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## MISSION STATEMENT

### History and Mission

Northwest Theological Seminary (NWTS) is a graduate level institution of education formally organized on September 15, 2000 in Lynnwood, Washington. The organizational meeting was the culmination of a concerted effort to bring a new Reformed theological seminary to the Pacific Northwest in order to educate laypersons and ministerial candidates in the effective analysis and use of the Scriptures. The specific emphases of Northwest Theological Seminary would be biblical theology in the tradition of Geerhardus Vos; presuppositional apologetics in the tradition of Cornelius Van Til; and orthodox confessionalism in the classic Calvinistic tradition. After a year of prayer and preparation by the Board of Directors, faculty, staff, students and numerous supporters, Northwest Theological Seminary opened its doors at the facilities of Lynnwood Orthodox Presbyterian Church in Lynnwood, Washington on September 4, 2001.

The education of Northwest Theological Seminary is built on the following principles: the inerrancy of the Bible, the centrality of Christ, the biblical-theological method of teaching the Word of God, the presuppositional apologetics of Cornelius Van Til, the orthodox confessionalism of the classical Calvinistic tradition; and Reformed presbyterianism. Our doctrine is firmly founded in the Bible and classic (orthodox) Presbyterian canons (the Westminster Standards and the Three Forms of Unity).

Northwest Theological Seminary offers two programs of study: the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) and the Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.). The M.Div. is a 3-year program which equips qualified men pursuing ordination with the necessary preaching and teaching skills and knowledge to begin their ministry. This program is distinctively focused on the Scriptural basis and methods of effective preaching as well as all aspects of the pastorate such as teaching, counseling, church management and conflict resolution. Along with these distinct aspects of pastoral training, M.Div. students are required to learn methodology of Scriptural analysis and exegesis in the original languages, church history and biblical and systematic theology.

The M.T.S. is a 2-year program which presents a rigorous curriculum covering all aspects of Scriptural analysis and exegetical work in the original languages as well as church history, and biblical and systematic the-

ology. Students in this degree program will be prepared for teaching the Bible at many different levels in Christian and biblical education.

Northwest Theological Seminary also offers classes on an Audit basis. Auditors may take classes without academic credit for a nominal one-time fee. Ministers and laypersons who would like to learn more about the Scriptures, Presbyterian church history, Greek and Hebrew (as pertains to Biblical analysis) and other spiritually enriching classes are able to take NWTs classes as auditors. We encourage the community to come and learn more about the Word of God through this method.

Northwest Theological Seminary is a 501(c)(3) federally tax-exempt educational institution for religious education. NWTs is licensed to operate in Washington state as a theological seminary and authorized to confer the Master of Divinity and Master of Theological Studies degrees by the Washington State Higher Education Coordinating Board.

### **Location and Contact Information**

Northwest Theological Seminary is located in Lynnwood, Washington, a northern suburb of Seattle. Classes are held in the facilities of the Lynnwood Orthodox Presbyterian Church: 17711 Spruce Way, Lynnwood, Washington. For information concerning the seminary contact James T. Dennison, Academic Dean at 17711 Spruce Way, Lynnwood, WA, 98037-7431; (425) 787-5144. Or visit our website at [www.nwts.edu](http://www.nwts.edu); also [kerux.com](http://kerux.com).

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Class of 2011:** Rev. Randall Bergquist, Pastor, Emmanuel Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Kent, Washington; Rev. Robert Van Kooten, Pastor, Sovereign Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Oak Harbor, Washington.

**Class of 2012:** Rev. Lawrence Semel, Chairman, Pastor, Reformation Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Morgantown, West Virginia; Mr. Scott Hunter, Secretary, Ruling Elder, Emmanuel Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Kent, Washington.

**Class of 2013:** Rev. Daniel Knox, Pastor, Grace Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Sewickley, Pennsylvania.

## FACULTY

### J. Peter Vosteen, M.Div.,



#### **Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology.**

B.A., College of Wooster, 1953; M.Div., Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, 1956; Postgraduate Studies in New Testament, Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, MN, 1963-66. Ordained by the United Presbyterian Church in North America (UPCNA) in Lisbon, New York, 1956; Christian Reformed Church (CRC), 1958; Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC), Presbytery of the Northwest, 1994-present. Pastor, Lynnwood Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Lynnwood, WA, 1989- present.

J. Peter Vosteen is the author of "Pastoral Preaching" in *The Preacher and Preaching* (1986). His recollection of the classrooms of Cornelius Van Til, Ned Stonehouse, Meredith G. Kline and John Murray is the basis of his life-long commitment to biblical theology and presuppositional apologetics. He continues to pastor Lynnwood Orthodox Presbyterian Church while serving on the Northwest Theological Seminary faculty. His bibliography is available at [www.nwts.edu](http://www.nwts.edu).

### James T. Dennison, Jr., Th.M.,



#### **Professor of Church History, Biblical Theology, Old Testament; Academic Dean and Registrar.**

B.S., Geneva College, 1961; B.D./M.Div., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1968; Th.M., Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1973. Ordained by the United Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (UPCUSA), 1970; Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), 1979; Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC), Presbytery of the Northwest, 2001-present. Pastor, Pioneer and Pleasant Grove (UPCUSA) Ligonier, PA, 1970-79; Librarian and Lecturer in Church History, Westminster Theological Seminary in California, 1980-2000.

James T. Dennison, Jr. is the editor of *Kerux: The Journal of Northwest Theological Seminary* and the author/editor of several books and numerous journal articles. His "awakening" to the Reformed faith came in 1960 while reading Milton's "Paradise Lost." At Geneva College, he studied

Bible with Dr. J.G. Vos, son of Geerhardus. After a year in medical school, he enrolled in Pittsburgh Theological Seminary where he studied under John H. Gerstner. Sharon Rogers became his wife in 1966, an R.N. (maternity) in 1967 and the mother of his four children in the 1970's. It was while preaching through the gospel of John in 1972 that he discovered the biblical theology of Geerhardus Vos and his love of the centrality of Christ was wonderfully heightened. His bibliography is available at [www.nwts.edu](http://www.nwts.edu).

**Scott F. Sanborn, Th.M.,**



**Professor of Systematic Theology and New Testament.**

B.A., Biola College, 1987; M.Div., Westminster Theological Seminary in California, 1990; Th.M., Candler School of Theology, Emory University, 1994.

Scott F. Sanborn became a Christian in high school and was brought to the Reformed faith while a student at Biola University. He developed an interest in the semi-eschatological perspective of the New Testament under the teaching of James T. Dennison, Jr. at Westminster Theological Seminary. Readings in the works of Geerhardus Vos further enriched his appreciation for the centrality of Christ in Scripture. In addition, he was stimulated by courses under Meredith G. and Meredith M. Kline. In 1990, he began study in historical theology with Dr. Richard A. Muller at Fuller Seminary, Pasadena, CA. Scott worked as Dr. Muller's teaching and research assistant. In 1994, he was awarded the Th.M. from Candler School of Theology (Emory University, Atlanta, GA) where he studied under Luke Timothy Johnson, Hendrikus Boers, Vernon Robbins, John Hayes and Brooks Holifield. His bibliography is available at [www.nwts.edu](http://www.nwts.edu).

## Adjunct Faculty

**William D. Dennison, Ph.D.,**



### **Adjunct Professor of Apologetics and Systematic Theology**

B.A., Geneva College, 1973; M. Div., Th.M., Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, 1976, 1980; Ph.D., Michigan State University, 1992. Ordained by the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC), Presbytery of the South, 1995. Associate Professor of Interdisciplinary Studies, Covenant College, Lookout Mountain, GA, 1993-present.

**Marcus J. Renkema, M.Div.,**



### **Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Theology**

B.A., Psychology and B.A., Theology, Dordt College, 1989; Undergraduate Studies, Reformed Bible College 1989-90; M.Div., Westminster Theological Seminary in California, 1993. Ordained by the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC), Presbytery of the Northwest, 1998. Pastor, Trinity Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Bothell, WA, 1998-present.

## ADMINISTRATION AND STAFF

**James T. Dennison, Jr., Academic Dean and Registrar**, B.S., Geneva College, 1961; B.D./M.Div. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1968; Th.M. Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, 1973.

# PROGRAMS OF STUDY AND DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

## Master of Divinity Degree Program (103 Credit Hours)

The primary purpose of Northwest Theological Seminary is the training of men for the gospel ministry through the Master of Divinity degree program. The M.Div. program is a 3-year degree program and requires the completion of 103 credit hours.

### Semester 1

OT 500 Old Testament Introduction (3 CR)  
NT 510 Greek IA (3)  
ST 520 Introduction to Systematic Theology (4)  
PT 530 Homiletics IA (2)  
CH 540 Patristics I (2)  
CH 542 Westminster Confession of Faith (2)  
CH 544 Vos Readings (2)

(18 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 3

OT 600 Hebrew (3)  
OT 603 Pentateuch (3)  
NT 610 Gospels (3)  
ST 620 Doctrine of God and Man (4)  
PT 630 Homiletics IIA (1)  
PT 632 Church Polity (1)  
CH 640 Medieval Church History (2)

(17 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 5

OT 701 Psalms and Wisdom Literature (3)  
NT 710 Greek Reading (1)  
  
NT 711 General Epistles and Revelation (3)  
ST 720 Doctrine of the Holy Spirit (4)  
  
PT 730 Homiletics III/ Worship(2)  
  
CH 740 Modern Church History (2)  
Elective (2)

(17 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 2

NT 511 Greek IB (3 CR)  
NT 512 New Testament Introduction (3)  
ST 521 Introduction to Apologetics (4)  
PT 531 Homiletics IB (2)  
CH 541 Patristics II (2)  
CH 543 History of Biblical Theology (2)  
CH 545 Ridderbos Readings (2)

(18 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 4

OT 602 Hebrew (3)  
OT 604 Historical Books (3)  
NT 611 Acts and Paul (3)  
ST 621 Doctrine of Christ and Salvation (4)  
PT 631 Homiletics IIB (1)  
PT 633 Missions (1)  
CH 641 Reformation Church History (2)

(17 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 6

OT 700 Hebrew Reading (1)  
OT 702 The Prophets (3)  
  
ST 721 Doctrine of the Church (4)  
PT 731 Pastoral Life and Church  
Administration (1)  
PT 732 Counseling (1)  
CH 741 American Presbyterianism (2)  
Elective (2)  
Elective (2)

(16 Credits Semester Total)

## Master of Theological Studies Degree Program (62 Credit Hours)

Northwest Theological Seminary offers the Master of Theological Studies degree program to qualified laypersons who desire to increase their knowledge of Christ and his Word. The M.T.S. program is a 2-year degree program and requires the completion of 62 credit hours.

### Semester 1

OT 500 Old Testament Introduction (3 CR)  
NT 510 Greek IA (3)  
ST 520 Introduction to Systematic Theology (4)  
CH 540 Patristics I (2)  
CH 542 Westminster Confession of Faith (2)  
CH 544 Vos Readings (2)

(16 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 3

OT 600 Hebrew (3)  
OT 603 Pentateuch (3)  
NT 610 Gospels (3)  
ST 620 Doctrine of God and Man (4)  
CH 640 Medieval Church History (2)

(15 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 2

NT 511 Greek IB (3 CR)  
NT 512 New Testament Introduction (3)  
ST 521 Introduction to Apologetics (4)  
CH 541 Patristics II (2)  
CH 543 History of Biblical Theology (2)  
CH 545 Ridderbos Readings (2)

(16 Credits Semester Total)

### Semester 4

OT 602 Hebrew (3)  
OT 604 Historical Books (3)  
NT 611 Acts and Paul (3)  
ST 621 Doctrine of Christ and Salvation (4)  
CH 641 Reformation Church History (2)

(15 Credits Semester Total)

## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

### First Year

#### OT 500 OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

This course is designed to introduce the student to the progressive unfolding of redemptive history in the Old Testament. The student will explore the issues of canon, textual criticism, and the various approaches to Old Testament interpretation. The course will serve as an introduction to the Biblical Theology of the Old Testament and as a survey of the contents of the Pentateuch, Historical and Prophetic books, and the Writings. The course begins with a survey of the history, geography, and religion of the Ancient Near East. As a survey-style course, it is intended to provide the skeleton which further in-depth study of the Old Testament will flesh out. This survey also seeks to enable the student to discover how the focus of the Old Testament is the Lord Jesus Christ, as he himself declared, "These are the Scriptures that testify about me" (John 5:39). 3 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **NT 510 GREEK 1A**

This beginning course is designed to introduce the beginning student to the alphabet, vocabulary, grammar and introductory syntax of New Testament Greek (Koine). In particular, this course will focus upon the morphology of the Greek nouns and adjectives, and the Greek verbal system. This course will provide a useful foundation for further careful, exegetical study of the Greek N.T. through learning, memorization, translation and reading. It will also enable the student to make more informed use of the multitude of Greek reference materials available. No prior knowledge of Greek is necessary. 3 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> semester, Mr. Sanborn.

### **NT 511 GREEK 1B**

This intermediate course is designed to continue the study of the vocabulary, grammar, and syntax of Koine Greek. In particular, this course will focus upon the complexities of the Greek verbal system. Attention will also be given to clause and sentence structure and to reading notes for exegetical work in the text. *Prerequisite: NT 510.* 3 hours/week; 2<sup>nd</sup> semester, Mr. Sanborn.

### **NT 512 NEW TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION**

This course is designed as an introduction to the fulfillment of redemptive history in the New Testament. The various genres of the New Testament will be examined in terms of canonicity, textual criticism, and the various approaches to interpretation. The course will serve as an introduction to the Biblical Theology of the New Testament and as a survey of the contents of the Gospels, the Epistles, and Revelation. The course begins with an overview of the history and cultural background of the Hellenized Mediterranean world. As a survey-style course, it is intended to display how the various streams of redemptive history come to a head in their fulfillment in the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 hours/week; 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

### **ST 520 INTRODUCTION TO SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY**

This course will cover the nature, method and sources of theology including the nature of necessary inference in theology and methods and sources for theological research. Special attention will be given to the nature and meaning of revelation in Reformed theology. It will also include analysis of theological method and revelation from the Greeks to the contemporary era. Special attention will be given to the method of grounding Systematic Theology in Biblical Theology and comparing various biblical authors in organic theological unity. 4 hours/week; Con-

centrated Course. Dr. William D. Dennison.

### **ST 521 INTRODUCTION TO APOLOGETICS**

Foundation and method for defending the Reformed Faith. Topics will include the exegetical foundations of apologetics, a brief survey of apologetical approaches (e.g., Evidentialism, Natural Theology, and Reformed Epistemology), the history of apologetics, an introduction to presuppositional apologetics in interaction with other methods. Special attention will be given to Dr. Cornelius Van Til's distinctive revelational epistemology and presuppositional method. 4 hours/week; Concentrated Course. Dr. William D. Dennison.

### **PT 530/531 FIRST YEAR HOMILETICS IA/IB**

A Biblical-theological study of the nature of preaching the Word; the method of sermon preparation and construction; the delivery of the sermon including the use of the voice, gestures and notes; practice in formulating and delivering a sermon including preaching before the class. PT 530 begins a series of homiletics courses and is designed to be taken sequentially with PT 531, PT 630, PT 631 and PT 730. *PT 530 is a prerequisite to PT 531.* 2 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters. Mr. Vosteen.

### **CH 540/541 PATRISTICS I/II**

The early church's response to the history of redemption culminating in Christ. A survey of the church fathers and the early church from the first to the seventh centuries. Exposure to primary documents with evaluation of crucial issues in the development of orthodoxy. *CH 540 is a prerequisite to CH 541: these courses are to be taken in sequence.* 2 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters. Mr. Dennison.

### **CH 542 WESTMINSTER CONFSSION OF FAITH**

The course provides an overview of the system of Reformed doctrine via the Westminster Standards. Attention will be given to the historical context of the Confession together with exposition of the individual chapters. Assessment and evaluation of the Puritan-Calvinistic reflection of the history of redemption in Christ is a feature of this course. 2 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **CH 543 HISTORY OF BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

Critical foundation for a truly Reformed redemptive-historical approach to the Bible. Survey of the history of critical interpretation of Scripture from the Reformation to the modern era. Evaluation of rationalism, ideal-

ism, existentialism and postmodernism as they impact biblical theology. Includes close reading of critical works. 2 hours/week; 2<sup>nd</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **CH 544/545 VOS/RIDDERBOS READINGS**

Close reading of selected writings of Geerhardus Vos and Herman Ridderbos. Redemptive-historical surveys with special emphasis on the apostle Paul. 2 hours/week; 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters, Mr. Sanborn.

## **Second Year**

### **OT 600 HEBREW IA**

An introductory study of the vocabulary, verb and noun morphology and grammar of biblical Hebrew for the beginning student. 3 hours/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

### **OT 601 HEBREW IB**

An intermediate study of the vocabulary, grammar and syntax of biblical Hebrew with guided readings in Old Testament texts. *Prerequisite: OT 600.* 3 hours/week; 4<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

### **OT 603 PENTATEUCH**

Discussion of the Pentateuch using critical and orthodox methodologies. Close reading of select Hebrew passages of each of the “Five Books of Moses” is included. *Prerequisite: OT 500* (assumes *OT 600* contemporaneously or as a prerequisite). 3 hours/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **OT 604 HISTORICAL BOOKS**

The history and theology of Israel/Judah from the Conquest under Joshua to the return from the Babylonian Exile. Archaeology, biblical theology and critical views are thoroughly considered. Close reading of Hebrew texts from Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther. *Prerequisite: OT 500, OT 600* (assumes *OT 601* contemporaneously or as a prerequisite) 3 hours/week; 4<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **NT 610 GOSPELS**

Detailed study of the synoptic gospels plus the gospel of John with attention to the distinctive focus of each. Critical opinions, the synoptic question, narrative analysis and biblical theology will be featured. *Prerequisite: NT 510, NT 511, NT 512.* 3 hours/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **NT 611 ACTS AND PAUL**

A review of the formation and spread of the Christian church in the first century missionary journeys of the apostle Paul. In addition, the structure and biblical theology of the Pauline epistles is reviewed. *Prerequisite: NT 510, NT 511, NT 512.* 3 hours/week; 4<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison (Acts); Mr. Sanborn (Paul).

## **ST 620 THE DOCTRINE OF GOD AND MAN**

A discussion of the existence, attributes and knowability of the Triune God as revealed progressively in Scripture. Other topics include the deity of Christ, the personhood of the Holy Spirit, the divine decrees, creation, providence, and miracles. Includes the integration of the doctrine of God with the theology of covenant history, developing implications for philosophical theology, and analysis of Post-Enlightenment formulations of the doctrine of God (from Schleiermacher to Barth to Pannenberg). Also a discussion of the origin, nature, and original state of man, including an in-depth exploration of the theology of the image of God, the covenant of works, the fall, the doctrine of sin, and moral free agency. Particular attention will be given to Roman Catholic, Lutheran, and Neo-Orthodox anthropologies in the context of the developments in Reformed Theology. ST 620 begins a series of systematic doctrine courses and is designed to be taken sequentially with ST 621, ST 720 and ST 721. *Prerequisite: ST 520.* 4 hours/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **ST 621 THE DOCTRINE OF CHRIST AND SALVATION**

This course will cover the covenant of grace and the person and work of Christ with reflection on the nature of the Church's union with objective redemptive history. Topics include the impact of eschatology on the distinction between moral, ceremonial and judicial law, the relationship between the old and new covenants, Christ's incarnation, obedience, death and resurrection, the Mediatorial office and intercession of Christ, as well as the extent of his work and the nature of his kingdom. Modern Christology from Schleiermacher to Barth to Pannenberg will be analyzed and criticized. Particular attention will be given to the implication of biblical theology for systematic theology. *Prerequisite: ST 520, ST 620.* 4 hours/week; 4<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **PT 630/631 SECOND YEAR HOMILETICS IIA/IIB**

Preaching from the various genres of Scripture: history, wisdom literature, prophetic literature, gospels and epistles. Instruction and practice preaching before the class. *Prerequisite: PT 530, PT 531. PT 630 is a prerequisite to PT 631: these courses are to be taken in sequence.* 1 hour/

week; 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters. Mr. Vosteen.

### **PT 632 CHURCH POLITY**

An historical survey of church polity contrasting Presbyterian polity with other forms as well as a Biblical-theological study on the ministerial nature of Presbytery polity. Special emphasis will be given to the Church Order of Dordt and the Form of Presbyterian Church Government of the Westminster Assembly. *PT 632 is scheduled in conjunction with PT 630.* 1 hour/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> semester. Mr. Vosteen.

### **PT 633 MISSIONS**

A study of the biblical-theological foundation of missions and its place in the redemptive plan of God. This will be followed by a survey of the history of foreign missions and a discussion of the proper place of missions in the life of the local church. *PT 633 is scheduled in conjunction with PT 631.* 1 hour/week; 4<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Vosteen

### **CH 640/641 MEDIEVAL AND REFORMATION CHURCH HISTORY**

A survey of the history of the church and the history of doctrine from Gregory the Great to Francis Turretin. The first semester traces the story of the church from the Dark Ages to Anselm, Abelard, Aquinas and the formation of the Medieval tradition. The second semester examines the Renaissance and Reformation developments including post-Reformation movements such as Puritanism, Arminianism, Scholasticism and Latitudinarianism. 2 hours/week; 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> semesters. Mr. Dennison.

## **Third Year**

### **OT 700 HEBREW READING**

Supervised close reading of the Hebrew Old Testament narrative of Joseph. Emphasis is placed on facility with the Hebrew text as well as familiarity with exegetical tools. *Prerequisite: OT 600, OT 601.* 1 hour/week; 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn

### **OT 701 PSALMS AND WISDOM LITERATURE**

An evaluation of Hebrew wisdom literature with attention to Hebrew prosody in biblical-theological perspective. Numerous Hebrew texts from the Psalter are carefully analyzed including critical approaches and their inadequacy. *Prerequisite: OT 500, OT 600, OT 601.* 3 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

## **OT 702 OLD TESTAMENT PROPHETS-MAJOR AND MINOR PROPHETS**

A survey of the prophetic books (Isaiah through Malachi) and their place in the history of redemption. Integration of the prophetic corpus with the historical events in and around Palestine together with an assessment of critical views of prophetism are included. *Prerequisite: OT 500, OT 600, OT 601.* 3 hours/week; 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

## **NT 710 GREEK READING**

Supervised reading of the Greek New Testament. Selections will be made from Romans and the gospel of John. *Prerequisite: NT 510, NT 511.* 1 hour/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **NT 711 GENERAL EPISTLES AND REVELATION**

Insights into the biblical theology and structure of the Catholic Epistles. Special attention is given to the structure, meaning and eschatology of the Apocalypse (Revelation). Modern critical assessments will be analyzed and critiqued. *Prerequisite: NT 510, NT 511, NT 512.* 3 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **ST 720 THE HOLY SPIRIT AND UNION WITH CHRIST**

Involves detailed attention to the relationship between the history of salvation (*historia salutis*) and the application of salvation (*ordo salutis*). Specific attention will be given to integrating the theology of God's eternal decrees with this relationship. Also examined will be the redemptive historical context and work of the Holy Spirit and modern approaches to salvation from Schleiermacher to Pannenberg. Topics include the impact of eschatology and union with Christ on calling, regeneration, faith and repentance, justification, adoption, sanctification, perseverance and glorification. Particular attention will be given to how biblical imperatives are grounded in the indicative of union with Christ, including an examination of Christian ethics and the law of God. *Prerequisite: ST 520, ST 620, ST 621.* 4 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

## **ST 721 DOCTRINE OF THE CHURCH**

The course will cover the nature of the church, ecclesiastical power/authority, the philosophy of church government, and the church's final state. It will include a biblical theological and historical theological discussion of office, the spirituality of the church, and the sacraments. Attention will also be given to the future resurrection/judgment and consummate state of the church. *Prerequisite: ST 520, ST 620, ST 621, ST 720.* 4 hours/week. 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Sanborn.

### **PT 730 WORSHIP /THIRD YEAR HOMILETICS**

The order of worship and the regulative principle of worship Biblically considered. Specialized preaching situations such as weddings, funerals, evangelistic meetings, catechism, etc. will be covered. The Homiletics section will include practice preaching before congregations with class discussion afterward using tapes. *Prerequisite: PT 530, PT 531, PT 630, PT 631.* 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Vosteen.

### **PT 731 PASTORAL LIFE/CHURCH ADMINISTRATION**

The pastoral work of the minister as described by Scripture and as worked out in the life of the church with the elders; including pastoral visits, family visits, hospital calling, etc. A study of church administration including holding session meetings and congregational meetings; church finances and budgeting. Management of the minister's household with special emphasis on personal family life, finances and time management. 1 hour/week; 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Vosteen.

### **PT 732 COUNSELING**

This course instructs students in the basics of pastoral counseling in a series of lectures, beginning with an examination of the biblical theology of counseling, then addressing the implementation of this foundation in the practice of pastoral counseling. Special attention will be given to the doctrine of the church and how it informs the methodology of counseling. Specific and common counseling situations such as pre-marital, marriage and grief counseling will be addressed. 1 hour/week; 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Renkema.

### **CH 740 MODERN CHURCH HISTORY**

The story of the church from the 17<sup>th</sup> century to the present with special emphasis on American church history. Special attention is given to the Enlightenment, modern denominationalism, the rise of the missionary movement and the acculturation of Christianity. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison.

### **CH 741 AMERICAN PRESBYTERIANISM**

A survey of Presbyterian bodies in America from colonial to modern times. Special attention is given to major personalities and theological developments which have shaped contemporary Presbyterianism. 2 hours/week; 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Mr. Dennison

## **CH 742 JONATHAN EDWARDS AND THE FREEDOM OF THE WILL**

A survey of the life and times of Jonathan Edwards, the great New England genius. Students will be asked to master his greatest work, *The Freedom of the Will*. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Dennison.

## **CH 743 ECCLESIASTICAL LATIN**

An introduction to Ecclesiastical Latin using grammar and primary readings. The readings are chosen from patristic, biblical, medieval and reformation sources. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Dennison.

## **CH 744 FRANCIS TURRETIN AND PROTESTANT SCHOLASTICISM**

An introduction to Reformed Scholasticism using Turretin's most famous work, *Institutes of Elenctic Theology*. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Dennison.

## **NT 712 GOSPEL OF JOHN**

A biblical-theological investigation of the fourth gospel incorporating structural analysis derived from the Greek text, narrative analysis (plot characterization, dramatic development, etc.), and Christological focus (the "I AM's"). 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Dennison.

## **ST 722 THE THREE FORMS OF UNITY**

This class will examine the Belgic Confession, the Heidelberg Catechism and the Canons of Dort in light of their immediate historical background, including sixteenth and early seventeenth century continental Reformed theology. Included will be a study of their influence on the life of the church. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Sanborn.

## **ST 723 GALATIANS AND ROMANS AND PAUL'S VIEW OF THE LAW**

A biblical-theological investigation of Galatians and Romans incorporating insights from Greco-Roman letters, rhetoric and structure. Modern assessments of Paul's view of the law will be analyzed and criticized. 2 hours/week; 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> semester. Elective, Mr. Sanborn.

# ADMISSIONS POLICIES

## Admissions to Degree Programs

Admissions are administrated by the Academic Dean/Registrar and/or the Faculty Committee on Admissions. Northwest Theological Seminary will admit part-time or full-time students for a credited degree program on the basis of their application and an interview with the Academic Dean. If for some reason, the requirements of the application are not met before admissions, the application will not be processed until an explanation and correction of the full account of the application is received. Students who are not admitted to a degree program will be notified personally or by a letter from the Academic Dean. Students who are granted admission will receive a letter of acceptance from the Academic Dean.

## M.Div. Application Requirements

One-time non-refundable \$25.00 application fee.

All information requested on the application including:

B.A. Degree including official transcripts from all undergraduate and any graduate institutions.

Ecclesiastical affiliation by church membership with a church body.

Letters of Ecclesiastical Recommendation from (1) the board of elders, (2) the pastor, (3) a member of the congregation of which the student is a member.

Letter of Academic Reference from a professor or teacher at an undergraduate or graduate level institution attesting to the student's ability and motivation for graduate studies.

Letter of Personal Reference from a college roommate or housemate (or other person with whom you have lived, but not a relative or family member) attesting to the student's Christian witness and conduct.

Report on student's financial resources and plan to pay for seminary education.

One brief typewritten paragraph explaining the student's Christian faith and testimony, interest in biblical theology and why the student desires to attend NWTS.

Interview with the Academic Dean in person or by phone.

### **M.T.S. Application Requirements**

One-time non-refundable \$25.00 application fee.

All information requested on the application including:

B.A. Degree including official transcripts from all undergraduate and any graduate institutions.

Ecclesiastical affiliation by church membership with a church body.

Letter of Ecclesiastical Recommendation from the pastor of the student's church body.

Letter of Academic Reference from a professor or teacher at an undergraduate or graduate level institution attesting to the student's ability and motivation for graduate studies.

Letter of Personal Reference from a college roommate or housemate (or other person with whom you have lived, but not a relative or family member) attesting to the student's Christian witness and conduct.

Report on student's financial resources and plan to pay for seminary education.

One brief typewritten paragraph explaining the student's Christian faith and testimony, interest in biblical theology and why the student desires to attend NWTS.

Interview with the Academic Dean in person or by phone.

### **Special Students Policy for the M.Div. Program**

In unusual cases, Northwest Theological Seminary may admit select stu-

dents who lack a bachelor's degree. Such admission will be considered exceptional and for the M.Div. program only. The faculty committee on admissions will require the following:

The applicant's indication that he has explored the ordination requirements of the denomination in which he is seeking licensure and/or ordination.

"Life experience" as a substitute for a portion of the bachelor's degree. Life experience is defined as a combination of employment and Christian service. Life experience alone will not qualify for admission to NWTS. Academic work in the liberal arts (at least one-half in courses other than Bible, theology, etc.) will also be required. 30 units of academic work will be measured as one year of undergraduate effort. 4 years of employment and 4 years of Christian service will be credited toward admission to NWTS as equivalent to one year of bachelor's study. For example, a person with 60-90 units of academic work and 8 years of employment and 8 years of Christian service may apply for admission to the M.Div. program.

The applicant must have obtained a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.0 or better for all academic work.

The applicant must take the GRE (Graduate Record Exam) and score at or above the 50th percentile in verbal and analytic sections.

The applicant must submit copies of two papers (of more than 10 pages each) from two separate undergraduate academic courses.

The applicant must submit one audio tape of a presentation made during his Christian service, i.e., Sunday School, Bible study, small group study, retreat, etc.

All other elements of the M.Div. application must be submitted.

## **International Students**

*Northwest Theological Seminary is not approved for foreign student enrollment at present.*

When Northwest Theological Seminary is approved for foreign student enrollment, international students must follow all the federal regulations of the United States in obtaining a non-immigrant status student visa. In addition,

international students seeking admission must follow the procedures of application and registration into a degree program at full-time status. In order to be admitted into a degree program, they must submit transcripts and any other applicable academic documents which would attest to their high academic standing and abilities.

Students whose first language is not English must submit their scores on the TOEFL/TWE (Test of English as a Foreign Language and Test of Written English) for review by the Academic Dean. Only a score of at least 570/4.5 on the paper based TOEFL/TWE or at least 230 on the computer-based TOEFL with a score of 4.5 on the essay portion will be considered. The Academic Dean may also request a college-level paper and/or ministerial tape demonstrating the student's ability to effectively communicate in English.

In addition, all international students should be aware that the seminary must issue a Certificate of Eligibility in order for an international student to obtain a student visa (non-immigrant status). In order to receive such certification, international students are required to have been admitted as full-time students in a degree program at NWTS, as well as to supply sufficient documented evidence of financial support appropriate to the cost of living in the United States. Adequate funding for tuition, books, living expenses, transportation and medical insurance pertaining to the student and any of his/her dependents while living in the United States (or abroad in the case of his/her dependents) must be demonstrated.

## **Transfer Credits**

Students seeking transfer credits from other graduate-level institutions must provide transcripts and course descriptions and/or syllabi that demonstrate the nature and content of the course and its required work for review by the Academic Dean. NWTS will only consider courses in which a B- or above was received eligible for transfer credit review. If necessary, the Academic Dean may also request that a catalog from the institution and coursework from the course be provided. Upon consultation with the Faculty, transfer credit may be granted if the courses under review are sufficiently compatible to the academic level and theological focus of the coursework within the NWTS curriculum.

Transfer credits from undergraduate institutions will not be granted with the exception of Greek or Hebrew coursework. The student must provide the Academic Dean with transcripts demonstrating that the student re-

ceived no less than a B- in Greek and Hebrew classes and course descriptions of all applicable Greek and Hebrew classes. It is also required that the student complete an NWTs Greek and/or Hebrew examination in order to demonstrate their competence in the Greek or Hebrew first year requirements. Upon evaluation of these biblical language course descriptions, transcripts and examination, transfer credit may be granted.

Completed courses at NWTs may be eligible for transfer credit at other graduate level seminaries based on the policy of each individual seminary. Students are advised to contact the seminary to which they wish to transfer and follow their guidelines.

### **Admission on Probation**

Students who are admitted as Special Student into the M.Div. program or students who have fulfilled the requirements of the application process but their transcripts verifying completion of a degree are pending may be admitted on probation. Probation is a period of testing and initial evaluation as to the student's ability and motivation for seminary studies. Students may take up to 20 credits under probation. At the completion of 20 credits and if all other application requirements are satisfied, the student and his coursework will be evaluated by the Academic Dean and/or Faculty Committee to confirm admission.

### **Auditing Students**

Northwest Theological Seminary also offers classes to adults over the age of 18 on an audit basis. Auditors may take classes without academic credit for a \$40.00 fee per class per semester. Ministers and laypersons who would like to learn more about the Scriptures, church history, Greek and Hebrew (as pertains to Biblical analysis) and other spiritually enriching classes are able to take NWTs classes on this audit basis. Prerequisites described in the course descriptions are not required for auditors, except at the discretion of the instructor of the course. We encourage the community to come and learn more about the Word of God through this method.

Auditors must be adults of 18 years of age or over. Minors under the age of 18 are only permitted to register for classes on an audit basis upon faculty approval and parental consent and supervision in class.

Members of the Faculty or Administration and their spouses may audit clas-

ses without academic credit. The usual charge is waived.

## **Non-Discriminatory Policy**

Northwest Theological Seminary does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs.

## **Preparation for Northwest Theological Seminary**

The following is a short list of recommended readings to help students orient themselves to the theological direction of Northwest Theological Seminary prior to enrollment. If you have questions concerning readings beyond this list, please contact the Academic Dean, James T. Dennison, Jr.

Many sermons and articles on the Kerux website (kerux.com)  
Geerhardus Vos, *Biblical Theology: Old and New Testaments*  
Herman Ridderbos, *Paul: An Outline of His Theology*  
James T. Dennison, *The Letters of Geerhardus Vos*  
Richard B. Gaffin, *By Faith, Not By Sight*  
Richard B. Gaffin, *Resurrection and Redemption*  
James T. Dennison, "Building the Biblical-theological Sermon,"  
Parts 1 and 2 (on the kerux.com website)  
Herman Ridderbos, *The Coming of the Kingdom*  
J. Gresham Machen, *Christianity and Liberalism*  
Cornelius Van Til, *The Defense of the Faith*

## **ACADEMIC POLICIES**

### **Enrollment and Registration**

Registration for classes after admission as a student represents an intent to enroll as a student on a full-time or part-time basis. Registration for classes is available one month prior to the beginning of the academic semester. Students should register for classes with the Registrar by the end of the first week of classes. Late registration for any class is subject to the approval of the Registrar and respective instructor. Tuition may be submitted with registration or it is due by the first day of classes at the beginning of the semester, unless other payment arrangements have been made

with the Registrar. Students will receive a formal notification of their registration and tuition schedule.

An enrolled student may add or drop classes or change to Audit status without any additional financial penalty although they are subject to the financial obligations of the refund and cancellation policy. An enrolled student may officially withdraw from classes or change to Audit status without academic penalty until the 8th week of class by informing the Registrar by letter or with a change in registration form. Unofficial withdrawal of classes or withdrawal after the 8th week is subject to academic review by the Academic Dean and a “W” (Withdrawal) will be issued on official transcripts.

A student may enroll on a full or part-time basis. A full-time course load is considered at least 12 credit hours or above with a maximum threshold of 22 credit hours. A part-time course load is considered to be at least 2 – 11 credit hours.

### **Academic Standing and Retention**

Enrolled students at Northwest Theological Seminary are expected to achieve and retain good academic standing. A student with a cumulative Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) of at least 2.00 or more is considered to be in good academic standing. Students must also maintain consistent attendance in class lectures and complete course work assigned for each course.

A student in good academic standing may withdraw from two full-time semesters of their degree program and be re-admitted without repeating the application process. If a student decides to withdraw for a period greater than two full-time semesters, he/she must re-apply to gain admission into a degree program.

If a student falls below a 2.00 G.P.A. after the completion of 18 credit hours of coursework, he/she will be placed under academic probation by the Academic Dean and notified. Academic probation is a period of evaluation in which the student is required to seek academic advising on a regular basis in order to assist his/her academic performance. A faculty member is assigned to assist the student to remain accountable to a plan of study. After a student is placed on probation, he must raise his/her G.P.A. to a 2.00 within two semesters or the student may be subject to dismissal from the program. Students subject to dismissal because of poor academic standing or failure to complete course requirements unto the completion of his/her degree program will be notified by the Academic Dean in writing. Students who have been dismissed must apply to be re-admitted on probation status.

## **Degree Program Changes**

A student may make a written request for permission to change degree programs to the Registrar and Academic Dean. If the request is reasonable and within the guidelines of each degree program, the Academic Dean may issue permission and grant the change.

## **Degree Completion and Graduation Requirements**

To apply for graduation, a student must have completed the requirements of the degree program in which he/she is currently enrolled at Northwest Theological Seminary. Completion of the M.Div. or M.T.S. degree programs is determined by the successful completion of all the required and elective courses for each program. Students must also be in good academic standing with a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.0 or above. All financial obligations to NWTS must be fulfilled.

## **Transcript and Grading Policy**

An official transcript from Northwest Theological Seminary may be requested by an enrolled or previously enrolled student by written and signed letter. At the completion of each semester, students in degree programs will receive an official copy of their transcript. A transcript is official if it states "This is an official transcript" with the original signature of the Registrar of Northwest Theological Seminary. Any unauthorized duplication of a transcript is not an official transcript. This transcript cannot be released to a third party without the written consent of the student. This is in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. If you have additional questions about this document, please contact the Registrar at (425) 787-5144.

One credit hour is equivalent to a course which meets for one 55 minute class or requires an equivalent graduate research hour per week for a 15 week semester. Grades are calculated on a standard system of grade points. A student's academic standing is determined by their overall Grade Point Average (G.P.A.). Students receive a G.P.A. calculation each semester as well as a cumulative G.P.A. Classes taken for credit should be graded according to the following grading system:

## GRADING SYSTEM

### LETTER GRADE

### GRADE POINTS

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| A  | 4.0 |
| A- | 3.7 |
| B+ | 3.3 |
| B  | 3.0 |
| B- | 2.7 |
| C+ | 2.3 |
| C  | 2.0 |
| C- | 1.7 |
| D+ | 1.3 |
| D  | 1.0 |
| D- | 0.7 |
| F  | 0.0 |

TR = TRANSFER CREDIT

AUD = AUDIT

W = WITHDRAWAL

UW = UNOFFICIAL WITHDRAWAL

I = INCOMPLETE

Students receiving a grade of A to D- receive class credit. Any grade less than a D- is considered a failing grade. Credit is not received for a failing grade. Students receiving a failing grade must repeat a course in order to earn class credit.

In cases of serious illness, death in the family or other emergency based on extenuating circumstances, an instructor may grant an Incomplete grade upon petition in writing to be reviewed by the Academic Dean and the Faculty. An Incomplete may be granted if the student has completed all required class attendance, but is not able to finish coursework because of serious illness, death in the family, or other emergency. The student will then be given notification of a period of time set by the instructor in order to finish any coursework. If the Incomplete remains unfinished, the student will be given a failing grade for the class.

A student may officially withdraw from a class without academic penalty by submitting written notification by letter or with a change in registration form to the Registrar. No record of registration in this class will be recorded on the transcript if the student officially withdraws by the 8th week of classes. If a student officially withdraws after the 8th week, a "W" will be rec-

orded on the transcript indicating that the student was enrolled in the course and withdrew. No credit or grade will be given for the class. Any student who withdraws from a class must discharge any financial obligations according to our refund and cancellation policy.

If a student fails to notify the Registrar or the faculty of their withdrawal, a “UW” will be recorded on the transcript indicating that the student unofficially withdrew and no credit will be given for the class. The student will be subject to academic review by the Academic Dean. Any student who withdraws from a class must discharge any financial obligations according to our refund and cancellation policy.

Any discrepancy or changes in address on the transcript must be reported to the Registrar immediately or prior to the end of the next term when grades are issued. If the discrepancy is not reported until after the end of the following term, the student must then petition the Registrar and the Academic Dean in a written letter for a review and correction of the transcript. If no forwarding address is left for the transcript to be issued, the transcript will be recorded in the student's permanent file by NWTs.

## **Conduct and Disciplinary Policy**

Students of Northwest Theological Seminary are expected to adhere to principles of biblical conduct as set forth by the Scriptures. As a part of the application in admissions procedures, students must sign a statement of conduct: “The moral and behavioral standards of NWTs are those of the Word of God as interpreted by the Westminster Standards and The Three Forms of Unity. I, the undersigned, understand that I will be responsible to live in a Christ-like manner and act in accordance with these standards if I am admitted as a student at NWTs. I will be subject to dismissal if I do not.”

If policies of conduct are in breach, the Academic Dean will contact the student in question and pursue a biblical resolution. If a biblical resolution cannot be reached and the student refuses to change the behavior that is in violation of the moral and behavioral standards of NWTs, the student will be subject to dismissal upon consultation with the Faculty.

## **Grievance and Appeal Process**

Grievances and appeals regarding decisions of an academic nature or of behavioral conduct may be submitted in writing to the Academic Dean. The Academic Dean will carefully review each case with the Faculty and return a decision to the student by the beginning of the next academic term.

## **FINANCIAL POLICIES**

### **Tuition Schedules**

Potential students wishing to apply for the M.Div. or M.T.S. degree programs are required to submit a non-refundable \$25.00 application fee along with the application. Applications may be obtained by contacting the Registrar at (425) 787-5144, 17711 Spruce Way, Lynnwood, WA 98037. Applications may also be downloaded from the Northwest Theological Seminary website at [www.nwts.edu](http://www.nwts.edu).

Tuition is \$150.00 per credit hour. Tuition is payable at the beginning of classes each semester. If alternate payment arrangements need to be made, please see the Registrar. Students will not be allowed to take final examinations, receive course credit or request transcripts if their tuition accounts are outstanding and no payment arrangements have been made with the seminary.

Classes may be audited on a non-credit basis by any enrolled student or adult layperson for a fee of \$40.00 per course. This fee is due on the first day of class, but those wishing to audit must register with the Academic Dean or Registrar before the start of class. Auditors may receive copies of all free materials distributed to the class. Professors may restrict questions and discussion from auditors.

Students are responsible for purchasing their textbooks and supplies. NWTS does not provide bookstore services. We recommend that students seek textbooks for classes through internet sources.

### **Refund and Cancellation Policies**

If enrolled students withdraw from a class, they may receive a refund for the number of class hours from which they will withdraw. Tuition refunds will be calculated according to a schedule of tuition for a class divisible by

the number of lecture hours (not including non-lecture hours in research, reading week or exam week) that semester.

Auditor's fees are refundable within the first week of class by request of the auditor. Auditor's fees are non-refundable after the first week of classes.

## **Financial Aid**

Northwest Theological Seminary has no scholarship or financial aid programs at present. Students who are under the care of a church or denomination which issues scholarships may make arrangements for tuition fee payments to be issued to the seminary directly.

A fee of \$5.00 is charged for an official seminary transcript.

## **STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES**

### **Academic Advising**

Northwest Theological Seminary strongly encourages students to seek academic advising from the Registrar, the Academic Dean or any Faculty member. These members of the faculty and administrative staff are available for consultation by appointment or during office hours. They are conversant with school policy as well as curriculum. Appointments can be made by contacting the office at (425) 787-5144.

Northwest Theological Seminary fosters relationships with several local churches in the Washington area. Students seeking a local church or opportunities for ministerial training may seek advice from the Academic Dean or the Homiletics faculty.

### **Devotional Life**

Northwest Theological Seminary strongly encourages students to associate with the life of the local church body. The seminary is a training institution that cannot replace the work of the church in the spiritual life of the believer. NWTs maintains a list of local churches and their pastors, which is accessible to students.

The seminary occasionally holds a Kerux Conference or a Summer Conference on topics of theological interest for the edification and education of the students and the local Christian community.

### **Pastoral Internships**

Northwest Theological Seminary believes that ministerial students pursuing seminary education should be members in good standing of a church body, and encourages M.Div. students to be under the care of a church body or denomination. The training of a minister in a pastoral internship position should be properly facilitated by the local church or denomination; thus, NWTS does not require M.Div. students to take a pastoral internship for academic credit. The Faculty is available to assist and advise students in the matter of pastoral internships.

### **Library**

Northwest Theological Seminary currently houses a library of over 4,800 bound theological volumes and periodicals which are accessible for student and faculty research. In addition, students at NWTS are encouraged to share the library facilities of local university and theological libraries, such as the University of Washington and Seattle Pacific University, where library cards may be purchased on a yearly or quarterly basis.

### **Computer Research**

Students are required to have the use of a personal computer and access to the internet for research purposes. Computers are on-site and online for internet research, Greek and Hebrew language tools and word processing. Students also have access to on-site printers and the copy machine.

### **Textbook Acquisition**

Northwest Theological Seminary has no on-site bookstore and cannot provide textbooks. NWTS requires that students acquire textbooks on their own. Required book lists are published before each term for purchase.

## **ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2009-2011**

### **Academic Calendar 2009-2010**

#### **Applications-Fall 2009**

Applications Deadline is August 15, 2009

Deferment may be made at the discretion of the Registrar.

#### **Applications-Spring 2010**

Applications Deadline is December 2, 2009

Deferment may be made at the discretion of the Registrar.

#### **Fall Semester 2009**

Fall Registration begins August 5, 2009

Classes begin September 8, 2009

Classes end December 9, 2009

Reading Week is December 10-14, 2009

Exam Week is December 15-18, 2009

Thanksgiving Holiday is November 26-27, 2009

Winter Break is December 21, 2009-January 4, 2010

#### **Spring Semester 2010**

Spring Registration begins December 3, 2009

Classes begin January 5, 2010

Classes end April 8, 2010

Reading Week is April 12-16, 2010

Exam Week is April 19-22, 2010

Spring Break is March 1-5, 2010

### **Academic Calendar 2010-2011**

#### **Fall Semester 2010**

Classes begin September 7, 2010

Classes end December 10, 2010

Reading Week is December 13-17, 2010

Exam Week is December 20-22, 2010

Thanksgiving Holiday is November 25-26, 2010

Winter Break is December 23, 2010-January 3, 2011

#### **Spring Semester 2011**

Classes begin January 4, 2011

Classes end April 8, 2011

Reading Week is April 11-15, 2011

Exam Week is April 18-22, 2011

Spring Break is Feb. 28-March 4, 2011

## **May Term 2011-Concentrated Courses**

May Term Registration Begins April 10, 2011

Class Schedules to be announced in the Spring.

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### **Catalog Disclaimer:**

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### **Academic Status Disclaimer:**

The Washington State Higher Education Coordinating Board has determined that Northwest Theological Seminary qualifies for religious exempt status from the Degree Authorization Act for the following programs: Master of Divinity (M.Div.) and Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.). The HECB makes no evaluation of the administration, faculty, business practices, financial condition or quality of the offerings by this institution. Any person desiring information about the requirements of the Act or the applicability of those requirements to the institution may contact the HECB at P.O. Box 43430, Olympia, WA 98504-3430.

### **Equal Opportunity Disclaimer:**

Northwest Theological Seminary does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs.