

FALL 2022 CLASSES



YELLOWSTONE
Theological Institute

WEEK-LONG COURSES BOZEMAN

IN-PERSON @ YTI, 2030 Stadium Dr., Bozeman
DISTANCE LEARNING available live online via Zoom

BIB 530 Biblical Interpretation

SEPTEMBER 12-16 | 9AM-4PM | REV. BRETT DESPER

In this course, students will learn the basics of biblical, theological, and cultural interpretation.

MIN 532 Basic Church Care

SEPTEMBER 12-16 | 9AM-4PM | REV. JIM KEENA

This course provides an introduction to pastoral ministry through studying its biblical-theological foundations and practical responsibilities. Students will learn how to shepherd and provide effective leadership in a local church or parachurch context.

BIB 532 Old Testament: The Torah & Histories

SEPTEMBER 19-23 | 9AM-4PM | DR. JAY SMITH

The Old Testament is vast, spanning from the creation of the cosmos to the exile and return of God's people Israel. In this course, we examine the fundamental texts of the Hebrew faith, called the "Torah" and the "Histories." The Torah consists of Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. The Histories cover Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah. The course focuses on the narrative and theology of the Torah and Histories in the quest to understand Judeo-Christian origins, holiness, obedience, and disobedience.

BIB 531 The Biblical Narrative

SEPTEMBER 26-30 | 9AM-4PM | MR. MATT GREEN

The Bible, from Genesis to Revelation, is a unique document. BIB 531 gives an overview of the essential narratives of the Scriptures, with special attention to the cultural contexts and theological function of those narratives.

THEO 530 Historical Theology I

SEPTEMBER 26-30 | 9AM-4PM | DR. JAY SMITH

THEO 530 Historical Theology I is a basic historical survey of the development of theology from the first century through the medieval Renaissance. It takes care to investigate the first creeds, the canonization of Scripture, catholic orthodoxy and heresy, the medieval papacy, and the formation of the schools at Paris and Oxford. The course gives the student a contextual background for Christian theological claims.

MIN 530 Christian Call & Vocation

OCTOBER 3-7 | 9AM-4PM | REV. JIM KEENA

This course examines advanced preaching styles such as narrative, exegetical, and conversational. Sermon construction is emphasized, including delivery of the message, with special attention given to context and hearers.

LED 532 Entrepreneurial Leadership

OCTOBER 10-14 | 9AM-4PM | DR. DERRY LONG

Entrepreneurial Leadership explores what it means to be a Christian leader in a postmodern, post-denominational culture. The class explores the latest in contemporary leadership theory with a focus on creative or "entrepreneurial" leadership. The class applies these leadership principles in conversation with biblical and theological resources in order to explore the student's vocation, as well as enhance the mission of the contemporary *ekklesia*.

BIB 534 New Testament: Gospels through Acts

OCTOBER 10-14 | 9AM-4PM | DR. JOSHUA SCHENDEL

The New Testament continues and consummates the drama begun in the Old Testament. In particular, it focuses on Jesus of Nazareth as the solution to the cosmic problem originating in Genesis 3. This course focuses on the person, work, and teaching of Jesus provided for us in the four Gospels, as well as the birth of the church in Acts.

ART 533 Christian Art History I

OCTOBER 17-21 | 9AM-4PM | MS. CAROL MEALER

ART 533 explores Christian art history from its beginnings in the New Testament era through the high Medieval period in the late 15th century. The course covers the contexts and artistic substance of the fine and architectural arts from the Roman catacombs to the great cathedrals of Europe, and from rudimentary drawings to the great stained glass windows. Students will broaden their understanding of the meaning of the arts for the church.

MIN 535 Focus: Ministry to Youth

**OCTOBER 24-28 | 9AM-4PM | JEFFRI MALONE FOSTER
AND B.J. FOSTER**

MIN 535 familiarizes the student with the various forms of ministry to youth (ages 12-18). No other stage of a human being's life witnesses the physical, emotional, and spiritual life changes as does the "youth" category. This sub-group of the Next-Generation are a crucial demographic when regarding the future of the local church. The course focuses on the student's creation of meaningful ministry for these young men and women.

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CUL 537 Worldview

OCT. 31–NOV. 4 | 9AM–4PM | MRS. KATHRYN GREEN

What is a worldview? Most people in the world today have no concept through which to understand how other cultures view one another. The lens through which a person views others is called a “worldview.” CUL 537 discusses how a worldview is formed, maintained, adjusted, and critiqued. Additionally, it discusses the worldviews of other cultures.

LED 531 Basic Leadership

OCT. 31–NOV. 4 | 9AM–4PM | DR. DERRY LONG

LED 531 explores a shared form of leadership, one that combines the servant leadership paradigm modeled in the New Testament, with a contemporary approach that considers the various ways in which leaders communicate appropriately with their teams.

ART 531 Intro. to Theology & the Arts

NOVEMBER 7–11 | 9AM–4PM | REV. KURT CADDY

Why is art such a powerful representative of the human experience, including its experience of the Divine? Introduction to Theology and the Arts presents a history of the integration of belief and artistic creation. Students will come to understand the role of the imagination as the conduit for aesthetics in human understanding and the role of the arts in social commentary and social justice, and will develop a rudimentary theology of the arts.

THEO 538 Introduction to the Wild God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

MEETS NOV. 7, 9, 11, 14, 16 | 9AM–4PM | DR. JAY SMITH

THEO 538 introduces a “renewed” doctrine of the Trinity, describing the very nature of God — the nature of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit — as well as their roles as described in the biblical revelation and in the experience of the church. It is an important, foundational course to understand how the Holy Spirit desires to work in the hearts and lives of believers, the church, and the world.

CUL 539 Evangelism

NOVEMBER 14–18 | 9AM–4PM | REV. VERN STREETER

CUL 539 details the nature of evangelism — the sharing of the “good news” in our world. The course gives an overview of the “good news” and describes how it can be embodied and shared as a witness to the Christian faith.

WEEKEND COURSES BOZEMAN

BIB 534 New Testament: Gospels through Acts

SEPTEMBER 9–10, 16–17, 23–24 | DR. JOSHUA SCHENDEL

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MIN 530 Christian Call & Vocation

OCTOBER 7–8, 14–15, 21–22 | REV. JIM KEENA

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10-WEEK COURSES BOZEMAN

COM 531 Intro. to Preaching & Teaching

MONDAYS SEPTEMBER 12–NOVEMBER 14 | 6–9PM

REV. JIM KEENA

This course studies preaching from sermon construction to the delivery of the message, with special attention given to preaching context, verbal delivery, and the variety of preaching styles.

THEO 532 Theology for the Church

TUESDAYS SEPTEMBER 13–NOVEMBER 15 | 6–9PM

REV. CODY WHITTINGTON

THEO 532 examines the earliest articulations of Christian belief with its evolution to the present day. The course takes the students from the biblical confessions through the patristic creeds to the Reformed confessions to contemporary Christian doctrines in the postmodern era. Students will develop a firm understanding of theological method and how to instill in the church the process of theological reflection. The course has a special emphasis on classic Christian teachings (doctrine) for the contemporary church.

THM 530 Readings for Advanced Studies

WEDNESDAYS SEPTEMBER 14–NOVEMBER 16 | 6–9PM

DR. JOSHUA SCHENDEL

THM 530 is a core course for the Master of Theology degree. The course reads and discusses one pivotal book in theology, history, or philosophy each week of the term for a total of eight books. The readings give the student a basic platform from which to conduct postgraduate thesis studies.

WEEK-LONG COURSES BELLINGHAM, WA

COM 532 Advanced Preaching & Teaching

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LED 630 Advanced Leadership

OCTOBER 24–28 | 9AM–4PM | DR. DERRY LONG

This course examines advanced trends in leadership with relevance for the contemporary church. *(Specific details to come.)*



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