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Courses (Credits)

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MSSN 505

Christian Responses to Human Needs

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

MSSN525

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.

MSSN530

Theology and Witness for Other Faiths

Fosters an understanding of and an approach to other faiths as found in North America. Includes Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, New Age, Bahai, etc. Prerequisite: MSSN525.

MSSN535

Applied Missiology for Pastors

Uses the insights of missiology and the social sciences for the analysis of congregations and society. Forms the base for informed witness and cultural and ethnic understanding and cooperation. Prerequisite: MSSN525. Required for all MDiv students.

MSSN584

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

Theology of Mission

The biblical foundation of mission—its essence, goals, motives, and the role of the church in mission.

MSSN615

Anthropology for Mission and Ministry

The fundamentals of culture, social structure, group organization, and social change studied as a basis for intercultural understanding and communication. Attention given to issues which constitute challenges and opportunities to cross-cultural workers.

MSSN618

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.

MSSN627

Development, Community, and Ministry

A study of biblical models, historical examples, and development paradigms illustrating ways that Christian mission has been involved in social change.

MSSN630

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.

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Contemporary Issues in Mission

Current issues in mission and the way they affect the church's outreach in the world. Repeatable.

MSSN 646

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.

MSSN650

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.

MSSN652

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

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

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.

MSSN 661

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.

MSSN676 History of Christian Mission

History of the expansion of the Christian church, from the first

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century until the present. At the discretion of the Department of Church History, this course may fulfill a Church History elective requirement.

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	1
growth.	

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. **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.