

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (TTCE)

## Objectives

The purpose of the Christian Education courses is to develop Christian educators who understand the significance of an educational ministry and who possess the skills necessary to function as Christian educators. To this end, course offerings have been designed to blend theory and practice. Most elective courses are designed to track the student's specialization in order to accommodate the student's vocation.

## Courses

### TTCE 508 - Organizational Leadership Credits 3

An analysis of leadership and administrative principles and processes as they apply to the church and parachurch agencies. Special attention to the relation of administrative functions and ministry. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Divinity (Christian Education), and Master of Arts in Christian Education students; offered in Spring semester only. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 514 - Women and Men in Christian Ministry Credits 2

An investigation of the role of women and men in ministry and leadership in the light of Scripture. Also includes a discussion of issues men and women in the ministry face when working together. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Ministry Leadership (Women's Ministries). **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 519 - Leadership Coaching and Teambuilding Credits 3

A synthesis of strategic approaches to executive Christian leadership through the efficient development, supervision, and support of vocational and volunteer staff, both individually and as ministry teams. **Note(s):** Master of Arts in Christian Education Executive Leadership Specialization elective. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 523 - Teaching Ministry Credits 3

Investigation into the major issues of educational psychology, including learning theory, motivation, learning styles and instructional methodologies with direct application to classroom use. Integration of theology and psychology an emphasis. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Education and Master of Divinity (Christian Education) students; offered Fall semester only. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 543 - Counseling Adolescents and Their Parents Credits 2

An overview of the issues related to providing pastoral counseling to adolescents and their parents including addictive behavioral problems, abnormal developmental concerns, intervention and enrichment counseling and awareness of when and to whom to refer adolescents for professional therapy. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 558 - Interpersonal Development Credits 3

Emphasis on personal and interpersonal growth through individual assignments and small group interactions. Opportunity given for spiritual, physical, emotional, mental and relational development, with attention to intercultural contexts. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Education students; offered in Spring semester only. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 570 - Special Studies in Christian Education Credits 2

Designed for students who desire a specific course content not covered in any of the regularly offered classes. May be taken twice with different emphases. Content will differ based on need/interest. **Note(s):** Possible required fee. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**Repeat Limit (after first attempt):** 1.

### TTCE 608 - Philosophy of Ministry Credits 3

Investigation into the theological, historical, and philosophical foundations that underlie Christian ministry. Examines the development of educational ministry as a discipline, reflecting on the tradition we have inherited and considering the changing ministry scene. Also includes and investigation of current practices of ministry through an analytical perspective. Designed to help the minister evaluate ministry programs and respond with remedial or enrichment strategies. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Education and Master of Divinity (Christian Education) students; offered in Spring semester only. **Grade Mode:** A. **Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 612 - Missionary Education Credits 2

Objectives, programming, activities and administrative methods of implementing a program of missionary education. Investigation into the auxiliary organization of the church's educational program through which missions are taught. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 616 - Principles of Curriculum Development Credits 2

Consideration of essential elements in curriculum formation. Intensive study of varied existing curricula. Analysis of contemporary trends in curriculum production. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Prerequisite(s):** TTCE 521 or TTCE 523.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 622 - Theology, History and Philosophy of Ministry Credits 3

Investigation into the theological, historical, and philosophical foundations which underlie Christian ministry. Examines the development of educational ministry as a discipline, reflecting on the tradition we have inherited and considering the changing ministry scene. Also includes an investigation of current practices of ministry through an analytical perspective. Designed to help the minister evaluate ministry programs and respond with remedial or enrichment strategies. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 636 - Independent Study Credits 1-3

In-depth investigation of a topic under the guidance of the Christian Education faculty using standard research procedures. Topic selection is by advisor's approval. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 637 - Independent Study Credits 1-3

In-depth investigation of a topic under the guidance of the Christian Education faculty using standard research procedures. Topic selection is by advisor's approval. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

### TTCE 639 - Applied Ministry Research Credits 2-3

Introduction to basic methods of Christian education research including the use of observation, interview, and program assessment with an emphasis on the development of critical thinking skills and writing. Students gain an understanding of church and parachurch ministries in their sociocultural settings, and are enabled to make ministries more relevant and effective. Theological researching included. Students develop a ministry research project as a part of this course. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 649 - Instructional Technology****Credits 2**

Development and administration of media for ministry. Uses of the computer, print, audio, video, mixed media and multimedia technology for promotion, education and motivation. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Education students; offered Fall semester only. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 652 - Models and Trends in Children's Ministries****Credits 3**

A broad overview of contemporary ministry to children and families. Students explore a survey of the history of religious education from biblical times to present day. Addresses the area of children's spiritual formation, the process of curriculum planning, and evaluating teaching/learning experiences. The field of children's ministries is analyzed in the context of cultural trends affecting children, families, and the church. Students develop a biblical philosophy for ministry to children and families as well as a systematic ministry development plan. **Note(s):** Master of Arts in Christian Education Children's Ministry Specialization elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 655 - Strategic Ministry Leadership****Credits 3**

Comprehensive overview of the leadership needs, expectations, roles, responsibilities and competencies required for the effective executive leadership of Christian ministries, including church and their educational ministries. Special emphasis on the effective negotiation and the execution of organization mission, vision, authority, power, change, conflict, renewal, growth and impact. **Note(s):** Offered Fall semester only; required by Master of Arts in Christian Education and Master of Divinity (Christian Education) students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 664 - Youth Ministry Leadership and Programming****Credits 3**

A step-by-step approach to the building of a ministry for adolescents and the process of developing an annual programming strategy for effective youth ministry. Special attention given to the development of the type of ministry model required to sustain emerging leaders and to provide dynamic programming. Emphasis may be on either junior high/middle school or high school age groups. Emphasis on the development of biblical community within the ministry. **Note(s):** Master of Arts in Christian Education Youth Ministry Specialization elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 677 - Family Ministry in the Local Church****Credits 3**

Examines organization and administration of a program of family ministry in the local church. Includes an analysis of current trends in family ministry education. **Note(s):** Master of Arts in Christian Education Adult and Family Specialization elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 679 - Adult Development and Discipleship****Credits 3**

A study of issues and developmental tasks of adults toward Christian education. Attention to the ministry of meeting the needs and utilizing the potential of adults. **Note(s):** Master of Arts in Christian Education Adult and Family Specialization elective. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 680 - Topics in Christian Education****Credits 1-3**

Selected topics in the field of Christian education. **Note(s):** May be taken multiple times with different content; normally available to Christian education students only. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

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**TTCE 683 - Camp Leadership****Credits 2**

The philosophy, objectives, administration, program and leadership of a church-related camp. The use of worship, study, crafts, recreation and counseling in church camping. Investigation into trends of camping, centralized and decentralized camping. Techniques in planning and directing a camp program, including counselor training. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 690 - Practicum in Ministry****Credit 1**

Structured field experience in a C.E. ministry field site with an approved supervisor. Focus on the assessment and development of students' spiritual gifts and personal skills. Minimum 10 hours per week field involvement. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Arts in Christian Education students not having qualified ministry experience. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 724 - Advanced Methods of Educational Instruction****Credits 2**

Consideration given to the various philosophies of education, theories of learning, and the factors that influence learning. Emphasis given to becoming a more effective teacher. Variables in motivation, retention, transfer and high level thinking will be discussed. A supervised classroom teaching experience is required. **Note(s):** Required of Master of Theology students. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

**TTCE 780 - Directed Studies in Christian Education****Credits 1-3**

Directed studies in the field of Christian education. **Note(s):** By Arrangement; may be taken multiple times with different content; normally available to Christian education students only. **Grade Mode:** A.

**Restriction(s):** Must be Doctoral Level or Graduate Level.

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