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FOUNDATIONAL COURSES:

MSO 115 | THINKING THEOLOGICALLY

Professor | Dr. Mark MacLean

An investigation of the crucial doctrines, themes, and concepts that shape Christian theology. The nature of God, human nature, the person and work of Christ, the Holy Spirit, and the Church will be explored and their importance for vibrant youth ministry will be emphasized.

MSO 116 | THE SPIRIT EMPOWERED AG CHURCH: DOCTRINE, HISTORY, MISSIONS, AND GOVERNANCE

Professor | Dr. Ron Hall

This course will help the student understand the major components (movements, events, key players, institutions, problems) that shaped the Assemblies of God Church. It will summarize the basic fundamentals of AG beliefs, and explain the scriptural foundations of these fundamental truths. It will provide understanding as to the mission of AG with time spent learning and applying biblical principles to your everyday life.

MSO 122 | NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES

Professor | Dr. Ron Hall

A panoramic view of the chief events, prominent characters, main themes, and salient teachings of each New Testament letter in relation to its historical, geographical, and cultural contexts. This will include examining the integrity of the New Testament and how it came together. Emphasis will be placed on why we have four Gospels and the uniqueness of each Gospel, along with the foundation they lay for the balance of the New Testament. Skills will be acquired to more accurately interpret New Testament passages, which are essential for biblical ministry.

MSO 133 | INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION

Professor | Dr. David Dippold

A practical introduction to the study of the Bible. The course provides an overview of fundamental issues of interpretation, inspiration, manuscripts, and translation. Emphasis is on basic approaches to Bible study and appropriate use of biblical reference tools and their contribution to biblical studies.

MSO 144 | OLD TESTAMENT STUDIES

Professor | Dr. Tracy Paino

A study of the historical settings, literary features, authorship, theological teachings, and general content of the Hebrew Bible. This survey provides a factual and practical groundwork for further studies in the Old Testament.

MSO 312 | MINISTERIAL INTERNSHIP

Professor | Dr. Ron Hall

The MSO Ministerial Internship course is a 12-week, in-context ministry experience, including hands-on opportunities for active ministry in various settings, weekly meetings with a ministry mentor, and weekly reflections on their experiences. The MSO Ministerial Internship will involve between 50-100 hours of engaging ministry opportunities in a local church context.

TRACK-SPECIFIC COURSES:

ESO 315 | THEOLOGY OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP (Elective Course)

Professor | Todd Marshall, MA

This course will examine the history of Christian worship and address topics such as the battle for our worship, our identity, and security, living a life of worship, leading

corporate worship, communion as the centerpiece for Christian worship, Hebrew words of praise, and the importance of relational leadership.

FSO 211 | BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW & CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

Professor | Dr. Roger Erdvig (Guests: Alisa Childers & Dr. David Young)

A worldview is a pattern of ideas, beliefs, convictions, and habits we use to make sense of God and the world around us. Establishing a biblical worldview in you and your ministry with students is crucial to the success of ministry to the emerging generations. This course will help students develop in themselves and subsequently immerse their students in the process of developing a biblical worldview as they navigate the challenges of contemporary culture.

GSO 315 | GLOBAL MISSIONS STRATEGIES

Professor | Dr. Steve Pennington (Guests: Greg Beggs, Scott Hanson, Dr. John Easter)

An exploration of the strategic processes necessary to engage in the Great Commission including an overview of biblical examples, historical methodologies, the creation of a mission strategy, and the review of a current case study in mission strategy.

GSO 344 | CONTINUING THE MISSION OF GOD: AN EXAMINATION OF THE BOOK OF ACTS AND BEYOND

Professor | Dr. Doug Lowenberg

This course examines the Book of Acts to discover the inspired message of Luke regarding the establishing of the church in Jerusalem and the missional spread of the gospel to the ends of the earth under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. In light of the overarching message of Acts, students consider their role in fulfilling the mission of God.

KSO 333 | KIDMIN PRESENTATIONS

Professor | Dr. Beth Baker (Guest presenters: Kelly Presson, Jamie Walton, Robin Malcolm, Jessandra Blankenbiller)

KidMin Presentations is an overview of presentational methodology used to teach and inspire in the context of children's ministry. Practical emphasis is placed on choosing, preparing, and presenting content and concepts to children of various ages. Includes strategies for designing, producing, and overseeing children's productions.

KSO 344 | FOUNDATIONS OF KIDMIN

Professor | Dr. Dick Gruber

This course provides an overview of KidMin. Emphasis will be placed on developing children's ministries and resources for the local church. A theology of KidMin, programming in KidMin, and other critical information will be presented.

PSO 123 | ROMANS AND PRISON EPISTLES

Professors | Dr. Dave Dippold & Dr. Ron Hall

An in-depth study of the Epistle to the Romans emphasizing its contribution to Christian theology and life. A study of the historical, geographical, and biographical matters of Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon, with special attention to their Christological content.

PSO 211 | THEOLOGY AND ESCHATOLOGY

Professor | Dr. James Bradford

This course provides a deeper knowledge of the Fundamental Truths of the Church and its doctrine. A study of Christian beliefs as expressed through evangelical and Pentecostal traditions, including a study of end-time events (Rapture, Biblical Prophesies, views of the Tribulation, Millennium and Revelation) from a Pentecostal perspective; teaching on the second coming of Christ.

PSO 223 | THE ART OF PREACHING

Professor | Eran Holt

A foundational study of the principles of biblical preaching and teaching. This class is designed for students to enhance their communication skills in the area of preaching. Students will learn the Four Ingredients of Preaching, how to build a sermon, key elements of effectively reaching the unchurched, and how to use stories as a key element. Learn how transformative preaching goes beyond information and inspiration.

PSO 333 | ACTS: THE HOLY SPIRIT AT WORK IN BELIEVERS' RELATIONSHIPS, ETHICS, AND EVANGELISM

Professor | Dr. Dave Dippold (Guests presenters: Carrie Brooks, Joe Terreri, Jason Rising)

A study of the theological and practical teachings of the historical origins of the early Church. Special attention is given to the theology and work of the Holy Spirit in the evangelistic expansion of the Church, in believers' relationships, and in the ethical issues of life.

PSO 344 | EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT

Professor | Daniel Day, MA

A study of basic leadership styles and strategies; this class can be applied to the church and your personal life management. The student will learn basic business principles from a Christian perspective, including fiscal responsibility; budgeting; principles of tithing; discernment of managerial styles; effective time management; conflict resolution strategies; real communication skills; and development of planning and implementation skills. Additionally, professional etiquette and personal ethics will be discussed.

YSO 223 | YOUTH EVANGELISM

Professor | Dr. Tracy Paino

This course will examine the biblical foundations for evangelism and the presentation of the Christian Gospel message. The practical aspects of sharing faith with nonbelievers, seeker sensitivity, and handling objections will be discussed alongside aspects of program implementation. The nature of the course (practics) presupposes weekly involvement in a local youth ministry setting.

YSO 333 | MINISTER OF YOUTH

Professor | Eran Holt

A focus on the development of healthy youth pastors who will run well and finish strong the race marked out for them. The spiritual, physical, emotional, and professional health of the minister of youth is addressed and developed through the disciplines of journaling, personal accountability, and servanthood.