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Suggested minimum donation is
\$300 per semester course.
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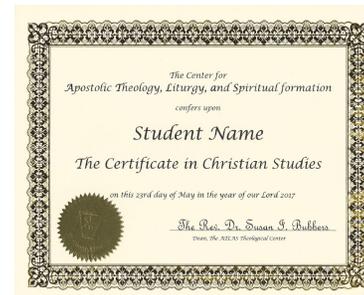
Certificate in Christian Studies

Each course consists of fourteen 2-hour classes,
with an expected weekly average of another 3 hours
of reading, group discussion, or writing.
These courses can be taken in any sequence, so you
can enroll and begin any time of the year.

*Complete two courses to receive a
Certificate in Christian Studies*

*Classes meet
Wednesdays 11:00am - 1:00pm
and Sundays 4:00-6:00pm*

*Skype-in participation
is also available*



Faculty

Dr. Bubbers is a Celebration resident and the founding Dean of the ATLAS Theological Center. Her background includes: B.S. in Computer Science, Masters of Divinity, Doctor of Ministry in Spiritual Formation, and Ph.D. in Theology; ordained an Anglican priest in 1995; served in parish and campus settings; taught in undergraduate and graduate level programs. She is an author, conference speaker, and pastor of the local Celebration Anglican Fellowship.

The goal of this Certificate Program is to provide
a solid understanding of Christianity's
biblical texts, core theology, and spirituality.

2017 Spring Semester

NT 210 Synoptic Gospels
Jan. 4th / 8th thru April 26th / 30th
[spring break 3/13-3/19]

SPR 220 Modern Monasticism Seminar
[date in May or June TBD]

Courses are held in
the Offices at 1134 Celebration Blvd.
(the one-story office building across the street from the golf course)

Biblical studies and Theology

Pentateuch (OT 210)

This course is a study of the first five books of the Old Testament - their historical context, literary structure, and theological messages. The motifs which run throughout Scripture originate here, including: God's character, creation, Messiah, holiness and sin, righteousness and judgment, and redemption. A deeper knowledge of the Pentateuch will yield deeper insights into the rest of Scripture.

Synoptic Gospels (NT 210)

This course is a study of the first three books of the New Testament - their unique historical setting and purpose, literary style, and particular theological emphases. Intertextual study reveals how motifs which began in the Pentateuch recur here. The Synoptic Gospels are the basis for Christian beliefs and praxis which are elaborated in the rest of the New Testament.

Biblical EcoTheology (CT 200)

This course engages in the emerging academic discipline of EcoTheology - research which is a dialogue between Christian theology and issues regarding the natural world. As Christianity seeks to remain true to Scripture in non-agrarian industrial and technological contexts, certain biblical themes need to be re-articulated and emphasized. Biblical EcoTheology explores the intersections of theology, ecology, and ethics.

What are the benefits

- ✓ Personal enrichment - Study Scripture in a way that is more academically rigorous and systematic than what is available in local church settings, yet not as demanding as Master's Level Seminary courses
- ✓ Leadership training - Pastors can incorporate this program into their process for preparing church leaders for all sorts of ministries
- ✓ Clergy continuing education - Refresh and add to study skills and knowledge

Interpretation and Spirituality

Interpretation Methodology (INT 200)

An introduction to Hermeneutics - the methodology used to interpret Scripture. Critical thinking, knowledge of history, analytical literary tools, and creedal guidelines all have a role. We will get ready to go on an expedition: identify the destination, secure a map, collect the right tools, practice their use; then, dig and discover treasures in Scripture.



Christological Spirituality (SPR 200)

An introduction to understanding spirituality from a christological perspective. Classic literary works explore the theme of union with Christ, and contemporary works recapture classic spiritual disciplines for postmodernists. Christ's virtues serve to guide spiritual growth. We will discuss time-tested ways to nurture Christlike character and virtues.

Modern Monasticism- Rule of Life Seminar (SPR 220)

A one-day seminar designed as a Practicum for many of the principles included in SPR 200 (not a prerequisite). This seminar will provide a worshipful workshop context for each person to begin to develop a "rhythm of life under the rule of Christ." Monastic practices which have survived centuries will serve as a guide. Discussions about real life situations will help to tailor those principles to bring Order into chaos.

of this program?

- ✓ Ordination discernment - Those who are considering a future in ordained ministry can take this program as a way to experience theological study close to home, before making bigger commitments to seminary programs
- ✓ Cohesion in the local Christian community - Study Scripture together in an academic environment, get to know one another's traditions and customs, and enhance the bonds between Christian groups