



ERSKINE
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

FALL TERM 2025 (ThM LEVEL)



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BI 801 (Online) Seminar in Biblical Studies: Galatians through Thessalonians

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; 9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/6; live video conference only

This course examines advanced introductory, exegetical, and theological topics in Galatians through Thessalonians and Philemon. Special attention is given to scholarly discussions on the nature of Pauline theology and the composition of these letters. Students analyze and synthesize course material by writing academic papers on exegetical and theological issues in this corpus.

TH 800 (Online) Becoming a Christian Scholar

Full semester: asynchronous with several live video conference discussion sessions required. Required for 1st year ThM students.

This course provides advanced guidance on the tasks of choosing a research topic, conducting theological research, using technology in research, analyzing and articulating one's findings, and writing academic-level theological papers or theses. Student research and writing is approached from a Christian perspective. Students are also given an overview of the ThM program.



Dale Johnson, Distinguished Professor of Church History Emeritus
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HT 801 (Online) Seminar in Historical Studies: History of Christianity in America

Mondays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; 8/25, 9/22, 10/20, 11/24; live video conference only

The focus of this Seminar is threefold: Puritanism, The First and Second Great Awakenings and the Modernist-Fundamentalist Controversy. Each ThM student will complete three book critiques and write a major paper on one of the three topics listed above.



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Max Rogland, Research Professor of Old Testament

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BI 801 (COL & Online) Seminar in Biblical Studies: Wisdom

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: 8/23, 9/20, 10/18, 11/15;

in-person and live video conference for distance students

The focus of this seminar is biblical wisdom literature, specifically the books of Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, and the Song of Solomon. Students will compare and contrast these books with non-biblical wisdom traditions in order to discern their distinctive theological role within the biblical canon. Further refinement of a biblical wisdom hermeneutic is pursued by researching the distinctive poetic and literary features of these books, and by considering the impact of their intertextual usage. The seminar format includes lectures, student presentations, classroom discussion, and exegesis of selected texts.



Mark Ross, Professor of Systematic Theology

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ST 801 (COL & Online) Seminar in Theological Studies:

John Calvin

Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: 9/6, 9/27, 10/25, 11/22;

in-person and live video conference for distance students

The focus of the course is the legacy of John Calvin from the sixteenth century to the present day. The lectures will be broad-based, looking not only at the theological legacy of Calvin but also at his influence on the exposition of Scripture and on the Church concerning its government, worship, and discipline. Students are free to focus their research according to their own interests and projected thesis topic, whether in biblical, historical, or theological studies.



T. Chris Crain, Associate Professor of Historical and Pastoral Theology

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HT 802 (Online) Seminar in Historical & Theological Method

Mondays: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.: 9/15, 10/6, 11/3, 12/1; live video conference only

This seminar examines philosophies of history and theology, the practice of history and theology, and historical and theological methods. Particular attention will be given to the work of an historian and theologian within a Christian context while at the same time engaging modern developments in historiography and theological method.