

Franciscan School of Theology
Fall 2018 Course Schedule

Course Title	Course Subject	Course Number	CRN Number	Units	Course Level	Instructor /Time	Description
Spirituality of Dying and Death	SP	603	101	3.00	Intermediate	D. Pryds Tu 1-4 PM	This course offers an intermediate overview of the history and practice of dying. Since the subject of this course is universal, there is no pretension of being comprehensive. Instead, this course explores some fundamental issues related to the history and practice of dying and death customs primarily in Christian cultures. Some effort is made to include other religious practices and students will be given ample latitude to explore the subjects and cultures that interest them.
New Evangelization and Ethics in the Digital Age	CE	606	102	3.00	Intermediate	M. Carbajo Tu 1-4 PM	The Church “would feel guilty before the Lord” (EN 45) if she did not utilize the new media for evangelization, because for many people they are “the chief means of information and education, of guidance and inspiration” (RM 37). This course will study the ethical challenges in communications technology that are also boundless opportunities for evangelization. We will explore the new role of Parish priests, catechists and teachers in educating the “mobile-born” generations and facing challenges, such as cyberbullying and exhibitionism in social networks. We will also study the possible use of new technologies in running the parish and celebrating the liturgy. Our analysis will be inspired at Catholic Social Teaching and Franciscan Spirituality.
Catholic Social Teaching and Laudato Si	CE	607	104	3.00	intermediate	M. Carbajo M 6-9 PM	“Catholic social teaching (CST) is a central and essential element of our faith” and so there is an urgent need of a strengthened commitment to sharing it “at every level of Catholic education and faith formation” (USCCB). This course will study CST, with a special focus on the encyclical Laudato Si’, in order to develop skills for critically applying this teaching to present ethical dilemmas and to topics related to social justice and integral ecology. The Franciscan Intellectual Tradition will be also a source of inspiration.
Theology, Church and World: Introduction to Theology	ST	501	105	3.00	Introductory	J. Kiesler Tu 6-9 PM	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. This Hybrid course will include both in-person and online components.

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Franciscan Christology	ST	503	120	3.00	Introductory	M. Ingham Tu 6-9 PM	Following the Christologies of the New Testament and the Credos of the great ecumenical Councils of the first centuries, this course will consider some of the important traditional Christologies. Looking to the central components of the classic and modern Christologies, the course will emphasize the Franciscan Tradition from Alexander of Hales to Bonaventure and John Duns Scotus regarding the theological disputation of "Cur Deus Homo? (Why God becomes Human?)" with regards to today's challenge of globalization, secularization, and multiculturalism.
Ministry Seminar 1	PS	501	106	3.00	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 3	PS	701	107	3.00	Intermediate	M. Day 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.
The Gospel of Luke	NT	603	109	3.00	Intermediate	E. Constantinou W 1-4 PM	This course is a careful study of the gospel of Luke with some attention given to Acts of the Apostles. We will explore these documents from a literary and historical perspective with the objective of uncovering the author's intended meaning and message. To this end, we will examine the historical, cultural, and geographical setting of the gospel and Acts as well as its authorship, audience, literary techniques and characteristics, theology and important themes. We will also study the history of the reception of these writings, and compare the purpose, themes and orientation of Luke's Gospel with the other synoptic gospels.
Franciscan Masters: Voluntarism	HS	605	110	3.00	Intermediate	M. Ingham To be treated as a special reading course with the schedule to be determined by the professor.	This reading course explores the topic of Franciscan voluntarism in a two-fold manner: 1) In its historical development from Anselm and Bonaventure, through Olivi, to Scotus and Ockham as well as 2) The way it is understood and criticized today. Catherine Pickstock (representing "Radical Orthodoxy") and Benedict XVI's "Regensburg lecture" set the stage for the exploration and discussion of the Franciscan emphasis on the will: how it emerged from the Augustinian sources and developed in the 13th and early 14th centuries.

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History of Women's Religious Leadership	HS	601	112	3.00	Intermediate	D. Pryds To be treated as a special reading course with the schedule to be determined by the professor.	This course is an intermediate course exploring the history of women in leadership roles within Christianity. Methodologically, the course explores the topic of how women have achieved leadership roles throughout Christian history, therefore the lectures will be historical in nature and students will be expected to use historical method in their analyses. There will be ample room for student-generated input based on experience and research. In fact, students must anticipate being active co-creators of this course, since the topic is too broad for any single professor to teach in a comprehensive way.
Introduction to Old Testament	OT	501	113	3.00	Introductory	M. Guinan Th 6-9 PM	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.
Ministering to American Catholics	CE	608	121	3.00	Intermediate	M. Day F 8-11 AM	This course will examine the Catholic landscape so as to better understand the contemporary pastoral needs within the Catholic Church in the U.S. Questions this class will explore include: Why are young adults leaving the Church? How can I integrate different ethnic groups in a parish while still preserving the differences they bring? What are the best practices when addressing political issues within a parish? By incorporating insights from sociologists and theologians, students will better minister to a variety of populations as well as learn theory to apply to groups not covered within the class
Introduction to Liturgy	LS	501	115	3.00	Introductory	L. Bergin (4x) F 6-9 PM Sa 9 AM- 4 PM Sept. 7/8 Oct. 12/13 Nov. 2/3 Nov 30/Dec. 1	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.
MTS Comprehensive	MTC	900	126	3.0-12.0	Advanced	Instructor/Advisor	By arrangement
MTS Thesis	MTS	900	123	3.0-12.0	Advanced	Instructor/Advisor	By arrangement
Professional Ethics Ministry	PS	502	116	1.50	Introductory	M. Day (6x) Tu 8-11AM Sept. 4,11,18,25 Oct. 2,9	Designed for students on their first semester of ministry, 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.
Special Reading Course	SRC	599	117	1 – 12	Introductory	Advisor/Instructor	By arrangement
Special Reading Course	SRC	799	118	1 – 12	Intermediate	Advisor/Instructor	By arrangement

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Introductory (500–599)

Intermediate (600–799)

Advanced (800–899)

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Christian Ethics/Moral Theology

Historical Studies

Liturgical Studies

New Testament Studies

Old Testament Studies

Pastoral Studies

Spirituality Studies

Systematic Theology

Special Reading Course

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