

survey of recent developments such as process, existentialist, and analytical philosophy.

**THST678 (2–3)**  
***Science and Religion***

The relation of scientific information and theory to Christian doctrines; theories of origin, geologic time, uniformity, and organic evolution as developed in the fields of historical geology and biology.

**THST814 (3)**  
***Seminar in Philosophy, Theology and Ethics***

The interrelation between philosophical, theological and ethical thought-forms and issues considered in the light of the biblical perspective. Available for PhD/ThD, MA, and select MDiv students.

**THST935 (3)**  
***Seminar in Philosophical Theology***

**THST966 (3)**  
***Seminar in Ethics***

Selected issues in ethics from a Christian perspective. Repeatable.

**Individual Studies**

**THST690 (1–3)**  
***Independent Study***

Restricted to advanced students. Selected problems in the field of theology. See general guidelines under Academic Information.

**THST695 (2–3)**  
***Topics*** \_\_\_\_\_

Course deals with selected themes. Can be used only by preapproval from the student's program director and the teacher. Repeatable with different topics.

**THST890 (1–6)**  
***Directed Reading in Systematic Theology***

Repeatable. May be graded S/U.

**THST895 (1–6)**  
***Directed Reading in Historical Theology***

Repeatable. May be graded S/U.

**THST896 (1–6)**  
***Directed Reading in Christian Ethics***

Repeatable. May be graded S/U.

## WORLD MISSION

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**Courses (Credits)**

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**MSSN 505 (2–3)**

***Christian Responses to Human Needs***

Explores biblical models, historical examples, and development paradigms for Christian involvement in incarnational ministries.

**MSSN525 (2–3)**

***Mission to the World***

A broad introduction to Christian world missions. Includes aspects of mission history, the theological foundations of mission, intercultural perspectives of mission service, contemporary theoretical thought about missions, and basic relationships to other faiths.

**MSSN 546 (3)**

***Ministry in Cultural and Religious Context***

Explores missiological principles with an emphasis on the cultural and religious context, and the development of cultural sensitivity and cross-cultural communication skills for Christian witness. Required of all MDiv students.

**MSSN 561 (3)**

***Christian Witness and World Religions***

Study of the history, writings, beliefs and practices in world religions such as Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism and the development of effective strategies for Christian witness. Required of all MDiv students.

**MSSN584 (2–4)**

***Preparation for Mission Service***

A general orientation for missionary candidates that aims to (1) create an awareness of the actual missionary situation today; (2) prepare mission appointees to meet this situation; and (3) shape attitudes that are indispensable to a fruitful mission service.

**MSSN610 (2–3)**

***Theology of Mission***

The biblical foundation of mission—its essence, goals, motives, and the role of the church in mission. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

**MSSN615 (2–3)**

***Anthropology for Mission and Ministry***

The fundamentals of culture, social structure, group organization, and social change studied as a basis for intercultural

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understanding and communication. Attention given to issues which constitute challenges and opportunities to cross-cultural workers.

#### MSSN618 (2-4)

##### ***International Urban Mission***

Explores the nature of cities worldwide, noting their history, development, and relationship to the mission of God and the church. Students are exposed to various ministries. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

#### MSSN630 (2-3)

##### ***Cross-Cultural Leadership Development***

A study of leadership emergence, selection, and training in missionary churches with particular attention paid to strategic issues of various training models and the relationship between formal, informal, and non-formal leadership development. Identical to CHMN630. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561

#### MSSN635 (2-3)

##### ***Contemporary Issues in Mission***

Current issues in mission and the way they affect the church's outreach in the world. Repeatable. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

#### MSSN640 (3)

##### ***Advanced Mission Studies***

Study of advanced missiological principles and their application. Repeatable. Prerequisites: MSSN546 and MSSN561.

#### MSSN650 (2-3)

##### ***Introduction to a World Religion***

An introduction to the history, beliefs, writings, personalities and current developments in religions such as Islam, Judaism, Hinduism and Buddhism. Repeatable. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

#### MSSN652 (2-5)

##### ***Biblical and Qur'anic Studies***

The study of the Bible and the Qur'an and other Adventist and Muslim sources of faith such as the Spirit of Prophecy, the Hadith, and Islamic tafsir, with a view to leading a Muslim to faith in Islamic contexts. May be repeated for credit.

#### MSSN653 (3)

##### ***Islamic Culture and Society***

The study of Islamic social systems and practices and their implications for mission. Topics include morals and ideals, family life, festivals, religious life and practice, shar'iah law, and female spirituality. May be repeated for credit

#### MSSN660 (2-3)

##### ***Witnessing to People of Another Religion***

Development and evaluation of various forms of Christian witness among the peoples of other religions such as Muslims, Jews, Hindus, and Buddhists. Repeatable. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

#### MSSN676 (2-3)

##### ***History of Christian Mission***

History of the expansion of the Christian church, from the first century until the present. At the discretion of the Department of Church History, this course may fulfill a Church History elective requirement. Prerequisite: MSSN546 or MSSN561.

#### MSSN685 (2-3)

##### ***Strategies for World Mission***

A concentrated study of mission theory and strategy, cultural perspectives of mission service, and basic principles of church growth.

#### MSSN840 (3)

##### ***Research Methods in Mission and Ministry***

Research methods and procedures as applied to the field of mission and ministry with an emphasis on field-based qualitative research, participant observation and ethnographic interviews.

#### Individual and Seminar Studies

#### MSSN690 (1-3)

##### ***Independent Study***

Individual research on a selected problem in the theory, history, or practice of mission. See general guidelines under Academic Information.

#### MSSN695

##### ***Topics \_\_\_\_\_***

On themes by preapproval from the student's program director and the teacher. Repeatable with different topics.

#### MSSN826 (3)

##### ***Seminar in Theology of Mission***

#### MSSN827 (3)

##### ***Seminar in History of Mission***

#### MSSN828 (3)

##### ***Seminar in Social Sciences and Mission***

#### MSSN829 (3)

##### ***Seminar in Other Religions***

#### MSSN830 (3)

##### ***Seminar in Strategies and Development in Mission***

#### MSSN890 (2-12)

##### ***Directed Reading in Mission Studies***

Repeatable. May be graded S/U.