

THST657 (2-4)***Directed Studies in Science and Religion***

The investigation by field and laboratory study of scientific evidences that relate to the theological issues. Attention given to the topics of creation-evolution, catastrophe-uniformity, and time. Admission by written permission of instructor.

THST658 (3-4)***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 CHMN658.

THST667 (3-4)***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.

THST670 (3-4)***Principles of Christian Ethics***

Study of the process of ethical decision making illustrated in the application of biblical principles to contemporary personal and social issues of special significance for Seventh-day Adventists.

THST674 (3-4)***Christian Personal Ethics***

An application of Christian norms to evaluating various ethical systems, making personal decisions, and solving moral dilemmas.

THST675 (3-4)***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.

THST676 (3-4)***History of Philosophy***

An overview of classical, medieval, modern, and contemporary philosophy: an introduction to key figures such as Plato, Aristotle, Augustine, Thomas Aquinas, Descartes, Hume, and Kant; and a survey of recent developments such as process, existentialist, and analytical philosophy.

THST678 (3-4)***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.

THST679 (3-4)***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. THST670 strongly recom-

- MSSN620** (3-4)
Development, Community, and Ministry
An introduction to the concepts and personalities involved in the development process at the community level with a people-centered emphasis in the context of the mission work of the church.
- MSSN623** (3-4)
Innovative Evangelism
Seeks to stimulate new ideas for evangelizing population groups that may be difficult to reach with more traditional methods. This may involve a review of unique approaches that have been tried by others as well as the development of original plans.
- MSSN627** (3-4)
Seminar in Christian Mission and Development
A study of biblical models, historical examples, and development paradigms illustrating ways that Christian mission has been involved in social change.
- MSSN630** (3-4)
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.
- MSSN635** (3-4)
Seminar in Current Issues in Mission
Current issues in mission and the way they affect the church's outreach in the world. Repeatable.
- MSSN647** (3-4)
Applied Anthropology
Principles and findings of anthropology applied to the tasks of the missionary and the pastor to facilitate cross-cultural communication. Attention given to the missionary as an agent of change, to the analysis of social change and conflict, and to practical research methodology. Prerequisite: MSSN615 or equivalent.
- MSSN650** (3-4)
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.
- MSSN651** (3-4)
Islam and the African-American Experience
Introduction to Black Islam in the African-American context, and implications for Black churches.
- MSSN656** (3-4)
History and Philosophy of World Religions
Study of the major world religions, especially in their contemporary forms and settings, with the aim of facilitating understanding of the religious - experience of those who are potential recipients of the gospel.
- MSSN660** (3-4)
Witness to People of Other Religions
Development and evaluation of various forms of Christian witness among the peoples of other religions such as Muslims, Jews, Hindus, and Buddhists. Repeatable.
- MSSN665** (3-4)
Models of Mission with the City
A study of various approaches for urban mission.
- MSSN670** (3-4)
Christianity and Other Religions
A brief overview of selected features of the major world religions, followed by concentrated theological study of the relationship between these religions and Christianity. The missiological search for ways of communicating the gospel is a primary concern.
- MSSN674** (3-4)
Phenomenology of Religions
A study of the institutions, structures, essence, and meanings of religious phenomena, and of the methodologies of the phenomenological and history-of-religions approaches to this investigation.
- MSSN675** (3-4)
Christianity and Primal Religions
Study of the major elements in primal belief systems, functions of religion in tribal societies, interaction between Christianity and primal beliefs, and ways of communicating the gospel in primal societies.
- MSSN676** (3-4)
History of Christian Mission
History of the expansion of the Christian church,