

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

FALL TERM 2022 (THM)

ERSKINE ONLINE

FALL 1: August 22 - October 15 - FALL 2: October 10 - December 10



Matt S. Miller, Associate Professor of Pastoral and Historical Theology Email: mmiller@erskine.edu

TH 090Z Research Methodologies

(8 weeks, Fall Term 2; Non-credit course; required for 1st year ThM students; recommended for all master's students)

This non-credit seminar provides advanced guidance on the tasks of choosing and narrowing a research topic, conducting theological research, using technology in research, analyzing one's findings and articulating their significance, and organizing and writing academic-level theological papers or theses.

Dr. Miller brings 10 years of pastoral ministry to his current work teaching students in the area of practical theology. Ordained as a minister in the ARP and also licensed in the PCA, he has served ARP and PCA congregations. He also serves as the City Director for the C. S. Lewis Institute in Greenville and as the translator of French Reformed works into English. Dr. Miller enjoys helping the classroom feel like a fellowship of students connecting not only with the content but also with each other.



John G. Panagiotou, Adjunct Professor of Greek and Early Church History Email: panagiotou@erskine.edu

ST 801Z Seminar in Historical Studies (Ancient Church Apologists) (Full Semester; bi-weekly synchronous video conference class session required)

This course examines the history and writings of the early Church Fathers who made apologia (defense) of the Christian faith during the eras of Roman persecution. Special attention will be given to the lives and writings of notable apologists, including Justin Martyr, Irenaeus of Lyons, Ambrose of Milan, and Hilary of Poitiers. Apologetic applications will be made to our contemporary post-Christendom cultural context.

Dr. Panagiotou is a theologian and scholar who has deep experience in pastoral ministry as an Orthodox Christian presbyter, denominational administrator, teacher at the university and seminary levels, preacher, and businessman in a career which has spanned nearly three decades. His research interest and teaching focus on the study of the early centuries of Christianity and on Christian stewardship. Dr. Panagiotou is also a professor of New Testament, Biblical Greek, and Patristics at Cummins Memorial Theological Seminary where he serves as Liason Officer to the Seminary President.



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Due West and Online



R.J. Gore, Professor of Systematic Theology Email: rgore@erskine.edu

DN 956 Theology of Worship in Contemporary Discussion (4 Mondays: 8/29, 9/26, 10/24, 11/21; 9:00am - 5:00pm; in-person and synchronous video conference for distance students)

This course is a comparative study of the different theologies of worship most frequently advanced today. The theologies of worship associated with the Second Vatican Council, high church Anglicanism, the contemporary Christian worship movement, the Charismatic movement, and the church growth movement are discussed and critiqued in light of Scripture and a Reformed theology of worship. This course is intended for working pastors and more advanced students.

In 2015, Dr. Gore 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.

Greenville and Online



Mark E. Ross, The First Presbyterian Church - John R. de Witt Chair of Theology Email: ross@erskine.edu

DC 920 The Westminster Assembly Then and Now (4 Saturdays: 9/10, 10/8, 11/12, 12/3; 9:00am - 5:00pm; in-person and synchronous video

conference for distance students)

This course examines the Westminster assembly in its historical context, looking at both its accomplishments and its failures in the light of its stated goals in the Solemn League and Covenant. The influence of this assembly in the history of the church will be traced and the lessons and applications for today's church will be explored.

Dr. Ross brings 30 years of pastoral ministry to his current work of training leaders for the church. His writings include *Let's Study Matthew* (Banner of Truth, 2009) and "The Inerrancy of Holy Scripture" in *The Reformation Study Bible* (Reformation Trust, 2015). He is a minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. Education: B.A., University of Pittsburgh, 1974; M.Div., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1979; Ph.D., University of Keele, England, 1984.



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Online



Loyd D. Melton, John Montgomery Bell Professor of New Testament Email: melton@erskine.edu

DR 902Z Ministry in Context (Full Semester, asynchronous)

In this seminar, students examine the practice of ministry through the church in the world, in light of the theological foundations of ministry. Special emphasis is given to the careful study of one's ministry context, planning and implementing ministry, conducting research in ministry, and evaluating effectiveness in ministry.

Dr. Melton's broad experience in the church, gracious manner, and excellent teaching have made him a favorite of many students. As the Director of Erskine's Doctor of Ministry program, he has guided countless students through ministry projects that have sharpened their skills and strengthened the church. He is a minister in the Southern Baptist Convention.



Daniel Janosik, Adjunct Professor of Missions Email: janosik@erskine.edu

DC 960Z Cultural Apologetics in Post-Modern America (Full Semester, some synchronous video conference class sessions required)

This course examines why good arguments often fail when Christians engage the worldviews inherent in a post-modern, post-secular, post-Christian American context. Cultural Apologetics examines the present culture-shaping institutions (the university, the arts, business, and government) to discern how people perceive, think, and feel in order to develop an apologetic that demonstrates how the gospel provides a better plausibility structure, a structure that is reasonable, desirable, and beautiful. Select contemporary societal topics will be engaged using the apologetical structure developed.

Dr. Janosik is an author as well as a professor of Apologetics and Islamic Studies. He has written articles and books on Christian-Muslim relations, the early historical development of Islam, as well as various topics in Apologetics. Dr. Janosik is a graduate of the College of William and Mary, and received an M.Div. degree as well as an M.A. in Muslim Studies from Columbia International University. He also received his Ph.D. from Brunel University (through the London School of Theology) in Historical Theology with a cognate in Islamic Studies. He is the author of the book, John of Damascus, First Apologist to the Muslims, as well as the comprehensive apologetic book on Islam called *A Guide to Answering Islam*.