



CERTIFICATE IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Tozer Seminary offers introductory courses at the Woodland Central Pacific District Office of the C&MA (715 Lincoln Ave, Woodland, CA) for individuals needing academic credits towards ministry licensing. The C&MA requires 30 credits of Bible and Ministry coursework. These courses will be offered one Saturday per month (all day) in Woodland with an online instructional component so that it will not impact traditional week day working hours. Other Tozer Seminary courses are also available online. Here are the proposed Saturday courses:

FALL 2017 COURSES – SATURDAY SCHOOL

In English

BI 6005 **Biblical Interpretation** (3 credits) Course runs September 9 through December 9.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal fall semester.)

- **September 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **October 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **November 11** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **December 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

In Spanish

BI 6010 **Survey of the Old Testament** (3 credits) Course runs September 9 through December 9.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal fall semester.)

- **September 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **October 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **November 11** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **December 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

SPRING 2018 COURSES – SATURDAY SCHOOL

In English

DM 6000 **Spiritual Formation & Discipleship** (3 credits) Course runs January 13 through April 14.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal spring semester.)

- **January 13** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **February 10** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **March 10** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **April 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

In Spanish

BI 6020 **Survey of the New Testament** (3 credits) Course runs January 13 through April 14.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal spring semester.)

- **January 13** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **February 10** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **March 10** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **April 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

ANTICIPATED SUMMER 2018 COURSES – SATURDAY SCHOOL

In English

ML 6100 **Pastoral Care** (3 credits) Course runs May 12 through August 11.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal summer semester.)

- **May 12** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **June 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **July 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **August 11** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

In Spanish

TH 6050 **Introduction to Theology** (3 credits) Course runs May 12 through August 11.

Saturday Class Dates (All four Saturdays are required within normal summer semester.)

- **May 12** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **June 9** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **July 14** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)
- **August 11** (8:00 am to 5:00 pm)

For More Information and Application:

If you would like more information about specific course offerings, or you want to apply into the Certificate program, or you simply want to take one or more of these courses, please contact Mr. Robert Kovacs in Tozer Admissions rkovacs@simpsonu.edu or contact Dr. Blewett at pblewett@simpsonu.edu, or go the seminary website: www.simpsonu.edu/tozer. Robert will guide you through the application process and address financial requirements and options as you consider an enrollment decision. The application process into the Certificate program may take 30 to 60 days; therefore please start a communication process with Admissions quickly. The 800 number for Tozer Seminary admissions at Simpson University is 1.855.AW.TOZER. A Spanish translation of this material is available (after 7/7).

Course Costs:

Tuition for each course is approximately \$1,275. The district office, in cooperation with the seminary and some of our C&MA churches, has developed a four-part plan to cover the expenses. One-fourth is covered by the district (as funds are available); one-fourth is covered by the local church (if your church is participating); one-fourth is covered by Tozer seminary (for men and women seeking licensing); and one-fourth is covered by the student. For more information about this means of covering costs, please contact the seminary office for more information.

Certificate in Christian Ministry Requirements:

The Certificate in Christian Ministry is granted when the student completes 30 credits from Tozer (approximately 10 courses). Some undergraduate and MSP coursework may be counted. For more delays about the Certificate requirements, please contact the Tozer Seminary office. Individuals may also take seminary courses from the Certificate program and apply them towards a graduate degree.

About the Saturday Courses – In English

Biblical Interpretation – BI 6005 (fall 2017)

The course is designed to teach students to read the Bible inductively, listening to Scripture itself. Students are introduced to the historical-grammatical method, critical tools, and the core principles of biblical hermeneutics. Students are also given a panoramic picture of the full biblical narrative from Genesis to Revelation.

Spiritual Formation & Discipleship – DM 6000 (spring 2018)

This course focuses on the believer's position "in Christ" and on the believer's challenge to abide in Christ. It addresses the central issues of spiritual development such as family background, stages of faith, past experiences in church, spiritual disciplines, and expectations of God. Emphasis will be on the role of prayer and how God stirs the heart in transformation; and understanding that maturation is not based on a formula. The course is designed to foster personal spiritual growth and ignite discipleship strategies equipping students to mentor others to receive from God and grow into their capacity to love Him.

Pastoral Care – ML6100 (anticipated summer 2018)

This course focuses on the shepherd's care for the flock including the four traditional functions of (1) healing the sick, (2) sustaining the poor and grieving, (3) guiding those who are seeking and those who are in crisis, and (4) reconciling the estranged and the sinner. In addition to basic competencies, the student will gain skills in administering holy ordinances of baptism and the Lord's supper, officiating weddings and funerals, developing habits in prayer, and performing other ceremonies such as baby dedications. Reflection upon how one lives as a public person, and how one shepherds one's family are also elements. The pastor will also think through how to avoid developing dual relationships with members of his flock while entering into positive relationships with many.

About the Saturday Courses – In Spanish

Survey of the Old Testament – BI 6010 (fall 2017)

This course provides a panoramic view of the Old Testament; it develops an integrated understanding of Old Testament books, doctrines, covenants, personalities, and history of Israel. This is designed especially for the Ministerial Study Program (MSP) level training for the C&MA.

Survey of the New Testament – BI 6020 (spring 2018)

This course provides a panoramic view of the New Testament; it develops an integrated understanding of New Testament books, doctrines, personalities, and problems of the early Church. This is designed especially for the Ministerial Study Program (MSP) level training for the C&MA.

Introduction to Theology – TH 6050 (anticipated summer 2018)

This course is an introduction to all areas of theology (i.e., biblical, historical, and systematic). The student is familiarized with terms and concepts associated with theological study to form the base from which deeper study may occur. Emphasis will be on introducing a systematic approach to major Christian doctrine focusing on the basic doctrine necessary for a Christian worldview: revelation, authority, Scripture, God, humanity, sin, angels and evil, Christ, salvation, Holy Spirit, church, and future events. This is designed especially for the Ministerial Study Program (MSP) level training for the C&MA.

About the Instructors:

In 2017-2018, Dr. Patrick Blewett, dean at A.W. Tozer Seminary, will lead a team of instructors during these Saturday sessions in English and Spanish. Dr. David Dummer, who ministered in Latin America for over 30 years, will help coordinate the Spanish based courses. These teams includes Tozer instructors as well as some additional C&MA pastors, international workers, and Tozer alumni who can provide differing perspectives in order to help prepare the student to serve within various churches and mission settings. Serving is more than simply knowing!

During 2016-2017, Dr. Patrick Blewett, Dr. Leron Heath, Dr. Darren Lim, Dr. Roy Price, Dr. Tom Mount, Rev. Joel Mattson-Bose, and Rev. Julio Orozco provided instruction. Others are being added for the 2017-2018 academic year.

Certificate Courses Available (Rotated through Woodland on a 3 year cycle):

Survey of the Old Testament – BI 6010

Survey of the New Testament – BI 6020

Biblical Interpretation – BI 6005

Introduction to Theology – TH 6050

Spiritual Formation & Discipleship – DM 6000

Evangelism & Cultural Engagement – DM 6050

Pastoral Leadership – ML 6045

Pastoral Care – ML 6100

Preaching the Word – CO 6100

Inter-Cultural and International Ministry – IM 6175 (available online)

