

Graduate School of Theology and Ministry
Spring 2017 (*for Fall 2017*)
Monday, February 20, 2017
Trustees' Dining Room—12:00 p.m.

WELCOME—Dr. Synan
ANNOUNCEMENTS—Dr. Iverson

Schedules

- Spring 2017 Final Exam Schedule
- Summer 2017 Schedule
- Fall 2017 *working* Course Schedule

General Information

- **Class Pages:** Be sure to access important course information on class pages
- **Degree Plan Sheets:** Available in the Information Center, GC 4th floor and on Class Pages
- For **Transfer** and **Advanced Standing Credit, Joint Degree Programs**, requests to take **6 credit hours** from the **College of Business or the College of Education**, please see the **Academic Dean**.
- **Financial Aid:** Only covers courses required for your degree(s)
- **Incompletes:** If a deadline is given by the professor, the I or E will roll to an F if the student does not fill out a Change of Grade Request by the deadline
- **M.A. Academic Program—Theses—**M.A. Academic students enroll in *Thesis Research and Proposal* the semester **before** *Thesis Writing*; M.Div. students must petition to write a thesis
- **On-line courses:** Available through petition only.
- **Petitions:** Petitions are now available online at **petitions.oru.edu**
- **Registrar's Dates:** Refund dates will be posted online at registrar.oru.edu at a later date. The refund policy can be found on pages 24-25 in the 2016-2017 online catalog.

2017 – Residential Courses

Summer 2017

- GBIB 648 Israel Study Abroad Seminar with Dr. McDonald (5th session)
 - Travel dates: May 19 – June 4, 2017
- GTHE 517 Seminar in Theological Research (Modular Format – 5th session)
 - Dates: June 26-30, 2017. ***New location GC 4A41***
- GTHE 745 Seminar in Theological Studies: Theology of Karl Barth (2nd session)

Fall 2017

- GTHE 745 Seminar in Theological Studies: Theology of Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- GTHE 517 Seminar in Theological Research (Modular Format)
 - Dates: Oct 9-13. ***New location GC 4A41***
- GBIB 583 Parables of Jesus in the Jewish Context with Dr. Young
 - Dates: Nov 6-10. *Located on the 21st floor in the Cityplex Towers*

**Summer, 2017 – Online/Blended Courses – Dr. Ekblad, Director of
Modular/Online Education Program**

- Available online courses and blended courses are with approved by Petition only.
- Modular/online Course Schedule is available on Class Pages.

Field Education—Practicums—Internships—Dr. James Barber

- **M.Div.**—Field Education
- **M.A. in Practical Theology**—Ministry Practicum/Teaching Ministries Practicum
- **Missions**—Internship
- **Counseling Students**—Practicum and Internship
- **Background Check** will be addressed in the Intro to Pastoral Care course. This is a prerequisite to Field Education.

Assessment—Dr. Sandra Richardson, Director of Assessment

Assessment:

- All assessment requirements must be met for graduation.
- Be sure to enroll in: Entry-Level Assessment & ePortfolio the 1st Semester, Mid-Program Assessment Audit is half way through your degree program, and Candidacy Level Assessment is the semester of Graduation.
- These Proficiencies are offered only in the fall or spring so plan effectively. ePortfolio is offered in summer, as well as fall and spring.
- *Please see additional handout on assessment.*

Counseling Practicum & Internship Program:

- Application for the practicum and internship program and Advisor Conference due by March 10th (before Spring Break).

Student Development—Dr. Walker

Update Personal Information: Update your address, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses on Vision.

Chapel

- All full-time residential students are required to attend the Wednesday and Friday Chapels
- Two unexcused absences; fine of **\$50** for missing 3 chapels
- Special Chapel Seating: Inform Dr. Norwood if you need special seating for chapel or other assistance

GTSA Upcoming Events

- **GTSA Spring Banquet “Fresh”**
 - Date: Friday, March 31st
 - Location: CityPlex Towers, 60th floor
 - 6:15-8:15 p.m.
- **GTSA Elections Week – April 4-6**
 - Applications can be picked up in the Student Worker office, 4A 24, starting next week, and are due by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 30. You may turn them in to Starlencia Hoyer, GTSA President, or Dr. Walker

Counseling Program—Dr. Buker

- Weekend Format available in three courses.
- Christian Approaches will be offered in the blended modular format
- Refer to pre-requisite handout available in the INFORMATION CENTER (also a few available right now) before enrolling in counseling courses. Take courses in the correct sequence.
- Even though the summer counseling practicum are listed under the fifth session, they will need to be completed over the 10 weeks allotted for a practicum, which is from May 8-July 17.
- The Counselor Preparation Comprehensive Exam (CPCE) is scheduled for **Friday, April 7, from 8am-12pm in GC 4A41**. It is designed to put the fear of God in you so that you will study hard for the state licensure exam! ☺
- Weekend Classes—Students can only drop/add these courses during the drop/add period at the beginning of the semester. Be sure to check the dates for the first weekend of a weekend course and put it on your calendar, as missing it would necessitate withdrawing from the course.
- New concentration in Addiction Counseling is being designed to launch this fall (2017)
- Modular/online version of the MA in Christian Counseling program is being scheduled to launch this fall (2017)
- CACREP ACCREDITATION PREPARATION

Closing Remarks:

Professor Edward Ewe on Self-Care