Fall Semester 2016 Online Courses Course Descriptions

NT 201-A Greek I

This is a two (Fall and Spring-NT 201-B) semester Introductory Grammar course that teaches the basic principles of phonology, morphology and syntax of the Greek New Testament with the goal to enable the student to accomplish basic biblical exegesis. (*Two Semester Course taught every other year*) 4 credit hours each semester.

BT 301 Biblical Theology I

This course introduces the student to Bible Study Methods and Hermeneutics (principles of interpretation). The Bible Study Methods portion of this course introduces the student to the inductive study method. The Introduction to Hermeneutics portion introduces the student to the history of interpretation emphasizing how the Lord and the Apostles interpreted the Old Testament and how their interpretation forms the hermeneutical basis for the Christian church. The course will demonstrate how biblical hermeneutics is built upon exegesis that leads to the development of biblical and systematic theology and the clear preaching and teaching of the Word of God. (Semester Course), 2 hours

ST 400 Introduction to New Covenant Theology

This is an introductory course to New Covenant Theology and its principles of interpretation. Based upon its understanding of the Bible, the course questions the biblical basis of the hermeneutical methods of Covenant Theology and Dispensational Theology with the intent to set forth a more accurate way to interpret the Bible and help break down the doctrinal wall of partition that exists between those two theological systems. Emphasis is placed upon contextual interpretation, the principle of "now-not yet" in interpreting redemptive history, the newness of the New Covenant, the significance of the gift of the Spirit at Pentecost in forming the Church, the New Covenant fulfillment in Christ of Old Covenant promises and types, and how the New Testament writers understood the Old Testament. (Semester Course) 2 credit hours.

ST 401 Systematic Theology I (The Attributes of God)

This is a course on the Doctrine of God that teaches the existence and attributes of God revealed in creation, providence and redemption. This course is foundational for the study of Bible doctrine in that all doctrine must be comprehended in harmony with God's attributes. (Semester Course) 2 credit hours.

HT 501 Historical Theology I (Early Church History, A.D. 100-600)

This course will focus upon the theology of the early church from the apostolic fathers to the sixth century. Special attention will be given to the Trinitarian and Christological debates, the doctrines of sin and grace as articulated by the Pelagians and Augustinians, and the views of the church fathers on the Sabbath and the New Covenant. (Semester Course) 2 credit hours.

PT 601 Pastoral Theology I

This course is an introductory study of the Pastoral Ministry and Preaching I. The biblical role of the pastor is taught with a strong emphasis on the initial preparation and delivery of expository messages. This course is for male applicants only. (Semester Course) 2 credit hours.