SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

OTST675  Minor Prophets  (3)
Exegetical study in selected portions of the Book of the Twelve ("Minor Prophets"). Content announced in advance. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement. Repeatable.

OTST680  Seminar in Old Testament Exegesis  (2–3)
Exegesis of selected passages in the Old Testament. Content announced in advance. Repeatable. Prerequisite: Biblical Hebrew III and at least one Hebrew exegesis course with a grade of A.

OTST685  Principles of Hermeneutics  (2–3)
An examination of hermeneutical presuppositions and formulation of sound principles of biblical interpretation with application to selected texts. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement.

OTST686  Major Prophets  (3)
Exegetical study in selected portions of Isaiah, Jeremiah or Ezekiel. Prerequisite: Must have met the intermediate Hebrew requirement. Repeatable.

OTST940  Seminar in Advanced Old Testament Exegesis  (3)
Advanced work on selected passages of the Old Testament; building on the other exegesis courses in Old Testament. Content announced in advance. Repeatable. Prerequisite: OTST625 Biblical Hebrew III.

Individual Studies

OTST690  Independent Study  (1–3)
Individual research work on specific problems for students who have completed basic courses in Old Testament. Repeatable. See general guidelines under Academic Information.

OTST695  Directed Studies  (3)
Course deals with selected themes. Can be used only by preapproval from the student’s program director and the teacher. Repeatable with different topics.

OTST890  Directed Reading in Old Testament Studies  (1–6)
Repeatable. May be graded S/U.

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Courses  (Credits)
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Written consent of the professor is required for registration in seminars. Seminars are not substitutes for core requirements.

Systematic Theology

THST521  Christian Theology I  (3)
Study of the interdisciplinary nature, sources, and methods of theology; the doctrines of God (the Trinity, foreknowledge, predestination), His works (creation, providence, the covenant, law and Sabbath), the Holy Spirit, and human beings (nature, image of God, and sin). For students without a prior degree in Theology.

THST522  Christian Theology II  (3)
Study of the doctrines of Christ (nature and works of atonement), salvation, the church (marks, ministry, and mission) and eschatology (Adventist, Christ-centered exploration of end-time prophecies and events). For students without a prior degree in Theology.

THST540  Doctrine of Salvation  (2–3)
A broad study of the Christian doctrine of Salvation: The author, object, need, agent, process, and result of salvation. Biblical, historical and systematic considerations are intrinsic to this course. While the Seventh-day Adventist understanding of this doctrine constitutes the central focus of the study, other views are also acknowledged.

THST555  Ecclesiology and the Practice of Ministry  (2–3)
Selected issues in ecclesiology related to the practice of ministry.

THST608  Doctrine of the Sabbath  (2–3)
Significance of the Seventh-day rest in the Old Testament, in the teachings of Christ and the apostles, and in Christian theology.
THST615 (2–3) **Doctrine of the Church**
The nature, attributes, marks, and government of the Christian Church. Its relation to Christ, to the Scriptures, and to the Holy Spirit. The ordinances and the ministry.

THST616 (2–3) **Doctrine of God**
A study of the nature and attributes of God and His relation to the world. Consideration of divine foreknowledge, predestination, and providence; the Trinity; God as person. Also available through the Seminary Distance Learning Center as a 3-credit course.

THST617 (2–3) **The Works of God**
An in-depth study of such doctrines as creation, law and covenant, and Sabbath. Can be repeated for credit.

THST618 (2-3) **The Works of Christ**
An in-depth study of such doctrines as atonement, salvation, and righteousness by faith. Can be repeated for credit.

THST619 (2–3) **Principles and Methods of Theology**

THST620 (2–3) **Doctrine of Christ**
The unique person of Christ: His pre-existence, virgin birth, and incarnation. The incarnate relation of His divinity and humanity. The meaning and implications of His death.

THST624 (2–3) **Protestant Theological Heritage**
The most important positions of the great shapers of the Protestant tradition from the earliest times to the present.

THST625 (2–3) **Early Christian Theology**
Study of the doctrinal development of the Church from the close of the apostolic age to Augustine in such themes as heresy, ethics, salvation, authority, and ecclesiology.

THST626 (2–3) **Modern Christian Theology**
Study of the major doctrinal trends of the Church from Anselm to Wesley. Particular attention given to such themes as atonement, salvation, ecclesiology, and eschatology.

THST627 (2–3) **Roman Catholic Life & Thought**
An introduction to Roman Catholic theology. Attention given to major doctrinal formulations, dogmas, and practices from the patristic period to the present in dialogue with Scripture.

THST628 (2–3) **Contemporary Theology**
Study of major trends in 19th- and 20th-century theology, including liberalism and neo-orthodoxy, and such shapers of religious thought as Schleiermacher, Barth, and Bultmann viewed over the rise and development of Adventist theology.

THST629 (2–3) **Interchurch Dialogue**
Analytical and critical study of the development, structures, problems, and theological implications of ecumenical and post-denominational movements. Evaluation and response from a Seventh-day Adventist perspective.

THST630 (2–3) **Seminar in Historical Theology**
Development of theological tradition, movement, doctrine, or theme throughout the history of Judeo-Christian thought. Repeatable. Available for PhD/ThD, MA, and select MDiv students.

THST809 (3) **The Theology of Ellen G. White**

THST830 (3) **Methods in Historical Theology**
An orientation of a theological tradition, movement, doctrine, or theme throughout the history of Judeo-Christian thought. Repeatable.
THST964  
Seminar in Historical Theology  
Study of selected doctrinal and historical issues and systems. Repeatable.

Philosophy and Ethics

THST550  
Principles of Christian Ethics  
Study of the basic moral guidelines and ethical principles contained in the Bible. Application of these guidelines and principles to contemporary moral issues of special interest for Seventh-day Adventists.

THST600  
Christian Personal Ethics  
An application of Christian moral teachings to various personal issues and dilemmas with special emphasis on the moral habits and Christian character.

THST634  
Christian Social Ethics  
An exploration of selected issues currently confronting the church, such as ethnic relations, the role of women, nationalism and liberation theology, poverty and hunger, and relations with civil governments.

THST643  
Christian Professional Ethics  
An inquiry into the field of professional relations, dilemmas, and decision making within the context of Christian ethics. Emphasis on the identity, activity, and influence (witness) of a Christian professional, primarily in the caring professions. Identical to CHMN643.

THST644  
Theological Ethics  
Discussion and application of biblical teachings and normative models to decision making and standards of Christian behavior in the context of praxis of ministry. THST550 strongly recommended (expected for MDiv students) prior to this course.

THST659  
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.

THST660  
Church and Society  
Interdisciplinary analysis of the interrelatedness of church, its theology and task with the society as potential recipient of the Gospel; examination of structures and dynamics in church and society from biblical, theological, ethical, and sociological perspectives; formulation of a biblical word view vis-a-vis modern philosophies and ideologies.

THST667  
Postmodernism and the Church  
A critical study of the nature and ideological origins of the postmodern mind as it relates to both the theology and the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.