

# SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

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## OBJECTIVES

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- To help students appreciate and understand Christian history, theology, and spirituality from the perspective of the biblical, historical Christian faith;
- To create opportunities for students to apply and integrate classroom knowledge and principles to in-service training experiences in local churches, cross-cultural settings, and missions;
- To prepare students to pursue the study of philosophy, theology, or religion in a graduate school or seminary;
- To educate students to be "practical thinkers" and "thinking practitioners."

## TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE...

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The School of Theology and Christian Ministry faculty is committed to Christian service and the Wesleyan heritage. It offers personal attention and programs geared toward preparing women and men for ministry in a variety of forms as well as for other professions. With over fifty denominations represented at Point Loma, students have the opportunity to learn the similarities and differences between the major denominations and traditions within the Christian faith. The faculty of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry is diverse in educational background, with degrees from leading seminaries and universities across the country. Faculty members have published commentaries, dictionary articles, Christian life pieces, books, articles in national scholarly journals, and Christian education booklets. All professors are members in academic societies in fields of study. Outside the classroom, the faculty are committed members of local congregations and often spend weekends preaching, teaching Sunday school, or speaking at camps and retreats.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES...

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Many of our students go directly into Christian ministry or other professions; others go on to graduate school. The School is proud of the acceptance rate of its alumni into a variety of graduate programs and law schools across the

United States. To assist those entering Christian ministry of all sorts, "hands-on" internships in local churches are available. Also, six semester units can be earned through the summer ministries program by working in a local church, urban mission, or summer camp.

## MAJORS AND MINORS

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### *Majors*

Bible and Christian Ministries

- Active Minister

Philosophy

Philosophy and Theology

### *Minors*

Children's Ministries

Christian Missions

Philosophy

Youth Ministries

### *Internship*

Christian Ministries

## FACULTY

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# Bible and Christian Ministries MAJOR

The disciplines of theological and religious studies, in keeping with the evangelical and Wesleyan-Arminian tradition in which the institution was founded, have the following objectives:

- To provide an appreciative understanding of Christian history, theology, and spirituality from the perspective of the biblical and historic faith of the Christian Church for all students at the General Education level;
- To offer a major which is foundationally biblical in content within the contexts of historical, theological, ministerial, and social perspectives;
- To give opportunity for the application and integration of classroom methodology and principles to in-service training experience in local church, cross-cultural, and missions contexts, designed to benefit the ongoing vocational ministry of students; and
- To pursue theological and religious studies in a seminary or graduate school.

## LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
BIB 101	Old Testament History and Religion	2
BIB 102	New Testament History and Religion	3
THE 250	Foundations of Christian Theology	.3
PHL 201	Intro to Philosophy	.3
CMI 150	Intro to Ministry	.3
CHU 104	Nazarene Church History and Policy (For students who are members of the Church of the Nazarene)	.3
<i>One of:</i>		
CMI 200	Christian Education of Children	.2
CMI 210	Intro to Youth Ministry	.3
CMI 220	Youth Ministry in Contemporary Culture	.3
CMI 230	Christian Education for Adults	.2
<i>Either:</i>		
BLA 207	Essentials of Greek I	.3
BLA 208	Essentials of Greek II	.3
<b>AND</b>		
BLA 337	Exegesis of Greek New Testament I	
<b>OR</b>		
BLA 205	Essentials of Hebrew I	.4
<b>AND</b>		
BLA 206	Essentials of Hebrew II	.4
TOTAL		.24-26

## UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
BIB 307	Biblical Theology	.4
CMI 300	Preaching	.3
CMI 310	Practice of Ministry	.2
CMI 330	Care and Leadership in Ministry	.3

CMI 350	Evangelism and Missions	.3
CMI 387	Internship	.1-4
CMI 400	Christian Worship	.4
THE 306	The Life of Holiness	.3
THE 331	Christian Ethics	.3
THE 481	Theology I	.3
THE 497	Senior Seminar	.3
CHU 395	The Christian Tradition	<b>OR</b>
CHU 484	Ancient and Medieval Christianity	.3
<b>AND</b>		
CHU 485	Modern Christianity	.3
• Three additional units of Bible. The following courses may fulfill this requirement, provided the Honors Project is deemed to fulfill the need for advanced biblical study.		
HON 498	Honors Project I	.2
HON 499	Honors Project II	.1
TOTAL		.35-44

## RECOMMENDED

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
CMU 314	Music and Worship	.3
• Courses in Psychology, Sociology, and Communication and Theatre		

## Concentration for the Active Minister

This program is designed for the active minister who desires to complete a degree while remaining active in the pastorate. Students are encouraged to take electives and General Education courses at a local college or university during the academic year as needed. Upper-division courses required in the major are normally taken on the main campus during the summer on a three-year cycle. The requirement of at least 24 units in residence must be met, but they need not be the *last* 24 units.

Besides meeting entrance requirements to the University, the student must be in a full-time ministerial position and have been in that position for at least one year. For further information, students should contact the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.

## REQUIREMENTS

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
BIB 101	Old Testament History and Religion	2
BIB 102	New Testament History and Religion	3
BIB 307	Biblical Theology	.4
PHL 201	Intro to Philosophy	.3
<i>Either:</i>		
BLA 207	Essentials of Greek I	.3
BLA 208	Essentials of Greek II	.3
<b>AND</b>		
BLA 337	Exegesis of Greek New Testament I	.3
<b>OR</b>		
BLA 205	Essentials of Hebrew I	.3-4
<b>AND</b>		
BLA 206	Essentials of Hebrew II	.4

THE 306 The Life of Holiness . . . . .3  
 CHU 395 The Christian Tradition *OR*  
 CHU 484 Ancient and Medieval Christianity . .3  
*AND*  
 CHU 485 Modern Christianity . . . . .3

- An upper-division Bible course
- An upper-division Philosophy course
- A total of 61 units in Religion (including the courses listed above)
- A minimum of 24 upper-division units taken in residence at Point Loma with at least 12 of those units being in Philosophy and Religion
- Completion by residence or transfer of courses equivalent to the Point Loma General Education program
- Current employment in full-time Christian ministry

**Philosophy MAJOR**

The discipline of philosophy, the critical inquiry into the structure of reality, knowledge, and values, seeks to clarify and explicate the presuppositions and implications of various interpretations of human experience. The purposes of the Philosophy major are:

- To develop critical and creative thinking, soundness of argument, clarity of thought, and precision in expression;
- To cultivate a critical appreciation of the enduring questions constituting the philosophical heritage;
- To explore the relation between philosophical and religious thought; and
- To prepare students for further graduate study.

**LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
PHL 201	Intro to Philosophy	.3
PHL 277	Logic	.2
TOTAL		.5

**UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
PHL 301	History of Western Philosophy I	.3
PHL 302	History of Western Philosophy II	.3
PHL 451	Religion and Science	.3
• Eighteen additional units in Philosophy. The following courses may fulfill this requirement.		
HON 498	Honors Project I	.2
HON 499	Honors Project II	.1
TOTAL		.27

**RECOMMENDED**

- Greek, German, or French should be used to fulfill the General Education foreign language requirement.

**Philosophy and Theology MAJOR**

Graduate theological education today presumes broad learning across the curriculum with a concentration in a particular area. The major in Philosophy and Theology aims to prepare the student for graduate education by:

- Introducing the student to philosophy and theology as intellectual disciplines;
- Initialing the student into the central documents, beliefs and practices of the Christian faith, both historical and contemporary; and
- Providing flexibility to supplement the major with courses in complementary disciplines with the possibility of concentrated study in one area of interest.

**LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
BIB 101	Old Testament History and Religion	2
BIB 102	New Testament History and Religion	3
PHL 201	Intro to Philosophy	.3
THE 250	Foundations of Christian Theology	.3
TOTAL		.11

**UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
BIB 307	Biblical Theology	.4
CHU 395	The Christian Tradition	.3
THE 306	The Life of Holiness	.3
THE 497	Senior Seminar	.3
• Additional eleven units in the School of Theology and Christian Ministry . At least three of these must be in Philosophy and a maximum of two units of Christian Ministries 387 may be applied. The following courses may also fulfill this requirement:		
HON 498	Honors Project I	.2
HON 499	Honors Project II	.1
TOTAL		.24

**Children’s Ministries MINOR**

A minor is available to all students pursuing a degree who wish to qualify for full or part-time ministry to children.

**REQUIREMENTS**

COURSE #	TITLE	UNITS
CMI 150	Intro to Ministry	.3
CMI 200	Christian Education of Children	.2
BIB 307	Biblical Theology	.4
THE 331	Christian Ethics	.3
• <i>OR</i> three units in upper-division Bible		
FCS 120	Intro to Child Development	.4
FCS 420	Child Development in the Family and Community	.4
• Three additional units in Christian Ministries		
TOTAL		.20

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**RECOMMENDED**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
FCS 310	Early Childhood Education	4
FCS 460	Administration and Supervision in Early Childhood Education	4
FCS 470	Practicum in Child Development	3

- Additional courses in Religion

*Note: At least nine units must be taken in courses that are not used for the student's major. At least twelve units must be upper-division.*

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**Christian Missions** MINOR

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A minor is available to all students pursuing a degree who wish to qualify for full or part-time Christian missions.

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**REQUIREMENTS**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
THE 365	Theology for Communities of Faith	3
SOC 101	Intro to Sociology	3
SOC 111	Intro to Sociology: Practicum	1
CMI 100	Intro to Christian Leadership	1
CMI 111	Practicum to Ministry	1
CMI 150	Intro to Ministry	3
CMI 350	Evangelism and Missions	3
CMI 387	Internship	4

*One of the following emphases:*

**Ministry for Life Emphasis**

SOC 360	Ethnic and Status Groups	3
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**Intercultural Missions Emphasis**

SOC 201	Cultural Anthropology	3
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**Urban Missions Emphasis**

SOC 350	Urban Sociology	3
TOTAL		22

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**RECOMMENDED**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
THE 331	Christian Ethics	3
SOC 360	Ethnic and Status Groups	3
PSY 321	Abnormal Psychology (For the urban missions emphasis)	3

- A semester or summer away in a cross-cultural academic setting (e.g., European Nazarene College).

*Note: At least nine units must be taken in courses that are not used for the student's major. At least twelve units must be upper-division.*

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**Philosophy** MINOR

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**LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
PHL 201	Intro to Philosophy	3

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**UPPER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
PHL 301	History of Western Philosophy I	3
PHL 302	History of Western Philosophy II	3
• Eight to nine additional units in Philosophy		
TOTAL		14-15

*Note: At least nine units must be taken in courses that are not used for the student's major. At least twelve units must be upper-division.*

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**Youth Ministries** MINOR

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A minor is available to all students pursuing a degree who wish to prepare for full or part-time ministry to youth.

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**REQUIREMENTS**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
BIB 307	Biblical Theology	4
THE 331	Christian Ethics	3
<i>OR</i> three units in upper-division Bible		
CMI 150	Intro to Ministry	3
CMI 210	Intro to Youth Ministry	3
CMI 220	Youth Ministry in Contemporary Culture	3
CMI 387	Internship	3
PSY 308	Developmental Psychology – Birth Through Adolescence	3
TOTAL		20

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**RECOMMENDED**

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<b>COURSE #</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UNITS</b>
CMI 300	Preaching	3
CMI 350	Evangelism and Missions	3
CMU 314	Music and Worship <i>OR</i>	
CMU 433	Hymnology	3

*Note: At least nine units must be taken in courses that are not used for the student's major. At least twelve units must be upper-division.*

## Christian Ministries INTERNSHIP

Opportunity is provided for qualified majors to participate, for the equivalent of one semester, in a full-time practical experience in a local church. Each intern will be under the joint supervision of a local pastor and University faculty. The internship normally is taken during the summer between the junior and senior years and either the preceding or following semester.

Up to six units of credit in Christian Ministries 387 for the practicum experience is available. In addition, up to six units of regular course credit may be taken concurrently.

To be eligible for consideration in the Christian Ministries Internship program the student must have completed or have in progress the following:

- All lower-division requirements in Religion
- One year of biblical language
- Bible 307, Theology 306
- One advanced course in Theology or Church History, preferably Church History 395.

Application forms may be obtained from the Dean of the School.

## Summer Ministries

This program involves qualified students of Point Loma Nazarene University in summer work at churches and youth camps throughout the Southwest Educational region or in summer ministries programs of the General Church of the Nazarene. Up to six units of course credit in Christian Ministries 387 is available.

## Institute of Holy Land Studies

Point Loma Nazarene University is associated with the Institute of Holy Land Studies (a division of Jerusalem University College) in Jerusalem, Israel. Undergraduate courses, on the junior or senior level, or graduate courses may be taken in Israel and transferred to this University. Inquiries can be made to the Institute at 4249 E. State Street, Suite 203, Rockford, Illinois 61108.

## The H. Orton Wiley Chair of Theology

For many years, Point Loma Nazarene University has benefitted from a succession of distinguished scholars as teachers in the field of Christian theology. These include A.M. Hills, Olive M. Winchester, and H. Orton Wiley. The creative and scholarly work of these persons has made a distinct contribution to modern theology in the Wesleyan-Arminian tradition. To continue this

tradition of scholarship, the H. Orton Wiley Chair of Theology was created in 1964. Scholars selected to fill this position have been Ross E. Price, Westlake T. Purkiser, and current chairholder Herbert L. Prince.

## Bible COURSES

### **BIB 101 (2) OLD TESTAMENT HISTORY AND RELIGION-GE**

Within the context of the history of Israel, an overview of the literature of the Old Testament with special attention to its literary history and theological themes.

### **BIB 102 (3) NEW TESTAMENT HISTORY AND RELIGION-GE**

Within the context of Christian origins, an overview of the canonical literature of the New Testament with special attention to its literary history and theological themes.

### **BIB 302 (3) EARLY CHRISTIANITY IN PAUL'S CHURCHES**

A study of the presentation of Paul in the Acts of the Apostles, the theology of Paul and the Pauline literature. Offered 2005-06.

*Prerequisite: Bible 102.*

### **BIB 304 (3) THE CATHOLIC LETTERS**

A study of Hebrews, James, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, and Jude in their early Christian setting. Offered 2004-05.

*Prerequisite: Bible 102.*

### **BIB 307 (4) BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

A study of the major theological themes of the Christian Scriptures in relation to Christian faith and practice.

*Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.*

### **BIB 378 (3) WISDOM IN JUDAISM AND CHRISTIANITY**

A study of the development of wisdom literature from its ancient Near Eastern antecedents to second century Judaism and Christianity. Offered 2004-05.

*Prerequisite: Bible 101.*

### **BIB 401 (3) JESUS AND THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS**

A study of the origins, content, and theological perspectives of the synoptic Gospels. Offered 2004-05.

*Prerequisite: Bible 102.*

### **BIB 403 (3) JOHANNINE LITERATURE**

A study of the Johannine literature (Gospel, Letters, and Apocalypse) in relation to its social setting and content, and its theological significance of the development of early Christianity. Offered 2005-06.

*Prerequisite: Bible 102.*