

**Franciscan School of Theology**  
**Fall 2016 Course Schedule**

Course Title	Course Number/ CRN	Units	Course Level	Instructor/ Time	Description
Theology, Church and World: Introduction to Theology	ST 501 CRN 101	3	Introductory	J. Kiesler Tu 6-9PM	An introductory course in theology which will discuss sources, methodology, relationship to the world, and an understanding of the Catholic Magisterium. This course will consist of lectures, small group discussion, written midterms and finals as well as a short oral class presentation. Intended audience is first year theology students.  <b>Hybrid Format Course: This course will include both in-class and online components.</b>
Introduction to Liberation Theology	ST 604 CRN 117	3	Intermediate	J. Kiesler Th 1-4PM	This course will be an introduction to liberation theology, reviewing its historical development, principal concepts, and shifting fortunes. Special importance will be paid to possible relevance in the context of the United States.
Introduction to the Old Testament	OT 501 CRN 102	3	Introductory	M. Guinan W 6-9PM	After introducing the Bible and its study, this course seeks to present an integrated overview of the Old Testament, its main theological traditions and the historical contexts in which they grew.
Johannine Writings	NT 602 CRN 129	3	Intermediate	<i>Eugenia Constantinou</i> W 1-4PM	An overview of the major issues related to the writings of John, their major theological themes, textual issues and context. <b>Prerequisite:</b> NT 501 Intro to New Testament, or instructor permission.
Introduction to Liturgy	LS 501 CRN 109	3	Introductory	J. Sabak <b>Fri and Sat</b> Sep 16-17; Oct 7-8; Nov 11-12; Dec 2-3 Fri 6-9PM; Sat 9AM – 4PM incl. lunch break	An introductory course on fundamental elements of Catholic Liturgy, including historical development of celebration of the Eucharistic liturgy, organization of liturgical space, important Church norms on liturgical practice and theology.
Ministry Seminar I	PS 501 CRN 110	3	Introductory	M. Day W 8-11 AM	This is the first in a series of seminars required for MDiv students. The course consists of lectures on pastoral ministry, field placements, and group theological reflection exercises.

Ministry Seminar III	PS 701 CRN 112	3	Intermediate	K. Schinhofen W 8-11 AM	This is a continuation of the seminars required for MDiv students with a special emphasis on multicultural issues. The course consists of lectures, field placements, and group theological reflection exercises.
Professional Ethics for Ministry	PS 502 CRN 113	1.5	Introductory	M. Day Sa 8-11 AM Four Saturdays: Sep. 10 Sep. 24 Oct. 1 Oct. 15	Linked to Ministry Seminar I, a series of additional meetings and workshop-format events will provide important formation in Professional Ethics for students preparing for ministry in various sectors of Church and society.
Immigrant in US Catholic History	HS 502 CRN 109	3	Introductory	J. Burns M 6-9PM	The Roman Catholic Church in the United States has always been an immigrant Church. This course will chart the course of the immigrant church by examining the waves of immigrants to the United States and their impact on the Church. The course will examine the interaction of Early European arrivals with the Native American peoples. Then the various immigrant groups will be examined in their historical context: Spanish, English, French, Irish, German, Polish, Italian, African Americans, Mexican and other Latino groups, Filipino, Vietnamese, and other Asian groups. The interaction of these groups has resulted in recurrent conflict and surprising accommodations. The historical experience of the immigrant church will raise serious concerns for the contemporary Church. Lecture format with research paper required.
Franciscan Contemplative Tradition	SP 505 CRN 130	3	Introductory	W. Short F 1-4PM	A careful reading of the complete writings of the two saints of Assisi, exploring their "Gospel form of life," the bases of Franciscan spirituality; their images of God, Christ, Church, and the human person. All texts available in English translation. No previous study of Franciscan sources necessary.
Mary, Mother of God – the History and Spirituality of the Virgin Mary	HS 602 CRN 132	3	Intermediate	D. Pryds M 1-4PM	This intermediate academic course examines the history of the spiritual devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and devotional practices related to Marian devotion. Academic in its intent, this course will focus on critical analysis of primary and secondary sources and will use the academic discipline of History as its analytical lens. Included in this course is the development of the Rosary and the examination of various Marian apparitions including that at Tepeyac, Lourdes, Fatima, and Conyers,

					GA. Evaluation will be based on relevant class participation, book review, term project, and oral presentations. <b>Hybrid Format Course: This course will include both in-class and online components.</b>
Sensing God – The History of Christian Mysticism	HS 603 CRN 133	3	Intermediate	D. Pryds Th 6-9PM	This intermediate academic course examines the history of Christian mystical experiences through writings and film. Special attention is given to cultivating the ability to analyze and interpret sources and secondary studies related to Christian mysticism. Among the figures to be discussed are Paul, Pseudo Dionysius, Hildegard of Bingen, and a full range of Franciscan figures. Discussion will include 20th and 21st century figures. Evaluation will be based on relevant class participation, book review, term project, and oral presentations.
Information Technology and Ethics	CE 601 CRN 134	3	Intermediate	M. Carbajo Tu 6-9PM	This course deals with ethical issues associated with Information and Communication Technologies (ICT), which are reshaping our lifestyles, our perception of reality and our symbolic understanding of the world. For many people ICT are "the chief means of information and education, of guidance and inspiration" (RM 37). In this course, we will explore how to use them responsibly, so that they may become a factor of humanization.
The Church's Social Teaching	CE 602 CRN 136	3	Intermediate	M. Carbajo F 8-11AM	The purpose of this course is to present Catholic social teaching (CST) and to develop skills for critically applying this teaching to present ethical dilemmas and to topics related to social justice. In other words, we will try "to help purify reason and to contribute, here and now, to the acknowledgment and attainment of what is just" (DCE 28).
The Life and Writings of St. Clare	SP 504 CRN 137	3	Introductory	W. Short Tu 1-4PM	A comprehensive review of texts by and about Clare of Assisi (1194-1253), pioneer of women's communities in the early Franciscan Movement. Her writings, early biographical sources on her life, and the documents from the witnesses in her Process of Canonization will be examined, with the goal of understanding the main emphases of her approach to Christian Spirituality. Texts in English translation available. Weekly lecture and discussion on assigned readings. Evaluation will be based on class participation (reading and weekly discussion), one in-class oral presentation on some aspect of Clare's life or writing, and a final research paper of 10-15 pages.
Preaching Practicum	LS 605	1.5	Intermediate	Advisor	By arrangement

	CRN 118				
Advanced Preaching and Presiding	LS 801 CRN 139	3	Advanced	Instructor	By Arrangement
Reconciliation Practicum	LS 606 CRN 119	1.5	Intermediate	Advisor	By arrangement
Special Reading Course	SRC 599 CRN 120	1 – 12	Introductory	Advisor/Instructor	By arrangement
Special Reading Course	SRC 799 CRN 122	1 – 12	Intermediate	Advisor/Instructor	By arrangement
Special Reading Course	SRC 899 CRN 123	1 – 12	Advanced	Advisor/Instructor	By arrangement
MTS Thesis	MTS 900 CRN 122	1 – 12	Advanced	Advisor	By arrangement
MTS Comprehensive	MTC 900 CRN 125	1 – 12	Advanced	Advisor	By arrangement

\*Course Schedule subject to revision by Office of the Dean.

Introductory (500–599)  
Intermediate (600–799)  
Advanced (800–899)  
Thesis (900)

CE Christian Ethics/Moral Theology  
HS Historical Studies  
LS Liturgical Studies  
NT New Testament Studies  
OT Old Testament Studies  
PS Pastoral Studies  
SP Spirituality Studies  
ST Systematic Theology  
SRC Special Reading Course  
MTC MTS Comprehensive  
MTS MTS Thesis