



ERSKINE  
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

## SPRING TERM 2022 (MASTER'S)

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### OT 739G Elijah/Elisha Narratives

4 Saturdays, 1/22, 2/12, 3/5, 3/26; 9:00am - 5:00pm

This course examines the history, content, and narratives in 1-2 Kings. Detailed attention is given to their historical setting (i.e., state-sanctioned Baal worship) and how Jesus Christ is shown in the Gospels as the fulfillment of the dominant motifs of this collection.

Dr. Schwab worked as an engineer before pursuing theological studies and has served as a counselor as well as a scholar. His “real world” experience, approachableness, and creativity shape his teaching. He is the author of several books on Old Testament topics. He serves as a minister in the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Education: B.S., Drexel University, 1982; M.Div., Westminster Theological Seminary, 1992; Ph.D., Westminster Theological Seminary, 1999; Certificates from the Christian Counseling and Educational Foundation.



Toney Parks, Distinguished Professor of Ministry  
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### PM 608G Pastoral Care and Counseling

Monday Evenings: 6:00pm - 9:00pm, Beginning January 24

This course is an introduction to pastoral care and counseling with a focus on the problems usually experienced by church leaders in the local congregation (death, aging, grief, sickness, family tensions, etc.). A variety of theories and methods are examined. Goals of the course include personal growth and the development of counseling skills.

Dr. Parks has served as pastor of the Mt. Sinai Missionary Baptist church since 1991. His extensive experience as a pastor and counselor enrich his teaching. He is a minister in the Progressive National Baptist Convention.



R.J. Gore, Professor of Systematic Theology  
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## ST 551G Survey of Systematic Theology

Thursday Evenings: 6:00pm - 9:00pm, Beginning January 20

Using both historical and modern materials, this course aims to deepen awareness of the major doctrines of Christian theology and the current discussion of them.

Dr. Gore recently retired as an Army Chaplain (Colonel) after twenty-nine years of Active and Reserve service. He has been the pastor of a small church and has held many leadership roles in his presbytery and denomination. He has authored two books, contributed to a volume of sermons from Operation Iraqi Freedom, and has published numerous articles in various journals and periodicals. He is a minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and Dean Emeritus of Erskine Theological Seminary.



Cathy Sparks, Adjunct Professor of Christian Counseling  
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## CC 625 Crisis, Trauma, and Disaster Counseling

Tuesday Evenings: 6:00pm - 9:00 p.m. (4 in-person classes at Mitchell Road on 1/18, 2/15, 3/15, and 4/19 with all other classes via Zoom), Beginning January 18

An evidence-based course designed to provide students with an understanding of the personal and systemic impact of crises, disasters, and other trauma-causing events on individuals, couples, families, and communities. Diagnosis, treatment, and prevention, as well as spiritual and ethical considerations will be discussed.

Cathy Sparks is a Licensed Professional Counselor, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, and a Registered Play Therapist. She has been in practice for 34 years and specializes in children and adolescent therapy. She has been teaching post secondary counseling and therapy for 20 years. Her husband is a retired pastor and both of their sons are in ministry.