

2024-2025 WV Schedule

Spring Semester 2025

BIBL 504- New Testament II (This course covers the thirteen letters of Paul in the New Testament. Because these documents are pastoral letters, written to address specific problems, queries, and situations in the life of individuals and churches, we will pay attention to historical, cultural, social, and religious influences of the first century milieu, while addressing hermeneutical implications for today's world and church.) Dr. Cliff Winters; Residency: February 10-12

BIBL 513- Biblical Interpretation (This is an introductory course in biblical interpretation. The course will equip students with skills needed to read, interpret and reflect theologically on the biblical text. Students will learn the "language" of biblical interpretation/method and be able to identify and evaluate critical commentaries for their life, ministry and studies. They will use basic bible tools for ministry in studying a biblical text through the lens of: Context (Social, Historical, Cultural, Whole Book), Questions of Author, Date, Occasion and Audience and Literary Genre (Narrative, Parables, Poetic, Wisdom, Apocalyptic and Letter/Epistle). New Testament and Old Testament texts will be examined. These skills will be built upon in subsequent seminary courses.) Dr. Deb Winters; The course is offered fully online.

PRMN 530D- Teaching the Faith (This course is designed to help students move beyond their personal formation as followers of Christ, to developing a comprehensive approach to the formation and education of the individuals and community within their context. It seeks to equip students with educational tools useful for the teaching ministry of the church. While practical in nature, it will include exploration of the history of Christian education in the United States, and an envisioning of Christian education for the 21st century.) Dr. Mary Beth McCloy; Residency: February 12-14

Summer I

THLE 510- Theology & Ethics of Congregational Life (This course explores the nature and mission of the church through its identity as people of God who are called to bear witness to the good news of God's reign. Giving priority to self and the local congregation, participants address questions asked by contextual methodologies from several disciplines, especially theological ethics and congregational studies.) Dr. Tokumbo Adelekan; Residency: May 19-21

Summer II

DNOM 510 Baptist Emphases & Polity (This course is a study and evaluation of characteristic Baptist emphases in theology, polity and practice with the aim of enabling Baptist leaders to function more effectively in the context of ministry today. Student examination, analysis and evaluation of selected topics constitute a vital part of the course.) Dr. Mike Sisson; Residency: July 7-9