

# Summer Term 2016

Attached is the *PALMER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY* summer term 2016 information sheet, with an accompanying registration form.

The purpose of this document is to enable students to determine what courses they will take during the summer, to register for those courses, and to determine what courses they will need in the subsequent fall semester. This year we are offering required courses and electives during the month of June.

## **Intensive Course Requirements**

Summer term courses are intensive. Classes for each course normally run for one full week, except for language courses and a few other courses which run as noted. Pre-course assignments are required in **all** intensive courses, unless noted. Post-course assignments are required in **all** 3-credit courses. They are also required in 1- and 2-credit courses unless the student has sufficient time during the week to fulfill course requirements. The proportion of pre- and post-course assignments is approximately 1/3 and 2/3 respectively. Textbooks are available from the online bookstore.

## **Registration**

Palmer master's students may register online for summer term coursework in consultation with their advisor during the registration period running through April 29. Paper registration forms will also be available and accepted through May 6; students in a degree program at Palmer **must** obtain their academic advisor's signature if they submit a paper registration form. For CPC and CPE courses, a completed approval form must accompany the registration form (obtainable from the Supervised Ministries Office). Students wishing to take a course for additional credit beyond what is published must meet eligibility requirements for Independent Studies as outlined in the Student Handbook, and must make the appropriate arrangements and complete a Learning Contract for Independent Studies with the instructor. The Learning Contract must be submitted to the *Registrar's Office* by the end of the first day of class for consideration. Additional course credits are at the instructor's discretion. **Registrations for summer courses (including CPC, CPE, and independent study proposals) will not be accepted after Friday, May 6.**

## **Payment**

Students will be billed through the Eastern University Student Accounts Office.

## Summer Term 2016 Information and Registration Form

### FOUR WEEK COURSES

#### May 23-June 17

Monday – Friday, 8:30am-noon; does not meet Memorial Day Monday, May 30

(Four weeks, nineteen class sessions)

*NOTE: This class in its entirety will be taught at Narberth Presbyterian Church, 205 Grayling Avenue, Narberth, PA 19072 – [www.narberthpres.org](http://www.narberthpres.org), located within walking distance of both SEPTA Paoli Line Narberth station and Bus Route 44.*

- **BIBL-516 New Testament Greek.** A beginner’s course in the language of the New Testament covering the basic elements of grammar. Students are introduced to elementary readings in the New Testament. **M.Div. Requirement.** (Students who have taken Greek in college may want to test out of this course and take Hebrew in its place.) **Students must have e-mail access and mastery of New Testament Greek alphabet by first class meeting. No prerequisites. Three credits. Dr. Deborah Watson**

### ONE- AND TWO-WEEK INTENSIVES

#### June 6-10

Monday – Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm

(One week, five class sessions)

- **THLE-521 Systematic Theology and Ethics: Reign of God (West Virginia and Philadelphia Students).** This course probes several major themes in Systematic Theology with the intention of cultivating the student’s ability to think deeply and carefully about their beliefs in dialogue with Christians past and present, from the Mediterranean basin to global points of view. A critical component of this exploration engages the ethical implications of Christian theology. This course will discuss major themes within the framework of two major focal points: the Trinitarian God and the eschatological Reign of God as God’s encompassing vision for creation. Within those two major themes, the course will examine more closely the Persons of the Trinity—the Creator as the Dabar of the Reign, Jesus Christ as the Embodiment of the Reign, and the Holy Spirit as the Ruach of the Reign—as well as the doctrines of salvation (soteriology), the church (ecclesiology), and the “last things” (eschatology). In all of this, the course attends to the student’s ability to think, articulate and apply beliefs and ethics clearly and cogently to life and ministry. **Prerequisite: THLE-520 Systematic Theology & Ethics: Vision of Community. Three credits. Core required course. Dr. Kent Berghuis**

#### June 13-17

Monday – Friday, at times noted in description

(One week, five class sessions)

- **THLE-620 The Bible, Pacifism and Just War.** Students will read texts of people arguing that biblical faith leads to pacifism and others arguing for Just War. Each student will write a paper: “Does the Bible prompt me to endorse pacifism or Just War?” **No prerequisites. Three credits. Bible, Theology, or Public Policy elective. Days, 8:30 am-5:00 pm. Dr. Ron Sider**

- **INTG-525 Integrating Social Work and Ministry: Engaging Diversity and Learning the Art of Dialogue.** We live in a nation that is rich in diversity. People come in different shapes, shades and contexts! Many professionals are learning that diversity is not just about race, ethnicity, class, gender and religion. Diversity also takes in how we think and process information, our experiences and our personalities. In social work we focus a great deal on self-awareness and identifying our world views so we can work creatively with others and value their life stories. Through small group discussion, case studies, written work, role play and lecture the class will examine how we can learn to dialogue and engage people who differ from us. We will consider how social work can assist the church in developing empathy and embracing diversity as well. In so doing we will also grapple with privilege, power and dominance to help us engage the “isms” that sometimes prevent us from celebrating diversity (racism, sexism, classism, homophobia, ageism, etc.). The Christian community of the 21st century must learn these skills and social work can assist us in educating and fully embracing our neighbors. Students will also debrief and discuss their experiences at social work school or in the dual degree program over the past academic year. They will relate how they are developing their professional/personal selves through reflection upon the last year’s field work, church experiences, social work and ministry studies. Students will also explore ethical dilemmas they have faced. **No prerequisites. This class is open to all M.Div./M.S.W. students and is required for M.Div./M.S.W. students who are entering social work school in the Fall of 2016, who are already in social work school or who are returning to the seminary in the Fall of 2016. Auditors are welcome at the discretion of the instructor. 1.5 credits. Evenings, 5:30 pm-9:30 pm. Dr. Julia Pizzuto-Pomaco**

### **June 13-24**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings 5:00-9:30pm**

*(Two weeks, eight class sessions)*

- **CHHM-628 African American Women in Church History – 1800 to Present.** There are always multiple stories in history and while the story of men has more often been told, other stories do exist. This course will explore the story of African American Women. From enslaved women who heard a word of hope even when the preacher was not offering hope, to women today who hear a call for service and answer the call even when the opportunities to serve appear limited, African American women have been faithful. These women have been thread pullers, women who pull the threads of faith forward, and who have sought to improve the lives of the communities in which they lived. In this course we will meet well known and little known women who have made vital contributions to church and the work of the church in the 19th, 20th, and 21st centuries. This historical rooting will give students an additional lens through which to view other sociological, political, economic, and even theological movements that existed during this time period. **Prerequisite: CHHM-510 The Church in Mission through History. Three credits. Christian Heritage elective. Dr. Marsha Brown Woodard**

### **June 20-24**

**Monday – Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm**

*(One week, five class sessions)*

- **PRMN-611 Coaching Skills for Clergy.** This course will equip students with basic coaching skills that can be integrated and incorporated into their ministry setting. Coach training can dramatically enhance the ministry leader’s effectiveness as a leader and greatly increase the impact within their faith community and the larger local community. **No prerequisites. Three credits. Practice of Ministry elective. Dr. Deborah Winters**

- ***THLE-612 Political and Public Theologies.*** This course is designed to provide theological and ethical reflection on political thought and action. Representative doctrines for the Christian faith will be discussed with their implications for responding to government and politics. Participants will explore classical and contemporary formulations of the relationship between the church and the socio-political order. Biblical, historical and philosophical resources will be examined and interrogated. In addition, students will be asked to question two divergent yet related schools of thought: political theology and public theology. Our chief objective will be to consider sound theological-ethical options for Christians as they participate in the political order. **This is a required course for the M.T.S. concentration in Christian Faith and Public Policy. Prerequisite: THLE-520 Systematic Theology & Ethics: Vision of Community. Three credits. *Advanced Topic in Theology and Ethics, Ethics, Theology, or Public Policy elective.* Dr. Tokunbo Adelekan**

## **June 27-July 1**

**Monday – Friday, 8:30 am-5:00 pm**

*(One week, five class sessions)*

- ***SFRM-618 Journeys in Spiritual Care and Transformation.*** Building upon the spiritual principles and practices introduced in SFRM-510 Spiritual Formation, this course guides students into a deeper engagement with their transformative spiritual journey. Students will reflect upon their current personal journeys, and engage in practices that encourage spiritual self-care and draw them into deeper intimacy with God "for the sake of others." Note: the course will be taught in a retreat format, which will take place at a local retreat center. There will be an additional cost for accommodations and meals at the retreat center. **Prerequisite: SFRM-510 Spiritual Formation; students who have not completed SFRM-510 may be admitted to the course with permission of the professor, and may be required to complete additional pre-class work. Three credits. *Practice of Ministry elective.* Enrollment limited to 15. Rev. Phaedra Blocker**

## **OTHER SUMMER LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

- ***SUPV-522 Clinical Pastoral Care Practicum.*** Pastoral visitation in a hospital or other institutional setting under clinical supervision. Verbatim reports, reading critiques, supervision, peer discussion and in-service learning experiences are included in the program. At least 160 hours of supervised learning is required. ***Core M.Div., M.T.S. Christian Counseling requirement. See Supervised Ministries Office for additional information. Three credits. Supervised Ministries***
- ***SUPV-532 Clinical Pastoral Education.*** One half of a basic unit of supervised clinical pastoral education in certified CPE centers. The program includes verbatim writing, lectures, on-call involvement, peer process group, individual supervision and in-service learning experiences. ***Can substitute for the required SUPV-522; M.Div. students who pursue a full basic CPE unit (six Palmer credit hours, 400 contact hours) can use this to also satisfy their second year requirement of Theological Field Education (SUPV-530/531). Core M.Div./M.T.S. Christian Counseling requirement option. See Supervised Ministries Office for additional information. Three or six credits. Supervised Ministries***

## *Summer Term 2016 – Faculty*

**Adetokunbo Adelekan.** Ph.D., Princeton Theological Seminary. Associate Professor of Theology and Ethics

**Kent Berghuis.** Ph.D., Trinity Evangelical Divinity School. Affiliate in Theology

**Phaedra Blocker.** M.Div., Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Affiliate in Christian Ministry

**Julia Pizzuto-Pomaco.** Ph.D., St. Andrews University, Scotland. Affiliate in New Testament

**Ron Sider,** Ph.D., Yale University. Distinguished Senior Professor of Theology, Holistic Ministry and Public Policy.

**Deborah Watson.** Ph.D., University of Durham. Affiliate in New Testament Greek

**Deborah Winters.** Ph.D., Temple University. Lecturer in Old Testament

**Marsha Brown Woodard.** D.Min., Lancaster Theological Seminary. Lecturer in Christian Ministry

### **SUMMER TERM 2016 COSTS**

<b>Registration Fee</b>	\$ 25.00 (non-refundable)
<b>Academic Credit</b>	\$480.00 / credit hour
<b>Audit</b>	\$207.00 / credit hour
<b>Continuing Education Units</b>	\$220.00 / credit hour

### **REFUND POLICY**

Any student dropping a course **must** do so through the Registrar's Office; no course is officially dropped **except** through that office. A full refund of tuition will be given if the course is dropped before the first class session. The \$25 registration fee is non-refundable.

Academic Credit and Audit students who officially withdraw from a course after the first class session are granted refunds according to the Refund Schedule in the Catalog. There is no refund for Continuing Education students who withdraw after the first class.

# REGISTRATION FORM SUMMER TERM 2016

## PALMER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

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SSN or STUDENT ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

### I AM REGISTERING FOR:

CREDIT	AUDIT	CEU	COURSE #	COURSE TITLE
			BIBL-516	New Testament Greek
			CHHM-628	African American Women in Church History – 1800 to Present
			INTG-525	Integrating Social Work and Ministry: Engaging Diversity
			PRMN-611	Coaching Skills for Clergy
			SFRM-618	Journeys in Spiritual Care and Transformation
			THLE-521	Systematic Theology and Ethics: Reign of God
			THLE-612	Political and Public Theologies
			THLE-620	The Bible, Pacifism and Just War
			*SUPV-522	Clinical Pastoral Care Practicum (CPC)
			*SUPV-532	Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)
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Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's Signature (Required of degree students only): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Registrar's Office copy of completed Supervised Ministries approval form must be attached.

\*\*Completed Learning Contract for Independent Studies must be attached.