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WELCOME
To
Andover Newton Theological School

Mission Statement

As a graduate theological school in the Reformed tradition, in faithfulness to Jesus Christ, we strive to educate leaders who are:

enlivened by rigorous study in a community embracing diversities of faith and life;

devoted to the renewing of church and society through ecumenical witness and creative expression of the Gospel; and

committed to enacting God's ways of justice and love in the world.

Accreditation

Andover Newton Theological School is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (www.ats.edu/) and by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc. (www.neasc.org/)

Certification

This catalogue is certified as true in content and policy to the best of my knowledge.
President Nick Carter



ANDOVER NEWTON'S CORE VALUES

Faithfulness

Called here through faith, we will work unceasingly to have the impact of our discipleship be the defining mark of our school. Our common life and work at Andover Newton will be measured by our witness, our trustworthiness and our transparency. We will hold ourselves and all our partners to high standards of integrity and excellence. (*1 Kings 9:4-5; Psalm 15; John 8:31; Rom 5:4; Eph 4:1*)

Innovation

Andover Newton has a courageous pioneering spirit that has distinguished our school for two centuries. Honoring that tradition of innovation and believing in its necessity, we will seek to create an atmosphere of learning and academic freedom so that the newness of the Spirit can be experienced by all who come here. (*Ezekiel 11:19; Isaiah 43:14; 2 Corinthians 5:17*)

Joy

We will strive to be known for our faith-filled joy. Each day in the life of our school will be a celebration of God's presence and our gratitude for all we have received. We will be distinguished by the delight we take in our mission and in one another. (*Psalm 32:11; Luke 15:3-7; Rom 15:13; 1 Thess 5.16*)

Sacred Hospitality

We are committed to being an open and accessible community for all who come here to study or be nourished in ministry. We will seek to eliminate barriers of prejudice and ignorance, orient ourselves to welcoming the stranger, and treat everyone with dignity and respect. We are committed to preparing a new generation of transformational leaders who can take the world into their hearts, build understanding, and be agents of reconciliation. (*Gen 18:1-7; Rom 5:2; Rom 12:13; Hebrews 13:2*)

Stewardship

We know that all we have is not ours but God's. We will strive to be good stewards of the sacred traditions we have inherited. We recognize that this pledge also commits us to stewardship of the physical, financial, human, and natural resources that are in our care. And, recognizing our interdependence with all creation, we are committed to the long term sustainability of these resources. We will work to build a heritage of trustworthiness in our actions within this school community, and with the world and all creatures in it. (*1 Cor. 4:2; Matthew 25:21*)

Justice

Both within our school and in all our relations with the world, Andover Newton will seek to practice biblically centered justice and compassion. We will do this individually and communally, providing the best means for ordering our relationships in ways that are consistent with our faith. We will advocate for justice and stand in solidarity with all who are oppressed or marginalized. (*Amos 5:21-24; Micah 6:6-8; Matthew 25:34-46*)

TRADITIONS

Since its founding in the early nineteenth century, Andover Newton has continued to educate called and gifted people for ministries in a changing world, and to instill in students a sense of the timelessness of Christ's message.

The churches and social contexts in which graduates serve have changed vastly and continually. In today's classrooms, the diversity among faculty and students reflects an appreciation of the gifts that all people bring to the Church. Yet, in many ways, Andover Newton's students still are drawn by spiritual yearnings to learn more fully what its founders called "the true business of living."

The oldest graduate school of theology in the United States, Andover Newton traces its roots to the early 1800s and the desire for a well-educated clergy among both Congregationalists and Baptists. That desire was expressed with the founding of Phillips Academy in Andover, Massachusetts, in 1778 for "the promotion of true Piety and Virtue." A group of provident New England Congregationalists, aided by members of South Church in Andover, were chartered by the State of Massachusetts to raise funds and bring about the founding of a separate department of divinity at Andover in 1807. The following year the theological school, known as Andover Theological Seminary, opened its doors.

The Andover experiment brought students together for three years of study in residence with a scholarly faculty, an innovation that soon became a model for professional education around the country.

Andover educated some Baptist clergy, but not enough to meet the needs of the New England Baptist community that had grown tremendously in the late eighteenth century. The Newton Theological Institution grew out of a meeting at the First Baptist Church of Boston in May 1825. Agreeing that the time had come for a Baptist seminary, the group of Baptist clergy and lay people raised the necessary funds, decided on a hilltop site in Newton Centre, and secured the services of the Reverend Irah Chase, an Andover alumnus, as the institution's first professor.

In November 1825, the Newton Theological Institution began instruction. As the institution developed, it adopted Andover's curricular pattern and shared the same theological tradition of loyalty to the evangelical Gospel and zeal for its dissemination.

Reflecting that zeal, the modern mission movement began in this country through a group of Andover students known as the "Brethren". Both Andover and Newton quickly assumed leadership in the modern mission movement, drawing the two schools into a close association of people and ideas.

Graduates such as Luther Rice, Hiram Bingham and Nathan Brown pioneered in Christian missions around the world. Adoniram Judson, an 1810 Andover alumnus, is best known for his work in Burma, where he translated the Bible into Burmese and produced the first Burmese-English dictionary.

Andover continued offering instruction on its campus in the southern Merrimack River Valley until 1907, when its trustees agreed on a need to move the School to an urban setting to broaden the curriculum and to establish closer ties with the academic world. In 1908 Andover moved its faculty and library to Cambridge and began to develop plans for a formal affiliation with Harvard Divinity School. But Andover's attempt to merge with Harvard left it mired in a legal struggle over adherence to its founding principles.

In 1931 Andover moved to the Newton campus, accepting Newton's invitation to enter into what both schools saw as a mutually-beneficial affiliation. One of the first acts of the boards of the newly affiliated schools was the appointment of Austin Philip Guiles as the first full-time professor in psychology and clinical studies at a theological school. The move established Andover Newton as a pioneer in providing clinical training for seminarians.



In the middle decades of the twentieth century, the student body became gradually more diverse. African-American students began attending Andover Newton in more significant numbers and many graduated to become important leaders throughout the country. Women, who had first attended classes in the 1890s, enrolled in growing numbers.

In the early 1960s, the School began to pay more attention to the urban scene. Andover Newton students and faculty worked at the Blue Hill Christian Center in Roxbury in efforts to minister in the city, and to relate the School more significantly to the African-American community of Boston.

By 1965, with a burgeoning student body, Andover and Newton had grown together so closely that a formal merger came about quite naturally. The united Andover Newton greatly expanded the academic and library resources available to students three years later by participating in the chartering of the Boston Theological Institute, a consortium of nine theological schools in the Boston area.

In the last forty-five years, Andover Newton has remained on the cutting edge of developments in theological education. The School pioneered the "teaching parish" approach to field education, which soon established an international reputation. In the early 1970s, Andover Newton became one of the first schools in the country to offer Doctor of Ministry degrees. In the 1990s, an emerging relationship with Hebrew College invited exciting possibilities for Jewish-Christian dialogue.

As Andover Newton enters a third century of radical discipleship, it is embracing its role as a Christian seminary in a multifaith world. Academic programs are built around the question: What does it mean to foster a strong faith identity as well as capacity to cross the borders that divide humanity? Andover Newton is passionate about preparing leaders for transforming ministries. As President Carter notes, "The old formulas don't work because the world has changed." We live in a time that is far more pluralistic than ever before, and as we enter our third millennium of theological education, we are committed to preparing students for the complexities of congregational leadership and other ministries in the 21st century and beyond.

Andover Newton Students

The connections and friendships forged between students during the years they spend at Andover Newton often last a lifetime and sustain them in whatever ministries they pursue.

Ecumenical, cultural, and professional diversity is part of what makes Andover Newton such a rich and stimulating community. Students range in age from their twenties to their sixties. While more than half represent the United Church of Christ, American Baptist, or Unitarian Universalist churches, members of over thirty other denominations create a lively environment for theological inquiry.

The majority of students hail from New England, but Andover Newton attracts men and women from as far away as Alaska, California, and New Mexico. International students also bring diverse theological and cultural

heritages from countries such as Canada, China, Germany, Ghana, India, Japan, Korea, Myanmar, Nigeria, South Africa, Taiwan, Uganda, and Zimbabwe.

Some students come to Andover Newton soon after completing their undergraduate degrees. These students have an emerging sense of their call to ministry and/or academic interests, which they pursue by enrolling in Andover Newton's M.A. or M.Div. programs. Other students have pursued different careers before responding to a call to lay or ordained ministry. Doctors, nurses, lawyers, teachers, social workers, homemakers, and business executives come here to share a common quest for deeper meaning in their life's work, while juggling family life, full- or part-time employment, and the challenges of returning to the classroom after long absences.

Whatever his or her individual situation – recent college graduate or full-time worker making a second or third career change – an Andover Newton student will find a community responsive to the needs of today's varied adult learners.

Student Rights and Responsibilities

The central functions of a theological school community are learning, teaching, ministerial preparation, and scholarship. By accepting admission to the school, students join a community ideally characterized by commitment to faith, free expression, free inquiry, intellectual honesty, respect for the dignity of others, and openness to constructive change. Community members must exercise their rights and responsibilities in such a way as to be compatible with these values.

All members of the school have the right to press for action on matters of consent by any appropriate means, including convening and conducting public meetings, publicly demonstrating in an orderly fashion, advocating opinion by print, sign and voice, and so forth. The school has the responsibility to affirm, assure and protect these rights. Moreover, the school places special emphasis upon certain values which are essential to its nature as a theological community. Among these are freedom of speech and academic freedom, freedom from personal force and violence, and freedom of movement. Interference with any of these freedoms must be regarded as a serious violation of the personal rights upon which the community is based. Furthermore, although the administrative process and activities of the school cannot be ends in themselves, such functions are vital to the orderly pursuit of the work of all members of the school. Therefore, interference with members of the school in performance of their normal duties and activities must be regarded as unacceptable obstruction of the essential processes of the school. Theft or willful destruction of the property of the school or its members must also be considered an unacceptable violation of the rights of individuals or of the community as a whole.

Finally, it is the responsibility of all members of the theological community to strive to achieve an atmosphere wherein such violations of rights are unlikely to occur and to develop processes by which these rights are fully assured. In particular, it is the responsibility of the faculty and administration to be alert to the needs of the community, to give full and fair hearing to reasoned expressions of grievances; and to respond promptly and in good faith to such expressions and to widely-expressed needs for change. In making decisions which concern the community as a whole or any part of the community, the administration will consult with those affected by the decisions.

ANDOVER NEWTON SCHOOL POLICIES

Inclusive Language

Language describing the Divine is always inadequate, and will often differ because of culture, theology, and/or denominational ties. Language about God should, however, be both mindful of, and reflect the diversity and richness of God's nature and creation.

Language both mirrors and constructs social reality, often intentionally or inadvertently determining who is included and who is excluded from important conversations. For this reason, the Andover Newton Theological School community expects its members to listen to and use language that recognizes and promotes the worth, dignity, and image of God in all persons. This will involve paying particular attention to our language in written assignments, classroom discussions and presentations, and in other public settings, including chapel.

Non-Discrimination Policy

Andover Newton does not discriminate on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, age, race, color, national or ethnic origin, or disability in administration of its admissions or educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, other School-administered programs, or in employment. The School complies with the amended Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The School also has adopted policies on sexual harassment, student grievances, student discipline and Internet use.

Open, Welcoming and Affirming Statement

We declare ourselves to be an Open, Welcoming and Affirming theological school, welcoming into the full academic, business and community life of our School persons of every race, culture, age, gender, sexual orientation, ability, economic status, and faith tradition. We are committed to modeling Christian faith that works toward openness and understanding, offering justice, healing, and wholeness for all people. We believe that through our embrace of diversity and meaningful engagement of the other we can all grow in our self-understanding as children of God. From this place we believe we will be better able to practice our faith and fulfill our mission to empower church leaders as transformative witnesses of God's abundant grace and love for a broken world.

Changes to Programs

Andover Newton reserves the right, in its sole judgment, to make changes of any nature in its academic programs, policies, calendar, fees, or academic schedule whenever necessary or desirable. This includes changing course content, rescheduling of classes with or without extending the usual academic term, canceling scheduled classes or other academic activities, and requiring or affording alternatives for scheduled classes or other academic activities. The School will give notice as practical under the circumstance through *Student E-News*, Andover Newton student e-mail, and on the Web site at www.ants.edu.

Social Media & Use of Name Policy

Social media have become successful tools in providing people with important connections and relationships. They have been helpful instruments in sharing information and connecting communities, but have also been used in destructive and unproductive ways. As the oldest graduate theological school in the United States, and with a reputation developed over hundreds of years, Andover Newton has an interest both in how it is presented in Social Media and in claims people may make to be speaking on the School's behalf. This policy and set of guidelines have been developed from the School's Core Values. The School aspires to be such that all Andover Newton community members will always act out of these values, in social media and elsewhere.

Below is a list of different social media examples; however, given the rapid growth of the media world this is not a complete list.

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| i. Facebook/Twitter | vi. Blogs |
| ii. Youtube | vii. Podcasts |
| iii. Flickr | viii. Photos |
| iv. Wikipedia | ix. Videos |
| v. LinkedIn | |

For a complete list go to http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_social_networking_websites.

Andover Newton's core values continue to guide the School in interactions and relationships within the community and in the wider world. The School encourages all members of the Andover Newton community to voice opinions on the critical issues of the day, as well as about the School. However, in order to be true to the values and guidelines outlined below, we recommend that members of the community use a disclaimer, such as, "*The views on this blog are those of the author and do not necessarily represent the views or values of Andover Newton Theological School.*"

Below are guidelines (in *italics*) for utilizing social media, supported by core values.

Faithfulness

Guideline: We will communicate in the numerous online forums, invented and yet to be invented, in honest and kind ways. We will be transparent in the fact that our online postings are our voice to the online world and is only our own opinion. As part of the value of transparency we will not use the school's logo on personal pages and be clear about our status within the school, i.e. faculty, staff, or student.

Innovation

Guideline: We will embrace available technology as a positive force but still be aware of its challenges, limitations and dangers.

Stewardship

Guideline: As members of the Andover Newton Community, ambassadors of our churches and denominations, we must realize the impact that positive and negative online representations can have. We also recognize that we are stewards of the school's good name and reputation. As part of that recognition we pledge to exercise due diligence to insure that any postings from or about Andover Newton are truthful and represent the best information we can ascertain.

If a member of the Andover Newton community finds offensive material in social media, he or she should present the finding to the Dean of Students in the case of a student, or to the person's immediate supervisor in the case of a staff or faculty member. If the person is confused about the appropriate person, he/she should contact the Dean of Students. If the material is deemed by the appropriate oversight body as violating the guidelines above, the offending party will receive a warning from the appropriate body. Once warned, if the offending party refuses to remove or revise the material in accordance with these guidelines, he or she will go through the regular action of the appropriate disciplinary body.

School Closing Policy

It is Andover Newton's policy to remain open except in cases of severely inclement weather. It is the responsibility of the Administration to determine if school will be closed and/or classes canceled. Once the decision to close and/or cancel has been made, a message regarding the situation will be placed on the school's main telephone line, the Web site, and designated radio and television stations will be notified. All should be advised to call the main Andover Newton number (617-964-1100 or 800-964-2687) for details and/or to check the school Web site (www.ants.edu), as the TV and radio stations may not broadcast full

information. (Information on stations is distributed to students, staff and faculty each year. It is also posted on campus bulletin boards and in *Student E-News*).

The school recognizes that students and staff persons live both locally and at a distance, making travel to campus possible for some but not for others. Therefore, the following guidelines may be observed:

Individual classes may, by mutual consent of class members and professor, agree to meet in another setting (such as online) even if classes are canceled. Officially-designated snow days are set aside each term to facilitate rescheduling missed sessions.

On storm days when the school remains officially open, staff persons may make an individual decision in determining whether to come to work or whether to leave early should a storm begin during business hours. If the storm abates and campus conditions improve, the Library may open later in the day. Please call the Library message line at extension 2415 for specific information.

No one will be penalized for failing to come to school on days when local weather conditions make driving hazardous.

Television Channels:

WBZ: 4, WCVB: 5, and WHDH: 7 News

Radio Stations:

WBZ-AM: 1030

(at :05 & :35 past the hour starting at 5 a.m.)

WRKO-AM: 680

WOKQ-FM: 97.5 (New Hampshire)

COMMUNITY LIFE: POLICIES, PROGRAMS, AND SERVICES

Introduction

Adjusting to a new community is a process that takes time and energy. The School is committed to making that transition as easy as possible for students. Toward that end, the Dean of Students Nancy Nienhuis serves as students' representative and advocate on campus. If students run into setbacks, experience crises, or simply cannot figure out how to get something done, they should feel free to drop by her office or e-mail her to make an appointment. The School wants to ensure that all students receive the support they need to be successful. Dean Nienhuis is in Worcester 104, 617-831-2455 or nnienhuis@ants.edu.

Living on- and off-Campus

In addition to full-time student residents, many part-time students also maintain campus rooms and stay overnight one to three nights during the week, thus enjoying the benefits of being part of Andover Newton's residential community. A Resident Representative program helps to enhance community life. Resident Representatives are student members of the Dean of Students' staff and are responsible for community life and crisis response in the residence halls, among other duties.

Located within three miles of the Massachusetts Turnpike and I-95 (Route 128), the campus is easily reached by car and public transportation. It is only a ten-minute walk from the Newton Centre MBTA stop on the Green Line's Riverside "D" branch and is also easily accessible by bus. Ample parking is available for those not able to take advantage of public transportation. Parking permits are required and are available from the Buildings and Grounds Department at a cost of \$25 per semester.

The Student Center serves as a meeting place, study area, and TV lounge for the entire student body. In addition, this comfortably-furnished room serves as a place for commuters to relax before and after classes. The cafeteria in lower Noyes Hall becomes a bustling gathering place where students, faculty, and staff interact and form friendships during mealtimes. Students rate the cafeteria as the number one spot for forging new friendships in the community.

The Dean of Students' office guides new students into campus life through an orientation at the beginning of fall and spring semesters.

Disability Services

Andover Newton values diversity and the unique identity all students bring to campus. This community is eager to ensure that all students may participate in the broad array of activities and opportunities on campus, both in and out of the classroom.

Any student with a physical, learning, medical, psychiatric or other disability who needs accommodations must meet with the Dean of Students. The School recognizes that the choice to self-disclose is a very personal one and assures students that all conversations remain confidential.

Students who wish to self-disclose should contact the Dean of Students. Those who anticipate needing health or disability related services including reasonable accommodations follow a 3 step process:

- Complete the *Disability Service* request form
- Provide clinical documentation
- Make an appointment with the Dean of Students

Please note that the Dean of Students does not share information about the disability status of applicants or admitted students. Accordingly, prospective students with disabilities are encouraged to contact Dean Nienhuis to discuss their questions about academic, programmatic, residential and other aspects of Andover Newton student life. The Disability Service registration form and documentation are sent directly to the office of the Dean of Students and Community Life.

Andover Newton has the right to evaluate and determine requests for disabilities on an individual basis, regardless of prior history of accommodations. For more information or to begin this process please contact Dean of Students Nancy Nienhuis, Worcester Hall 104, 230 Herrick Road, Newton Centre, MA 02459, 617-831-2455, nnienhuis@ants.edu.

Worship and Spiritual Life

Worship is the heart of Andover Newton's community life and strives to reflect the diversity of denominational backgrounds on campus. All-community worship takes place every Wednesday when classes are in session. At this time, students, faculty and staff gather for an ecumenical service in the Wilson Chapel. This service is usually led by faculty members, and may include a brief sermon and holy communion.

In addition to weekly worship, some members of the community regularly meet for daily Morning Prayer services. These services are led by students, and occasionally by faculty and staff persons. Student groups, such as the Episcopal Student Fellowship, the Evangelical Student Fellowship, the Black Student Fellowship, and the Unitarian Universalist Student Fellowship, also lead worship on campus at other times. All services are in Wilson Chapel, and everyone is always welcome.

Students also gather for informal prayer and worship throughout the year. Several denominational and fellowship groups regularly sponsor events, convening their members for potluck suppers and weekend retreats. The lower level of Wilson Chapel houses a small prayer and meditation room.

Those who love to worship through song may wish to join the Community Choir. The Choir is open to all and sings regularly in the Wednesday service and brings together students, staff, and faculty. Opportunities also abound for student musicians to offer their gifts to campus worship life.

Each year all new students are assigned to formation groups, which are student-led ongoing orientation groups. Each group has a Faculty liaison who is the academic advisor for the members of the group. These groups meet regularly throughout the year and are led by returning students with academic training in spiritual formation. The groups provide incoming students with a peer group and foster personal spiritual practices.

Students have numerous opportunities to participate in the arts at Andover Newton. Student Art Night in the Meetinghouse, gallery openings in the Meetinghouse and the Sarly Interfaith Unity Gallery in Wilson Chapel, poetry readings, concerts, and recitals take place on a regular basis in addition to Theology and the Arts-designated courses.

Counseling Services and Spiritual Direction

Counseling and individual and group spiritual direction is offered on campus through Ms. Toni Jean DeLorenzo, L.I.C.S.W., M.Div., Associate for Spiritual Direction and Pastoral Counseling. Students may make an appointment to see Toni by calling her at extension 617-831-2437 or by e-mailing her at tdelorenzo@ants.edu. Her counseling services are available to



students at a reduced rate, with a sliding fee-scale appropriate to need. Please contact the Dean of Students for more information. Counseling sessions are limited to three meetings per term. She will work with students to find the right and affordable referral if more intensive work is desired.

Student Employment Opportunities

See *Financial Aid*

Student Association

All active students at Andover Newton are members of the Student Association by default. The Student Association has an Executive Board consisting of five officers, elected annually. The Executive Board serves two primary functions: 1) to advocate to the administration on behalf of the student body about student concerns, and 2) to help build a sense of community on campus via social and community building events.

Within the Student Association are several official denominational and fellowship groups, with new ones created every year according to student interest.

For a listing of active fellowships and for further information about the Student Association, please visit the SA's website:

<http://www.antssa.com>

Community Life Web Links

For more information, view the following pages on the Andover Newton Web site:

Housing

<http://www.ants.edu/housing-and-board/>

Worship and Spiritual Life

<http://www.ants.edu/worship-and-spiritual-life/>

Maps and Directions

<http://www.ants.edu/ants-difference/map/>

Health Insurance

Massachusetts requires all institutions of higher education to ensure that their full-time and $\frac{3}{4}$ -time students are enrolled in a qualifying student-health-insurance plan or in another program that provides comparable coverage.

The school offers this insurance to any enrolled student. A student enrolled for fewer than nine credit hours per semester may apply for coverage through the Business Office; a student enrolled for nine credit hours or more per semester will be automatically covered unless he or she provides proof to the Business Office of his or her enrollment in another qualifying insurance program. Students must provide this proof every academic year.

Andover Newton does not provide an infirmary or employ resident medical personnel. For both residents and commuters, health care is an individual responsibility.

Recycling

Andover Newton recognizes our call to responsible stewardship of creation in all its forms, and is committed to creating a more green environment through reduction of waste and recycling of our resources. Collaborating with Buildings and Grounds, Facilities Management, and the campus community, Andover Newton consistently seeks to expand and improve upon existing programs, as well as to develop new

initiatives in order to create a sustainable and environmentally friendly campus. To that end, the School encourages students to share resources and use reusable resources whenever possible.

Currently, two large receptacles for recycling are located in the parking area adjacent to the Meetinghouse. In the smaller bin, residents may recycle all paper items (but no cardboard or phone books). The other, larger bin is a mixed-use bin which means that residents can recycle multiple items together—aluminum, tin, plastic, paper, cardboard, and glass and so forth. Please note that there are posted lists of disposable items on both bins.

Containers for paper recycling only are also located in the computer lab and the Worcester and Dabney work rooms.

Student Accountability Policy

I. Preamble

The relationships and conduct of students at Andover Newton shall be consistent with the purpose and mission of the School as stated in the catalogue. On rare occasions in every institution questions arise about whether certain personal conduct on the campus is compatible with the nature and purpose of the institution. To deal with such questions, Andover Newton has established a Committee on Student Accountability to conduct an impartial investigation of the facts and make recommendations as to what action should be taken. During the time of this process a student's transcript will be marked "Disciplinary Hearing Pending." Once the hearing has run its course, this marker will be removed.

II. Composition of the Committee

The Committee shall consist of the Dean of the Faculty (chair), two faculty representatives, and two students. The Committee is convened as needed, and all members are appointed by the Dean of the Faculty; the students are appointed in consultation with the Student Association President. The Dean of Students serves as a non-voting member of the committee, acting chiefly as an advocate for the student.

III. Procedures

Specific cases may be brought to the Committee's attention by any faculty member, staff member, or student. The normal channel is a letter to the chair of the Committee. After receiving the charge letter, the Dean of the Faculty conducts a preliminary review of the charge. The review includes the collection of information and, usually, a meeting with the charged student. The Dean of the Faculty shall determine whether the charge is appropriate for the Committee or may deem the matter an academic, rather than a disciplinary matter (for example, an academic concern would be improperly-formatted citations; a disciplinary one would be failure to cite sources).

When a case has been referred to the Committee, the following steps shall be taken:

1. The Dean of the Faculty will write a letter to the student, detailing the charges that another has made against the student and inviting the student to participate in the investigation.
2. The Committee will review materials related to the charge(s) and meet with the student(s) involved in the matter. Whenever such a hearing takes place, the person concerned may have witnesses appear in his or her behalf. He or she may be accompanied by another party for support.

The Committee will conduct further investigation until satisfied that members understand the matter at hand. If, following the hearing, the Committee learns of or elects to hear further evidence, or gather more data before reaching a final decision or recommendation, it shall give written notice to the person concerned of such further evidence or data and shall give him or her the opportunity to submit further comments about the evidence to the Committee before it makes its final

recommendation. During this review and deliberation period the student may not withdraw from the course in which the action under the Committee's scrutiny occurred, nor from the School itself.

3. In disciplinary actions short of separation, the decision by majority vote of the Committee is final. For responses of suspension, dismissal, or separation, the student may not return to campus during the delineated time frame.

The Committee may elect to take no action, and it has the authority to recommend any of the following actions:

- *Censure*: A written or oral rebuke without further conditions.
- *Probation*: Conditional permission to remain at Andover Newton. The Committee would be responsible for specifying these conditions. Any involvement in additional violations would result in further action from the School.
- *Suspension*: Temporary separation from the school for a specified period of time, after which the person is ordinarily reinstated, sometimes under probation. At the time of the student's suspension, specific plans will be put in place defining when, under what conditions, and by whose approval the student may return to Andover Newton.
- *Dismissal*: Separation from the school for a specified period of time, after which the person may apply for reinstatement. At the time of the student's dismissal, specific plans will be put in place defining when, under what conditions, and by whose approval the student may return to Andover Newton.
- *Separation*: Permanent separation from the school. The person may not return under any conditions. Separation cases shall be discussed and commented upon by the faculty, meeting in executive session. However, the final decision shall be the President's. The student will receive notice of the committee's recommendation of separation, after which time the student shall have an opportunity to submit written comments to the President before the President makes a final decision.

Involuntary Administrative Leave Policy

The Dean of Students may place a student on "administrative leave of absence" if:

- A student is disrupting the academic or extracurricular activities of the community, or poses a health or safety risk to himself/herself or others, and
- The student's behavior is determined to be due to a medical issue, or the student refuses to cooperate with efforts deemed necessary by the Dean of Students to evaluate the cause of the student's behavior or threatening state.

Before placing a student on "administrative leave of absence," the Dean of Students will consult with the Dean of the Faculty, Registrar, Coordinator of Financial Aid, the student's adviser, and the school's Associate for Pastoral Counseling, and on the basis of that consultation make a recommendation concerning whether the student should be placed on leave. The student will be notified in writing of the decision to place him or her on "administrative leave of absence" and the reasons for the decision.

Students who have been placed on "administrative leave of absence" and later request to return to Andover Newton will be required to provide evidence that they are ready to resume their studies and academic responsibilities. Students should submit a petition to the Dean of Students at least eight weeks in advance of the semester in which they wish to return. The petition should include the following:

- A description of the student's attempts to resolve the issues that led to his/her departure from the school;
- evidence of the student's readiness to return, such as letters from individuals from whom the student received care and/or from employers;
- permission for the school's mental health staff to consult with health care providers from whom the student received treatment, and the providers' contact information; and
- an agreement to a mandatory meeting with a designated mental health counselor. Andover Newton also reserves the right to condition the student's continued enrollment and participation in academic and extracurricular activities on compliance with any recommended treatment plan. This may include separation from the school for a period of time until treatment can be completed and the student reevaluated.

At no time will the Dean of Students communicate any confidential medical information to other officers at the school; rather, the Dean of Students will let appropriate decision-making bodies know whether the student has allowed her to acquire the necessary information and whether the student has complied with treatment agreements. In cases where the student fails to cooperate with medical and psychological evaluations and/or does not adhere to the recommended treatment plan, Andover Newton may place the student on another involuntary administrative leave of absence. In a case where a student has been placed on an involuntary administrative leave more than once, the petition to the Dean of Students and the supporting medical documentation should also specifically address this past history, including what evidence there is that the student's medical issues are sufficiently resolved to avoid the risk of future relapse.

If students wish to dispute the decision either to place them on "administrative leave of absence" or to allow them to return to the school, they may request a review of the decision by writing to the Dean of Students. The Dean of Students will review the case with the Dean of the Faculty and make a recommendation to the President. The decision of the President will be final.

General guidelines for students taking a medical leave of absence will apply to these cases.

Disruptive Behavior Policy and Guidelines

Andover Newton Theological School will not tolerate or excuse disruptive or violent behavior from any student, especially when the behavior interferes with the instruction and the educational opportunities of other students, or when the behavior is detrimental to the larger community life on campus. An expression of disagreement with a faculty member is not in itself considered disruptive behavior.

Faculty members have the right to direct students to cease disruptive classroom behavior immediately. Faculty members have the right to direct a student to leave the classroom for the rest of the class period. Students who fail to comply with such directives to cease their disruptive behavior or leave the classroom will be reported by the Faculty member to the Dean of the Faculty and the Dean of Students either immediately or after the class session. Faculty and staff members have been instructed to call 911 in the event of violent or threatening behavior from a student. Repeated or extreme cases of disruptive behavior shall be referred to the Dean of the Faculty for possible consideration by the Committee on Student Accountability.

Disruptive behavior, in and out of the classroom, can be defined as behavior that *substantially or repeatedly interferes* with the instructor's ability to conduct class or other students' ability to learn. Examples include:

- Threats of physical assault.
- Electronic devices signaling; answering cell phones.
- Repeated tardiness.

- Leaving class without permission.
- Talking in class without permission; making noise and repeatedly interrupting.
- Reading newspapers/magazines in class.
- Being verbally or otherwise abusive, intimidating, or disrespectful to the professor or other students.
- Persistent and unreasonable demands for time and attention, both in and out of the classroom.
- Refusing to comply with the directions of the professor.
- Attempts to contact the professor at home in inappropriate ways.
- Refusing to comply with the directions of the Resident Representatives or Andover Newton staff members.
- Persistent and unreasonable demands for time and attention from Resident Representatives, Student Association members, or members of the Andover Newton staff.
- Attempts to contact fellow students against their will.

CORI Policy

Ministry is a profession that demands the highest standards of behavior and ethical/moral conduct. All have seen, painfully, what happens to churches and church-related institutions which fail to hold high standards in this area. Moreover, Andover Newton Theological School is a residential campus. The School provides public access to buildings and grounds, including twenty-four-hour access to some facilities used for study and worship. A significant number of children live and/or attend school on the campus, and many times students, staff, and faculty are working with and living among other vulnerable populations. For this reason, Andover Newton Theological School conducts a background check on all applicants, and reserves the right to conduct a general background check for employment, volunteer work or licensing purposes, including but not limited to a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check. The following practices and procedures will generally be followed:

1. CORI checks will only be conducted as authorized by the Criminal History Systems Board (CHSB). The School will notify the parties involved when a CORI check will be conducted. If requested, the party involved will be provided with a copy of the CORI policy.
2. An informed review of a criminal record requires adequate training. Accordingly, all personnel authorized to review CORI on behalf of the school will be thoroughly familiar with the educational materials made available by CHSB.
3. Unless otherwise provided by law, a criminal record will not automatically disqualify an applicant. Rather, determinations of suitability based on CORI checks will be made consistent with this policy and other school policies, and any applicable law or regulations.
4. If a criminal record is received from CHSB, the authorized individual will closely compare the record provided by CHSB with the information on the CORI request form and any other identifying information provided by the party involved, to ensure the record relates to that person.
5. If Andover Newton is inclined to make an adverse decision based on the results of the CORI check, the party involved will be notified immediately. The party involved shall be provided with a copy of the criminal record and the organization's CORI policy, advised of the part(s) of the record upon

which the school's decision was made, and given an opportunity to dispute the accuracy and relevance of the CORI record.

6. Applicants challenging the accuracy of the policy shall be provided a copy of CHSB's *Information Concerning the Process in Correcting a Criminal Record*. If the CORI record provided does not exactly match the identification information provided by the party involved, Andover Newton will make a determination based on a comparison of the CORI record and documents provided by the party. Andover Newton may contact CHSB and request a detailed search consistent with CHSB policy.
7. If Andover Newton reasonably believes the record belongs to the party involved and is accurate, based on the information as provided in section IV on this policy, then it will use the information in its decision. Unless otherwise provided by law, factors considered in determining suitability may include, but not be limited to the following:
 - a. Relevance of the crime to the position sought in the community (student, staff, or faculty);
 - b. The nature of the applicant's prospective role in the Andover Newton community;
 - c. Time since the conviction;
 - d. Age of the candidate at the time of the offense;
 - e. Seriousness and specific circumstances of the offense;
 - f. The number of offenses;
 - g. Whether the applicant has pending charges;
 - h. Any relevant evidence of rehabilitation or lack thereof;
 - i. Any other relevant information, including information submitted by the candidate or requested by the hiring authority
8. Andover Newton will notify the applicant of the decision and the basis of the decision in a timely manner, except in the matter of admissions decisions. All admissions decisions are confidential.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse Prevention Program for Faculty, Staff and Students

The following policy is adopted in order to comply with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and the subsequent Drug Free Schools and Communities Amendments of 1989. Continued participation in federal programs is contingent upon this policy being in place. As well, Andover Newton Theological School recognizes alcohol and/or drug dependencies as illnesses, major health problems and potential safety and security problems to the School. This policy expresses the School's commitment to the maintenance of the drug free environment on campus. All faculty, staff, and students must abide by the terms of this policy.

General Prohibitions and Sanctions

Andover Newton prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of controlled substances, or being under the influence of illicit drugs on the campus or any other work site connected to the School or during any School-related activity. When alcohol is present at Andover Newton events, community members are expected to drink responsibly. Violation of this policy will result in disciplinary action up to and including separation and criminal penalties.

Drug Education, Counseling and Rehabilitation Programs

Any student or employee who violates the provisions of this policy may be required to participate in a substance abuse education program or a rehabilitation program at his or her expense.

For referrals to education, treatment and rehabilitation programs, employees and students may contact Ms. Toni Jean DeLorenzo, Associate for Spiritual Direction and Pastoral Counseling for an appointment (extension 2437 or tdelorenzo@ants.edu). Her office is located on campus. As with any consultation with a licensed counselor, confidentiality is assured. Voluntary efforts to seek help for a drug or alcohol problem are encouraged and will not *per se* put either the student or the employee in jeopardy, provided that the individual seeks help prior to discovery.

For additional information, the following hotline is available: The National Institute on Drug Abuse Hotline, 1-800-662-HELP, an information and referral line that directs callers to treatment centers in the local community.

Employees

As a condition of employment, employees must abide by the terms of this policy and are required to report to work fit to perform their duties in a safe and efficient manner. As a further condition of employment, employees must report their own convictions under a criminal drug statute for violations occurring either in the work place or during the performance of work-related duties within five days after the conviction, as required by the Drug Free Workplace Act of 1988. The School will notify the granting agency within ten days after receiving notice from an employee or from an outside agency of the employee's criminal drug statute conviction for conduct in the workplace. Within thirty days of receiving notification of an employee's drug statute conviction, the School will initiate appropriate personnel action which may include imposing a sanction or requiring satisfactory participation in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program through an approved agency. Employee is interpreted in the broader sense of the word to include any individuals who receive any reimbursement from the School for services.

A copy of this policy will be distributed to all faculty, staff and students.

Federal Penalties and Sanctions for Illegal Possession of a Controlled Substance

First conviction:

Up to one year imprisonment and fined at least \$1,000 but not more than \$100,000 or both.

After one prior drug conviction:

At least 15 days in prison, not to exceed two years and fined at least \$2,500 but not more than \$250,000 or both.

After two or more prior drug convictions:

- A. At least 90 days in prison, not to exceed three years and fined \$5,000 but not more than \$250,000 or both if:
 1. first conviction and the amount of crack possessed exceeds five grams.
 2. second crack conviction and the amount of crack possessed exceeds three grams.
 3. third or subsequent crack conviction and the amount of crack possessed exceeds one gram.
- B. Forfeiture of personal and real property used to possess or facilitate possession of a controlled substance if that offense is punishable by more than one year imprisonment:
 - Forfeiture of vehicles, boats, aircraft or any other conveyance used to transport or conceal a controlled substance.
 - Civil fine of up to \$10,000.

- Denial of federal benefits, such as student loans, grants, contracts, and professional and commercial licenses, up to one year for first offence, up to five years for second and subsequent offenses.
- Ineligible to receive or purchase firearms.
- Revocation of certain federal licenses and benefits, i.e., pilot licenses, public housing tenancy, are rested within the authorities of individual federal agencies.

Student Grievance Procedure

I. Preamble

It is the intention of this procedure to encourage and facilitate resolution of a serious grievance that a student may have with a faculty member, supervisor, administrator or member of the staff. This procedure may also be used by students who wish to raise a complaint in an area related to the accrediting standards of the Association of Theological Schools. (A description of the ATS standards is available at: <http://www.ats.edu/Accrediting/Pages/StandardsOfAccreditation.aspx>.) The desire is to resolve any grievance in the early stages of the process. However, the process does provide for full mediation in a fair, equitable and timely manner.

II. Steps in grievance procedure

- A. A student who believes she or he has a legitimate grievance should ordinarily meet face-to-face promptly with the person immediately involved (i.e. faculty member, supervisor, administrator, member of staff), or in the case of a complaint about an ATS accreditation standard, with the person in charge of the area under complaint. The procedure is concluded if a mutually acceptable solution is reached. Should either person wish written documentation of the resolution, they shall write such. Each person will sign, date and retain a copy. A copy of any complaint about an ATS accreditation standard is kept on permanent file in the President's Office.

If the severity of the grievance in question is, in the estimation of the student, sufficiently significant as to render face-to-face confrontation unsafe or unwise, the student may consult with the appropriate party (see II.B.1a, b, and c below) in advance of initiating such a meeting for advisement. That official has the right to accelerate to II.B (below) at his/her discretion.

- B. If the grievance is not mutually resolved, the student may pursue the matter in the following manner:
1. Within seven days of the meeting in II.A, the student should send a written statement to:
 - a. The Dean of the Faculty, if a faculty member is involved in grievance.
 - b. The supervisor, if a staff person is involved in grievance.
 - c. The President, if a senior manager or a member of the President's staff is the subject of grievance. (Note: The Dean of Students' Office is available if the student is unclear about the person to contact or to provide support for students as they go through this process.)
 2. The statement must clearly indicate:
 - a. The nature of the complaint.
 - b. The steps already taken (must show evidence of II.A).
 3. As soon as possible after receipt of the written statement, the appropriate person (see II.B.1a, b, or c above) must:
 - a. Meet with each party separately.

- b. If appropriate, meet with parties together to attempt to resolve the grievance.
 - c. If the grievance is resolved, provide a written dated summary within three days which each party will sign. Copies will be filed with the Vice President for Finance and Operations, who oversees all Human Resources administration.
- C. If the grievance is not resolved through the steps above, the student may make a written appeal within seven days to the Dean of the Faculty. The written appeal must include evidence that all of the above steps have been completed. The Dean of the Faculty will convene a hearing committee as follows:
1. The Dean of the Faculty will select one member of the faculty, one member of the staff, one member of the administration, and two students (in consultation with the President of the Student Association) to serve on the committee. The Dean of the Faculty will convene the committee as soon as possible after receiving the written request and will apprise the President of the process. The Dean of Students serves as a non-voting member of the committee, acting chiefly as an advocate for the student.
 2. The Committee will meet to hear and resolve the grievance. The decision will be presented in writing to each party in the grievance with a recommendation to the President. The decision of the President will be final, provided, however, that in any case in which the President was the first person contacted pursuant to II.B.1c above because a senior manager or administrative staff member was involved, the decision of the Committee shall be final. The final decision will be kept on file in the offices of the President, Dean of the Faculty and the Vice President for Finance and Operations as applicable.

Massachusetts Regulations with Regard to Hazing

269:17. Hazing; organizing and participating; hazing defined.

Section 17. Whoever is a principal organizer or participant in the crime of hazing, as defined herein, shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$3,000 or by imprisonment in a house of correction for not more than one year, or both such fine and imprisonment. The term "hazing" as used in this section and sections 18 and 19, shall mean any conduct or method of initiation into any student organization, whether on public or private property, which willfully or recklessly endangers the physical or mental health of any student or other person. Such conduct shall include whipping, beating, forced calisthenics, exposure to the weather, forced consumption of any food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any such student or other person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section to the contrary, consent shall not be available as a defense to any prosecution under this action.

269:18. Failure to report hazing.

Section 18. Whoever knows that another person is the victim of hazing as defined in section 17 and is at the scene of such crime shall, to the extent that such person can do so without danger or peril to himself or others, report such crime to an appropriate law enforcement official as soon as reasonably practicable. Whoever fails to report such crime shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

269:19. Copy of secs. 17-19; issuance to students and student groups, teams and organizations; report.

Section 19. Each institution of secondary education and each public and private institution of post-secondary education shall issue to every student group, student team, or student organization which is part of such institution or is recognized by the institution or permitted by the institution to use its name or facilities or is known to the institution to exist as an unaffiliated student group, student team or

student organization, a copy of this section and sections 17 and 18; provided, however, that an institution's compliance with this section's requirements that an institution issue copies of this section and sections and 18 to unaffiliated student groups, teams, or organizations shall not constitute evidence of the institution's recognition or endorsement of said unaffiliated student groups, teams, or organizations.

Each such group, team, or organization shall distribute a copy of this section and sections 17 and 18 to each of its members, plebes, pledges or applicants for membership. It shall be the duty of each such group, team, or organization, acting through its designated officer, to deliver annually to the institution an attested acknowledgment stating that such group, team, or organization has received a copy of this section and said sections 17 and 18, that each of its members, plebes, pledges, or applicants has received a copy of sections and that such group, team, or organization understands and agrees to comply with the provisions of this section and sections and 18.

Each institution of secondary education and each public or private institution of post-secondary education shall, at least annually, before or at the start of enrollment, deliver to each person who enrolls as a full-time student in such institution a copy of this section and sections 17 and 18.

Each institution of secondary education and each public or private institution of post-secondary education shall file, at least annually, a report with the regents of higher education and in the case of secondary institutions, the board of education, certifying that such institution has complied with its responsibility to inform student groups, teams or organizations and to notify each full-time student enrolled by it of the provisions of this section and sections 17 and 18 and also certifying that said institution has adopted a disciplinary policy with regard to the organizers and participants of hazing, and that such policy has been set forth with appropriate emphasis in the student handbook or similar means of communicating the institution's policies to its students. The board of regents and, in the case of secondary institutions, the board of education shall promulgate regulations governing the content and frequency of such reports, and shall forthwith report to the attorney general any such institution which fails to make such report.

Sexual Harassment Policy

Preamble

Andover Newton Theological School is committed to creating and maintaining communities in which students, faculty, and staff can work together in an atmosphere free of all forms of discrimination, harassment, exploitation or intimidation. Specifically, all persons associated with Andover Newton should be aware that the School condemns sexual harassment. Such behavior is an affront to God and human dignity, is prohibited both by law and by School policy, and will not be tolerated. It is the intention and responsibility of the School to take whatever action may be needed to prevent and correct behavior which is contrary to this policy, up to and including expulsion for students, and for employees up to and including discharge.

Definition

Sexual harassment includes repeated or coercive sexual advances toward another person contrary to his or her wishes. Unwelcome sexual advances (as defined by the recipient of such advances), requests for sexual favors, and other abusive verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature or relating to sexual orientation constitute sexual harassment when:

1. submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition or circumstance of instruction, employment, or participation in other School activity;
2. submission to or rejection of such conduct by an individual is used as a basis for evaluation in making academic or personnel decisions affecting an individual; or

3. such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's performance or creating a discriminating, intimidating, hostile, or offensive school environment, as defined by the recipient of such conduct.

Scope of Definition

This policy covers sexual harassment incidents involving any member of the Andover Newton community or participants in Andover Newton business, including persons in contextual education settings (such as Field Education or Border-Crossing Immersion Programs).

In determining whether the alleged conduct constitutes sexual harassment, consideration shall be given to the record of the incident as a whole and to the totality of the circumstances, including the context in which the alleged incident(s) occurred. As defined above, sexual harassment is a specific form of discrimination in which power inherent in a relationship is unfairly exploited. Sexual harassment most often takes place in a situation where a student or employee is in a subordinate position of power, for example, there is always a power differential between faculty and students and between students and administrators. However, this policy also recognizes that sexual harassment may occur between persons of the same seminary status, e.g., student-student, faculty-faculty, staff-staff or may occur in a reverse situation of power differential, e.g., student-faculty or administration, employee-supervisor.

School Commitment

It is the responsibility of the administration of the School to uphold the requirements of basic human justice, and with regard to sexual harassment specifically, to ensure that the School's environment be kept free of it. For that purpose, these policies and procedures are adopted to avoid misunderstandings by faculty, administration, students, supervisors and staff on (1) the definitions of sexual harassment and (2) the procedures specifically defined to resolve complaints of sexual harassment.

Justice requires that the rights and concerns of both complainant and respondent be fully assured. The School shall make every effort to assure and protect these rights, and shall undertake no action that threatens or compromises them.

Procedures for Handling Complaints of Sexual Harassment

1. Composition of Committee:

A Sexual Harassment Task Force will be established by the initiation of the President on an as needed basis. It will be composed of the following:

- A. a member of the Senior Management Team, other than the President, selected by the Senior Management Team
- B. one faculty member selected by the Faculty Association
- C. one staff member selected by the Staff Association
- D. two students selected by the Student Association in consultation with organized student constituencies.

To ensure gender balance and racial representation, the President may require substitutions. In a case in which a member of the Task Force is a complainant or respondent a replacement for that case will be selected by the appropriate constituent group.

2. Filing a Complaint:

- A. Who May File a Complaint:
 1. Any Andover Newton student,

2. Any Andover Newton faculty member,
3. Any staff member or employee of Andover Newton,
4. A member of the ministry setting in which an Andover Newton student is involved, including Field Education sites.
5. Persons not included in the above 4 categories may present complaints to the President of the Seminary who, at his or her sole discretion, may decide to adjudicate the complaint under this statement of policy and procedures.

Action will be taken. The seminary takes all complaints or reports of discrimination, sexual harassment, sexual misconduct, or other misconduct seriously, and the School will act on all complaints made against professors, employees, and students of the School.

3. Complaint Procedures:

A. Informal Complaint Procedures:

1. The complainant may appeal to a member of the Sexual Harassment Task Force for counsel or to request that member's aid in resolving the matter. This informal procedure will be kept confidential and will not be recorded in the minutes of the Task Force. In such an event the member may report to the Task Force and participate in discussions and informal resolutions but shall not vote in later Task Force decisions in the event that formal proceedings are instituted.
2. The complainant may attempt to resolve the matter directly with the individual accused of sexual harassment.
3. The complainant may report the incident to the supervisor (in the case of students, to the Dean of Students) of the individual allegedly engaged in sexual harassment, in an effort to resolve the matter.
4. Where other such informal efforts to resolve the complaint may not be wise, appropriate, or successful, the complainant may appeal to the Task Force in resolving the complaint informally. A record of this complaint and its resolution will be maintained in the minutes of the Task Force, which minutes shall be kept confidential to the Task Force and kept in the office of the Academic Dean.

B. Formal Complaint Procedures:

If an informal resolution of the complaint does not seem possible or does not succeed and if the matter is not settled within 10 working days, the complainant and the Task Force will institute formal proceedings which shall include the following steps:

1. The complainant shall file a formal complaint with the Task Force in writing. The written complaint must be signed by the complainant and include the following information:
 - a. the person against whom the complaint is made;
 - b. a description of the behavior; and
 - c. the time and place of occurrence.
2. The Task Force will gather oral and written statements from the parties involved in the alleged harassment, and from others who may have pertinent information, such as witnesses, qualified professional consultants, etc. The respondent may appear before the Task Force and present witnesses in his or her behalf. These actions will be completed within days of receipt of the formal complaint.

3. The Task Force will adjudicate the allegations based on the information gathered in “2” above, and determine actions appropriate to resolve the matter; these may include:
 - a. finding that sexual harassment has occurred, and in which case the appropriate body or officer of the School will be called upon to take action accordingly. Such action may include one or more of the following:
 - a formal reprimand, with defined expectations for changed behavior;
 - recommending or requiring remedial action such as but not limited to psychological or psychiatric assessment, counseling and/or treatment, education, and so forth;
 - probationary standing, with the terms of the probation clearly defined;
 - dismissal from the School - suspension.
 - b. finding that no sexual harassment occurred.

In the course of investigating the allegations of the complainant, the supervisor (if involved) and members of the Task Force shall contact only those persons whose participation is reasonably necessary to the investigation of the complaint, and shall otherwise keep the facts of the investigation confidential. A written summary of the Task Force proceedings will be maintained in the minutes of the Task Force, and in the permanent file of the complainant and the respondent.

If the complainant or respondent is not satisfied with the disposition of the matter, he or she has the right to appeal in writing within 30 days to the President of the School, who may review and affirm or alter the disposition.

The complainant or respondent may appeal the decision of the President by addressing an appeal in writing within days to the chair of the Board of Trustees. The chair shall refer the matter to the Executive Committee of the Board within days and said committee will resolve the matter, with discretion to take any further evidence that it may deem necessary before making its final determination.

The complainant and any individual participating in any investigation under this policy have the Seminary’s assurance that no reprisals will be taken as a result of a sexual harassment complaint made in good faith. It is Andover Newton’s policy to encourage discussion of the matter, to help protect others from being subjected to similar inappropriate behavior.

Federal and State agencies charged with enforcement of the Sexual Harassment law

In addition to the above, if you believe that you have been subjected to sexual harassment you may file a formal complaint with either or both of the government agencies set forth below. Using our complaint process does not prohibit you from filing a complaint with these agencies. Each of the agencies has a 300 day time period from the date of the alleged act of sexual harassment in which to file a complaint.

Federal:

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

One Congress Street, 10th floor

Boston, MA 02114

(617) 565-3200

State:

The Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination Boston Office:

One Ashburton Place 6th floor, Room 601, Boston, MA 02108, (617) 727-3990

Student ID

All students enrolled in degree programs (M. Div., M.A., and D.Min.) and Special Students are required to have a picture identification card (Student ID), obtainable in the Office of the Registrar. Faculty and staff members must also obtain a picture ID.

The Student ID is required by the Library and is used as the primary identification card for library services. It is also required by Buildings and Grounds to obtain a parking sticker.

The Student ID is the property of Andover Newton Theological School, and upon withdrawal from the School, it must be returned to the Office of the Registrar. If the card is lost or destroyed, there will be a \$15.00 replacement fee.

Andover Newton Theological School is not responsible for any unlawful use of this card.

Library Policies

For a description of library policies, please visit the Franklin Trask Library, or review library policies on the Web site at <http://www.ants.edu/library/policies/>.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Information Technology Use Policies

Andover Newton Theological School offers computing and Internet resources in support of the School's mission to pursue the highest standards of learning, research, and instruction for the sake of the life, worship, and witness of the whole church. Included in these resources are:

- Computers and printers in administrative and faculty offices with LAN (Local Area Network) and access to Internet resources.
- Computers and a printer in the computer lab with LAN (Local Area Network) and access to Internet resources.
- Proprietary software licensed for use on School computers.
- Wireless Internet access in the residence halls, Trask Library, Sturtevant Hall, Noyes Hall, Wilson Chapel and Davis Hall, and additional locations as they become available.
- Andover Newton E-mail, student records system, and E-Learning accounts.
- Access to databases and other electronic educational resources through computers in the Trask Library.

The use of these resources is a privilege, not a right of membership in the Andover Newton community, and is not transferable. It is intended solely for the administrative and educational purposes of the Andover Newton community. These privileges are only made available to students registered for any Andover Newton course, Andover Newton residents, faculty, and staff of Andover Newton. Public Internet access for research purposes is also available in the Library.

State and Federal laws as well as Andover Newton's own official school policies govern use of the School's computing resources. In instances where data are transferred across the Internet or other networks, users are advised that acceptable use policies of those other networks may limit usage.

Andover Newton reserves the right to change its usage policy and procedures at any time, including setting limits or prohibiting access. Andover Newton's Computer Services are administered by the Information Technology Department under the direction of Vice President for Finance and Operations.

E-Mail Accounts

Andover Newton e-mail accounts are provided for every current Andover Newton student registered for courses. They are not provided for non-Andover Newton students taking courses, such as BTI, MIV, Lay Auditors, or Exchange students. Students may request that their accounts remain available for one year beyond graduation. E-mail is accessed via a link from the Andover Newton Web site.

Online Learning Accounts

Andover Newton accounts are provided to every student registered for an Andover Newton course, regardless of their affiliation with Andover Newton. These accounts may be accessed via the Newton Web site.

User Responsibilities

Users agree as a condition of use to accept personal responsibility for considerate, ethical and responsible behavior in using available resources including:

- Andover Newton E-Mail Accounts are used for all official Andover Newton communications.
- Adhering to all applicable copyright laws and licenses, copying only software distributed as “freeware” or “shareware.” Infringement of copyright laws may subject persons to fines and/or imprisonment.
- Respect for the rights of others, including privacy and freedom from offensive intrusion.
- Respect for intellectual property of individuals and their ownership rights.
- Understanding and implementing basic user-skills.
- Ensuring account and network security, particularly through the periodic change of account passwords; maintaining anti-virus software on personal computers.
- Backing up all significant data regularly. Andover Newton assumes no liability for lost or corrupted data that is irretrievable from hard drives.

Unacceptable Use

Unacceptable use includes but is not limited to:

- Illegal downloads of music, movies or other copyrighted material.
- Violation of State and/or Federal Laws or Andover Newton policies.
- Use of resources for commercial purposes of any type.
- Transferring use to another individual or organization.
- Unsolicited advertising.
- Promoting or procuring pornography.
- Creating, sending, or forwarding electronic chain letters.
- Harassment of others.
- Misrepresenting your identity and/ or account.
- Creating and/or willfully disseminating computer viruses.

Security

Security of technology and data is an issue that Andover Newton takes very seriously. The school will take all necessary measures, within the limit of available resources, to ensure the security and integrity of the system.

In the event of system failure due to corrupt files, users are advised that monitoring of data may be necessary to maintain proper operation of the system. In such an event, the owner of the files will be provided notice whenever possible. Be advised that due to the proliferation of hackers, one can never be guaranteed complete privacy of individual files.

Software and Hardware Issues

The Information Technology Department will make every effort to ensure the functionality of standard network hardware and software. We may need to disable hardware or software that is incompatible with network resources.

Under no circumstances will software programs or CDs be permitted to be downloaded or placed on the network or workstations owned by Andover Newton without signed permission of the Director of IT or Information Systems Manager. Deletion may be made without prior notice.

Personal hardware such as monitors, keyboards, printers and PDAs may not be connected to Andover Newton-owned workstations.

Internet Use Policies

This policy applies to all students, residents, faculty and staff when they are using computers or Internet connections supplied by Andover Newton Theological School, whether or not during work hours, and whether or not from the school's premises.

No Privacy

Andover Newton Theological School provides computers and Internet connections to further its educational interests. Andover Newton-owned computers should be used only for School business. Andover Newton has the right to monitor all communications and downloads that pass through its facilities at its sole discretion. Any information retained on the School's facilities may be disclosed to outside parties or to law enforcement authorities.

Note:

Andover Newton owns the wiring and wireless access points in the buildings, including the residence halls and is responsible for our business class Internet access. As a result, Andover Newton is also held responsible for illegal use of this infrastructure in the dorms. The school requests, therefore, that all students and residents honor this responsibility when using the Andover Newton network.

Improper Activities

Users may not disseminate or knowingly receive harassing, sexually explicit, threatening or illegal information or chain letters by use of the School's facilities, including offensive jokes or cartoons. The School's computers may not be used for commercial advertisements, solicitations or promotions.

Nature of E-mail

E-mail resembles speech in its speed and lack of formality. Unlike speech, e-mail leaves a record that is often retrievable even after the sender and recipient delete it. If a user would not want others to read a message, it should not be sent by e-mail.

Intellectual Property of Others

Users may not download or use material from the Internet or elsewhere in violation of software licenses, or the copyright trademark and patent laws, nor may they install or use any software obtained over the Internet on computers owned by Andover Newton without written permission from the Network Administrator.

Report Violations

Anyone who learns about a violation of this policy must report it immediately to his or her supervisor, the Director of IT or Information Systems Manager.

Computer Lab Policies

Andover Newton Theological School (Andover Newton) provides a computer lab located in the basement of Stoddard Hall for use by Andover Newton students, residents, faculty and staff. Use by other persons is strictly prohibited.

Policies

All of the policies pertaining to Information Technology Use Policies apply to the computer lab. In addition, the following policies apply:

- Academic work by students takes precedence over all other uses of the computers. The primary function of these resources is for academic work. All other uses are considered secondary.
- Files are to be saved to the user's own media and not to the hard drive. It is the user's responsibility to provide his/her own media. Files saved on the hard drive will be deleted without notice.
- Lab software that is copyrighted may not be copied. Users may not install any software program or utility on the lab computers without written permission of the Information Technology Department.
- Only software that is properly licensed will be loaded on the lab computers.
- Users may not remove any icons or programs from the lab computers, nor may they alter any programs.
- Andover Newton's Information Technology Department assumes no responsibility for lost or corrupted data on any PC.
- Users should limit their time on the computers to two hours unless there are no other users waiting.
- Only covered drinks are permitted in the computer lab. Food and uncovered drinks are not permitted in the computer lab.
- If technical problems occur with either the hardware or software, users should contact the Information Technology Help Desk, rather than trying to fix it.
- The lab will be open during posted hours only. Security concerns must be honored, so users are asked not to stay beyond the posted time. Accessing, downloading, or storing sexually explicit or other morally questionable material is prohibited.

Labs have paper-only recycling bins that must be reserved for that use.

Web Site and E-News Policies

Andover Newton Web Site

The Andover Newton Theological School Web site (www.ants.edu) is managed by the Web Team, and the authority for content rests in different divisions in the School. Questions, corrections and requests for additions should be emailed to appropriate administrative staff members, who can communicate them to the Web Team.

Student E-News Content

Students, faculty and staff can send notices of upcoming news and events to the student mailing list, Student E- News. The purpose of Student E-News is to:

- Share official school news.
- Share community news, such as events on campus.
- Provide time-critical information.
- Send special requests to meet special needs, such as requests for prayers or donations for a community member.

Student E-News does not send personal notices, such as items for sale or charitable contributions. To send news to Student E-News, send e-mail to enews@ants.edu with the text of your submission. Text is used as written. News items should be submitted “ready to print.” Before submission, please review your news items carefully for accuracy, grammar, and spelling. Corrections after publication cause confusion. When sending e-mail news, brief messages are best!

E-News is generally sent out twice each week. Exceptions may be made on an emergency basis. E-News is delivered through the Andover Newton e-mail system to all students, staff and faculty. The mail is sent only to ants.edu accounts.

Web Site and E-News Disclaimer

Andover Newton reserves the right to edit, delay, or not print any notice or item of news it deems inappropriate, inconsistent with the values of the school or otherwise not in keeping with these and other policies of the school. The use of these services by any member of our community is a privilege, not a right.

HOUSING AND BOARD FOR STUDENTS

Andover Newton is pleased to be able to provide housing to its students to the extent that it is available. Full-time housing is offered to students on a first-come, first-served basis, and dormitory options are available for part-time residency during each semester.

Housing Policies

Andover Newton does not discriminate on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, age, race, color, national or ethnic origin, or disability in the administration of housing policies and procedures.

Returning and entering degree candidates are eligible to apply annually for campus housing. (Entering students receive housing information during the admissions process.) Priority is given to students according to the date when applications are received. Applications may be downloaded from our Web site at www.ants.edu. Campus residents must abide by Andover Newton's housing policies and regulations. When signing their Housing contracts, students will be reminded that they may access and print the Andover Newton Student Housing Policy online at <http://www.ants.edu/pdf/housingpolicies.pdf/>. In addition, they can request a hard copy by e-mailing the Housing Office at housing@ants.edu.

Eligibility for Student Housing

New incoming and existing students must take nine credits or more per semester to be eligible for Andover Newton housing, excluding D. Min. students, who must take six or more credits per semester. A Housing Bill Surcharge will be applied to any student not taking the required amount of credits during any semester, proportionally based on the number of credits actually taken. Surcharge percentage rates can be found in the Andover Newton Student Housing Policy.

Resident students who are taking no credits for two consecutive semesters will not be eligible for housing in future semesters. Students who have been suspended or separated by the School will have 30 days to seek alternate housing.

Housing Options

Understanding that our student body has differing housing needs based on marital or partnership status, children and a wide range of personal preferences, Andover Newton has reserved five residence buildings to accommodate, and be sensitive to, as many of these factors as possible.

Single dormitory-style rooms with shared kitchen and bathroom facilities are available on campus for full-time residents or one to three nights per week for commuting students. All rooms in single residence halls are equipped with basic furniture: bed, dresser, desk and chair, lamp, lounge chair, mirror and bookcase. Apartments in Kendall Hall, Fuller Hall and Herrick House are unfurnished, except for stoves and refrigerators.

Apartments, including one-room studios and one- or two-bedroom units, are available for full-time students. Some accommodate families with one or two children.

All residence halls are non-smoking. There are designated outdoor smoking areas near each of the halls. Smokers must remain 20 feet away from any building while smoking. Pets are not allowed in any student residences. Special exceptions will be made for service animals required to accommodate disabled students under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Couples' Housing

Couples' housing is available in Fuller Hall and Herrick House, but is in very limited supply. Requests for one- and two-bedroom units often outnumber available apartments. There is no guarantee that an applicant requesting couples'/family housing will be accommodated.

Couples applying for housing must provide documentation of marriage or domestic partnership. If a couple has not married or entered into an available domestic partnership for political or philosophical reasons they must provide a letter to that effect to the Dean of Students. If the couple's home state prohibited their marriage or domestic partnership, the couple must provide one of the following:

- a joint mortgage or lease;
- documentation showing, for a period of at least six months prior to the application for housing, a joint bank account, joint credit account, or joint ownership of a motor vehicle;
- two (2) items documenting that the applicant and his/her partner have resided together at the same address for a period of at least six months prior to the application for housing (such as drivers' licenses, voters' registration, utility bills, etc);

No refunds can be made for absences from the campus during periods in the school year when classes are not in session.

Commuter Students

Students who travel a distance to attend classes at Andover Newton may rent a room for three or fewer nights per week during a semester or by the night during the summer or winter sessions. They must provide their own linens and towels. Part-time Residents apply for housing as a part of each semester's online registration. Students wishing to make changes to their PTR housing after registration has ended should contact the Student Housing Office by emailing housing@ants.edu. Entering students who require housing during orientation should contact Director of Housing Frank Novo at fnovo@ants.edu before arriving.

Meals: All-School Board Plan

Sharing meals together is one way the community aspect of theological education at Andover Newton is strengthened. Full-time students living in Appleton Chase and Farwell Hall dorms are required to be on the full board plan option. Commuting students and students residing in Herrick House, Kendall and Fuller Halls who take two or more courses on campus are required to choose from any one of the board plan options. There is no board plan for winter or summer sessions.

More detailed information regarding ANTS on-campus housing and board may be found at: <http://www.ants.edu/housing-and-board/>.

SAFETY AND SECURITY ON CAMPUS

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

(FERPA)The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) helps protect the privacy of student education records. The Act provides for the right to inspect and review education records, the right to seek to amend those records, and the right to limit disclosure of information from the records. The intent of the legislation is to protect the rights of students and to ensure the privacy and accuracy of education records.

Rights Afforded to Students by FERPA with Respect to Their Educational Records

- The right to inspect and review their education records within forty-five days of the day that Andover Newton receives a request for access. Students may request to see their records at any time after enrollment by going to the Registrar's Office and filling out a request form. They will then be given an appointment to inspect the records.
- The right to request an amendment to the student's education records that the student believes are inaccurate or misleading. A student who wishes to challenge or amend the contents of his or her educational record may do so as long as the request does not entail questioning substantive judgments, such as grades, that are correctly recorded. Students who wish to request a change to their records should do so in writing to the Registrar. Under federal regulation, Andover Newton has the right to approve or deny challenge requests. If Andover Newton agrees with the student's request, the appropriate records will be amended. If Andover Newton denies the request, the student has the right to a formal hearing on the matter. If such a hearing results in further denial of the request, the student has the right to place with the educational record a statement that comments on the information in the record or that sets forth any reason for disagreeing with the decision of the hearing.
- The right to block disclosure of "directory information," except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.
- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures of Andover Newton to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

Complaints regarding alleged violation of rights of students under FERPA may be submitted in writing within 180 days to the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20202-4605.

Legitimate Educational Interest

It is important to note that FERPA allows for the release of both directory and non-directory student information to "school officials" who have a legitimate educational interest in the information, without obtaining the student's consent.

School Officials

A school official is a person employed by Andover Newton Theological School in an administrative, supervisory, academic, or research, or support staff person; a person or company with whom Andover Newton has contracted; or a student serving on an official committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. The determination of whether an official has a legitimate educational interest will

focus on whether disclosure of the information is appropriate for the effective functioning of the person's office, their position or of the School.

More Information

FERPA Frequently Asked Questions <http://www.ants.edu/registrar/ferpa-faq/>

Request to Restrict Directory Information Form (PDF) <http://www.ants.edu/pdf/privacy.pdf>

Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990

Introduction

The Higher Education Amendments now include the *Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990*. This legislation "requires institutions to annually publish and distribute a security report containing campus security policies and procedures as well as campus crime statistics." Andover Newton's crime reports may be found at <http://www.ants.edu/campus-life/campus-crime-report/>. Following are policies and procedures regarding campus safety on the Andover Newton campus.

How to Report Criminal Activity on Campus

Procedures to follow in the case of certain emergencies are posted in a prominent position in each building. Please note where these procedures are posted and make a note of the applicable phone numbers.

Security of and Access to Campus Buildings and Residence Halls

"Watchpersons" appointed by the Department of Buildings and Grounds are responsible for checking buildings at least twice each evening. Office buildings are generally secured shortly after 6:00 p.m. and classrooms are secured around 11:00 p.m. The watch-persons check all residence halls even though it is the responsibility of residents to keep these buildings locked at all times. The watch-persons are resident students and are advised to dial 911, the local police, whenever the need arises. Students must be responsible for their own rooms.

Enforcement Authority of Campus Security Personnel

Campus security personnel consist of (in the order of responsibility) the Director of Buildings and Grounds, the watchpersons, and the Dean of Students. Whenever any student observes theft, vandalism, etc., it is essential that a report be made to the Director of Buildings and Grounds for appropriate follow-up and response.

Programs to Inform Individuals of Campus Security Procedures

Campus security procedures will be addressed during fall orientation session. Students will, of course, be reminded that their personal safety is their responsibility and that they must act wisely and responsibly.

An orientation session is held each semester for new dorm residents, at which time the resident representative covers these emergency procedures and explains the proper use of fire extinguishers. The names and phone numbers of each hall's Resident Representative are also given to each hall resident. Meetings are held in every residence hall during each semester for the purpose of aiding in the safety and welfare of all residents.

ADMISSIONS

Admissions Policies

Standards for Admission

Admission criteria include intellectual ability, character, leadership potential, community involvement, personal integrity and faith commitment, emotional maturity, relevance of vocational purpose to the educational resources of the School, and evidence of intention to complete studies for a degree. Andover Newton gives preference to students who have demonstrated involvement in a worship community. A broadly-based liberal arts program is strongly recommended for the pre-theological student. Students deficient in oral and written expression or in any area necessary for theological studies may be required to undertake certain supplementary work.

An applicant for admission to the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) or Master of Arts (M.A.) programs must normally hold a Bachelor's or equivalent degree from a college or university accredited by the relevant regional accrediting association. A limited number of students without a Bachelor's degree may be accepted each year.

An applicant for the Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) program must have an M.Div. degree or its equivalent (Bachelor of Divinity or a ninety-credit master's degree in theological studies) from an accredited school, at least three years in ministry subsequent to the first graduate theological degree, and an ability to maintain a 3.3 cumulative average.

All applicants: please see page 15 of this catalogue for the School's Non-Discrimination Policy.

Application Deadlines

Application for admission to Andover Newton should be made as early as possible. Students are encouraged to apply early to have sufficient time to make arrangements for financial aid and/or housing, connect with a faculty representative, and register for courses.

Most applications are reviewed on a rolling basis, and admissions decisions are usually made within four weeks of receiving a complete admissions file. Applications from D.Min. candidates and from those who do not hold a Bachelor's degree are reviewed on a separate schedule. Final application deadlines are available on the school Web site.

Application Forms

Applications may be submitted online or on paper. To obtain application materials, please request them from the Admissions Office or print them from our Web site.

The Admissions Office
210 Herrick Road
Newton Centre, MA 02459-2243

(617) 964-1100 ext. 2430 or
(800) 964-ANTS (2687) ext. 2430
E-mail: admissions@ants.edu.

The office is generally open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

Application Procedures

The Admissions Office prefers that all materials be submitted together in one packet (unless the student is applying on line). All materials submitted become school property and cannot be returned. Note that GRE scores are not required.

Applicants are encouraged to schedule an interview with the Admissions Office. Occasionally, the Admissions Committee will request an interview with an applicant. Upon acceptance, each applicant (except international applicants) must submit the Confirmation of Acceptance form along with a non-refundable confirmation fee. Current Special Students must apply directly to the Admissions Office to obtain degree candidacy. Original application materials will become part of the degree application.

International Students

Andover Newton welcomes international applicants and encourages them to apply as early as possible for fall or spring semesters because the availability of scholarship assistance and housing is greater for early applicants. An earlier application will also allow sufficient time to arrange for visa, travel and financial planning.

In addition to the degree program application requirements, international applicants must submit two institutional endorsements (one from the applicant's home church, and one from a denominational representative in the applicant's home country). International students whose primary language is not English must achieve a minimum score of 550 on the Test of English as Foreign Language or 6.0 on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS). For the computer-based TOEFL, the minimum score required is 213. For the internet-based TOEFL, the minimum score required is 79.

The address for a TOEFL application is TOEFL, Box 6151, Princeton, NJ 08541-6151, USA, www.ets.org/toefl. The results must be sent directly to Andover Newton before an application can be processed. Andover Newton's institutional code is 3004. The address for an IELTS application is available at www.ielts.org.

Applicants seeking financial assistance should complete the International Student Scholarship Application Form included in the application materials. Please note that if a scholarship is awarded, it will not cover all expenses. Therefore, students should plan to pay at least 75% of expenses, both educational and personal. The International Student Scholarship Committee reviews scholarship requests of accepted students only.

Upon acceptance, the Admissions Office will prepare a Financial Guarantee Worksheet. This worksheet lists the estimated costs for tuition, fees, room and board, health insurance, books, clothing, local transportation, and miscellaneous expenses. The international applicant uses this worksheet to seek financial support of his/her education. The Financial Guarantee Form must be completed and signed by the deadline listed on our Web site in order for accepted international applicants to enroll in classes. Andover Newton must also receive a payment of expenses required for the first semester by the deadline listed on the Web site in order for Andover Newton to issue an I-20. I-20s are necessary for international students to obtain student visas to come to the United States. In addition, international students must pay a SEVIS I-901 fee before their visas can be issued.

Ms. Aga Cram, International Student Coordinator (acram@ants.edu), will coordinate arrival, transportation from the airport and hospitality for new international students. Non-U.S. citizens currently residing in the U.S., whose English is determined to be sufficient for graduate level academic work, may be able to apply for the winter or summer terms as well as the fall and spring semesters. However, the School strongly encourages applications for the fall semester because the availability of financial assistance and housing is greater in the fall. Please contact the Admissions Office before applying.

Resident Aliens/Permanent Residents

In addition to the required application materials, individuals with an Alien Registration Card (green card) from the U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, must present their original card in person to be photocopied by the Admissions Office. A photocopy of the student's Alien Registration Card may be accepted on a temporary basis only.

Applicants Without a Bachelor's Degree

In accordance with the policies of Andover Newton's accrediting agency, the Association of Theological Schools (ATS), the School may admit to the Master of Divinity and Master of Arts in Religious Education programs a limited number of qualified persons who do not have a Bachelor's degree and who are at least thirty-five years of age. Conditions for acceptance include written support from a local church and judicatory (or equivalent denominational body), evidence of ability to do graduate-level work, and submission of additional written materials.

The admissions process includes a competitive review with other such applicants for a limited (and annually varying) number of spaces. Persons without a Bachelor's degree must contact the Admissions Office before applying to obtain complete information and counseling about the process. Applications are accepted only for fall admission, and the deadline is posted on the Andover Newton Web site. Courses cannot be taken for credit prior to matriculating in the fall. Admitted applicants without a Bachelor's degree are required to enter on Provisional Admission (see below).

Transfer Applicants

Transfer applicants must complete a degree application, including three letters of recommendation and all official transcripts. In many cases, they must obtain a letter of good standing from their current school's Registrar. Students seeking the transfer of credits to Andover Newton must contact the Dean of the Faculty's office at the time of matriculation. The Dean of the Faculty can, for the purpose of advising, review transcripts in advance of matriculation to estimate where previous courses fit into Andover Newton's curricula.

Special Students

Individuals who wish to take courses for credit without matriculating as degree candidates may apply for Special Student status. Special Students are subject to all Andover Newton policies and rules and are eligible to earn any Certificate offered to regular degree candidates. Special Students interested in Certificate Programs should contact the Registrar in advance of registering for classes to obtain any necessary approvals for Certificate participation. Special Students auditing courses will be charged half the full tuition per course. With prior permission from the Dean of the Faculty, they may register for courses through the Boston Theological Institute. Special Students are not eligible for full-time, on-campus housing, and they are not ordinarily eligible for financial aid.

Note: No more than fifteen credits earned as a Special Student or Non-Matriculating E-Learner (NEL) will be accepted toward an Andover Newton degree program.

Withdrawals from the Application Process

Applicants who have submitted an application to Andover Newton should notify the Admissions Office in writing if they wish to withdraw from the process. The letter should include the reason(s) for withdrawal. The application fee is non-refundable.

Provisional Admission

The Admissions Committee will sometimes accept a degree candidate provisionally. A provisional student may be required to:

- take supplemental course work before being admitted into a degree program, and/or
- complete a minimum of three graded courses at Andover Newton before receiving a final decision about admission and/or
- provide more complete documentation of information submitted in the application.

The initial letter of provisional acceptance will indicate the relevant information and requirements. Upon completion of these requirements, a provisional student will receive notification of admission or denial of admission into a degree program from the Dean of the Faculty's office.

Deferral of Entry

Applicants admitted to Andover Newton may defer their acceptance to a future entry point one time only by submitting a letter of intention to the Admissions Office prior to registration.

Reapplication to the School

Former degree candidates who withdrew before completing a degree program must reapply. An abbreviated process is available for people who have been absent from the School for two years or fewer. The application should include the appropriate fee and official transcripts for any academic work completed since withdrawal. The applicant must also submit a statement to the Admissions Committee about his/her vocational direction.

Applicants who have been withdrawn from the School for more than two years are not eligible for abbreviated procedures and must complete the application requirements outlined under "Application Procedure for Degree Programs."

Former students who have been separated involuntarily from the School must petition to be reinstated. A faculty committee reviews these petitions, which begin with a letter to the Dean of the Faculty. Admissions Office participation is not required.

For further information contact the Admissions Office.

FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES

The Financial Aid Office understands the cost of graduate work and the investment required and will try to assist all student aid applicants in finding ways to meet educational costs.

Programs are available to help those students who, without assistance, would be unable to benefit from the educational programs offered by Andover Newton. The School also believes that early financial planning, consistent review, and good stewardship of resources are critical to one's success as a student and as a future leader in the church. Students are asked to meet with the Coordinator of Financial Aid when their borrowing exceeds the recommended limit.

School Resources

Andover Newton offers multiple resources for students to pursue.

Andover Newton need-based scholarships are awarded to many eligible students each year.

International student scholarships and tuition support are available on a limited basis. Usually this support is available for the duration of the program.

On occasion, funds for *merit scholarships* become available to continuing students. Contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.

Other Resources

- *Denominational support*: Denominations often offer support through their local, regional or national offices.
- *Private scholarships*: Outside scholarships are available to students. For more information contact the Financial Aid Office.
- *Stafford loans*: Eligibility for subsidized and unsubsidized loans is determined through the financial aid application process.
- *On-campus employment*: A listing of job opportunities for Andover Newton Theological School students and alumni/ae is posted on the Job Board on the Andover Newton Web site, <http://www.ants.edu/jobboard/>. This list is updated frequently. Submissions are reviewed, approved and published to the Jobs Board by the Dean of Students.
- *External Grants and Scholarships*: Some Andover Newton students have covered their school costs through outside grants and scholarships. This search program is recommended: http://www.seedwiki.com/wiki/gtu_scholarships.
- Additionally, many denominations submit job postings for the Ministry Employment Opportunities bulletin board, located on the first floor of Worcester Hall. Also, opportunities for on-campus jobs, or special employment requests will be announced through Student e-news and posted on the Web Jobs Board.

M.Div. and M.A. Enrollment Status and Financial Aid Eligibility

Federal loan eligibility requires enrollment of at least six (6) credits within the semester. School scholarship aid requires a minimum of at least (7.5) credits per semester.

Enrollment of three (3) credits or more during winter or summer sessions is allowable for school aid only.

D.Min. Enrollment Status and Financial Aid Eligibility

Federal loan eligibility requires enrollment of at least six (6) credits within the semester. School scholarship aid requires a minimum of at least three (3) credits per semester or session.

Some D.Min. students may qualify for both School and Title IV federal aid. There are a limited number of need-based awards for eligible D.Min. students in pastoral care-oriented research specializations.

Application and Processing for Financial Assistance

Each year students must submit the following forms for a complete Financial Aid file:

- Free Application for Student Aid (FAFSA). The Federal School Code for Andover Newton Theological School is G02116 (www.fafsa.ed.gov)
- The Andover Newton Financial Aid Application (<http://www.ants.edu/fa/application-1112/>)
- Copy of most recent federal tax return (1040)

Eligibility for School and Federal Support

Verification:

A signed copy of the student's federal tax return (with all W-2s and related schedules) may be required if the student's FAFSA is selected for verification. Other supporting documents also may be required.

Satisfactory Academic Progress:

To ensure school and federal aid eligibility, each year the Faculty's Academic Policy Committee, the Registrar, and the Financial Aid Coordinator monitor student academic progress. The cumulative grade point average (GPA) and transcript is reviewed to assess degree progress and continuing eligibility for Andover Newton scholarships and federal funds. The School has no appeals policy for students who drop below the minimum GPA for their degree program.

Citizenship:

A student must be a United States citizen or be in possession of an eligible Alien Registration card to qualify for Title IV Federal funds. The Financial Aid office will accept a photocopy of the student Alien Registration card on a temporary basis, but the original card must be presented in person at the earliest opportunity.

Default:

Students who either owe a refund on their past Title IV aid or who are in default on any federal educational loans are not eligible for school funds or Title IV financial aid.

Application Deadlines for Scholarships

The results of a student's FAFSA, Andover Newton Financial Aid forms and tax return must all be received in the Financial Aid office by the following dates:

- Entering students: Apply for aid at the same time as application for admission. Students do not need to be accepted to apply for financial aid. Once a financial aid application file is complete, notification of financial aid awards will be made upon acceptance to Andover Newton. Award letters will be mailed out beginning March 1.
- Returning students: Priority deadline is April 15. After April 15, awards will be based on the availability of funds. Award letters are mailed after May 1.

Note: It can take four to six weeks to receive results of the FAFSA if completed on paper and three to seven business days if completed on line.

Returning student applications received after the deadline will receive school aid based on the availability of funds. Once school aid has been exhausted, students will be put on a waiting list. Students will be awarded Stafford Loans. Students may apply for a Stafford Loan at any time during their enrollment period.

Awards made one year do not guarantee similar awards for the following year. Students will receive funds for only the number of credits required for their degree.

International students

International students must observe the following procedures:

- Entering international students will receive an International Student Scholarship Application Form from the Admissions Office and should submit it promptly to the Admissions Office.
- Returning international students should meet with the Dean of Students and Coordinator of Financial Aid each spring to assess their financial situation.

Financial Aid Appeal Process

The Financial Aid office understands that each student's financial situation may not fit into the required form questions. After receiving an initial award letter, students with unusual circumstances are welcome to submit a letter of appeal. While not all will be approved for additional funding, each request will be reviewed with privacy and care.

For More Information

For more information about eligibility, financial aid opportunities, scholarships, procedures and policies, see the Financial Aid section above, or visit the School's Web site, **www.ants.edu**.

Finances Web Links

For more information, view the following pages on the Andover Newton Web site:

Tuition Rates and Fees: <http://www.ants.edu/fa/tuition-rates/>

Financial Aid: <http://www.ants.edu/fa/>

Housing and Board Rates: <http://www.ants.edu/housing-and-board/housing-and-board-rates/>

ACADEMICS

Registration Information

Immunization Requirement

Andover Newton Theological School must comply with the 1995 Massachusetts State Law which requires all incoming students, regardless of age, to show proof of immunization against or immunity to Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Hepatitis B before they can register for courses. (Note: Tetanus booster must be renewed every ten years.)

Also, the Massachusetts State Law regulations promoting awareness of meningococcal disease and vaccine (105 CMR 221:000) require all schools to provide students information regarding the risk of meningococcal disease and the availability, effectiveness and risks of meningococcal vaccine. It is required by law (105 CMR 220.700) that all NEW students living on campus provide documentation of receipt of 1 dose of meningococcal vaccine within the last five years, qualify for medical or religious exemption, or sign a waiver. See the Registrar for information about waiving this requirement.

This means that in order to enroll in classes at Andover Newton, a student must submit a medical certificate signed by a qualified health professional indicating that he or she has been vaccinated against the above mentioned diseases, or a copy of school or military records confirming immunization. Although this immunization is not related to a student's evaluation for admission to Andover Newton, it is required for registration as a student here.

Please have a physician provide the necessary inoculations and/or record of immunization history on the Immunization Record Form. A doctor can also administer a test for immunity "Titer" if records are not available. Students must return the completed form as soon as possible in order to avoid delays in the ability to register for or attend classes. **The law states that the School cannot permit a student to attend classes unless this document is on-file in our Registrar's office.**

Questions regarding this matter may be directed to the Registrar's office at 800-964-2687 / 617- 831-2435 or naguila@ants.edu.

More information:

Immunization Record Form (PDF)

<http://www.ants.edu/pdf/ImmForm.pdf>

Immunization Waiver Form and Information (PDF)

<http://www.ants.edu/pdf/ImmWaiverInfo2005.pdf>

Full-time Status, M.Div., M.A.

A total of twenty-four credits in the academic year (September - August 31) is considered full-time. A student is full-time for financial aid and other eligibility standards if registered for twelve credits as follows:

Fall Semester (12)

Fall Semester and Winter Session together (12)

Spring Semester (12)

Spring Semester and Summer Session together (12)

M.A. (Theological Research) students are considered full-time for the first year of their theses.

Half-time Status, M.Div., M.A.

A total of twelve credits in the academic year (September - August 31) is considered half-time. A student is half-time if registered for six credits as follows:

- Fall Semester (6)
- Fall Semester and Winter Session together (6)
- Spring Semester (6)
- Spring Semester and Summer Session together (6)

Full-time Status, D.Min.

A total of twelve credits in the academic year (September 1- August 31), with no fewer than five in either half year (fall semester plus winter session or spring semester plus summer session) is considered full-time. D.Min. students are considered full-time for the first year of their projects.

Certificate Programs

Students in Certificate Programs must complete their work at a rate of no fewer than one course per semester. Students pursuing the Advanced Certificate must complete all course work toward a D.Min. except the Writing Seminar and D.Min. project. See the Courses and Programs section for more details.

Ministers-in-the-Vicinity

Clergy serving churches or retired from active ministry as well as laypersons in paid professional ministries (and endorsed by their pastors) may register with a nominal fee for up to two courses per semester. Ministers in the Vicinity (MIVs) may not receive course credit.

MIVs must fill out an application/registration form available from the Registrar and pay relevant fees. Persons seeking MIV status are subject to deadlines and other regulations. Inquiries regarding MIV status may be directed to the Registrar at naguila@ants.edu. MIV privileges do not include E-Learning, Summer Institutes, and some specialized courses. Andover Newton alumni/ae receive a favorable rate for MIV courses.

Web Links

More information <http://www.ants.edu/pdf/MIVappreg.pdf>
Forms <http://www.ants.edu/registrar/forms/>

Lay Auditors

Lay persons who do not qualify as MIVs but wish to audit courses may apply for Lay Auditor status and pay relevant fees. Forms may be obtained from the Registrar. Lay Auditors may not receive course credit. Lay Auditors are subject to deadlines and other regulations. Inquiries regarding Lay Auditor status may be directed to the Registrar at naguila@ants.edu. Lay Auditor privileges do not include Summer Institutes and some specialized courses.

Web Links

More information <http://www.ants.edu/learningopportunities/lay-auditor-info/>
Forms <http://www.ants.edu/registrar/forms/>

Visiting Scholars

Andover Newton welcomes to its campus scholars and ministers who are not seeking academic credit or degrees but are interested in pursuing research within an academic community. Visiting scholars should

pursue a significant portion of their research at Andover Newton, utilizing its resources. They may use Andover Newton's library, attend classes, and are eligible for housing when available. A fee is charged each semester, plus housing fees if applicable. Inquiries should be directed to the Dean of the Faculty's office, extension 2432.

Exchange Students (from the Association of Theological Schools)

Students enrolled in other accredited seminaries may register for Andover Newton courses as exchange students by requesting the Exchange Student Application/Registration Form from the Registrar at naguila@ants.edu. Regular tuition fees and deadlines apply. For summer courses, BTI students are considered Exchange Students and must use this process.

Web Links

Forms <http://www.ants.edu/registrar/forms/>

BTI/Cross-Registration

To cross-register, students will be required to fill out one petition form, both with their home school and with the host school. Cross-registration privileges are not offered for summer courses. For more details, visit http://www.bostontheological.org/faq_cross-registration.html.

E-Learning

Through its E-Learning program, Andover Newton offers selected courses via the World-Wide Web. Marked with an EL prefix to the description under Courses of Instruction, these graduate courses may be taken for credit by Andover Newton students, transferred into degree programs by students at other schools, or used for professional continuing education. All require Internet access and e-mail.

For the latest information on registration and access to the online portion of E-Learning courses, students should consult the instructions given on the E-Learning section of the Andover Newton Web site. The E-Learning section of the web site also contains sample course syllabi, instructions for ordering textbooks, and answers to Frequently Asked Questions.

Persons with a bachelor's degree who have not matriculated at Andover Newton Theological School or another accredited seminary may register for E-Learning courses as "non-matriculating E-Learners" (NEL) by contacting the Registrar's Office. Only E-Learning courses may be taken via this form of registration.

Note:

- No more than fifteen credits earned as a NEL and/or Special student will be accepted toward an Andover Newton degree program. No more than one-third of any Andover Newton degree may be earned on line.
- Andover Newton students should note that **no more than one-third of their courses** may be taken through E-Learning to earn a degree.
- A small number of auditors are permitted in each E-Learning course for one-half the current tuition rate. Permission of the instructor is required.
- The Minister In the Vicinity privilege does not apply to E-Learning courses.

- For information, registration, on-line enrollment, and course listings, contact Jeff Jones, Director of Distance Learning, at extension 2364. Except as noted above, regular tuition and fees apply.
- Any misrepresentation or omission of information by a student may be grounds for rejection of, consideration for, or termination of the student status. Sharing of username or password shall be grounds for termination of the student status. See policies on social media and technology in this Catalogue for more information.

Web Links

More information <http://www.ants.edu/e-learning/elearning-registration/>
 Non- Matriculating E-Learner Form <http://www.ants.edu/pdf/nelform.pdf>

Registration Procedure

Students register for courses on line. All registration dates and deadlines are listed in the Academic Calendar. Students are enrolled officially only after completing the registration procedure, making satisfactory arrangements in the Business Office, and, as appropriate, submitting Add/Drop Forms in the Registrar's Office. Add/Drop Forms must be presented by the dates stated in the Academic Calendar.

Course Load

Students may not register for more than fifteen credits per semester without approval from the Dean of the Faculty.

Failure to Register

Degree candidates must be enrolled each semester until they receive degrees. Students not taking classes during a semester must register either as "On Leave" (when degree program work is not complete), "Thesis Status" (when student is engaged in writing a thesis or research paper appropriate to the degree), or "Continuation of Candidacy" (when course work is complete and student is awaiting Commencement). Unregistered students will automatically lose degree status. To be reinstated, they must apply to the Dean of the Faculty and pay a fee. Students also may be administratively separated from the School by the Dean of the Faculty for failure to register. Resident students whose association with the School has been terminated in this way have ten days to leave the campus.

Leave of Absence

Students in good standing may take a leave of absence of not more than a total of one year during their degree programs. A leave is taken for personal, professional, medical, or other reasons before all course work for a degree has been completed. Except in the case of medical leaves, the duration of leaves of absence are included in degree program limits.

Continuation of Candidacy

Continuation of Candidacy is appropriate when a student has completed all of the course work for a degree and is awaiting the next Commencement, either in January or May.

Students may obtain forms for registering on Leave of Absence or Continuation of Candidacy from the Registrar's office. These categories carry no academic credit. Registration fees and student fees are charged for each semester during which students are On Leave or Continuing Candidacy.

Thesis/Paper Writing Status

Thesis/Paper Writing Status is appropriate when all course work is completed (including, for D.Min. candidates, the four-credit one-year course of Doctoral Project, INTE 887Y), the student has been granted

permission to advance to Candidacy (for D.Min. candidates), and s/he is engaged in an approved writing project.

Students may obtain forms for registration for Thesis/Paper Writing Status from the Registrar's office. Registration fees and student fees are charged for each semester during which students are in Thesis/Paper Writing Status.

Advanced Standing, Transfer, and Shared Credits

There are a number of ways in which students use courses completed at other institutions to make progress toward Andover Newton degrees. Under no circumstances may students complete more than one-half of their courses toward an Andover Newton degree elsewhere (in the case of Doctor of Ministry students, no more than nine elective credits may be transferred or shared), and only rarely may they use courses taken at institutions other than schools accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS). Ordinarily, students who completed courses more than ten years previous to their anticipated graduation may not use those courses toward an Andover Newton degree.

The following section describes the options students may exercise to receive either credit or accelerated progress toward an Andover Newton degree with courses completed in other settings.

All options must begin with a petition, post-matriculation, in the form of a letter (e-mail acceptable) to the Dean of the Faculty.

Advanced Standing

Some circumstances merit students receiving credit for academic work or training completed elsewhere that did not take the form of a traditional seminary course. In other cases, students have completed coursework more than ten years previously but have remained up-to-date in the related subject matter. The Dean of the Faculty's office is able, in cases such as these, to give students Advanced Standing of no more than one-fifth of the student's degree program requirements. Petitioners are advised that Advanced Standing is offered at the Dean of the Faculty's discretion.

Transfer Credits

Students who transfer to Andover Newton from other institutions, having yet to apply courses from the other institution to an earned degree, may bring credits with them. Andover Newton reserves the right to approve transferred credits; applicants should not assume that all courses taken at other institutions will transfer to Andover Newton.

The Dean of the Faculty is happy to communicate with prospective students about the feasibility of transfer credits and any other of the above options. Transfer credits, shared credits, and advanced standing must be approved within a student's first semester at Andover Newton.

Shared Credit

In some cases, students come to Andover Newton having received degrees previously and wish to use courses taken toward other degrees to meet Andover Newton requirements. This may take place only under specific circumstances, including the following:

- The courses in the other degree were taken fewer than ten years previously.
- The courses in the other degree were analogous to courses offered at Andover Newton, or the other degree was earned at Andover Newton itself.
- The other degree was not a prerequisite degree to the Program in which the student is matriculated at Andover Newton (for example, the M.Div. is the prerequisite degree for a D.Min. Therefore,

students could not share credit between an M.Div. and D.Min. The M.A. is not a prerequisite to the M.Div. Therefore, some credit may be shared from an M.A. into an M.Div.).

- No more than one-half of the credits in a degree program can be shared.
- No more than one-half of the credits used to earn the other degree may be shared with the new degree, and no more than one-half of the credits in an earned degree may come from another degree program.

Courses and credit may be shared only with permission. The notation “Shared Credit” will appear on student transcripts for courses that were used toward a previous degree.

Waivers

Students may waive requirements at Andover Newton either through courses they have taken elsewhere or through significant professional experiences that make required courses redundant. In such cases, students do not receive credit, but rather they are permitted to take either more advanced courses than those who must meet basic requirements or may be entitled to additional electives.

Substitutions

With permission from appropriate Faculty departmental leaders, students may substitute courses taken in the BTI to meet Andover Newton requirements. In special cases, students may also take courses – either for elective credit or to meet Andover Newton requirements – at other non-BTI, Association of Theological Schools-accredited institutions, or at regionally-accredited universities. Such special cases include courses students must take to meet denominational requirements, but which are not offered at Andover Newton. Students who substitute non-Andover Newton/non-BTI courses into their Andover Newton degree programs are subject to a \$150 post-matriculation course transfer fee for each such course.

Students also may petition to substitute courses from Andover Newton that meet one degree requirement into another required area. In such cases, students must receive permission from the faculty member teaching in the required area the student seeks to fulfill to substitute another course into that area. For example, they may receive permission to use a course in Theology to meet an Ethics requirement with permission of a faculty member in Ethics.

Auditing

Degree candidates and their spouses/partners may audit up to two courses per semester without tuition charge, with the permission of the instructors. Auditors are entitled only to attend classes, although some professors may require class work. Any student who registers for, but does not attend or successfully complete an audit course, will receive the grade of “F” (Fail). Students may not change their “audit” or “credit” status after the deadline for Add/Drop. No changes may be made during Winter Session or Summer Session. Special Students auditing courses will be charged half the full tuition per course.

In classes where there is a stated enrollment limit, auditors will be accepted only after credit students have been enrolled.

Directed Studies

Directed study courses typically satisfy a need that courses listed in the Catalogue do not fulfill. Students may take directed studies with the instructor’s permission. Only one may be taken per semester. M.Div. students may not take more than twelve credits of directed study without permission of the Dean of the Faculty. Except for M.A. (Theological Research) candidates, M.A. students may not take more than nine credits of directed study without permission of the Dean of the Faculty. Directed studies are considered electives except at the Dean of the Faculty’s discretion.

Advisors

Students enrolled in degree programs, as well as students pursuing Focused Certificates, are assigned academic advisors from among the Andover Newton Faculty. Special Students are not assigned advisors. Students should meet with their advisors during or before their first full semester of study. It is the student's responsibility to contact his or her advisor to schedule both required and ongoing appointments. The Administrative Assistant to the Faculty can assist students in reaching advisors if needed. Students may change advisors after the first semester of study with the permission of the newly-selected advisor. Change of Advisor forms are available through the Administrative Assistant to the Faculty. Advisor changes are subject to limitations due to faculty availability and advising load.

When a student's regular advisor is on sabbatical, a temporary advisor will be assigned.

Pursuing Courses Elsewhere

Degree candidates who wish to complete courses at other Association of Theological Schools accredited schools must complete a Substitution and Waiver Form with the appropriate department chair before taking courses elsewhere. Forms are available in the Registrar's office. Students are subject to a \$150 post-matriculation course transfer fee for each such course. See section on **Substitutions** for information about use of courses elsewhere to meet degree program requirements.

Transfers Between M.A. and M.Div. Programs

Any student wishing to transfer between these programs must consult with his or her advisor and write a letter to the Admissions Office requesting the transfer and stating the reasons for the change along with a \$50 Application Fee. The Admissions Committee will rule on the request and notify the student and the Registrar of its decision.

Transfers Within the M.A. Programs

Any student who wishes to change status within the M.A. program — e.g., from M.A. (Theological Studies) to M.A. (Theological Research) — may, after consultation with his or her advisor, write to the Dean of the Faculty to request the change. The letter should state reasons for the change. The Dean of the Faculty will notify the student and the Registrar of the decision.

Course Credits

Course credits are allotted in terms of the total demands of the course on the general principle that a three-credit course is standard. Students may not take courses for fewer than the designated number of credits.

BTI and Harvard (beyond the Divinity School) courses are generally recorded as three-credit courses.

Grading System

The following letter grade and point scheme shall apply in all programs:

Grade Points:

A 4.0	C 2.0
A- 3.67	C- 1.67
B+ 3.33	D+ 1.33
B 3.0	D 1.0
B- 2.67	F 0.0
C+ 2.33	

The following special grade indicators are also used:

AU	Audit
AS	Advanced Standing
Y	Year Course
I	Incomplete
IP	In Progress (treated as Incomplete, see below)
NG	No Grade Submitted
TR	Transfer Credit
SC	Shared Credits
S	Satisfactory
NC	No Credit
P	Pass
MI	Medical Incomplete
F	Fail

Incompletes

Instructors may, for sufficient reason, permit degree candidates in good standing to submit work after a course has ended. Students seeking an Incomplete must:

- obtain an Incomplete form from the Registrar
- obtain the instructor's signature and date by which the work is due
- return the form to the Registrar before noon on the last day of classes
- turn in completed work to the Registrar (not the instructor) on or before the due date.

The deadline for making up Incompletes shall be no later than four weeks past the date that grades are due for the term in which the course is taken. Faculty will submit a grade no later than six weeks after the end of the term. An "I" on the transcript serves as a placeholder until the student completes the work and the instructor submits a grade. Courses that are not completed by the due date will receive a permanent "F."

Grade due dates for Faculty are published in the all-School calendar at <http://www.ants.edu/academics/calendar>.

Medical Incompletes

Medical Incompletes may be granted by the Dean of Students. Requests for Medical Incompletes and an accompanying statement of medical incapacity from an attending physician must be received in the office of the Dean of Students no later than the date grades are due. Students also should consult with their professor(s) if they intend to request a Medical Incomplete. Medical documentation is confidential and does not become part of the student's permanent record; it remains in the office of the Dean of Students.

During the terms when students have open medical incompletes, they must reduce their course loads appropriately to complete work from previous terms. A student with one medical incomplete could register for no more than nine credits in a fall or spring term and could take no more than one intensive course in January or June. A student with two medical incompletes could take no more than six credits during a fall or spring term and could take no more than one intensive course in January or June. A student with three or four medical incompletes could take no more than one course during any term until previous work is submitted.

A Medical Incomplete may remain open no longer than the last day of classes of the following semester:

- a course in the fall or winter terms may remain open no later than the last day of spring classes.
- a course in the spring or summer terms may remain open no later than the last day of fall classes.

Students must turn in completed work to the Registrar (not the instructor) on or before the due date. Courses that are not completed by the due date will receive a grade of No Credit (NC), which does not factor into the GPA.

Pass/Fail

A student may request that an instructor give a grade of Pass/Fail instead of a letter grade. A grade of “C-” is the lowest grade acceptable for the P/F option. Such requests should be made to the instructor before the Drop deadline or, in the case of winter and summer sessions, before the end of the first class. M.Div. students may take no more than four, and M.A. and D.Min. students no more than two Pass/Fail grades. A Pass grade does not affect a student’s G.P.A. Boston College students (Ph.D. or B.T.I.) may not be graded Pass/Fail, since the school does not recognize this grade.

Satisfactory/F

This grade is used at the discretion of the instructor. To use it, instructors must tell the students by the end of the first class meeting. A Satisfactory grade does not affect a G.P.A. nor does it count toward a matriculated student’s Pass/Fail limit. No Boston College student (Ph.D. or B.T.I.) may be graded Satisfactory, since the school does not recognize this grade.

Withdrawal From Class

A student in good standing may withdraw from a class after the deadline for submission of the Add/Drop Form. To withdraw, a student must return a completed Course Withdrawal Notice to the Registrar’s office before noon on the last day of classes for the semester. Failure to attend classes does not constitute a withdrawal. Withdrawal forms are obtained in the Registrar’s Office. Students should refer to the Academic Calendar for deadlines.

Note: In general, the faculty discourages students from seeking Incompletes or withdrawing from classes. By special action, the faculty may place a student on probation if they decide that the student has taken an excessive number of incompletes or withdrawals. If a pattern of chronic withdrawals continues beyond probation, the student may be suspended or dismissed from the School.

Honors

All degrees are awarded with honors to students with grade point averages of 3.80 or above, and M.A. students who satisfactorily complete the integrative paper and/or exam and have a GPA of 3.80 or above. For M.A. (Theological Research) and D.Min. students, an honors thesis is also required.

Jonathan Edwards Society

Instituted by the faculty in 1985, the Jonathan Edwards Society is the School’s only honor society. It recognizes students who have shown intellectual strength, moral character, academic excellence and promise for leadership. Members are inducted each spring.

Probation

A student on academic probation is no longer in good standing. Students on probation may not request Incompletes (except Medical Incompletes), cross-register at other schools, or withdraw from a remedial course. Remedial courses are courses that students take to replace a course they have failed.

Any of the following automatically places a student on probation:

- a grade of F; a grade of D minus
- more than one D;
- GPA below 2.0 (C) for M. Div. or M.A.R.E. students;
- GPA below 3.0 (B) for other M.A. students; or

- GPA below 3.3(B+) for D. Min. students

A student may remedy the situation for which probation was imposed by:

- satisfactorily repeating a required course in which an F/ D minus was received, or taking a comparable course with departmental permission;
- satisfactorily completing the following semester's work, if an F/ D minus was received in an elective course;
- satisfactorily repeating or replacing, with departmental permission if necessary, one of two courses in which Ds were received; or
- bringing one's GPA to the required level.

Remedial Courses

Remedial Courses are any courses where a student chooses or is compelled to retake a course she or he has already completed. When students take a remedial course, the first course's grade remains on the student transcript, but it is not calculated into the GPA. The remedial course grade on the transcript will have a special notation that the course was retaken.

Students *must* take remedial courses when they have failed required courses. They may need to take remedial courses if their grade point averages decline below the level necessary for graduation. They may also choose to take no more than three remedial courses in order to improve their grade point average or to improve their understanding of a subject.

If a student must retake a course, but the precise course is no longer offered, the student must petition the Dean of the Faculty to use a different remedial course. This might be the case, for example, when the student fails a course in a distributional requirement where several courses meet the requirement.

In order to ensure proper documentation, students must notify the Registrar when they register for a remedial course. Students are responsible for any additional fees and tuition costs that are incurred.

Final Semester Grades from BTI Schools and Harvard University

Andover Newton candidates for graduation are responsible for seeing that grades for courses taken in BTI schools or through the special cross-registration privilege at Harvard University during the semester immediately before graduation are received by the Registrar by the specified due dates for grades in Andover Newton's Academic Calendar.

Term Papers

Term papers, except those for classes in Psychology and Pastoral Theology, must be typed and conform to the styles described in *The Chicago Manual of Style: The Essential Guide for Writers, Editors and Publishers*. Papers submitted for pastoral care classes must conform to the standards of the American Psychological Association (APA). Papers that do not meet the applicable requirements, or that are poorly written from the point of view of spelling, grammar, citation or intelligibility, may be returned to students for rewriting.

Students should submit papers that will not be returned in class in envelopes either with their names and campus box numbers or with the correct postage and mailing addresses. Papers turned in without envelopes may be returned for student pick-up at the discretion and prior arrangement of the instructor. Papers will normally be discarded after a semester.

Plagiarism

Whether intentional or unintentional, plagiarism is a serious breach of ethics, and students are held fully responsible for this violation of school policy. Plagiarism may be defined in the following ways:

1. Word-for-word plagiarism —
 - a. the submission of another student’s work as one’s own;
 - b. the submission of a commercially prepared paper;
 - c. the submission of work from a source not acknowledged by footnote, bibliography, or reference in the paper itself; or
 - d. the submission of any part of another’s work without proper use of quotation marks.
2. Patchwork plagiarism — the rearrangement of another’s phrases into a new pattern.
3. Unacknowledged paraphrase — the restatement of another’s original idea, interpretation, or discovery of fact.*

*Donald A. Sears, *Harbrace Guide to the Library and Research Paper*, 3rd ed., (New York: Harcourt, 1972), 45.

Ignorance or carelessness concerning the proper citation of sources does not exempt a student from the disciplinary consequences of plagiarism. If plagiarism is detected, these consequences may include:

- an F for the assignment or examination in question;
- an F for the course and an F for the assignment;
- suspension from the School, plus an F for the assignment and the course;
- separation from the School, plus an F for the assignment and the course

Separation or suspension from the School requires a vote by the faculty and final decision from the President. A student who has been suspended from the School may not cross-register into courses in the Boston Theological Institute. All cases of plagiarism are adjudicated by the Committee on Student Accountability.

Human Subjects Research Policy

**This policy has been adapted with permission from the “Human Subjects Socio-Religious Research Policy: Columbia Theological Seminary: December 2008”*

In conformity with “The Common Rule” guidelines established by the U.S. government Office of Human Research Protections and general practice in academic research, Andover Newton Theological School requires all research that is formally conducted under School auspices be reviewed to protect human subjects and minimize potential risks or harm *. These reviews will be conducted by the School’s Academic Policy Committee and review process. Our goal in the review process is to provide an independent review of research procedures and projects that involve human subjects in order to:

- protect the subjects of research from inappropriate risk
- minimize any negative effects of socio-religious research study methods
- assure compliance with the highest academic standards in research involving human subjects
- ensure that human subjects are properly informed and consent to their participation with full awareness of the purposes of the research
- assure that human-subjects research will benefit the student’s project.

Such review also helps to limit risks of liability on the part of the seminary, the researcher, and agencies funding that research. Participants in human subjects research are afforded protection under this policy whether or not the research is intended for publication or presentation at professional meetings. These guidelines are flexible, and may vary depending on whether the researcher is a student or a member of the

staff or faculty. Any student engaging in research that includes human subjects must review the full Human Subjects Research protocol, available at the Registrar Web site and follow the guidelines presented there. Syllabi that include requirements for human subjects research must be reviewed by the Academic Policy Committee. Students who choose to meet course expectations using human subjects (such as interviews, focus groups, observation) should consult with faculty members in advance of collecting data.

* The Common Rule, formally titled “Protection of Human Subjects” is part 46 of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations (“45 CFR 46”). See also American Association of University Professors, “Protecting Human Beings: Institutional Review Boards and Social Science Research,” <http://www.aaup.org/statements/Redbook/repirb.htm>.

Graduation

Students must file a Statement of Intention to Graduate Form in the semester previous to the one leading up to their graduation. M.Div. seniors must review their programs with the Registrar to ensure that they will have met all course requirements for graduation. M.A. students must meet with the M.A. Head Advisor to review their credentials for graduation. D.Min. students must meet with the D.Min. Head Advisor to review their credentials for graduation. (See Academic Calendar for dates.) Students who file but fail to graduate will receive a pro-rated refund of the graduation fee if they notify the Registrar in writing a month before graduation. Failure to comply with graduation filing deadlines will result in late fees and possible postponement of graduation.

Withdrawal from the School

Students withdraw from the School for a variety of reasons. Students contemplating withdrawal are strongly encouraged to meet with their academic advisor to discern if other options are more appropriate. To complete the withdrawal process, an official Withdrawal Form, obtained from the Registrar’s office, must be submitted. Following through on this process keeps students in good standing with the School and will aid in readmission or transfer to other institutions.

Note: By dropping all courses, the student has effectively withdrawn from the School and should follow the above procedure. The same is true if a returning student fails to register. Before making a decision to drop courses or not register, students are encouraged to meet with their advisors.

Separation from the School

Andover Newton reserves the right, upon vote of the faculty, to separate from the School any student who either fails to meet the standards of academic or community life or whose character, emotional health, or personal maturity becomes a cause of concern to the community or raises reasonable doubts about the student’s fitness for ministry or theological education. Students also may be separated from the School for failure to meet their financial obligations. The President holds final authority in separating a student.

Transcripts and Records

Student records are confidential. The School will release information only at the request of a student or of appropriate institutions and officials. For the protection of students and alumni/ae, all transcript requests must be submitted in writing and personally signed. E-mailed requests can be honored for unofficial transcripts only. Andover Newton does not send transcripts by fax or e-mail. No transcripts are issued to students with unpaid accounts in the Business Office.

A transcript request should be submitted at least one week in advance of the date on which it is needed and at least two weeks in advance during registration and grading periods. Official transcripts are \$5 each. Unofficial transcripts are free.

Replacement Diploma Policy

In case of loss, theft or destruction of an original Andover Newton Theological School diploma, replacement diplomas can be obtained by filing a request form with the Office of the Registrar. Replacement diplomas are reissued for a fee of \$150.00 (US). Requests should be sent to:

Andover Newton Theological School
Office of the Registrar
210 Herrick Road
Newton Centre, MA 02459

Damaged diplomas **MUST** be returned in order to process the request. For legal name changes the original diploma must be returned; a graduate cannot hold two diplomas. Preparation of the document may take six to eight weeks. When the diploma is ready, it will be mailed via certified mail.

Registrar's Office Web Links

Please visit the Andover Newton Theological School Web site to download the following Registrar's Forms at <http://www.ants.edu/student/registrar/forms/>:

- Transcript Request
- Registration
- Registration Payment
- Leave of Absence
- Add/Drop Courses

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The degree programs at Andover Newton are designed to prepare men and women for many forms of ministry. Certificate programs provide members of the greater community an opportunity to sample the resources available at Andover Newton and to explore specific areas of interest. They also give degree program students the chance to develop a specialization for ministry. The various Master of Arts programs give students not pursuing ordained ministry an opportunity to explore the scholarly dimensions of the disciplines offered at Andover Newton. They also provide preparation for students seeking to pursue doctoral work in theology and related fields. The Master of Arts in Religious Education provides students with professional formation for the vocation of theological teaching. The Master of Divinity Program prepares students for professional and/or ordained ministry through academic and practical studies in ministry. The Doctor of Ministry is a professional doctorate for ministers who seek enrichment, deep engagement, and new resources to invest in professional ministry.

All Andover Newton degree programs operate at a high level of scholarship and are designed for adult learners. This means that students are expected to take the lead in designing their programs of study. The resources in the *Catalogue* will help students as they engage in this process of planning their work, taking advantage of the resources Andover Newton provides and determining the path that best meets their goals.

Master of Divinity Program

Purpose

In September, 2009, the Andover Newton Faculty will begin its third century of preparing leaders for church and society with the introduction of a new Master of Divinity Curriculum. The new curriculum's approach to ministerial preparation represents the most current and innovative thinking about adult professional education and the needs of today's faith communities.

After its first two years of existence, the new M.Div. curriculum was slightly modified. Students who entered Andover Newton between 2009 and the spring of 2011 will be able to meet the previously-designed expectations or opt into the modifications. All requirements can be altered to meet either set of requirements. Students should feel free to see the Dean of the Faculty with questions or concerns about the transition, or the Registrar with questions about the technical aspects of the transition process.

The Faculty built the new curriculum around a set of outcome-based expectations for what an Andover Newton Master of Divinity graduate should be able to be and do through his or her experiences in the M.Div. Program:

The M.Div. Graduate can state and explain his or her sense of the world theologically and spiritually in a critical and creative way. The graduate can teach and enable others to connect life issues with theological and spiritual traditions through various communal and personal faith practices. The graduate can form, lead and sustain faith communities with a theological and spiritual understanding of the Church's mission in a changing world.

An interpreter of the Bible must be able to do cross cultural work with biblical texts. To be able to work with the scriptures in this way requires grounding in critical and creative approaches to biblical texts and an awareness of developments in the study of the Christian Bible. The M.Div. graduate will understand the centrality of worship and proclamation for his or her faith journey and for a community of faith, and will have a grasp on the rituals, sacraments, and other faith expressions of his or her faith tradition(s). She or he, while engaging all the senses, can articulate why the life of faith is centered in worship and how worship and Word nurture and enhance life.

In order to effectively lead a faith community, seminary graduates must have analytical abilities, practical skills, and an understanding of the dynamics of institutional change. Drawing upon a palette of insights and skills, they will be able to guide and empower faith communities in the search for meaning and the pursuit of their collective mission in an ever-changing and pluralistic world. They will also possess a knowledge of, and ability to implement, leadership theories and techniques that help them to guide religious organizations grappling with change. Each graduate will be able to recognize and leverage his or her own unique leadership gifts.

God's church is shaped by, and shapes, the culture in which it stands, both mirroring and challenging dominant trends, while seeking to advance alternative paths. M.Div graduates will embody ways of being and doing that are faithful to the best of their traditions. Graduates will demonstrate highly-developed relational competencies embodying multicultural, racial, ethnic, gender, and interfaith understanding which furthers love, justice, and peace. Graduates will not only be able to translate and articulate these understandings and skills through a public theology that can speak to both church and society, but also be able to demonstrate in one's life signs of congruence between the spoken and lived word.

In sum, an M.Div. graduate from Andover Newton Theological School is both rooted in his or her faith tradition and capable of reaching out across the boundaries that too often separate human beings from one another. The formation process toward such ends includes classes that help students to learn about, challenge, and embrace their faith traditions; integrative learning that blends lived experience with intellectual engagement, and a campus communal environment that shapes a disposition for faith commitment as well as radical hospitality.

Requirements

The Master of Divinity program requires a minimum of six semesters of study with the satisfactory completion of eighty-one credit hours as described below, and a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C). Those who, by permission of the Academic Dean, extend their studies beyond seven years, will incur an annual extension fee. Students graduating in May must, during November of their last year, review their programs with the Registrar to ensure that they will meet all degree requirements for graduation. Students intending to graduate administratively in December must do so the previous June.

The Master of the Divinity Program requires courses in a variety of ways, with different levels of choice for students depending on the role of the course in the curriculum.

Varieties of courses:

- Core courses: Only one specific course meets the requirement (few requirements fall into this category)
- Distributional requirements: Students may choose one course among several options
- Electives: Students may choose any course
- Integrative catalysts: Designations on distributional and elective courses where students must take one course with each designation to complete the degree

Students in the M.Div. curriculum are required to pursue the following courses, 81 credits loosely in the order in which students are advised to pursue them, to meet their degree program requirements. In addition to the courses listed below, students are permitted to pursue seven electives (21 credits) which they may weave in among semesters or hold until later in their studies. Students usually use elective courses to meet denominational requirements, explore an area of interest, delve into a particular passion, or develop an area of ministry specialization.

- Scripture I, introductory Old Testament (any two courses at the 500-level, barring Hebrew)
- Scripture II, introductory New Testament (NEWT 505 and any course at the 500- or 600-level, barring Greek)
- Early Christian History (one introductory course, HIST 609 or 610)
- Ministerial Leadership (one 600-level course)
- Christian Ethics (one **core** course, ETHI 601/602)
- Religious Education (one 600-level course)
- Pastoral Care (one 600-level course)
- Christian Spiritual Practice (any CHRS course)
- Ethics and Social Justice (any JUST course)
- Systematic Theology (two **core** courses, THEO 611 and 614)
- Field Education, (**core:** two semesters, contiguous fall through spring, in conjunction with P3)
- US Religious History (one introductory course, HIST 645, 612, 732)
- Preaching (one 600-level course)
- Worship (one 600-level course)
- Practicing Theology (any PRAC course)
- World Religions or World Christianity (any WREL or WCHR course)
- Free electives: Any 7 courses

Integrative Catalysts

In addition to courses, students in the M.Div. program engage catalytic courses that blend lived experience with intellectual engagement. Each M.Div. student must take one course with each of the following designations:

- Theology and the Arts: TA
- Interfaith Engagement: IF
- Professor-Practitioner Program (concurrently with Field Education): P3
- Border-Crossing Immersion (ordinarily after completing at least 30 credits): BC

Integrative Catalyst-designated courses can meet other requirements as well. For instance, a World Christianity course with a “Border-Crossing Immersion” designation might serve both as a distributional requirement in World Christianity and meet the requirement that all students take a Border-Crossing Immersion-designated Integrative Catalyst.

Because all Integrative Catalysts include an experiential component, students must plan ahead to meet both course requirements and Integrative Catalyst requirements. Graduation is contingent upon both earning credits and meeting these designation expectations.

Mid-Program Review

Beginning in the fall of 2011, the faculty will use a new system for monitoring student learning throughout their degree programs. Students should be prepared to post documents on an online student learning assessment portfolio beginning in the fall. Guidelines for the new procedure will be published in the *Supplement* to the *Catalogue*.

Unitarian Universalist Master of Divinity Students

Andover Newton offers special courses for Unitarian Universalist students seeking to meet both degree program and ordination requirements. On a cyclical basis, the School offers courses in UU Theology, UU

History, and UU Polity. On an occasional basis, courses in Religious Education and Ministerial Leadership in the UU tradition are available. Thematic Preaching is offered annually. All UU courses, except for UU Theology, meet distributional requirements. The School also employs two denominational advisors for UU students and supports UUCANS, the student UU fellowship.

Clinical Pastoral Education

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) provides students, in supervised settings, with opportunities to learn to be in ministry with people who are suffering from fear, physical pain, remorse and loneliness — problems to be faced within many contexts of ministry. Clinical Pastoral Education is offered at several independently-accredited locations throughout New England. Students can read about sites and options at www.acpe.edu.

Many denominations require that students pursuing ordination earn one unit of CPE. Students may pursue one unit of CPE toward three elective credits in the Master of Divinity.

Students Who Matriculated During 2009-2011 Transition

Students who began their M.Div. programs between the fall of 2009 and the spring of 2011 entered the curriculum when it was in-transition. The curriculum has been modified slightly based on assessment during the transition. Those who matriculated during the transition have the option of completing the M.Div. as it was designed when they started or opting into the new requirements. Students may review the curriculum changes, listed below, with their advisors, the Registrar, or the Dean of the Faculty for assistance in determining a course of study.

- Students in the transition pursued Spiritual Formation Groups for one credit and Border Crossing Immersion for two.
 - Now, all students participate in Orientation Groups for no credit and Border Crossing for three.
 - Transitioning students, who have taken Spiritual Formation but not yet Border Crossing, can register for Border Crossing at two credits.
- Students in the transition were not required to take a course in Christian Spiritual Practice. They may opt into the new requirements and take a CHRS course as a required course.
- Students in the transition registered for P3 sections and Field Education separately. All students beginning Field Education after the fall of 2011 will register for Field Education and P3 sections jointly.
- Students in the transition were only required to take three Bible courses, two introductory and one advanced.
 - Now, all M.Div. students must take four Bible courses at the introductory level, 500 (barring languages) for Old Testament, NEWT 505 and one course at the 500-600 level for New Testament.
 - Transition students may take one introductory Old Testament, NEWT 505, and one upper-level course in any Biblical area.
- Students in the transition took Integrative Catalysts as courses rather than course-designations.
 - They also were allowed to choose either Interfaith Engagement or Theology and the Arts.
 - Transition students may take Integrative Catalyst designated courses as though they were stand-alone courses meeting requirements.

- They must choose whether the course will meet the requirement for the Catalyst or the course area. For example, a Theology and the Arts designated Bible course could meet the requirement either for the Catalyst or upper-level Bible.

Master of Arts Degree Programs

Students pursue Master of Arts degrees at Andover Newton in order to:

- Deepen theological or spiritual dimensions of professions in which they are engaged;
- Pursue theological education for personal enrichment, or to explore spiritual, vocational, or religious issues;
- Prepare for ministries within or related to churches that do not require practical specialization or ordination.

The Master of Arts degree is offered in two academic concentrations and one professional concentration in Religious Education. The purpose of the M.A. degree is to provide a graduate theological education for students not pursuing ordination in particular denominations. Students pursuing a Master of Arts degree must complete requirements within four years or be subject to extension fees. Required GPA for graduation: 3.0; for M.A.R.E. 2.0.

- Religious Education (M.A. R.E.)
- Theological Studies (M.A.T.S.)
- Theological Research (M.A.T.R.)

Students meet these degree requirements through a combination of core requirements (all students must take a particular course), distribution requirements (students may select among options in a required area of study), free electives, and three-credit directed studies toward integrative papers and projects. Detailed information about these papers and projects, as well as contact information for a Head Advisor for the M.A., are available in the office of the Dean of the Faculty.

Master of Arts in Religious Education Degree (M.A. R.E.)

The Master of Arts in Religious Education (M.A. R.E.) offers a degree with a professional emphasis. This program is designed for persons with a special interest in the ministries of religious education within the contexts of the local church and the larger community. It provides education in the basic theological disciplines as a base for special training in religious education. The goals of this degree include:

- Preparing men and women for educational ministries within churches, schools, denominations, agencies, or the wider community.
- Equipping persons for creative and critical theological reflection on educational thought and practice.
- Fostering understanding of social, psychological, and educational sciences that support effective educational practice.
- Encouraging spiritual imagination in teaching and educational planning.
- Enhancing previous educational or theological training with focused study in religious education.

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts in Religious Education (M.A.R.E.)

The M.A.R.E. requires that students gain some general background, specialization in religious education, study in practical theology and pastoral care, a year of supervised ministry, and an integrative essay that explores the relationships between education and religious and theological studies. The Valeria Stone

Professor of Christian Education should be consulted when questions concerning program content, waivers and substitutions, and other such matters arise and require consultation. Courses, which constitute 48 credits, are listed loosely in the order in which it is recommended students pursue them.

- M.A. Colloquium (in one's first fall semester)
- Scripture I, introductory Old Testament (any one course at the 500-level, barring Hebrew)
- Scripture II, introductory New Testament (any one course at the 500- or 600-level, barring Greek)
- Pastoral Care (one 600-level course)
- US Religious History (one introductory course, HIST 645, 612, 732) OR Early Christian History (one introductory course, HIST 609 or 610)
- Christian Ethics (one **core** course, ETHI 601/602) OR Ethics and Social Justice (any JUST course)
- Systematic Theology (two **core** courses, THEO 611 and 614)
- Field Education, (**core:** two semesters, contiguous fall through spring, in conjunction with P3)
- Fifteen credits in Religious Education (spread among terms)
- Directed Study toward Integrative Essay (3 Credits)

Honors

To graduate with honors, M.A.R.E. students must satisfactorily complete the integrative essay and have maintained a GPA of 3.8 or higher.

Master of Arts Theological Studies Degree (M.A.T.S.)

The Master of Arts (Theological Studies) provides a broad background in theological study while allowing a specific concentration in a discipline or field of one's interest. Concentrations are decided by the student and one's advisor, with a curriculum plan drawn up and put on file in the registrar's office during one's first year. This degree offers particular opportunities for multidisciplinary studies and may be crafted to suit the interests of individual students. Some of the possible concentrations are: Pastoral Care and Pastoral Theology, Theology and the Arts, Bible, Ethics, and Ministerial Leadership. The goals of this degree include:

- Theological education to explore spiritual, vocational, or religious issues for personal or professional enrichment.
- Preparation for ministries within or related to churches that do not require practical specialization or ordination.

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts Theological Studies (M.A. T.S.)

Degree program requirements include 48 credits and are listed below loosely in the order in which a student is advised to pursue them.

- M.A. Colloquium (3 credits) (in one's first fall semester)
- Scripture I, introductory Old Testament (any one course at the 500-level, barring Hebrew)
- Scripture II, introductory New Testament (any one course at the 500- or 600-level, barring Greek)
- US Religious History (one introductory course, HIST 645, 612, 732) OR Early Christian History (one introductory course, HIST 609 or 610)
- Christian Ethics (one **core** course, ETHI 601/602), any upper-level ETHI course, OR Ethics and Social Justice (any JUST course)

- Systematic Theology (two **core** courses, THEO 611 and 614)
- Two upper-level courses in any of the above (6 credits)
- Eighteen credits in concentration (spread among terms)
- Integrative Paper and Exam (3 credits)

Honors

M.A. (Theological Studies) students who satisfactorily complete the integrative papers and exams and have GPAs of 3.8 or higher will graduate with honors.

Master of Arts Theological Research) Degree (M.A.T.R.)

The Master of Arts (Theological Research) provides intensive study in a theological discipline or in interdisciplinary programs begun elsewhere at the college or graduate level. It requires a broad familiarity with the various theological disciplines, a substantial degree of specialization, and the preparation and defense of a thesis of approximately one-hundred pages. To be admitted, students must be familiar with basic library research methods.

This program's goal is to provide education for focused study in a field of scholarly interest, and preparation for further graduate work beyond the M.A., such as a Ph.D.

Degree Requirements: Master of Arts (Theological Research) – M.A.T.R.

Because its stated purpose is to provide preparation for advanced study, the M.A.T.R. is less structured and more closely mentored than other M.A. tracks.

The curriculum for the M.A. (Theological Research) includes the following elements, 48 credits, listed in the loosely-recommended order in which a student might pursue them:

- M.A. Colloquium (in one's first fall semester)
- Any two Scripture courses (One in Old Testament and one in New Testament)
- Any History course (HIST)
- Any Theology course (THEO)
- Any course in Ethics or Ethics and Social Justice (ETHI or JUST)
- Two courses in History, Theology, Scripture or Ethics
- Six courses in concentration (spread among terms)
- Seminar on Theological Research (INTE 702)
- M.A. Thesis

Students in this program craft a plan for studies during the student's first semester.

Students entering the M.A. (Theological Research) program will receive a M.A. Worksheet and meet with a faculty advisor to prepare a program of study including a definition of their concentration. The plan of study will be placed in the student's file by the Registrar after the faculty advisor has agreed to it. A M.A. student can design a concentration with a faculty member, provided that there are faculty resources adequate to support the proposed concentration. The M.A. Colloquium provides an environment in which a student may refine and clarify the proposed concentration.

Rather than devise a list of concentrations, the M.A.T.R. program encourages students to develop their own concentrations by consulting with their faculty advisors. Concentrations also allow for interdisciplinary studies. This means that the M.A.T.R. and its approach to concentrations is more nimble and flexible in accommodating students' interests.

Honors

In order to graduate with honors in the M.A. (Theological Research) degree, students must earn both a 3.8 GPA and an "honors thesis" recommendation from the faculty members who conduct their oral examinations.

The M.A. (Theological Research) Degree

In effect, the M.A. (Theological Research) degree has replaced the S.T.M. degree, which was previously available at Andover Newton. International students and others seeking advanced standing with credit may transfer up to one-half of the credits needed to complete a M.A. (Theological Research) degree from previous M.A. and M.Div. degrees.

Regulations Relating to the M.A. Program

M.A. students may not register for more than fifteen credits per semester without approval from the Dean of the Faculty.

The M.A. programs require a minimum of two semesters of study with the satisfactory completion of 48 course credits as described above and a cumulative average of 3.0 (B), except for the Master of Arts in Religious Education (M.A.R.E.) which requires a 2.0 (C) cumulative average.

Certificate Programs

Certificate in Theological Studies

This program provides persons with the opportunity to complete five graduate-level theological courses that can focus on a variety of theological disciplines and/or ministry practices. Students who seek certificates are considered "Special Students," and although they may take more than five courses under this designation, no more than five courses (15 credits) may be transferred into an Andover Newton degree program.

Focused Certificate in Theological Studies

This program is similar to the general Certificate program described above, but it invites students to take five courses in a single academic discipline under the advisement of a Faculty member in that discipline. Unlike the general Certificate described above, Focused Certificates may also be earned by students in other degree programs, such as the M.Div. and D.Min., in recognition of specializations students develop through their elective courses.

Currently, students may pursue Focused Certificates in the following disciplines:

- Ethics and Social Justice (5 courses with JUST designation)
- Ministerial Leadership (5 courses with CMLE designation)
- Spiritual and Pastoral Care (5 courses with CHRS, PSYP, PSYC, and/or PSYF designations)

Focused Certificate in Interfaith Leadership

This program provides persons with the opportunity to complete five graduate-level courses in Interfaith Leadership. It is designed for students already enrolled in a program at Andover Newton or Hebrew College

and for Special Students who seek training and certification in Interfaith Leadership without enrolling in a masters or doctoral program. Five (5) courses are needed and **can be drawn from the following areas:**

1. A one-semester introduction to the basics of Christianity (for Jewish students) and Judaism (for Christian and Unitarian Universalist students), and to the field of Interfaith Learning.
2. A joint course between Andover Newton and Hebrew College featuring instructors and students from both schools that focuses on classical texts.
3. A joint course between Andover Newton and Hebrew College featuring instructors and students from both schools that focuses on contemporary issues in theology, ethics, and/or ministerial practice.
4. A course that focuses on a major world religion other than Judaism or Christianity, in the WREL area of the Andover Newton curriculum.
5. A year-long interfaith leadership seminar in which a cohort of students meet and work on supervised interfaith projects under the direction of the faculty of Andover Newton and Hebrew College.

Certificate of Advanced Theological Studies

This certificate is awarded to students who wish to complete significant studies at the doctoral level but do not seek to pursue a D.Min. project. Students who meet the prerequisites for application to the D.Min. Program may enter as Special Students seeking the certificate, or D.Min. students may change their designation from D.Min. student to Advanced Theological Studies Certificate candidate retroactively, after course requirements are completed. Requirements include the Seminar on Scholarship in Ministry (DMIN 801), Seminar on Theological Research (DMIN 802), and six courses at the 800-level in a focused area of study.

Boston Theological Institute Certificates

Certificate in International Mission and Ecumenism

The BTI program FETE (Focused Ecumenical Theological Education) provides students with an understanding of different Christian communities in the context of ecumenical dialogue. Each year thematic workshops overseas are offered for academic credit. A Certificate in International Mission and Ecumenism is awarded by the BTI in recognition of courses taken in Mission and Ecumenism at member schools.

Certificate in Conflict Transformation

School of Theology/Divinity and Seminary trained persons in all ministry settings should be prepared to respond to the realities of destructive conflict with peacemaking skills. Such work often requires the conversion of attitudes about conflict, and the development of skills and practices that transform conflict into opportunities for learning, growth, healing, new relationships and stronger communities. As with the Certificate in International Mission and Ecumenism, this is not an academic degree, but an award of the joint faculties through the BTI.

Doctor of Ministry Program

The Purpose of the Program

The Doctor of Ministry Degree is an advanced professional degree designed for clergy and lay leaders who have a Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent, which means a Bachelor of Divinity or an 81-credit (three years if full-time) Master's Degree in theological studies.

While the degree builds on a foundation in general theological studies, its overarching objective is to foster creative practical and scholarly education to address the degree program's threefold purpose:

- To provide a program of studies where experienced religious leaders can engage complex issues related to their vocations, while drawing upon theological and theoretical resources,
- To deepen creative reflection, spiritual formation, and scholarship in an area of specialization of ministry, and
- To inspire reflective practitioners who embody and encourage creative leadership in communities of faith and other ministry settings.

Structure of the Program

The Doctor of Ministry is a degree for experienced ministers who seek, at any phase of their careers, to deepen their knowledge and improve their practice.

Students in the program pursue three sequenced seminars that focus upon the process of developing scholarly practices in ministry. Through this sequencing of D.Min. Seminars, students can be assured that they have attained the appropriate prerequisite competencies for each seminar while also forming collegial relationships with other D.Min. students. Cohorts of D.Min. students work closely with one another through this sequence of seminars, encouraging and learning from one another.

- First fall semester or first June: Seminar on Scholarship in Ministry , DMIN 801
- Second fall semester or June: Seminar on Theological Research, DMIN 802
- Third fall semester of writing or June: Seminar on Ministry Writing, DMIN 803

Students also take six elective courses. Candidates are expected to define an area of specialization upon admission, in which area they will eventually take at least four of their six elective courses.

After students complete their coursework (all courses *except* the Writing Seminar, in which students engage during their first or second semester of Project writing), they engage in a "Candidacy Review." At the completion of the Project (four credits), students meet with advisors for a two-hour comprehensive examination. Beginning with a proposal before their Candidacy Review, students conduct a research project and write a publishable-quality piece of writing. The format and length for the writing varies but should take into consideration the audience for the new knowledge about ministry the project generates. .

The D.Min. program gives students the choice between two cohorts: The extended cohort meets every week for the fall semester each year. The intensive cohort meets during one-week intensives in June each year. In choosing a cohort, students should consider their learning styles, the distance they must travel to Newton, and the important fact that they may not ordinarily change cohorts after they have begun the program.

Students should plan to register for the Introductory D.Min. Seminar (DMIN 801) their first fall or June, followed by the Research Seminar. They will then register for the D.Min. Writing Seminar in the first semester in which they are writing their Projects. These seminars all build upon one another, therefore students are expected to take them in sequence.

Recommended Course Sequence for the Doctor of Ministry

Full-time D.Min. students (many of whom are concurrently engaged in part-time ministry) usually complete degree requirements in three years, each phase representing one academic year. Part-time students (many of who are engaged in full-time ministry) may modify this model toward a longer-term degree by taking seminars every other year and decreasing the number of electives they take at any given time.

Prerequisites

Applicants must have at least three years' experience in ministry subsequent to their first graduate theological degree. Applicants must also demonstrate evidence of a capacity for an advanced level of competence and reflection, an ability to maintain a 3.3 (B+) cumulative grade point average, and writing skills sufficient to produce a D.Min. Project of high quality.

Advising

Every incoming D.Min. candidate is assigned an academic advisor through the Dean of the Faculty's office during the admissions process. The advisor assists students in their course selections while also providing any counsel students may need about their academic programs. At the completion of the D.Min. Research Seminar, students work closely with their advisors as they proceed with their Projects.

In rare instances, students choose to work with different advisors for their Projects than for their academic course work. Changes of advisors are to be made in consultation with the original advisor, the proposed new advisor, and the Head Advisor of the D.Min. Program. Students may change advisors during the coursework and before beginning the Project Proposal as well; only in extremely rare cases do students change advisors after their Projects are underway. Once a change of advisors is approved, students may file a Change of Advisor Form with the Administrative Assistant to the Faculty.

In addition to students' advisors, students must select a reader for their Projects. Unlike advisors, readers need not be full members of the Andover Newton Faculty, but rather can be adjunct faculty members or local experts with particular insights into the student's Project topic. It is expected that the reader will have an earned doctorate. No funding is available for non-faculty readers, which should be taken under consideration when students wish to invite outside readers. The student's D.Min. Committee is made up of his or her advisor and reader.

Length of Program

Although students have some flexibility as to their rates of progress in the D.Min., it is expected that even part-time students will complete the degree within six years. Those who extend beyond that time limit must receive approval from the Dean of the Faculty to continue and are assessed a significant annual fee. Under no circumstances may students continue in the program beyond ten years. Leaves of absence are included in these time frames, although special consideration is given to medical leaves.

Advanced Standing Admissions: Blanton-Peale

Blanton-Peale is an institute of advanced study in pastoral care located in New York. Blanton-Peale and Andover Newton Theological School formed a partnership over thirty years ago. Upon completion of all academic and clinical requirements at Blanton-Peale, students may apply for admission to the D.Min. program at Andover Newton with advanced standing. The application must be accompanied by a preliminary Project Proposal. Candidates with advanced standing are then required to enroll in the Research Seminar unless they present an acceptable proposal at the time of admission. Upon completing the Research Seminar and receiving Project Proposal approval, students will begin writing their D.Min. project under the guidance of faculty members at Andover Newton. Upon completion of the D.Min. Project, they will schedule and complete the oral exam.

Program Requirements

Admission and Matriculation

Upon admission to the Andover Newton Theological School Doctor of Ministry Program, students will be provided with the names of their advisors. From that point, students should:

1. Meet with their advisors to plan a preliminary course of study. In most cases, students will take the Introductory D.Min. Seminar in their first fall semester.
2. Register for classes, noting that D.Min. Students register at the 800-level. Students who register for 600- or 700-level courses should contact the instructors for permission to register at the 800-level. Since a majority of Andover Newton's courses are offered primarily for Master's-level students, professors routinely adjust course requirements for doctoral students taking 600- and 700-level courses. Doctoral students are expected to bring to their studies a deeper and more fully-developed knowledge of the practice of ministry than M.Div. students; therefore, in assessing both written and class work, professors will hold D.Min. students to standards appropriate to their advanced level of knowledge and experience. Although professors may sometimes assign D.Min. students additional work, they may also direct D.Min. students to approach material differently, bringing their experience and knowledge to bear on specific topics.

D.Min students enter the program with specific study goals as well as ideas for a project. When possible, professors should consult individually with each D.Min. student to determine what sort of adjusted requirements will both fulfill the goals of the course and be most useful to the student in his/her overall course of study.

3. New students must attend the D.Min. Orientation in the fall.

Credit and Requirements

Degree candidates who wish to complete courses at other A.T.S.-accredited schools must complete a Substitution and Waiver Form with the Doctor of Ministry Department before taking classes elsewhere. D.Min. students may take no more than three elective courses outside of Andover Newton. D.Min. students must maintain a cumulative average of at least 3.3 (B+) throughout the program. No grade lower than a B- can be credited toward the degree. In order to graduate with honors, students must have a GPA of 3.8 or higher and an honors Project.

See the Doctor of Ministry Handbook for additional information.

RESOURCES, PARTNERS, AND PROGRAMS

Library Resources

Andover Newton students may use a wealth of library resources, including the Franklin Trask Library on campus, and the collections of eight other Boston-area theological schools and Harvard University.

Andover Newton's library collection contains approximately 260,000 volumes, of which 220,000 are located in the Trask Library. The remaining 40,000 volumes, primarily periodicals and nineteenth-century theological works, are housed at the Andover-Harvard Theological Library at the Harvard Divinity School in Cambridge. Through a special agreement with Harvard, Andover Newton students have access not only to this valuable collection but also to the entire collection of more than 10 million volumes within the Harvard University Library system.

Through the School's membership in the Boston Theological Institute, Andover Newton students have borrowing and research privileges in all of the BTI libraries. The combined collections of these libraries number more than a 1.5 million volumes, one of the largest theological resource centers in the world.

The Library's catalogue and other resources are available through the Andover Newton web site at www.ants.edu/library/. The library subscribes to the primary databases in religion and theology. Online database searching is also available.

Boston Theological Institute

Andover Newton is a founding member of the Boston Theological Institute (BTI), a consortium of nine theological schools in the Boston area. For over 40 years, the BTI has fostered interdenominational and interfaith exchange, and has united its member schools in sharing academic courses, library facilities, programs and dialogue.

The BTI consists of Andover Newton, Harvard Divinity School, Episcopal Divinity School, Boston University School of Theology, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, Boston College Department of Theology, St. John's Seminary, Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, and Hebrew College.

Together, they offer more than 700 courses taught by over 200 faculty members. Though students normally take required courses at Andover Newton, degree candidates in good standing may take up to one-half of their credits at other BTI schools with departmental approval.

The BTI also sponsors lectures, discussions, and publications in areas such as ecumenism and international mission, religion and social conflict, interreligious dialogue, faith and science, religion and ecology, minority and women's concerns, field-based education, restorative justice, and urban theological education.

The BTI office, located conveniently on the Andover Newton campus, publishes a weekly newsletter during the fall and spring terms with news of events and programs at member schools. The office number is (617) 527-4880. The web site is www.bostontheological.org.

Cross-Registration Opportunities

Cross-Registration at BTI Schools

Students are fully responsible for completing the cross-registration process in both the home school and the host school and following all instructions in the registrars' offices. This includes add/drop, withdrawal and filing for incomplete deadlines. Improper registration may result in late fees or cause problems in transferring grades and course credits.

No more than one-half of a student's total credits may be from schools other than Andover Newton. Thus, students transferring credits from non-BTI schools will be limited in the number of BTI courses they may take. See the Registrar for the appropriate cross-registration procedures and forms.

Cross-registration at Harvard University

Because of the historic relationship between Harvard University and Andover Newton Theological School, including the Andover-Harvard Library collection, Harvard and Andover Newton have a special arrangement for cross-registration. Degree candidates in good standing may cross-register for courses in many of the ten graduate schools of Harvard University. Some restrictions apply. See the Registrar with questions.

Cross-registration at Hebrew College

Hebrew College is a nonsectarian, transdenominational institution, offering instruction in Jewish history, Hebrew language, literature, religion, culture, and civilization, and providing library, research, and other resources to the academic and general communities. Hebrew College is adjacent to the Andover Newton campus, and the two schools offer cross-registration. Hebrew College is the newest member of the BTI. Check with the Registrar for details.

CIRCLE

Founded in 2008 with a generous grant from the Henry Luce Foundation, The Center for Interreligious and Communal Leadership Education (CIRCLE) is a joint initiative of Andover Newton Theological School (ANTS) and Hebrew College (HC). CIRCLE's mission is to help cultivate intentional relationships at every level of the two institutions. Programs include joint academic courses taught by ANTS and HC instructors and populated by students from both schools; seasonal and thematic events organized by the student group Journeys on the Hill (JOTH); interfaith learning groups; and an innovative interfaith fellowship program. Through these activities and others, CIRCLE fosters relationships across religious and institutional lines, thereby transforming the nature of religious education and leadership in the twenty-first century.

Community Day

All members of the Andover Newton community – students, staff, and faculty – participate in two Community Day activities each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. Students registered in the related semester are required to attend, and all other School business comes to a stop to focus on building community on the hill. Fall community days include only the Andover Newton community and ordinarily involve a service project or set of projects in the wider Boston area. Spring Community Day takes place jointly with the Hebrew College community, whose Rabbinical School students are also required to attend. Students who cannot participate in Community Day must see the Dean of Students for alternative means of fulfilling this Schoolwide expectation.

Cooperative Master of Divinity with Hartford Seminary

Andover Newton offers Hartford Seminary students a dual advisory system to further their goals of obtaining M.Div. degrees from Andover Newton. Hartford students should work with the official Hartford Seminary-appointed advisor, who works with the Andover Newton Dean of the Faculty to ensure that Hartford courses will fulfill Andover Newton's M.Div. requirements. Hartford Seminary Cooperative M.Div. students are permitted to transfer 45 credits into an Andover Newton M.Div. Hartford Seminary's advisor writes letters of endorsement for qualified students. Acceptance into the M.Div. program is neither automatic nor guaranteed.

Hispanic Summer Program

Through the Boston Theological Institute, Andover Newton sponsors the Hispanic Summer Program, which takes place annually for two weeks in the United States or Puerto Rico. Hispanic students and others who are bilingual and interested in Hispanic ministries may attend this academic program. Participants may take a maximum of two two-credit courses which are taught with the Latino church in mind.

The Meetinghouse: The Center for Theology and the Arts

Founded in 1994, the main floor of the Meetinghouse is a space that accommodates regular art exhibitions, special events, worship, and performances (theatre, dance, music, etc.). The lower level houses two large artists' studios, utilized by students and other visiting artists; it is also the space for weekly Art Night, Institutes, regular arts workshops, and other hands-on events.

Conferences and Guest Lectures

Guest lectures and major conferences sponsored by Andover Newton often bring nationally- and internationally-recognized scholars and church and community leaders to campus. On an occasional basis, the school hosts the Helen Barrett Montgomery Baptist Lecture and the Simpson-Hewett Lecture in United Church of Christ history. Each spring the Jonathan Edwards Lecture brings renowned church and academy leaders to campus.

Orlando E. Costas Lecture in Latino/a Theology

The Orlando E. Costas Lecture in Latino/a Theology aims to aid in the understanding of Hispanic/Latino/a life, theology, and ministry in the United States. It accomplishes this goal through an annual lecture planned to coincide with the national celebration of Hispanic heritage in early October. The lecture program provides an opportunity to hear from prominent Latino/a scholars and a setting for exploring the challenge and promise of Latino/a theology. It brings visibility to the presence, voice, and agency of the Hispanic/Latino/a community within and outside of Andover Newton, informing new directions in Christian thought and practice.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR AT A GLANCE 2011-2012

Fall 2011

August 1-20	Registration for Fall semester
September 9-10	Orientation for all students
September 12	Fall classes begin
September 14	Opening Convocation
September 16	Last day for late registration
October 4	Community Day
October 10	Columbus Day - No classes. Offices closed
October 18 - November 4	Registration for Winter Session courses
November 11	Veterans' Day - Classes in session. Offices closed
November 21-25	Fall Break
November 29-December 16	Registration for Spring Session courses
December 13	Last day of Fall classes
December 14-16	Final exams

Winter 2012

January 2-13	Winter Session #1. Add/Drop forms deadline: first day of class
January 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - School closed
January 17-21	Winter Session #2. Add/Drop forms deadline: first day of class

Spring 2012

January 30	Spring classes begin
February 3	Last day for late registration
February 20	Presidents' Day - No classes. Offices and Library closed
March 13	Joint Community Day with Hebrew College
March 26-30	Spring Break
April 4	Snow Day Make-up Day (if necessary, otherwise no classes)
April 5	Maundy Thursday – No Classes
April 6	Good Friday - School closed
April 10-27	Registration for Summer Session courses
April 15	Financial Aid deadline for 2011-2012 for returning students
April 16	Patriot's Day - Classes in session. Offices closed
May 4	Last day of Spring classes
May 7-9	Final exams
May 18, Friday	Baccalaureate
May 19, Saturday	Commencement

Summer 2012

June 4-8	Summer Session #1 - Add/Drop forms deadline: first day of class
June 11-22	Summer Session #2 Add/Drop forms deadline: first day of class
July 30 - August 17	Registration for Fall Semester 2012

For the full Academic Calendar, visit the Web site at <http://www.ants.edu/academics/calendar>.

COURSES OF INSTRUCTION

Key to Course Listings

Christian Spiritual Practice	CHRS	Pastoral Care & Psychology	PSYC/F/H/P
Ethics & Social Justice	ETHI or JUST	Preaching	CMPR
Field Education	CMFE	Religious Education	CMED
History	HIST	Theology	THEO
Ministerial Leadership	CMLE	Worship	CMWO
New Testament/Scripture II	NEWT	World Christianity/ World Religion	WCHR/WREL
Old Testament/Scripture I	OLDT	Interdepartmental	INTE
Practicing Theology	PRAC	Doctor of Ministry	DMIN

Key	Description
EL	“EL” preceding a course name indicates an E-Learning course.
BC	“BC” following a course number indicates that the course has a Border-Crossing Immersion catalyst designation.
IF	“IF” following a course number indicates that the course has an Interfaith Engagement catalyst designation.
TA	“TA” following a course number indicates that the course has a Theology and the Arts catalyst designation.
P3	“P3” following a course number indicates that it is a section for the Professor Practitioner Program. Students must register for the course as well as the section.
Y	“Y” following a course number indicates a year-long course. Students must register each semester for year-long courses.

This listing is subject to change. **All changes will be posted in a separate Course Supplement document on the Web site.** See the school’s Web site, www.ants.edu, for current information about course listings, times and dates. All courses, unless otherwise noted, are offered for three credits. Unless otherwise noted, courses are generally limited to fifty students.

Levels of Instruction

Level	Description
500	Language courses or introductory courses meeting some requirements for either the M.Div. or the M.A. degree.
600	Meet some requirements for the M.Div. and M.A.
700	For advanced M.Div. and M.A. students with either background in an area or prerequisites completed. These courses meet some requirements for the M.Div. and M.A.
800	Primarily for D.Min. students, although a limited number of seniors with the appropriate background may enroll with the instructor’s permission.

Dual-numbered courses—e.g., [HIST 725/825] – indicate courses that serve more than one level. Students should register for the level appropriate to their program needs.

Example: an M.Div. or M.A. student would register for HIST 725, but a D.Min. student would register for HIST 825.

2011-2012

Theology

THEO 611 (01)

Systematic Theology I

Professor Heim

This core course offers an examination of primary theological themes, doctrines, and/or symbols of the Christian faith and their interrelationships in classical formulation and contemporary reconstruction. The nature, architecture and sources of theology as well as the doctrines related to humanity, Christ and God will be considered. No prerequisite, but some prior study of Bible and church history is helpful. Limit: 40.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

THEO 611 (01) [P3]

Systematic Theology I

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

THEO 611 (02)

Systematic Theology I

Professor Valentin

This course offers an introduction to theology as an academic discipline, and an examination of some of the main theological themes, concepts, or doctrines of Christianity. The first part of the semester examines matters related to the definition and purpose of theology; the character of theological language; the architecture, sources, tasks, and methods of theological study. The remainder of the course explores key theological doctrines such as God, the Trinity, Creation, Humanity, and Sin. Limit: 50.

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 9:00 - 11:50 a.m.

THEO 614 (01)

Systematic Theology II

Professor Heim

This core course offers an examination of primary theological themes, doctrines, and/or symbols of the Christian faith and their interrelationships in classical formulation and contemporary reconstruction. Salvation, the nature and mission of the church and “The Last Things” will be

considered. No prerequisite but some prior study of Bible and church history is suggested. Limit: 40.
Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

THEO 614 (01) [P3]

Systematic Theology II

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

THEO 614

Systematic Theology II (02)

Professor Valentin

This course builds upon the foundations and objectives of Systematic Theology I, examining in particular issues related to the topics of Christology, Ecclesiology, and a Christian Theology of Religions. Limit: 40.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Theology Electives

THEO 501

The Western Tradition: Ethics, Political Philosophy and Theology

Professor Heim

This course is an introduction to classical elements in traditional Western thought, with particular emphasis upon social philosophy, ethics and theology. Drawing on influential original texts, the class provides a general background that will serve the student in their seminary work in scripture, theology, ethics and church history. Strongly recommended for those without prior study in philosophy and history. Limit: 20.

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

THEO 738

The Flesh Made Word/Discourse: A Survey of Christology

Professor Valentin

There is no more important subject in Christian theology than Christology--disciplined reflection on the person and religious significance of Jesus Christ. This course explores the history of Christology, including its origins in early Christianity, its evolution from the second through fifth centuries, and its more recent reformulation at the hands of contemporary

theologians. The course begins with study of the historical Jesus (or Jesus of history) – a look at the emerging picture of Jesus arising from present-day historiography, archaeology, and literary analysis. It then explores the different theological interpretations of Jesus that have emerged in the history of Christianity, especially in early and Patristic era Christianity and in twentieth-century and twenty-first century Christianity. The course ends with an evaluation of contemporary Christologies and an inquiry into the possible translation, transference, or application of the intentions of Jesus' teachings and purposeful activity in the twenty-first century. Limit: 25.
Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

THEO 772

[THEO/JUST] Faith and Justice: Liberation Theologies in the United States

Professor Valentin

Liberation theologies are widely acclaimed as the principal forms of prophetic thought and action in our contemporary age. Simply put, these are modes of theological discourse that rethink the meaning and purpose of human existence, faith, and religious thought and practice by placing attention on the non-subjects of history and on the travails of those on the underside of history--that is those who have been denied voice, an adequate standard of material subsistence, and positive identity in history. This course considers the emergence and development of some of the different kinds of liberation theologies that have come into existence in the United States. Black/African American, Feminist, Hispanic/Latino(a), and Ecological theologies are explored in depth, but other expressions of liberation theology in the U.S are also considered such as Native American, GLBTQ, and Asian American theologies of liberation. Limit: 25.
Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

THEO 786/886

Passion and Atonement

Professor Heim

What is saving about Christ's death? An exploration of issues of atonement and sacrifice in Christian theology. Traditional and contemporary views, with special emphasis on reconstructions of

the doctrine. Prerequisite: One semester of Theology or New Testament. Limit: 25.

Winter 2012, Session I – January 2-13, 9:00 a.m. – noon

Directed Study in Theology

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

THEO 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

THEO 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

Religious Education

CMED 601

Educational Ministry of the Church

Professor Pazmiño

A survey course in Christian education designed for prospective pastors, directors of education and lay leaders in the educational ministry of the local church in various settings.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMED 601 [P3]

Educational Ministry of the Church

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

CMED 605/805

Educational Ministry Across the Life Span

Professor Pazmiño

This course explores changes and growth of persons with educational ministry implications for children, youth, and adults, within and outside of congregations.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

CMED 614/814

Teaching: Its Art and Craft

Professor Pazmiño

This course explores that art and craft of teaching in congregations and other ministry settings. Teaching is one essential Christian faith practice that builds upon an understanding of the art and craft of teaching and requires reflection upon its effective practice. Limit: 12.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMED 620/820**History and Philosophy of Christian Education**

Professor Pazmiño

A survey of historical developments in Christian education followed by the exploration of a philosophy of religious education that addresses contemporary issues.

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMED 640**Unitarian Universalist Religious Education**

Ms. Bancroft

This course will provide history, philosophy, and – importantly – practice in the art of religious education, recognizing the central role of lifespan faith development in congregational life. This course or its equivalent is required of all those seeking fellowship in ordained Unitarian Universalist ministry.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

CMED 760**The Religious Lives of 20-somethings**

Ms. Probasco

The course combines in-depth study with practice-centered projects on the question: How do we do ministry with younger adults? We will survey recent academic literature on young people and religion in the US. We will examine young adulthood as a new phenomenon in world history with specific consequences for social institutions and relationships. We will also consider best practices in young adult ministry. The course will include a practical component in which students apply their learning to the design of a worship service, Bible study curriculum, creation of a video blog or podcast, or other ministry project.

Winter Session II, 2012 – January 17-21, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Early Christian History**HIST 609****Introduction to the History of Christianity I**

Professor Burrows

Introduction to the history of Christianity, from the period of origins through the age of European Reformations. Attention to the complexity of the early Jesus movement and the early formation of the church as an institution; distinct medieval

developments that shape Catholicism in the west; interaction with Judaism and Islam; theological issues and the development of doctrine; heresy and its peculiar challenges to orthodoxy; the formation of Roman Catholicism and the Orthodox churches and their conflicts and eventual separation; questions of piety and politics; theological varieties, including mysticism and visionary writings; the pressures of reform and renewal in the sixteenth century; etc. Limit: 25.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

HIST 610**Topics in the History of Christianity I**

Professor Burrows

Exploration of central topics that give shape to the broad narrative of Christian history, from the period of origins through the age of Reformations. Attention to select theological issues, institutional developments, doctrinal conflicts and controversies, and creative expressions of faith and piety. Limit: 25.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 2-13, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

HIST 711 [TA]**[HIST/CHRS] Reading in Retreat: Monastic Theology of the Early Cistercians**

Professor Burrows

An exploration of the theological writings of Bernard of Clairvaux (d. 1153), with particular attention to *On Loving God* and *Sermons on the Song of Songs*. As a course offered in retreat at Glastonbury Abbey (Hingham, MA), the seminar blends lectures with participation in the monastic “liturgy of the hours.” Required on campus orientation on Saturday, January 7, 2012; residence at Glastonbury Abbey from Sunday afternoon, January 8, 2012, through Friday, January 13, 2012, at 2 p.m., and overnight from Sunday afternoon to Monday afternoon in March 2012 (date to be announced). Inclusive fee for room and board: \$440.expense. Prerequisite: HIST 609 or equivalent. **All students must pre-register with the instructor to be considered for a place in this class.** Limit: 17.

Winter Session II, 2012 – January 8-13; required on-campus orientation January 7, and one overnight in March TBD.

HIST 780/880 [TA]**Rainer Maria Rilke and the Poetry of the Search**

Professor Burrows

This seminar explores the poetry of Rainer Maria Rilke (1875 - 1926) as an example of what Dorothy Sayers has called "poetry of the search." Readings in ancient and medieval theological literature will accompany a range of texts spanning Rilke's oeuvre, including a sampling of his letters and journals, early poems in *The Book of Hours*, the *New Poems*, and the later *Duino Elegies* and *Sonnets to Orpheus*. Optional German reading sessions for interested students. Limit: 16.

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Directed Study in the History of Christianity

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

HIST 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

HIST 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

U.S. Religious History**HIST 645****American Religious History from the Colonial Period to the Present**

Professor Nordbeck

This course explores religious (primarily though not exclusively Christian) life in the U.S. from the colonial period to the 21st century. Focus is on the diverse people, groups, movements, themes, events and institutions that have shaped and characterized American religious life, and their relevance for contemporary leadership/ ministry issues. Limit: 40.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

HIST 645 [P3]**American Religious History from the Colonial Period to the Present**

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

HIST 698/798**Cults and Controversies: New Religious Movements in America**

Professor Nordbeck

This course examines new religious movements (popularly called "cults") and the ways people respond to them, both in the past and in the present. Our study will utilize the disciplines of psychology, sociology, and law to explore the thorny issues that new groups raise in American society, and it will provide background regarding American religious history in general.

Spring 2012 – Monday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

HIST 702 [IF]**Jewish and Christian Feminist Spirituality**

Dr. Peace

What have Jewish and Christian feminists contributed to our understanding of spirituality? How can their work inspire ours? Taking an historical and experiential approach, this seminar style class will introduce students to the writing and wisdom of academics and practitioners working in the area of Jewish and Christian feminist spirituality. With an emphasis on biography and the power of personal narrative, students will read primary sources by key feminists, keep journals throughout the semester, and identify one Jewish or Christian feminist to profile for final papers. This course includes guest lecturers by local feminist academics & practitioners. Limit: 18.

Spring 2012 – Friday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

HIST 732**Unitarian Universalist History**

The Reverend Mr. Harris

This course will briefly explore the European origins of Unitarianism in Transylvania, Poland, and England. Much of the course will focus on the gradual evolution of Unitarianism from its Puritan background to its centuries-long struggles with theological diversity and radical individualism, especially in Transcendentalism. We will also explore expansion, and the inclusive faith that developed in the West. Some time will also be spent on the indigenous origins of Universalism, especially the evangelical background found in the hill country of New England. Finally, we will explore how these two faiths came together in the 20th century, and continue to wrestle with social

issues, congregational polity and religious pluralism.

Spring 2012 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

HIST 748 [IF]

Christian-Jewish Relations in America

Ms. Armstrong

A seminar surveying historical contact between Christians and Jews in America from the colonial period through the end of the twentieth century. This course engages a broad spectrum of Jewish and Christian perspectives, including conservatives, moderates, and liberals within both religions. It highlights approaches ranging from isolation within one's own religious group to active mission upon the other to purposeful contact within interfaith dialogue sessions. Course themes include the challenges of maintaining a distinct religious identity within a pluralist context, the effects of interfaith marriage upon individual religious devotion, and the definition of religion itself as inherited or learned (or both).

Winter Session II, 2012 – January 17-21, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[EL] HIST 782 [IF]

Understanding Interfaith

Dr. Peace

Tracing the growth, diversity, and definition of “interfaith” both within and outside the academy, this course will give students basic tools and understandings to effectively integrate an interfaith lens into their work and ministry. Students will explore their own motives and interest in interfaith work, wrestle with definitional issues, read key texts and learn to analyze interfaith dilemmas through the use of case studies. Limit: 20.

Fall 2011 E-Learning

Christian Spiritual Practice

CMFE 630

[CMFE/CHRS] Theological Reflection for Vital Ministry

Dr. MacLeod

See Field Education section

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMLE 704/804

[CMLE/CHRS] Leading from Within: Spirituality and Leadership

Dr. Benefiel

See Ministerial Leadership section

Winter Session II, 2012 – January 13, 5:00 – 9:30 p.m.; January 14, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; January 17-20, 5:00 – 9:30 p.m.

PSYF 762

[PSYF/CHRS] Spiritual Practices for Healing and Wholeness

Professor Gill-Austern

See Pastoral Care section

Fall 2011 – Tuesday 8:00 – 11:50 a.m.

[EL] PSYF 778/878

[PSYF/CHRS] Grounded in God: Decision-Making and Discernment in Congregations and Organizations

Dr. Benefiel

How can ancient traditions of spiritual discernment bring depth and a sense of unhurried presence into modern congregational and organizational life? How does our social location influence our discernment? How can we learn corporate spiritual discernment in the midst of an individualistic culture? This course will consider structures and processes of twenty-first-century congregations and organizations and explore how spiritual discernment practices can be integrated into decision-making processes. This will be an experiential course, in which participants' own decision-making experiences in congregations and organizations will serve as the basis for reflection and discernment. Insights from the fields of spirituality, management, and leadership studies will be combined to consider decision-making and discernment in these settings. Graded Sat/Unsat. Summer 2012 E-Learning – May 29-July 6; one in-person day required.

Scripture

Scripture I (“Old Testament”)

OLDT 509

Introduction to Scripture I

Professor Mobley

An introduction to the world's first Bible, the Torah, and to the beginning stages of its growth and interpretation, with attention to its contents, contemporary methods of interpretation, and the

implications for reading it as part of the Christian faith tradition.

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

OLDT 512

The River: Introduction to the Prophets and Writings in the Hebrew Bible

Professor Mobley

A survey of the contents and interpretation of the Latter Prophets and Writings of the Jewish canon, known as the prophetic literature, Psalms, wisdom and apocalyptic literature of what Christians know as the Old Testament. Limit: 50.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

OLDT 509

Introduction to Scripture I

Professor Fontaine

This course studies the oral and written traditions of Exodus, Covenant, Ancestors and Creation from their appearances in the Torah (Pentateuch), the historical books of the Hebrew Bible, and the earliest layers of the Jesus Movement (“Q”) in the form of the Sermon on the Mount. Using methods of oral performance, literary criticism, historical reconstruction based on archaeology and archives, we will place the texts of the Hebrew Bible and their legacies in their contexts, ancient and modern, with an emphasis on how Scripture came to form communities of support and resistance in times of economic hardship, cultural change, and challenge. Special attention to ethics, gender, cross-cultural applications and human dignity as a basis for interfaith conversation. Course makes extensive use of digital enhancements. Internet connection required. Limit: 40.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 511

Thematic Introduction to Torah and Former Prophets

Professor Fontaine

Using the lens of Wisdom literature and theology (e.g. “Lady Wisdom” as Torah), we will study the following themes: Creation; Ancestors and Covenants; Liberation (Exodus); Life in the Land; From Tribe to State; Kings and Prophets; Liturgy and Spirit (Psalms). This course may fulfill the OLDT 509 requirement with permission of the professor. This course meets on alternate days in

the afternoons during Summer Session 2, June 11-22. Online work in the course begins May 14 and continues through the due date of the course’s final assignment. Limit: 25.

Summer Session II, 2012 – June 11-22; online begins May 14

Scripture II (“New Testament”)

NEWT 505

New Testament Foundations

Professor Lee

This core course introduces students to various texts of the New Testament, to their historical contexts and to several approaches for their interpretation. Students will gain the ability to engage critically and constructively with the primary and secondary texts. Limit: 30.

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Summer Session II, 2012 – June 11-22, 9:00 a.m. – noon

NEWT 608

[NEWT/PRAC] Parables

Professor Herzog

This course will study the parables of Jesus and other forms of imaginative storytelling as a way of exploring the role of the imagination in ministry (pastoral imagination). Seminar members will write creative and interpretive papers. Parables are more than a few stories that Jesus told; they are an essential tool for ministry.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

NEWT/PRAC 608 [P3]

Parables

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

NEWT 657

Matthew Reading Mark

Professor Herzog

It is commonly believed that Mark was the primary source for Matthew’s Gospel. Matthew was, in this view, the first commentary on Mark. But each Gospel has its own story to tell. This course will explore Mark’s story and Matthew’s transformative interpretation of it. The relationship between the two Gospels can help us understand how we as preachers and teachers also transform inherited biblical traditions and

transform it through our work as ministers. Limit: 20.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Greek and Hebrew

Note: The first semester of Biblical languages does not meet the Scripture distributional requirement.

NEWT 501

New Testament Greek I

Professor Herzog

This course will teach the complete coverage of the Greek grammar necessary for students to read the New Testament in Greek. Limit: 20.

Fall 2011 – Friday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

NEWT 504

New Testament Greek II and Elements of Exegesis

Professor Lee

This course will teach the complete coverage of the Greek grammar necessary for students to read the New Testament in Greek. Prerequisite: NEWT 501 or equivalent. Limit: 20. This course can fulfill an Upper-level Scripture requirement.

Spring 2012 – Friday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Upper-Level Scripture

NEWT 720

[NEWT/WCHR] The Historical Jesus in Global Contexts

Professor Herzog

This course will explore how Christians around the world are involved in a global discussion about the historical Jesus. Students will read studies by scholars from Africa, Latin America, North America, Asia and including visions from America. By studying these figures, we can a clearer understanding of the meaning of Jesus' public ministry and explore how that informs the mission of the church today.

Spring 2012 – Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

NEWT 746 [TA]

Theological Themes and Human Dilemmas in Film

Professor Herzog

The course will explore 10-12 films to discover how they interpret the human condition and its many dilemmas. This is a course about how we might use movies in ministry. Films have long

been seen as one of the most important art forms of the 20th century and continue their influence into the 21st century. How can we use films as part of our ministries? We will also look for how biblical themes emerge in the films we will view and discuss.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 2-13, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

OLDT 627

[OLDT/WREL] Scriptures and Human Rights

Professor Fontaine

Analysis of the the scriptural basis of Human Rights discourse in Judaism, Christianity and Islam on the themes of Human Dignity, Human Rights, and Religious Diversity, as compared to the United Nations Declaration on Universal Human Rights (UNDUHR): does Scripture support or modify secular understandings of human origins and destiny? Limit: 15.

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 652 [IF]

[OLDT/WREL] People of the Book: An Introduction to Judaism

Professor Mobley and Rabbi Rose

An introduction to Judaism through sampling its classical religious literature, designed for Christian and U.U. students.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00

OLDT 684 [TA]

The Making of the Other

Professor Fontaine

Critical examination of Ruth, Esther, Song of Songs and Jonah. Special attention to biblical narrative (especially as it relates to preaching, counseling, and the arts), critical feminist hermeneutics, and the intersection between gender and xenophobia. Prerequisite: OLDT 509 or 512. Limit: 15. This course may qualify as second year Hebrew by arrangement with instructor.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 690 [TA]

Exodus in Psalms of Liberation, and the Jesus Movement

Professor Fontaine

Traditions of liberation in historical focus, prayers and liturgical Hebrew manuscripts (Haggadot),

and the Little Tradition of Galilee. Students will have the option to learn Hebrew calligraphy and create their own manuscript/art book. Prerequisite: OLDT 509 or 512, or permission of instructor. Limit: 15. This course may qualify as second year Hebrew by arrangement with instructor.

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 695 [IF]

The Book of Job and the Problem of Evil: Jewish and Christian Perspectives

Professor Mobley

A joint course between Andover Newton and Hebrew College devoted to the Bible's bizarre masterpiece, the Book of Job, and to interfaith learning. Limit: 12.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Directed Study in Old Testament

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

OLDT 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

OLDT 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

Directed Study in New Testament

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

NEWT 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

NEWT 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

Preaching

CMPR 601

Public Preaching

The Reverend Mr. Stanfield

An introduction to Biblical preaching, with attention to preparation, delivery, context, and crafting public prose for “the ear.” Through the practice of preaching without notes, students will develop their skills in exegesis, organization and public speaking. Limit: 15. This course fulfills the CMPR distribution requirement.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMPR 610

Preaching Gold: Excavating Hidden Gems that Make for Great Preaching

The Reverend Dr. K. Jones

A thorough examination of unsung and under-utilized elements that make for meaningful and mighty preaching. Special focus will be placed on the following hidden gems: Being Still, Listening, Self-Acceptance, Life-Attentiveness, Human Compassion, Playfulness, Humility, and Fierce Aspiration from a Place of Deep Contentment. Limit: 15.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

CMPR 622

Thematic Preaching

The Reverend Ms. Crawford-Harvie

Thematic Preaching: speak from life, preach from the heart. There *are* tricks of the trade – come learn and practice them! This course will include spiritual practice as a foundation for excellent preaching, finding ideas, and the preparation and delivery of sermons while nurturing growth in the preacher and highlighting the many sources that inform, inspire and challenge preaching in Unitarian Universalist ministries. Each class will consist of didactic material, consideration of required reading, class discussion and sermon deliveries and reviews. All grades will be SAT/UNSAT unless otherwise requested. Limit: 12.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

CMPR 625

Holistic Preaching

The Reverend Dr. Hess

The focus of this course is a holistic approach to preaching that explores various methods and theories of sermon development and construction, and examines issues around the formation of preachers. This is an experiential learning course that will utilize the following modes of learning in order to develop and enhance our preaching abilities: lectures, class discussion, videos of notable preachers, small group dialogues, writing exercises, in-class preaching with feedback sessions, and movement and voice exercises. Limit: 12.

Spring 2012 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

CMPR 687**Preaching Boot Camp**

Professor Mobley

A workshop (with the emphasis on “work”) devoted to expanding preaching abilities and soul capacities. This class is open only to those with significant preaching experience or who have already taken another class on preaching. Limit: 15.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 2-13, 9:00 a.m. – noon

Worship**CMWO 625****The Practice of Weekly Worship**

Professor Luti

An introduction to planning weekly worship in the local church, including basic worship concepts, preparing and evaluating an order of worship, mastering the genres of “liturgical speech”, writing and editing for worship, working with other leaders/committees in planning and coordinating worship, and negotiating local worship custom and controversy. Although useful for all students, this course is of particular interest to students in the free church tradition who do not conduct worship from a mandated denominational prayerbook or fixed order of worship. Fulfills the worship requirement. A previous introductory course in preaching is strongly recommended. Limit: 24

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMWO 630**Vital Signs: Baptism and Communion in the Worship of the Church**

Professor Luti

An introduction to the practices of Baptism and Communion, with an emphasis on their ritual, pastoral, formative, aesthetic, and ethical dimensions, as well as current controversies and challenges affecting the celebration of these rites in our communities of faith. Portions of this course will be open to participants from the wider community. Limit: 24

Summer Session I, 2012 – June 4-8, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

CMWO 664/864**Seasons of Celebration: Worshiping Through the Liturgical Year**

Professor Luti

An introduction to worship in the local church as it is (or may be) shaped by the seasons and festivals of the Christian calendar, with attention to the ways in which the sacred cycles form congregations in patterns of discipleship. Limit: 24.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMWO 702 [TA]**Church Music: Basics and Beyond**

The Reverend Mr. Stanfield

Students explore the basics of church music leadership – worship theology and history, repertoire, hymnal use, the musical shaping of worship, song-leading – and also tap into musical traditions beyond Mainline hymnals: Taize, bluegrass, Iona, Sacred Harp, Gospel, world music, and more. Limit: 35.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMWO 740 [TA]**Praise: The Foundation of Faith**

Ms. Oak

Investigation of the foundation stone of Christian worship: *as we pray, so we believe*; integrating academic study, artistic practice, and prayer; using the ancient song *We Praise You, God*, from the common Christian inheritance, as the prism of consideration. The course will include exploration of each student’s religious tradition with respect to the repertoire and dynamics of praise. Limit: 20.

Fall 2011 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Field Education

This transformative, experiential education program provides students with meaningful ministry experience in settings that support learning, theological reflection opportunities that foster spiritual formation and vocational discernment, and courses that promote the integration of classroom and experiential learning. Andover Newton partners with over 100 local churches and agencies that serve as teaching parishes and sites. Students may also “borrow” sites through the Boston Theological Institute.

Students ordinarily begin Field Education sometime before they have reached the mid-point of their degrees. Andover Newton is proud of its historic program, which has a long-standing, international reputation for innovative courage and academic excellence. For more information, see <http://www.ants.edu/field-education/> and the Field Education Handbook posted there.

All students pursuing a Master of Divinity or Master of Arts in Religious Education must complete two consecutive twelve-week semesters, continuing during breaks and the Winter session, in supervised ministry in an approved setting. Students may continue beyond that requirement, either in the same or a different setting. Students in other degree programs may participate in Field Education with permission from the Transitional Director of Field Education, Dr. MacLeod.

In their required semesters of Field Education, students enroll in both the fall and spring semesters, both in CMFE 601Y and a Professor-Practitioner Program (P3)-designated course and its related section. Beyond the two required semesters, students may elect to participate in a P3 course and section with permission, but otherwise are only required to enroll in Field Education at the CMFE 700-level.

CMFE 601Y

Field Education, First Required Semester

Dr. MacLeod and Ms. Windsor

The first core semester of supervised ministry in the field. This 3-credit, year-long course includes covenanting with a ministry setting and supervisor, writing theological reflections, and working with partners to assess progress. It also includes participation in one P3 section per semester, beyond the P3-designated course for which the student earns credit separately. Graded SAT/UNSAT, permission of the Field Education Program required. Must enroll in ONE required introduction session in the fall, which will include an overview of field education and preparation for theological reflection, and ONE required boundaries training session in the spring:

Fall 2011

CMFE01 September 14, 6:00 - 8:50 p.m.

CMFE02 September 16, 1:00 - 3:50 p.m.

Spring 2012

CMFE01 February 16, 2012 6:00 - 8:50 p.m.

CMFE02 February 17, 2012 1:00 - 3:50 p.m.

CMFE 620

Integrative Seminar

Dr. MacLeod

This course will provide an integrative seminar experience for those not able to participate in the regular P3 courses. Credit for the course is included in the overall 6 credits students earn for Field Education. Students will use framework for ministerial leadership provided by the text to reflect upon their field education experiences. Individual cases students will provide the basis for class discussion in order to integrate theory and practice. Permission from Bruce MacLeod or Kathryn Windsor is required; students register through the Field Education Program staff. Limit: 8.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

CMFE 621

Integrative Seminar

The Reverend Mr. Detering

This course will provide an integrative seminar experience for those not able to participate in the regular P3 courses. Credit for the course is included in the overall 6 credits students earn for Field Education. Students will use of framework for ministerial leadership provided by the text to reflect upon their field education experiences. Individual cases students will provide the basis for class discussion in order to integrate theory and practice. Permission from Bruce MacLeod or Kathryn Windsor is required; students register through the Field Education Program staff. Limit: 8.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

CMFE 630

[CMFE/CHRS] Theological Reflection for Vital Ministry

Dr. MacLeod

As an introduction for those preparing for Field Education, this class will introduce the practice of theological reflection so that students may develop an effective way of reflecting on ministry using the resources of sacred texts, practice, tradition and faith. Students will explore theological reflection as a means for learning and growing as ministers and leaders. Students will write weekly reflections,

discovering how God speaks through the practice of theological reflection. The practical aspects of reflecting theologically will help students learn how to make theological reflection a lifelong practice that they can teach to others in their ministry settings.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMFE 701/2/3

Advanced Field Education

Dr. MacLeod and Ms. Windsor

Many students benefit from a second year of field education, either in the same setting as the first or in a different ministry site. Students may receive 3 credits for a second year of field education and petition for additional credit (1.5 per semester) for participation in a P3 section. They may participate in orientation sessions (see course description: CMFE 601Y) and must submit all relevant documents for the program. In a second year, students register for CMFE 701; in a third year, 702; in a fourth year, 703. Prerequisite: CMFE 601Y.

Fall/Spring 2011-2012

Ministerial Leadership

CMLE 635

Leading for the Future

The Reverend Dr. J. Jones

Leading for the future means helping people and institutions face the reality of change. This course will explore the context that makes transformative change essential, approaches to change in congregations, and the styles and skills of the leadership that enhance the process of change. Limit: 25.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMLE 660

Leadership in the Historic Faith Community

Dean Drummond

To lead a historic religious organization is to honor founding principles while embracing innovation. In this course, students will learn to engage in creative, life-giving ministry within the framework of a tradition-bound organization. Through a case-study approach, students will explore change leadership, planning and evaluation, conflict management, and ministerial identity.

Spring 2012 – Friday, 1:00 – 3:50 p.m.

CMLE 660 [P3]

Leadership in the Historic Faith Community

Spring 2012 – Friday, 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

[EL] CMLE 673

Perspectives on Congregational Transformation

The Reverend Dr. J. Jones

Using the writings of a number of contemporary advocates of congregational renewal and change, this course will explore key dynamics shaping the context in which congregations find themselves today. A particular focus will be the impact of the end of Christendom and the emergence of postmodernity. Students will address appropriate responses to these realities and consider their significance for their own ministry. Online May 29 - July 6. One required on-campus session, Saturday, June 16.

Spring 2011 E-Learning

CMLE 704/804

[CMLE/CHRS] Leading from Within: Spirituality and Leadership

Dr. Benefiel

In twenty-first century America, leaders are rewarded for their drive, decisiveness, productivity, and long work hours. What would it mean for a leader to cultivate the inner life, to step off the treadmill, to take time apart for personal reflection? What would leadership arising from a core of spiritual groundedness and compassion look like? This will be an experiential course, in which participants' own leadership experiences will serve as the basis for reflection and discernment. Insights from the fields of spirituality, management, and leadership studies will be combined to consider leadership of businesses, churches, non-profits, hospitals, and other organizations. Permission of the instructor required.

Winter Session II, 2012 – January 13, 5:00 – 9:30 p.m.; January 14, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; January 17-20, 5:00 – 9:30 p.m.

CMLE 712

Money and Ministry

Professor Wariboko

This course will give students and pastors-in-the-vicinity practical resources for effective (not hands-on) management of church finances. Among others, it will offer training on basic

accounting and budgeting, reading of financial reports, and elementary tax and legal issues in order to develop students' core competency in stewardship leadership. After this course, most students should be able to read and make sense of the financials that will be given to them by church accountants when they become pastors.
Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

PRAC 734/834
[PRAC/CMLE] Congregational Life:
Cultivating Congregational Imagination
Professor Thornton
See Practicing Theology section
Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

CMLE 727
[CMLE/PRAC] Theological Reflection for
Congregational Life and Vitality
Dr. MacLeod
Students will learn about theological reflection, faith articulation and holy conversations through practicing them in relation to the life of a congregation or ministry setting, exploring ways of using them to generate congregational life and vitality of faith. Prerequisite: active participation in a ministry setting.
Fall 2010 – Thursday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

CMLE 755/855
Strategic Leadership for Churches and Non-
Profit Organizations
President Carter
This upper level seminar with President Carter provides advanced students with an introduction to strategic leadership and planning in the church and non-profit settings. Using case studies, significant class interaction, and traditional lecture, topics covered include adaptive leadership in times of change, understanding the difference between strategic planning and long-range planning; institutional analysis; stakeholder buy-in for new directions; developing mission, vision and core values statements; and development and monitoring of a full strategic plan. It will also look at the how to manage from a strategic plan. The course is intended for anyone who is currently serving or intends to serve in a church or non-parish leadership position. Ideal for seniors, but middlers are welcome.
Spring 2012 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

CMLE 755/855 [P3]
Strategic Leadership for Churches and Non-
Profit Organizations
Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.
Spring 2012 – Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

Practicing Theology

NEWT 608
[NEWT/PRAC]
Parables
Professor Herzog
See Upper Level Scripture section
Spring 2012 – Friday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

PRAC 616 [BC]
A Sojourn in an Immigrant Church: Exploring
Identity, Ethnicity and Multiculturalism
Professor Wariboko and The Reverend Dr. Imsong
See Border-Crossing Immersion section
Fall 2011 – TBD
Application Deadline: August 1, 2011

PRAC 734/834
[PRAC/CMLE] Congregational Life:
Cultivating Congregational Imagination
Professor Thornton
Discover how congregations understand and seek to live out their faith as they weave together strands from cultures, ethnographies, histories, spiritualities, personal experiences and whatever else seeps into the faith community from a pluralistic environment. Examine how congregations shape their theologies of church informed by traditions and contemporary influences. One question we will keep in mind is are congregational imaginations being cultivated to faithfully engage our contemporary national life so closely tied to an increasingly complex and multi-faceted global reality? Visits to area churches are included. Limit: 15.
Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

[EL] PRAC 753
[PRAC/PSYC] Clergy Ethics
Professor Thornton
This course will address the importance of clergy ethics for effective and faithful ministry in the church and society. Is there something unique about clergy ethics in relationship to other

professional ethics? What are the sources for clergy norms and authority? We will address what it means to be “called” and to be a “professional.” Issues of leadership, management, the public-private nature of pastoral identity, the importance of personal and professional boundaries, and the role that theology and polity play in ethical decisions are among the topics to be addressed. Emerging issues and voices will be introduced. Prerequisite: ETHI 601 or 602, or permission of the instructor. Limit: 25.
Spring 2012 E-Learning

PRAC 811/711

[PRAC/PSYP] Communities of Struggle: Voices of Hope

Professor Thornton

This course will deepen our pastoral and theological understanding of some of the major issues facing communities of faith today going through tremendous cultural and historical change. What does it mean to be a community of faith in a pluralistic context? We will attend to some emerging voices in the theological curriculum to engage theological sources for personal and communal wellbeing. We will visit representative ministry settings in the Boston Area to help ground our course objectives in local commitments. Audience : D.Min. or upper-level M.Div. students.

Summer Session II, 2012 – June 11-22, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

CMLE 727

[CMLE/PRAC] Theological Reflection for Congregational Life and Vitality

Dr. MacLeod

See Ministerial Leadership section

Fall 2010 – Thursday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

Denominational Polity

INTE 742/THEO 606

Baptist Theology and Polity

Professor Heim

Baptist heritage and theology traced from Anabaptists through British and U.S. developments. Present structure, practices, and concerns of American Baptist Churches USA. Recommended for those seeking ordination in the ABC/USA, but open to all. Limit: 25.

Spring 2012 E-Learning

INTE 743

UCC History, Theology and Polity

Professor Nordbeck

An exploration of the history, theology, structures, and practice of ministry in the United Church of Christ. Recommended for those seeking ordination in the UCC, but open to all. Generally to be taken in the last half of one’s seminary studies; exceptions, however, are possible.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Clinical Pastoral Education

Clinical Pastoral Education

Professor Thornton (advisor)

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) provides theological and professional education using the clinical method of learning in diverse contexts of ministry. CPE is offered at several independently accredited locations throughout New England, across the United States, and selected settings abroad. Students can read about sites and options at www.acpe.edu.

Logistics: Students apply directly to CPE accredited sites. Only after acceptance by a particular site do students register for CPE for academic credit at ANTS. CPE tuition is remitted to students who register for credit at ANTS. Upon successful completion of CPE, the student provides the Registrar with a written acknowledgement by the CPE Supervisor. The student will also be required to submit a brief evaluation of their experience. Forms will be provided for student evaluations. Professor Thornton provides information, guidance, and serves as a liaison for students with the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education before, during, and after their CPE experiences through designated office hours and the annual CPE site fair held during the fall semester.

Time and place is determined by the various CPE Centers.

PSYC 602J Summer Intensive

PSYC 603Y Academic Year Extended

PSYC 603 Fall Intensive

PSYC 604 Spring Intensive

Pastoral Care

PSYF 684

Love Through the Seasons of Death

Professor Thornton

The aim of this course is to explore and expand our understanding of the experience and meaning of death and dying in church and society in order to enhance our ministry with people in grief. We will explore attitudes towards death and beliefs about death and dying. We will pay particular attention to the resources of worshipping communities that can help us maintain relationships throughout life's extremities. Limit: 25

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

PSYP 625

Pastoral Care and Counseling on the Edge: Fostering Resiliency in Crisis

Professor Gill-Austern

This course will provide students with an understanding of models, theories and skills required in crisis intervention and show how good psychological and spiritual care can help foster resiliency. It will focus on the role of the pastoral care giver in crisis intervention, help students understand the common spiritual and psychological reactions to crisis and show how crisis intervention theories and techniques can be applied to a wide array of crisis situations including: sudden death, a diagnosis of an illness, accidents, natural disasters and terrorism, a crisis of faith and homelessness. This course meets the Pastoral Care distributional requirement.

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

PSYC 730/830

The Care and Counseling of Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender/Queer Persons

Dr. Tigert

The visibility of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons throughout church and society has increased significantly during the past few decades. Discussions abound in virtually every religious denomination and tradition which center upon questions of inclusion/exclusion, ordination, scripture, and marriage rights. The inter-faith Welcoming Movement has taken on the role of advocate within many denominations, and evangelist within the non-heterosexual community. Many psychotherapists and clergy

work with l/g/b/t/q parishioners and clients on a daily basis, wanting to advocate, support, and heal the damage of homophobia, and meet the needs of l/g/b/t/q persons. The starting point of all ethical care and counseling is “first, do no harm”, yet without knowledge and skills, even well-intended therapists and clergy can be unhelpful and damaging to the well-being of their l/g/b/t/q clients/parishioners. This class will consider the specific psychological and spiritual needs of l/g/b/t/q persons; an historical overview of homophobia/heterosexism, and liberation in church and society; an affirming psychology/theology of sexuality; and the skills/resources needed to minister effectively with this population.

The nature of the material covered in this class is personal as well as professional. All students will be expected to address their own spiritual/sexual journey as it informs their work. Discussions will be respectful, and personal material will be confidential. Limit: 15.

Spring 2012 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

[EL] PRAC 753

[PRAC/PSYC] Clergy Ethics

Professor Thornton

See Practicing Theology section

Spring 2012 E-Learning

PSYF 762

[PSYF/CHRS] Spiritual Practices for Healing and Wholeness

Professor Gill-Austern

An experiential exploration of various prayer and meditative practices from the Christian tradition (including Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina) which awaken the heart to the love of God, neighbor, self and all beings, as well as contribute to the spiritual formation of pastors and congregations. The connection between spiritual, physical and psychological wellbeing is examined with particular emphasis given to preventative care. An hour of yoga is included. Graded Sat/Unsat. Limit: 22. This course meets the Christian Spiritual Resources requirement.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday 8:00 – 11:50 a.m.

[EL] PSYF 778/878

[PSYF/CHRS] Grounded in God: Decision-Making and Discernment in Congregations and Organizations

Dr. Benefiel

See Spiritual Formation Integrative Catalyst section

Summer 2012 E-Learning – May 29-July 6; one in-person day required

[EL] PSYH 784

The Psychology and Theology of Forgiveness

Professor Emeritus Thompson

A study of the psychodynamic and theological meanings and clinical/pastoral applications of forgiveness to the human situation of interpersonal and personal shame and guilt. Process models of forgiveness will be explored.

Limit: 25

Fall 2011 E-Learning

JUST 634

[JUST/PSYP] When Home is a War Zone: Pastoral Care and Theological Issues in Domestic Violence

Dean Nienhuis

See Ethics and Social Justice section

Winter 2012 – January 2-13, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

PSYP 795

[PSYP/JUST] Directed Study: Prison Ministry and the Criminal Justice System

Professor Gill-Austern

We will explore together the pastoral care issues in prison ministry, how understanding the criminal justice system is an important part of that care and how prison ministry contributes to one's formation for ministry. There will be both common reading and the chance for each individual to develop his or her own reading list. This course requires that one is involved in prison ministry in some way and committed to individual research and reading that will be presented in our sessions. The class will meet every other week for two hours. Limit: 4. Permission of instructor required.

Fall 2011

PRAC 811/711

[PRAC/PSYP] Communities of Struggle: Voices of Hope

Professor Thornton

See Practicing Theology section

Summer 2012 – June 11-22, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Directed Study in areas of Psychology

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

PSY (C,F,H,P)

PSY _ 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

PSY _ 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

Introduction to Christian Ethics

ETHI 602

Introduction to Christian Social Ethics

Professor Wariboko

This course surveys the history, problems, and principal figures of Christian ethics within the context of Western philosophical and theological traditions. It will also investigate and critically analyze the following prominent types of Christian thought concerning moral decisions: Christian realism, faith and culture; Christian feminist/Womanist ethics; and Christian virtue. Another area of interest that will be pursued is contemporary methodologies of social ethical analysis. The last segment of the course will focus on using the tools of Christian ethics to analyze one or two contemporary social problems.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

[EL] ETHI 601

Introduction to Ethics

Professor Dávila

This core course offers an introductory survey of sources and major works in ethics in the Christian tradition, from biblical texts to contemporary authors and themes. Students will be able to see the cultural and theological forces that have shaped Christian ethics throughout the tradition, and will be able to relate the tools of the tradition to current ethical challenges in different cultural contexts at both the ecclesial and public level. Limit: 25

Spring 2012 E-Learning

Ethics and Social Justice

[EL] ETHI 719

[ETHI/JUST] Social Teaching of the Christian Churches

Professor Dávila

The social teaching of the churches is meant to be the vehicle through which the churches communicate their doctrine to society as it relates to matters affecting the human community and human relations. It is also meant to be a vehicle of communication, motivation, encouragement, and outreach for local communities of faith. This course is a close study of the social teaching of the Roman Catholic tradition, with some comparative examination of the social doctrine of other traditions and the World Council of Churches. In developing their social doctrine, the churches are attentive to the ‘signs of the times,’ the political, economic, cultural, and social circumstances affecting the human community. Being able to “read” and decipher these signs is as central to developing a social doctrine as the theological and ethical sources used. Without attention to the signs of the times the churches run the risk of becoming irrelevant at best, dangerously oblivious to human suffering and yearning at worst. Prerequisite: ETHI 601 or 602. Limit: 25.

Fall 2011 E-Learning

ETHI 725

[ETHI/JUST] Christian Ethics and U.S. Civil Society: Immigration and Race

Professor Dávila

This course introduces the student to social scientific, cultural, and theological analysis of U.S. civil society as it pertains to Christian ethics. In particular the course will examine how the issues of immigration and race have been traditionally debated in civil society, what is new about the current situation, and how Christian ethics can inform the national discourse on these issues and vice versa. The course will pay particular attention to the historical development of the question of immigration and the notions of race in the U.S. and the wider world as this leads to contemporary questions in these areas. Prerequisite: ETHI 601 or 602. Limit: 15.

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

ETHI 744/844

[ETHI/JUST] Economics and Ethics

Professor Wariboko

This course is structured to provide students with the basic awareness and understanding of economic theories, issues, and practices as they intersect with faith and ethics in all spheres of life. Students will acquire the basic concepts of economics in ways that would equip them to not only grasp the economic foundations of Christian thinking about moral decisions, but also prepare them to minister to professionals, business executives, and corporate leaders in a globalizing world. The course will also help students to respond to one of the major challenges in the marketplace: how can we develop frameworks and models to enable business executives live ethically and faithfully in the complex and pluralistic corporate world?

Fall 2011 – Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

ETHI 768/868 [TA]

Literature and Ethics

Professor Wariboko

Good ethical conception and practice often demand that we see things from others’ point of view. Great novels, plays, poems, and films are good at helping us to reach empathic perceptions of particular people and situations by involving our intellect and emotion. This course will explore the connections between literature and ethics: the relationship between creative imagination and moral imagination; the nature of moral attention and moral vision; the role of context-specific judging in ethical decisions. The course will help students to deepen and broaden their ethical understanding in ways that involves and gives priority to compassion, *similar possibilities and vulnerabilities*, and eudaimonistic judgment, rather than abstract general principles.

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

JUST 601

Justice Matters

Dean Nienhuis

This course provides a theo-ethical model of analysis of systems of power like racism, classism, sexism, heterosexism, and so forth, particularly as they function in American society. While providing an introduction to various forms of oppression through historical contextualization, theoretical analysis, and narrative, the course will

focus primarily on how such systems intersect to reinforce and facilitate injustice and oppression. The goal of the course is to develop a paradigm of theology and ethics that will enable us to adequately analyze the competing interests and values present in contemporary social, political, and religious debates. We will also discuss the implications of this paradigm for each class member's current or future work context.
Fall 2011 – Friday, 1:00 – 3:50 p.m.

JUST 601 [P3]

Justice Matters

Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) designated course for field education students. Limit: 8.
Fall 2011 – Friday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

JUST 634

[JUST/PSYP] When Home is a War Zone: Pastoral Care and Theological Issues in Domestic Violence

Dean Nienhuis

It is estimated that 1 out of 3 people in a congregation will have some experience with domestic violence. It remains the leading reason women visit hospital emergency rooms. Although it is less frequent, men are also victimized. This course will examine the impact of domestic violence on families and congregations. It will give special attention to the general problem of domestic violence and to the role that theological understandings of suffering, obedience, and ownership may play in such violence. It will utilize pastoral counseling case studies (video vignettes of actual pastors) to provide those in ministry with the tools they need to respond to people in their care and understand how to make appropriate referrals. Special attention will be paid to the impact intimate partner violence has in immigrant, GLBT, African American, and Latino/a communities. Although the primary focus of the class will be on Christian and Unitarian Universalist communities of faith, we will also look briefly at intimate partner violence in Jewish and Muslim communities.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 2-13, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

JUST 650 [BC]

Encountering Homelessness in the Boston Area

Professor Dávila

See Border-Crossing Immersion section

Spring 2012 – TBD

JUST 686 [BC]

The California and Mexico Border: Immigration, Human Rights and Economic Justice

UCC Centro Romero Staff

See Border-Crossing Immersion section

Summer 2012 – June 3-15

Directed Study in Ethics

Hours and course credits to be arranged. Permission of professor required.

ETHI 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

ETHI 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

World Christianity and World Religions

[EL] WREL 620

Love and Compassion Across the World Religions

Dr. Gubbins

This course examines love and compassion in the world religions, with a focus on Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Confucianism. Readings include scriptures and significant texts—both historical and contemporary—in each tradition as well as secondary sources. This exploration considers love and compassion as self-transformation, personal moral action, and social engagement; and it encourages students to synthesize course readings and discussion with personal reflections on love and compassion.

Summer 2012 E-Learning, May 29 – July 6

WCHR 605 [BC]

A Faith that Sustains: Exploring Church and Community in Rural Ghana

Professor Nordbeck and The Reverend Mr. Christensen

See Border-Crossing Immersion section

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 6-16
Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

WREL 612 [BC]
Understanding the Dual Narratives of Israel and Palestine: A Step Toward Transformation

Professor Gill-Austern
See Border-Crossing Immersion section

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 3-12
Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

NEWT 720
[NEWT/WCHR] The Historical Jesus in Global Contexts

Professor Herzog
See Upper Level Scripture section
 Spring 2012 – Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

OLDT 627
[OLDT/WREL] Scriptures and Human Rights

Professor Fontaine
See Upper Level Scripture section
 Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 652 [IF]
[OLDT/WREL] People of the Book: An Introduction to Judaism

Professor Mobley and Rabbi Rose
See Upper Level Scripture section
 Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Directed Study in World Christianity

Hours and course credits to be arranged.
 Permission of professor required.

WCHR 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

WCHR 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

Interdepartmental, M.A., and D.Min. courses

[EL] INTE 742/THEO 606
Baptist Theology and Polity

Professor Heim
See Denominational Polity section
 Spring 2012 E-Learning

INTE 743
UCC History, Theology and Polity

Professor Nordbeck
See Denominational Polity section
 Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

INTE 780
M.A. Colloquium

Professor Dávila
 Taken during any Master of Arts student's first semester. This course introduces students to a variety of topics in theological studies while focusing on the following: key concepts and recurring concerns, emerging questions in different disciplines, and new voices in theological studies. In addition students will get acquainted with the skills necessary for engaging theological research and writing. During the colloquium students will develop their area of concentration for their degree. Students will be expected to do a final presentation that engages their concentration as well as putting into practice many of the tools made available to them throughout the course.
 Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

INTE 702
“So That You May Know The Truth”: The Vocation of Theological Research and Writing
 Professor Valentin

This course explores not only the essentials of, but also the challenges, joys, and rationales for, doing theological research and writing. It shares principles, perspectives, research methods, and writing pointers to help students of theology carry out scholarly inquiry and write a thesis or research paper. The course is required of all M.A. students in the Theological Research track or degree program. However, the course is open to and could be helpful to all students who may have interest in pursuing further academic study in the field of theology or who simply want to improve their research and writing skills and, thus, come to a deeper appreciation of theological study. Limit: 30.

Spring 2012 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

DMIN 801F
Seminar on Scholarship in Ministry (Extended)

Professor Nordbeck
 This course will facilitate the integration of theory and practice in the work of ministry, offering

initial guidance in preparing for both coursework and final project.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

DMIN 801J

Seminar on Scholarship in Ministry (Intensive)

Dean Drummond

Engaging in scholarship – research, reading, and reflection – in the midst of ministry not only enriches ministry but creates new knowledge for the church and world. In this course, participants will learn the practice of engaging in scholarship in the midst of ministry, including identifying a research question, creating a theoretical framework, and conducting a review of literature. Through a case-study teaching method, students will coach one another toward clarity of purpose in their pursuit of a Doctor of Ministry degree. Final assignments due August 3.

Summer Session I, 2012 – June 4-8, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

DMIN 802

Seminar on Theological Research

Professor Pazmiño

This course prepares graduate candidates to write a project, thesis or research of substance and quality in an area of theological studies. The seminar focuses on understandings, methods, processes, and procedures that are necessary to create publishable quality theological work. Prerequisite: completion of DMIN 801.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

E-Learning Courses

The following courses, indicated by the [EL] prefix, are offered in an online format.

[EL] HIST 782 [IF]

Understanding Interfaith

Dr. Peace

See U.S. Religious History section

Fall 2011 E-Learning

[EL] ETHI 601

Introduction to Ethics

Professor Dávila

See Introduction to Christian Ethics section

Spring 2012 E-Learning

DMIN 803

Seminar on Ministry Writing

Professor Thornton

This is a writing seminar where Doctor of Ministry students present their writing to seminar members. Depending on the number of students, each member normally presents three to four times. Prerequisite: completion of DMIN 801 and 802.

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Directed Studies for which there is no one single category:

Directed Study in Areas of Church and Ministry: Education (ED), Field Education (FE), Leadership (LE), Preaching (PR), or Worship (WO)

Permission of professor required.

CM- (-ED, -FE, -LE, -PR, or -WO)

CM __ 789-790

M.A. and M.Div. candidates only.

CM __ 889-890

D.Min. candidates only.

[EL] ETHI 719

[ETHI/JUST] Social Teaching of the Christian Churches

Professor Dávila

See Ethics and Social Justice section

Fall 2011 E-Learning

[EL] WREL 620

Love and Compassion Across the World Religions

Dr. Gubbins

See World Christianity and World Religions section

Summer 2012 E-Learning, May 29 – July 6

[EL] CMLE 673**Perspectives on Congregational Transformation**

The Reverend Dr. J. Jones

See Ministerial Leadership section

Spring 2011 E-Learning; one required on-campus session

[EL] PSYH 784**The Psychology and Theology of Forgiveness**

Professor Emeritus Thompson

See Pastoral Care section

Fall 2011 E-Learning

[EL] PRAC 753**[PRAC/PSYC] Clergy Ethics**

Professor Thornton

See Practicing Theology section

Spring 2012 E-Learning

[EL] PSYF 778/878**[PSYF/CHRS] Grounded in God: Decision-Making and Discernment in Congregations and Organizations**

Dr. Benefiel

See Pastoral Care section

Summer 2012 E-Learning – May 29-July 6; one in-person day required.

Integrative Catalysts

Integrative Catalysts are special designations on courses across the curriculum that indicate a disposition toward the integration of lived experience with classroom learning. Integrative Catalysts bridge what in some cases would be considered divisions: between the creative and the verbal, among faiths, beyond class and cultures, and across the professional/theoretical divide.

Why “Integrative”? The first question a person might ask, when reading the word “integrative,” is “integrating what with what?” The term integration suggests a coming-together of disparate elements. One hallmark of an Integrative Catalyst is that it brings together “book learning” with “lived learning”, which are not opposite one another, but rather rely on each other as adults learn and grow.

- Theology and the Arts (TA) courses use the arts as an imaginative vehicle for engaging theological questions, cultural contexts and realities, and/or pastoral issues in a theological way.
- Interfaith Engagement (IF) presents students with live opportunities to describe their faith and appreciate the faith of others through talking and learning with those who come from a different tradition. The Arts give students alternative means for communication, beyond words, as they both live out their faiths and share their faiths with others.
- The Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) challenges students to connect classroom learning with their ministries in Field Education.
- Border-Crossing Immersion (BC) places students in direct conversation with those who come from a different background, while learning on the terrain of a different community.

Each Integrative Catalyst has clear connections across competencies, and cannot be caged in one, but rather bridge different competencies for ministry.

Why “Catalyst”? In chemical reactions, a catalyst activates ongoing transformation. It is a beginning point, rather than an end point, in fundamental change. Therefore, the term “catalyst” suggests that the student who experiences integrative courses begins to change, but that this change is ongoing after the experience comes to an end. One could consider “catalyst” to be the opposite of “capstone.” Ideally, over the course of a career, students continue to grow in their spiritual practices, interfaith understanding, expressive gifts, ability to move back and forth between concepts and ministry practice, and courage and capacity to cross borders.

The Professor Practitioner Program

The Professor-Practitioner Program (P3) is a means through which students can intentionally integrate classroom learning with their ministry experiences in Field Education. Students in their core-required year of Field Education each register for one P3-designated course each term. Those courses are taught by Professors and also have a “Resident Ministry Practitioner” in class each week, assisting in applying course teachings. Those Resident Ministry Practitioners then meet in break-out sessions with Field Education students who then take time to reflect together on Field Education and the intersections between ministerial experience and the course at hand. Names and biographies for Resident Ministry Practitioners will be available in the Field Education office at least two weeks prior to the opening of registration each term. Options for P3 courses and sections include:

Fall 2011

CMED 601 [P3] Educational Ministry of the Church

Course time: Monday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Section time: Monday, 1:00 – 2:30 p.m.

HIST 645 [P3] American Religious History from the Colonial Period to the Present

Course time: Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Section time: Wednesday, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

JUST 601 [P3] Justice Matters

Course time: Friday, 1:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Section time: Friday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

THEO 611 (01) [P3] Systematic Theology I

Course time: Tuesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

Section time: Tuesday, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Spring 2012

NEWT/PRAC 608 [P3] Parables

Course time: Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Section time: Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

THEO 614 (01) [P3] Systematic Theology II

Course time: Tuesday, 6:00 – 8:50 p.m.

Section time: Tuesday, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

CMLE 755/855 [P3] Strategic Leadership for Churches and Non-Profit Organizations

Course time: Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Section time: Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

CMLE 660 [P3]

Leadership in the Historic Faith Community

Course time: Friday, 1:00 – 3:50 p.m.

Section time: Friday, 11:15 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Interfaith Engagement

OLDT 652 [IF]

[OLDT/WREL] People of the Book: An Introduction to Judaism

Professor Mobley and Rabbi Rose

See Upper Level Scripture section

Fall 2011 – Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

OLDT 695 [IF]

The Book of Job and the Problem of Evil: Jewish and Christian Perspectives

Professor Mobley

See Upper Level Scripture section

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

HIST 702 [IF]

Jewish and Christian Feminist Spirituality

Dr. Peace

See U.S. Religious History section

Spring 2012 – Friday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

HIST 748 [IF]

Christian-Jewish Relations in America

Ms. Armstrong

See U.S. Religious History section

Winter 2012 – January 17-21, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[EL] HIST 782 [IF]

Understanding Interfaith

Dr. Peace

See U.S. Religious History section

Fall 2011 E-Learning

Theology and the Arts

NEWT 746 [TA]

Theological Themes and Human Dilemmas in Film

Professor Herzog

See Upper Level Scripture section

Winter 2012 – January 2-13, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

OLDT 684 [TA]**The Making of the Other**

Professor Fontaine

See Upper Level Scripture section

Fall 2011 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

OLDT 690 [TA]**Exodus in Psalms of Liberation, and the Jesus Movement**

Professor Fontaine

See Upper Level Scripture section

Spring 2012 – Tuesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

CMWO 702 [TA]**Church Music: Basics and Beyond**

The Reverend Mr. Stanfield

See Worship section

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 9:00 – 11:50 a.m.

CMWO 740 [TA]**Praise: The Foundation of Faith**

Ms. Oak

See Worship section

Fall 2011 – Monday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

ETHI 768/868 [TA]**Literature and Ethics**

Professor Wariboko

See Ethics and Social Justice section

Spring 2012 – Wednesday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

HIST 780/880 [TA]**Rainer Maria Rilke and the Poetry of the Search**

Professor Burrows

See Early Christian History section

Fall 2011 – Thursday, 2:00 – 4:50 p.m.

Border Crossing Immersion

Border-Crossing Immersion is one way in which Andover Newton seeks to deeply engage students with communities and persons of different social, cultural, ethnic, racial, economic, national, and faith identities other than their own in order:

- to work toward the elimination of the category of “the other,” while developing hospitable ways to relate to difference;

- to develop greater understanding and sensitivity to the dynamics of privilege, power and disadvantage as they are seen in patterns and structures in one’s own and others’ contexts;
- to provide an opportunity to develop tools for social analysis, theological reflection, and deeper self-knowledge;
- to create visible change, evidenced in possessing a larger lens, to see themselves and the world in which they live;
- to contribute to the development of multicultural sensitivity and skills which help one become more agile, knowledgeable and respectful in border crossings and;
- to deepen the student’s commitment to live one’s faith through engaging vital issues for the church and the world with communities and persons who challenge one’s own assumptive world and meaning making.

Border-Crossing Immersions are offered throughout the academic year, with most being offered in the winter and summer sessions. There will be some “intense immersions” lasting from ten days to twenty-one days, and some “slow simmers” happening over the course of a semester or full year. All Master of Divinity students must take one Border-Crossing Immersion designated course as one of their four Integrative Catalysts.

Although most Border-Crossing Immersion courses are offered by ANTS faculty members, some are offered in partnership with other organizations. Those offered through other institutions are designated “partnership” in course descriptions.

Applications and more detailed information on Border-Crossing Immersions may be obtained in the Border-Crossing Immersion Handbook or from the Administrative Assistant to the Faculty.

INTE 602Y [BC]
CPE at Hebrew SeniorLife/Hebrew Rehabilitation Center: Crossing Borders of Religion, Age, Ethnicity and Socio-economic Status

This is a year long course that will count as 6 credits, 3 for Border Crossing Immersion and 3 for CPE elective credit. This course is a full unit in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) meeting all requirements for a Level I or II unit in CPE in an extended unit requiring two full days a week. It will provide students a border crossing immersion in a context that provides the opportunity to learn with a majority of the CPE students preparing for the rabbinate, working in a Jewish senior residence with residents who have an average age of over 90, (many of whom speak languages from their countries of birth), and most of who are supported by medicaid. Prerequisite: Completion of one year of seminary. Limit: 2

Fall/Spring 2012-2013

Application Deadline: March 4, 2012

INTE 602 [BC]
CPE at Hebrew SeniorLife/Hebrew Rehabilitation Center: Crossing Borders of Religion, Age, Ethnicity and Socio-economic Status

This is a 10-week intensive course, counts as 6 credits, 3 for Border Crossing Immersion and 3 for CPE elective credit. This course is a full unit in Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) meeting all requirements for a Level I or II unit in CPE, while providing students a border crossing immersion in a context of learning with most CPE students there preparing for the rabbinate, working in a Jewish senior residence with an average age of over 90, with residents who speak languages of their country of birth and who are mostly supported by medicaid. Prerequisite: Completion of one year of seminary. Limit: 2.

Summer 2012 – October 15, 2011

Application Deadline: October 15, 2011

INTE 605Y [BC]
Seminarians in the City

Professor Gill-Austern and Mr. Baxter

This course requires a 15 hour-a-week commitment over the full academic year and will give 6 credits: 3 for Border Crossing requirement and 3 for elective credit. It will involve making a commitment of one's time and heart to

engagement in the city of Boston with a placement in a city social service agency or church and interacting with the people of that neighborhood. This Border Crossing Immersion will be working with 4 or 5 students in the BTI to cultivate Christian leaders ready to take on the social and spiritual challenges of ministering in the city. The course will be sponsored and led by the City Mission Society of Boston. Prerequisite: 15 credits of seminary study. Limit: 2.

Fall/Spring 2011-2012

Application Deadline: July 1, 2011

PRAC 616 [BC]
A Sojourn in an Immigrant Church: Exploring Identity, Ethnicity and Multiculturalism

Professor Wariboko and The Reverend Dr. Imsong

This course will be an opportunity to live as a participant/member of an immigrant faith community, Hispanic, Asian or African for a semester learning different forms of worship, leadership and how they shape community, ethnicity and identity in a new multicultural environment.

Fall 2011 – TBD

Application Deadline: August 1, 2011

WCHR 605 [BC]
A Faith that Sustains: Exploring Church and Community in Rural Ghana

Professor Nordbeck and The Reverend Mr. Christenson

In Ghana, community relationship, not productivity and accomplishment, is a dominant cultural value. This Border-Crossing Immersion will introduce participants to community life in rural Kpenoe ("Penway"), offering first-hand experience of the way in which Christian faith sustains, informs and offers hope to many impoverished and pre-literate residents. The group will converse with traditional chiefs and elders; participate in worship; interact with seminarians, professors, and residents of a "cured lepers' village;" and experience the rich but unhurried pace of rural village life. A day trip to a coastal "slave castle"--the last African stop before shipping slaves to the west in the 19th century--will also allow participants to consider slavery and its effects on community from the perspective of the place of origin. Our primary conversation partners will be members of the Evangelical

Presbyterian Church, Ghana – a partner denomination of the United Church of Christ. Limit: 10.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 6-16

Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

WREL 612 [BC]

Understanding the Dual Narratives of Israel and Palestine: A Step Toward Transformation

Professor Gill-Austern

This Border-Crossing Immersion will take place in Israel and Palestine and will be led by both a Palestinian and an Israeli Guide. It will be a joint trip with Boston University School of Theology and in conjunction with MEJDI, an organization that works toward peace building and conflict resolution by working to understand the historical wounds of two peoples and their dual narratives. Limit: 15.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 3-12

Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

INTE 615 [BC]

Fierce Landscapes: Listening to the People of Appalachia

Drs. Leonard and Bridges and Reverend Cheek

This immersion seminar finds its home among the people of Western North Carolina and Southwest Virginia. Students will enjoy on-site interactions with congregations, religious and community leaders. Time for spiritual development, worship and reflection provides the framework for the immersions. Participants will be aided by readings prior to the immersion experience. The 12-day immersion experience is followed by 3-4 interactive distance learning sessions and a 15-20 page integrative paper. Sponsored by Wake Forest Divinity School. Contact Border-Crossing Immersion Director Brita Gill-Austern.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 2-14

Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

INTE 620 [BC]

Christ, Culture, and Mission in Appalachia (partnership)

Dr. Oliver

Beginning in the foothills of Appalachia, class participants visit family farms before traveling to the coalfields of southeastern Kentucky. The purpose of the travel seminar is to immerse students in the realities of Appalachia in order that they may encounter the mission of God in the

culture and experiences of the people. The class will include worship, theological and cultural analysis, reading, and reflection. We end our visit on the beautiful campus of Pine Mountain Settlement School. This is a 17-day immersion course with a final integrative paper. Sponsored by Columbia Theological Seminary. Contact Border-Crossing Immersion Director Brita Gill-Austern.

Winter Session I, 2012 – January 5-21

Application Deadline: October 1, 2011

JUST 650 [BC]

Encountering Homelessness in the Boston Area

Professor Dávila

This semester-long course seeks to enter mutual relationship of learning and care with various populations experiencing homelessness in the Boston area. Students will be placed in either a rotation of two locations, Haley House, a Catholic Worker soup kitchen in South Boston, or The Pine Street Inn, a residence for homeless women and men; or in a semester-long assignment at Housing Families, Inc., an organization that provides services and housing to effectively transition homeless families into permanent housing. Since these are all local, this Border-Crossing experience spans an entire semester. All students will be asked to dedicate at least 6 hrs./week to their location. Other locations are still being considered. Prerequisite: ETHI 601 or 602. Limit: 10.

Spring 2012 – TBD

Application Deadline: December 15, 2011

JUST 686 [BC]

The California and Mexico Border: Immigration, Human Rights and Economic Justice (partnership)

UCC Centro Romero Staff

This Border-Crossing Immersion will be led by the Centro Romero Center of the United Church of Christ in San Diego, California, with much time being spent in Tijuana, Mexico meeting with migrants, exploring the economic issues that drive immigration and confronting the abuse of human rights on both sides of the borders. Limit: 12.

Summer 2012 – June 3-15

Application Deadline: March 1, 2012

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DIRECTIONS

By car:

From points south: From I-95 (also known as Route 128), take exit 20A (Route 9) east toward Boston. Proceed 2.1 miles on Route 9 to the Newton Centre/West Roxbury right hand exit. Turn left (north) onto Parker Street at the end of the exit ramp and proceed for .6 mile. Turn right onto Braeland Avenue. Then take the first right onto Herrick Road and follow the signs up the hill to the campus.

From the city of Boston: Take Rte. 9 west through Brookline to the Parker Street exit one mile west of the Chestnut Hill Mall. At the end of the exit ramp, turn right (north) onto Parker Street and proceed for .6 mile. Continue as above.

From points north: From I-95 (also known as Route 128), take exit 21A. Turn right onto Route 16 East at the end of the exit ramp and proceed for .3mile. At the light turn right onto Beacon Street and follow for 3 miles to Newton Centre. Cross Centre Street at the traffic light and bear right onto Union Street. Then take the first right onto Herrick Road and follow the signs up the hill to the campus.

From points west: Take the Massachusetts Turnpike heading east. Take Exit 17 (Newton/Watertown). Stay in the right lane and turn right at Centre Street. After you have turned onto Centre, the Eliot Church will be on your left in less than a block. Proceed 1.8 miles on Centre Street, past the Commonwealth Avenue intersection, to the Newton Centre business district. Go left at the light at Beacon Street and take an immediate right onto Union Street. Take your first right onto Herrick Road. Continue straight up the hill to the campus.

From Logan Airport and points east: Take the Massachusetts Turnpike heading west. Take Exit 17 in Newton Corner. Stay in the left lane of the exit ramp. Go straight past the Sheraton Tara, keeping it on your left. Very quickly you will see a small sign for Newton Centre and Boston. At the sign, turn left onto the rotary. Immediately merge into the right lane. Keep right and make your first right onto Centre Street. Continue as above.

By rapid transit:

From the MBTA Trolley: Take the Green Line, Riverside Branch (D Train), to Newton Centre. It takes approximately 30 minutes on the T (trolley) from downtown Boston to Newton Centre; Charlie Tickets (paper tickets) can be purchased at any station from ticket vending machines with cash or charge cards for a cost of \$2.00 per ride in or outbound. As you get off an outbound car, Herrick Road is on the left. Proceed on Herrick up the hill to the campus – a 10 minute walk. There is also a taxi stand at the T stop. For more information about bus service connecting from T or subway stops, subway or T schedules, or MBTA commuter rail service (arriving at both North and South Stations), go to www.MBTA.com or call the Traveler's Information Center (route and schedule information): 617-222-3200, or toll free (outside MA): 1-800-392-6100. For Amtrak information look up www.Amtrak.com. Trains arrive in Boston at Back Bay, South Station and Rte. 128.

By airplane:

From Logan Airport: Take the free airport shuttle bus to the MBTA Airport Station. Take the Blue Line (\$2.00) subway/trolley to the Government Center stop. Change to the Green Line, Riverside Branch D train outbound (no charge for transfers) and proceed to the Newton Centre stop. As you get off, Herrick Road is on the left. Proceed on Herrick Road up the hill to the campus – a 10 minute walk. There is also a taxi stand at the T stop. If you choose to take a taxi from Logan Airport to the campus, the fare is approximately \$40.

Two alternative airports to consider are Manchester, NH, www.flymanchester.com, and T. F. Green Airport (PVD) in Warwick, RI (near Providence), www.pvd-ri.com, which also has bus service to Boston.

For more help

If you need additional directions, please call 1-800-964-2687, or (617-964-1100) between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:p.m., and the switchboard operator will assist you. After 4:30 during the week and on most Saturdays during the regular school year, you may use extension 251 to connect to a library staff person for further directions.