel of Christ, and what should be the relationship between such 'outsiders' and followers of Christ? This course will trace throughout the biblical narrative the ways in which God used such 'outsiders' to bring redemption to the world. We will discover in God's journey toward humanity and in Jesus's calling of humanity what should be humanity's vocational response toward one another, not least toward those considered 'outsiders'. This is a service-learning course, in which students will interact face-to-face on a regular basis with some of the most vulnerable people in Spokane. Due to the service-learning component and the fall-semester offering, this course is not recommended for Freshman.

TH 386 Readings 1-4

TH 389 Theologies in Dialogue 3

The course focuses on the dialogue between Catholic and Protestant theologies and fosters the quest for positive, balanced theological solutions. It strives for a common understanding of Scripture and Tradition, the Church and authority in the Church, Baptism and the Eucharist. Periodic offering.

TH 393 Christian Spirituality 3

The history, theology and practice of spirituality, and its implications for life today as we worship, work, build friendships and play. Fall and Spring semesters.

TH 433 Theology and Practice of Ministry I 1

An exploration of ministry that is biblically informed and culturally relevant. This course is the first of two required capstone courses for the Theology Department's Ministry Formation major and minor. Spring semester.

TH 434 Theology and Practice of Ministry II 1

An exploration of ministry that is biblically informed and culturally relevant. This course is the second of two required capstone courses. Fall semester.

TH 435 Internship in Ministry 2

A supervised experience of ministry in a local church or Christian organization. The internship will require mentoring, service, reflection and study. By permission only. Must be taken in conjunction with TH 433 and TH 434.

TH 436 Internship in Ministry - Music 2

A supervised experience of ministry in a local church or Christian organization. The internship will require mentoring, service, reflection and study. By permission only. Two-semester sequence: Two credits to be completed fall semester and two credits to be completed spring semester.

TH 449 Paul's Letters 3

A detailed study of the Pauline Epistles, with primary focus on Paul's theology and ethics, development of exegetical skills and hermeneutical understanding. The course is designed to prepare students for discussions of Pauline theology at a seminary level. Prerequisite: TH 241. Spring semester.

TH 486 Readings

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TH 499 Senior Seminar

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Writing and discussion intended to give senior students an opportunity to integrate the various strands of their theological education, evaluate their theological and spiritual development, and spiritual development, and reflect on their sense of calling for the future. To be taken Fall semester of the student's senior year.

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