

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 Ministry 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 1967. Scholars selected to fill this position have been Ross E. Price, Westlake T. Purkiser, and 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. Offered 2007-08.

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. Offered 2007-08.

BIB 240 (3) INTERPRETING THE BIBLE

This course introduces the student to the disciplines of biblical interpretation that have been employed from the period of early Jewish and Christian exegesis through the burgeoning of modern and postmodern approaches to the biblical literature. Serving as an extension of and transition from the introductory courses in biblical literature, this course provides the student with more advanced exegetical skills, methods, and techniques to apply in academic and pastoral study of the Bible. Emphasis is given to the methods and tools needed for such study. The course will intentionally take account of both traditional and non-traditional methods of reading the biblical literature. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101 and Bible 102.

BIB 301 (3) JESUS AND THE SYNOPTIC GOSPELS

A study of the origins, content, and theological perspectives of the synoptic Gospels.

Prerequisite: Bible 102.

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 2007-08.

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. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.

BIB 314 (3) THE OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS

A study of the prophetic phenomena in the Old Testament, setting each book in its historical and canonical context. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Bible 101.

BIB 378 (3) OLD TESTAMENT POETRY AND WISDOM

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

Prerequisite: Bible 101.

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 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, 240.

BIB 404 (3) THE CATHOLIC LETTERS

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

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, 240.

BIB 413 (3) OLD TESTAMENT NARRATIVE AND LAW

An exegetical and theological study of OT narrative and legal materials (Pentateuch, Deuteronomistic History, various writings) that introduces their basic content, movement, context, and significance. Attention will also be paid to biblical and archaeological data related to the origins of Israel and its literature.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, 240.

BIB 477 (3) THE LITERATURE OF SECOND TEMPLE JUDAISM

A study of selected literature and themes in the period of second temple Judaism such as the Dead Sea Scrolls and Apocalyptic literature. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, 240.

BIB 480 (3) RHETORICAL INTERPRETATION OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

Using texts from all the major genres of the New Testament, seeks to understand the message and persuasive techniques used by the authors. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: BIB101, 102, 240.

BIB 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN BIBLE

An investigation of a topic in Biblical studies not otherwise covered in the curriculum. May be repeated to a total of six units.

Prerequisite: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.

BIB 495 (3) SEMINAR IN BIBLICAL LITERATURE

Advanced study in a topic in Bible. May be repeated. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, either Biblical Languages 205, 206 or 207, 208 and 337, and permission of instructor.

Biblical Language Courses**BLA 205, 206 (4,4) ESSENTIALS OF HEBREW I, II-GE**

An introductory study of the syntax and vocabulary of Biblical Hebrew, with Old Testament readings along with an introduction to the tools and methods of exegesis.

BLA 207, 208 (3,3) ESSENTIALS OF GREEK I, II-GE

A linguistic approach to the language of the New Testament providing students with sufficient knowledge to read selected passages from the Greek New Testament with the use of a grammar and lexicon. Offered 2007-08.

BLA 337 (3) EXEGESIS OF GREEK NEW TESTAMENT I-GE

Methodologies for the exegesis of the Greek New Testament with attention to continued reading of the text and advanced grammar and syntax. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Biblical Language 207 and 208.

BLA 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

Readings in Greek or Hebrew for the advanced student in Biblical languages. May be repeated up to four units credit in each language.

Prerequisites: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry and either Biblical Languages 337 OR 205, 206.

Church History Courses**CHU 104 (3) NAZARENE CHURCH HISTORY AND POLITY**

A study of the history, polity, articles of faith and Manual of the Church of the Nazarene. Attention is given to the importance of women and ethnic issues in ministry.

CHU 395 (3) THE CHRISTIAN TRADITION-GE

An historical survey of the ideas, practices, and institutions of Christianity from the end of the New Testament period to the present, with attention to the Wesleyan-Arminian tradition. Offered every semester

Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.

CHU 484 (3) ANCIENT AND MEDIEVAL CHRISTIANITY-GE

A study of the Christian Church from its beginnings to the Protestant Reformation. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.

CHU 485 (3) MODERN CHRISTIANITY-GE

A study of the Christian church since the Protestant Reformation, with consideration of American Christianity from its European background to the present. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.

CHU 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN CHURCH HISTORY

Study of a topic in church history not otherwise covered in the curriculum. May be repeated to a total of six units.

Prerequisite: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.

CHU 496 (2) SEMINAR IN CHURCH HISTORY

Advanced study in one or more areas of church history. Designed to function also as a graduate level elective. May be taken twice.

Prerequisite: Consent of instructor.

Christian Ministry Courses

CMI 150 (2) INTRODUCTION TO MINISTRY

An orientation course for those contemplating special areas of Christian service, providing insight into ministry from biblical thought, church history, theology, and contemporary Christian movements. Attention is given to the importance of women and ethnic issues in ministry. Offered 2007-08.

CMI 160 (2) INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

An introduction to the skills and knowledge required to organize a Christian education program in the local church. Offered 2007-08.

CMI 200 (3) CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OF CHILDREN

An introduction to the spiritual needs and development of the child; emphasis on the use of methods at specific age levels and the administration of the program for children.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150 and Bible 101 or 102.

CMI 210 (3) INTRODUCTION TO YOUTH MINISTRY

A study of the characteristics and spiritual needs of youth, practical factors involved with youth ministry, including resources for programming and discipleship.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150 and Bible 101 or 102.

CMI 220 (3) YOUTH MINISTRY IN CONTEMPORARY CULTURE

An in-depth analysis of issues facing contemporary youth, with an examination of leadership models and appropriate methods to facilitate effective week to week ministry with youth. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150 and Bible 101 or 102.

CMI 300 (3) PREACHING

An introduction to the preparation and delivery of sermons. Includes laboratory experience. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Communication 100, Christian Ministry 150, Theology 250.

CMI 320 (2) ADMINISTRATION AND LEADERSHIP

An introduction to the organizational skills and knowledge required in the pastoral ministry. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150, Theology 250.

CMI 330 (2) PASTORAL CARE AND COUNSELING

A study of pastoral care and leadership and their Biblical, historical and theological foundations in relation to their contemporary expressions.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150, Theology 250.

CMI 350 (3) EVANGELISM AND CROSS-CULTURAL MINISTRY

A study of the Biblical, historical and theological foundations of evangelism, missions, and church growth in relation to their contemporary expressions. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150, Theology 250.

CMI 387 (1-4) INTERNSHIP

Supervised training in ministry, designed to help the student correlate classroom experiences with the practice of ministry. May be repeated up to six units. Graded Credit/No Credit. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101 or 102 and consent of instructor.

CMI 400 (3) CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

A study of the practice of worship and its Biblical, historical and theological foundations in relation to its contemporary expressions, with special attention to the sacraments, Christian rituals and the liturgical year.

Prerequisites: Christian Ministry 150, Theology 250.

CMI 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

An investigation of a topic in Christian ministries not otherwise covered in the curriculum. May be repeated to a total of six units.

Prerequisite: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.

Philosophy Courses

PHL 201 (3) INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY-GE

A historical survey of selected philosophical ideas, systems, and methods, especially as these have developed in western civilization.

PHL 211 (3) ETHICS-GE

The study of right and wrong in principle, character, and conduct; practical moral issues analyzed from the basis of sound moral theory; characteristics of an adequate, consistent code of ethics. Offered 2007-08.

PHL 277 (2) LOGIC

A study of the logical appraisal of arguments with attention given to formal and informal fallacies. Offered 2006-07.

PHL 301 (3) HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY I

Designed to examine developments in western philosophy with an emphasis on ancient Greek and Medieval philosophies with readings from significant and representative texts of the eras. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 302 (3) HISTORY OF WESTERN PHILOSOPHY II

Designed to examine developments in western philosophy with an emphasis on modern philosophy from Descartes through nineteenth century thought with readings from significant and representative texts of the era. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 303 (3) HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY III

Designed to examine developments in western philosophy with an emphasis on modern philosophy from Descartes through nineteenth century thought with readings from significant and representative texts of the era.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 311 (3) EUROPEAN INTELLECTUAL HISTORY

Seminar study of the intellectual history of Europe from the 1780's through the end of the nineteenth century. Readings will analyze the rise of the national intellectual traditions in England and on the Continent and will include Rousseau, Kant, Hegel, Schopenhauer, Mill, Nietzsche, Freud and others. Emphasis on the rise of philosophical irrationalism within the context of post-Enlightenment thought. Also listed as History 311.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 321 (3) SOCIAL PHILOSOPHY

The emergence and development of social philosophy, with consideration given to Critical Theory, Heidegger, Post-Structuralism, and feminist thought. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 341 (3) PHILOSOPHY OF ART

Classical and recent theories of beauty and art, with selected coverage of such concepts as aesthetics, expression, representation and criticism. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 351 (3) ASIAN PHILOSOPHIES AND RELIGIONS

Treatment of the leading ideas and philosophical developments of Asian philosophies and of the beliefs and practices of Asian religious traditions.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 361 (3) CONTINENTAL PHILOSOPHY

An examination of key texts within the continental tradition of philosophy with a focus upon both the (historical) genealogy of continental thought and its primary figures and topics in 20th century and contemporary thought. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 371 (3) PHILOSOPHY AND EDUCATION

An examination of significant works in the philosophical tradition from ancient Greek to contemporary texts that deal explicitly with the topics of education and pedagogy.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 451 (3) RELIGION AND SCIENCE

A philosophical and historical examination and assessment of the interaction between scientific and religious ideas, focusing on cosmology and evolutionary thought in the last four centuries.

Prerequisites: History 110, 111, and Philosophy 201.

PHL 461 (3) PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

A philosophical examination of the nature of religion, the existence of God, faith and reason, religious experience, evil, and religious language. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

PHL 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN PHILOSOPHY

An investigation of a topic in philosophy not otherwise covered in the curriculum. May be repeated to a total of six units.

Prerequisite: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.

PHL 491 (3) SEMINAR IN PHILOSOPHY

A study of one or more philosophers or philosophical traditions. May be repeated for a total of six units. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 201.

Theology *Courses*

THE 250 (3) FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY I

An introduction to Christian theology, to research methods and to theological bibliography. Examination of the Christian doctrines of God, creation, sin, Christ and the atonement. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 201 and either Bible 101 or 102.

THE 300 (3) RELIGIONS OF THE WEST

A study of non-Christian religions of the Western world, especially Judaism and Islam, and of important aspects of religion such as myth, ritual, belief, and law.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, Philosophy 201.

THE 306 (3) THE LIFE OF HOLINESS—GE

A study of the Biblical foundations of the holiness message, Wesleyan theological perspectives set in the context of the history of the Church, and the classic disciplines of spiritual formation.

Prerequisite: Bible 101 or 102.

THE 310 (3) WOMEN IN CHRISTIANITY—WS

A study of issues related to women in the Bible and Christianity, including women's spiritual biographies, the use of gender-inclusive language, the ordination of women into ministry, women in the Wesleyan/holiness tradition, and feminist and liberation theologies.

THE 331 (3) CHRISTIAN ETHICS

A study of Christian theories of ethics and of the ethical implications of the Christian faith for issues of contemporary importance such as medical ethics, sexuality, war and peace, ecology, and economics. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Bible 101, 102, Philosophy 201.

THE 350 (3) FOUNDATIONS OF CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY II

Examination of the Christian doctrines of the Holy Spirit, the Christian life, the church, and eschatology. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 201, either Bible 101 or 102, and Theology 250.

THE 450 (3) DOCTRINE OF HOLINESS

Examination of the doctrine of holiness in its biblical and historical development. Offered 2007-08.

Prerequisites: Philosophy 201, either Bible 101 or 102, and Theology 250.

THE 490 (1-3) SPECIAL STUDIES IN THEOLOGY

An examination of a topic in theology not otherwise studied in the curriculum. May be repeated to a total of six units.

Prerequisite: Consent of the dean of the School of Theology and Christian Ministry.