Fall 2026 - Textbook List

All books are subject to change. Please refer to the syllabus on the first day of class for final listing.

DVCO702
Marriage & Family
Professor: Bals

Required texts:

1. Bals, Gordon C. *Common Ground: Discovering God's Redemption in Your Marriage*. Homewood, AL: Daymark, 2023. ISBN: 978-0-9883283-4-1
2. Garland, Diana R. *Inside Out Families: Living the Faith Together.* Waco, TX: Baylor, 2010. ISBN: 978-1602582453
3. Hughes, Daniel A. *Attachment-Focused Parenting: Effective Strategies To Care for Children.* New York, NY: W.W. Norton & Co. ISBN: 978-0-393-70555-3
4. Luskin, Fred. *Forgive for Love: The Missing Ingredient for a Healthy and Lasting Relationship.* New York, NY: Harper One. ISBN: 978-0061234958
5. *On Marriage Counseling* Published by the Journal of Biblical Counseling. ISSN: 2688-8742, print edition; ISSN: 2688-8327, digital edition. Can be bought at this link: https://www.ccef.org/products/jbc-must-reads-on-marriage-counseling

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DVCO510
The Counseling Relationship
Professor: Bals

Required Texts:
Understanding People: Why We Long for Relationship by Lawrence J. Crabb. ISBN: 978-0-310-33607-5
Now, Discover Your Strengths: The Revolutionary Gallup Program That Shows You How To Develop Your Unique Talents and Strengths by Don Clifton. ISBN: 978-0743201148
*Skills for Effective Counseling: A Faith-based Integration.*by Elisabeth A. Nesbit Sbanotto, Heather Davediuk Gingrich and Fred C. Gingrich ISBN: 978-1514014936 (published in 2026).

DVHD601
Reformation and Early Modern History & Doctrine
Professor: Bray

Required texts:
Joel R. Beeke and Sinclair B. Ferguson, *Reformed Confessions Harmonized*, Baker Books, ISBN: 978-0-0810-5222-4
Timothy George, ed., *Baptist Confessions, Covenants and Catechisms*, Broadman and Holman Academic, 2026 (ISBN: 978-1-0877-7043-7)

Martin Luther, *The Schmalkald Articles*, Fortress Press, 1995, ISBN:0-8006-2661-3
Mark A. Noll, *Confessions and Catechisms of the Reformation*, Baker Books, 1991, ISBN: 0-8010-6784-7

Recommended Texts:
Baptist Confessions of Faith, Second Revised Edition, ed. William J. Lumpkin and Bill J. Leonard, Judson Press, 2011 (ISBN: 978-0-8170-1695-1)

The Book of Concord, ed. Robert Kolb and Timothy J. Wengert, Fortress Press, 2000 (ISBN: 0-8006-2740-7)

Creeds and Confessions of Faith in the Christian Tradition, 3 vols., J. Pelikan and V. Hotchkiss, ed., Yale University Press, 2003 (ISBN: 978- 03000-93918)

John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, ed. F. L. Battles, 2 vols. Eerdmans, 1986 (ISBN: 978-08028-2319X)

Documents of the English Reformation, Third Edition, ed. Gerald Bray, James Clarke, 2019 (ISBN: 978-02271-76955)

John Jewel, *An Apology of the Church of England*, Davenant Press, 2020 (ISBN: 978-19497-16047)

Martin Luther, *The Bondage of the Will*, Baker Books, 2000 (ISBN: 0-8007-5342-9)

The Reformation of the Church. A Collection of Reformed and Puritan Documents on Church Issues, ed. I. H. Murray, 1965 (ISBN: 0-85151-118-X)

Philip Schaff, *The Creeds of Christendom*, 3 vols., Baker Books, 1993 (reprint) (ISBN: 978-08010-82323)

DVPM701
Pastoral Care & Counseling
Professor: Joel Busby

Required texts:
Berry, Wendell. Hannah Coulter: A Novel. Berkeley, CA: Counterpoint, 2005.
Cary, Phillip. *Good News for Anxious Christians, expanded ed.: 10 Practical Things You Don't Have to Do*. Grand Rapids, MI: Brazos Press, 2022.
Cuyler, Theodore Ledyard. *How to Be a Pastor*. New York: Baker & Taylor, 1890.
Pierre, Jeremy, and Deepak Reju. *The Pastor and Counseling: The Basics of Shepherding Members in Need*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2015.
Powlison, David. *God's Grace in Your Suffering*. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2018.
Senkbeil, Harold L. *The Care of Souls: Cultivating a Pastor's Heart*. Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2019.

DVPR601
Christian Preaching
Professor: Calvert

Required texts:
Bryan Chapell, *Christ-Centered Preaching: Redeeming the Expository Sermon*, 3rd Edition (ISBN: 978-0-8010-9974-8)
D. Martin Lloyd-Jones, *Preaching and Preachers* (ISBN: 0-310-27870-8)
James Forbes, *The Holy Spirit and Preaching* (ISBN: 978-0687173099)
Barbara Brown Taylor, *The Preaching Life* (ISBN: 9781561010745)

DVEV702
Augustinian Apologetics
Professor: Chatraw

Required texts:
Lee, Gregory W. *The Essential City of God: A Reader and Commentary*. Baker Academic, 2025. ISBN 9781540967107.
Augustine. *Confessions*. Translated by Sarah Ruden, Modern Library, 2018. ISBN 9780812986488.

DVEV500
Theology and Practice of Evangelism
Professor: Chatraw

Required texts:
Treat, Jeremy. *The Atonement: An Introduction.* Crossway, 2023. ISBN 9781433575693
Joshua D. Chatraw. *Telling a Better Story: How to Talk about God in a Skeptical Age.* Grand Rapids: Zondervan.
James K.A. Smith. *How (Not) to Be Secular: Reading Charles Taylor*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans.
Timothy Keller. *The Reason for God: Audio Bible Studies: Conversations on Faith & Life.* (This can be purchased as an Audiobook [e.g., Audible] or as Videos [e.g., Prime Videos].)

DVPR601
Christian Preaching
Professor: David Eldridge

Required texts:
Bryan Chapell, *Christ-Centered Preaching: Redeeming the Expository Sermon, 3rd Ed.* (Baker Academic, 2018).
H.B. Charles, *On Preaching: Personal & Pastoral Insights for the Preparation & Practice of Preaching* (Moody, 2014).
Douglas Sean O'Donnell and Leland Ryken, *The Beauty and Power of Biblical Exposition: Preaching the Literary Artistry and Genres of the Bible* (Crossway, 2022).
Fleming Rutledge, *By the Word Worked: Encountering the Power of Biblical Preaching* (Baylor University Press, 2024).
Selected Sermons (Provided by Professor) from O.C. Edwards, *A History of Preaching, Vol. 2* (Abingdon Press, 2016).

DVCO550
Human Development
Professor: Elsner

Required texts:
- *Broderick, Patricia C., and Pamela Blewitt. The Life Span: Human Development for Helping Professionals. 6th ed. Boston: Pearson, 2024. ISBN: 978-0138161507.*
- *Fowler, James W. Faith Development and Pastoral Care. Philadelphia: Fortress Press, 1987. ISBN: 978-0800617394.*

DVCO680
Ethical and Legal Issues in Christian Counseling
Professor: Eyrich

Required texts:
Johnson, T.D., & Wilde, C.E. (2022). *Legal issues in biblical counseling.* ISBN: 978-1-64507-246-1
Bullis, Ronald, K., and Cynthia S. Mazur. *Legal Issues and Religious Counseling,* Philadelphia, Westminster John Know Press, pages 136.
ISBN-13: 978-0664253868; **ISBN-10:** 9780664253

DVHD501
Patristic History and Doctrine
Professor: George

Required texts:
Cyril Richardson, ed., *Early Christian Fathers* (Touchstone, 1996)
Bryan Litfin, *Early Christian Martyr Stories* (Baker Academic, 2014)
Athanasius, *The Life of Antony and the Letter to Marcellinus* (Paulist Press, 1980)
Athanasius, *On the Incarnation* (SVS Press, 2012)
William G. Rusch, *The Trinitarian Controversy* (Fortress Press, 1980)
Augustine, R.S. Pine-Coffin, trans., *Confessions* (Penguin, 1970)
William Harmless, *Augustine in His Own Words* (CUA, 2010)

Recommended text:
J.N.D. Kelly, *Early Christian Doctrines* (HarperOne, 1976)

DVET721
Baptist History & Doctrine
Professor: George

Required texts:
Anthony Chute, Nathan Finn, and Michael Haykin, *The Baptist Story,* 2nd ed. (B&H Academic, 2026)
Timothy George, ed. *Baptist Confessions, Covenants, and Catechisms,* Theological Foundations (B&H Academic, 2026)
Michael A.G. Haykin, *Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands: Recovering Sacrament in the Baptist Tradition (*Lexham, 2022)
Benjamin Keach, *The Glory of a True Church* (Baptist Heritage Press, 2022)
Timothy George and David Dockery, eds. *Theologians of the Baptist Tradition* (B&H Academic, 2001). **Copy provided by professor.**

DVBF502
Old Testament Theology
Professor: Gignilliat

Required texts:
Gignilliat and Thomas, *Reading the Old Testament as Christian Scripture* (Baker Academic): 9780801098031
Gilbert Meilander, *Thy Will Be Done* (Baker Academic): 9781540961969
Brevard Childs, *Old Testament Theology in a Canonical Context* (Fortress): 0800607725

DVHD606
Ecclesiology and Worship
Professor: Hicks

Required texts:
Allen P. Ross, *Recalling the Hope of Glory: Biblical Worship from the Garden to the New Creation.* Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2006. ISBN: 978-0825435782
Zac Hicks, *The Worship Pastor: A Call to Ministry for Worship Leaders and Teams* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2016). ISBN 0310525195
Bryan Chapell, *Christ-Centered Worship: Letting the Gospel Shape Our Practice* (Grand Rapids: Baker, 2009)

DVOT511
Introduction to Biblical Hebrew
Professor: Kirk

Required texts:
John A. Cook and Robert D. Holmstedt. 2013. Beginning Biblical Hebrew. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic. (BBH)

DVOT616
Hebrew Exegesis Practicum
Professor: Kirk

Required texts:
The Art of Biblical Narrative, 2nd rev. ed. By Robert Alter, New York: Basic Books.
Elements of Biblical Exegesis (3rd ed.) by Michael J. Gorman
ISBN-10: 1540960315
Exegetical Gems from Biblical Hebrew by H. H. Hardy II
ISBN-10: 0801098769
Invitation to Biblical Poetry by Elaine T. James
ISBN-10: 0190664932
Swain, Scott R. 2011. *Trinity, Revelation, and Reading: A Theological Introduction to the Bible and its Interpretation.* Edinburgh: T&T Clark.

DVSF501
Spiritual Formation
Professor: Laing

Required texts:
Bonhoeffer, Dietrich. *Life Together*, 1954.
Foster, Richard J. *Celebration of Discipline: The Path to Spiritual Growth*. San Francisco: HarperCollins, 1978, 1998 (2018).
Mulholland, M. Robert, Jr. *Invitation to a Journey: A Road Map for Spiritual Formation.* Grand Rapids: IVP, 2016.
Sittser, Gerald L. *Water from a Deep Well: Christian Spirituality from Early Martyrs to Modern Missionaries*. Grand Rapids: IVP, 2007.

Recommended texts:
Calhoun, Adele Ahlberg. *Spiritual Disciplines Handbook: Practices that transform us*. Rev Ed. Downers Grove: IVP, 2015. ISBN 978-0-8308-4605-4
Hudson, Trevor. *Discovering Our Spiritual Identity: Practices for God's Beloved*. IVP, 2010.
Laing, Stefana Dan. *Retrieving History: Memory and Identity Formation in the Early Church.* Baker, 2017.

DVAN701
Anglican Worship & Sacraments
Professor: Linebaugh

Required texts:
Either *Book of Common Prayer* 2019 (ACNA) or *Book of Common Prayer* 1979 (TEC)
Cummings, B., ed., *The Book of Common Prayer. The texts of 1549, 1559 and 1662* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2011. ISBN: 978-01996-45206.
Hicks, Zac, *Worship by Faith Alone: Thomas Cranmer, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Reformation of Liturgy*, IVP Academic, 2023.

DVHD501
Patristic History & Doctrine
Professor: Malysz

Required texts:
Athanasius, *On the Incarnation*, trans. John Behr (St Vladimir's);
ISBN: 978-0881414097
Augustine, *Confessions*, trans. Henry Chadwick (Oxford University Press);
ISBN: 978-0199537822
Augustine, *On Christian Teaching*, trans. R. P. H. Green (Oxford University Press);
ISBN: 978-0199540631
Cyril of Alexandria, *On the Unity of Christ* (St Vladimir's); ISBN: 9780881411331
Gregory of Nazianzus, *On God in Christ*, trans. F. Williams and L. Wickham (St Vladimir's); ISBN: 978-0881412406
Norris, Richard A. (ed.), Jr., *The Christological Controversy*, 1st ed. (Fortress);
ISBN: 978-0800614119
Richardson, Cyril (ed.), *Early Christian Fathers* (Touchstone); ISBN: 978-0684829517
Recommended Text: (next page)

Recommended Text:
Chadwick, Henry, *The Early Church* [The Penguin History of the Church, vol. 1]; ISBN: 978-0140231991

DVET701
Doctrine & Ethics
Professor: Malysz

Required texts:
Being Consumed, William Cavanaugh, 9780802845610
I See Satan Fall Like Lightening, René Girard, 9781570753190
Faith Seeking Understanding: An Introduction to Christian Theology (3rd ed.), Migliore, 9780802871855
Improvisation: The Drama of Christian Ethics, Samuel Wells 9781540960115
Lament for a Son, Wolterstorff, Nicholas, 978-0802802941

DVHD601
Reformation and Early Modern History and Doctrine
Professor: Malysz

Required texts:
Calvin's Institutes, ed. Donald McKim (Westminster): ISBN 978-0-664-22298-7
John Calvin & Jacopo Sadoleto, *A Reformation Debate* (Baker): ISBN 978-0-8010-2390-3
René Descartes, *Mediations on First Philosophy* (Hackett); ISBN: 978-0-87220-192-7
A Jonathan Edwards Reader, ed. John E. Smith (Yale); ISBN: 978-0300098389
Johan Gerhard, *Handbook of Consolations* (Wipf & Stock); ISBN: 9781606086643
John Locke, *The Reasonableness of Christianity* (Stanford); ISBN: 978-0804703413
Philip Jacob Spener, *Pia Desideria* (Fortress); ISBN: 978-0800619534
John Wesley, ed. A. C. Outler (Oxford); ISBN: 978-0195028102

DVNT511
Introduction to New Testament Greek
Professor: Martin

Required texts:
Mounce, William D. Basics of Biblical Greek: Grammar. 4th ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2019.
Mounce, William D. Basics of Biblical Greek Workbook. 4th ed. Grand Rapids: Zondervan Academic, 2019.
Colored pencils or pens (erasable) including red, blue, pink, green, and purple.

DVOT731
Exegesis of Leviticus
Professor: Mathews

Required texts:
Biblia Hebraica Stuttgartensia (BHS), ed. K. Elliger and Wilhelm Rudolph. German Bible Society 2007. 978-1598561999
Hardy II, H. H. and Matthew McAffee, *Going Deeper with Biblical Hebrew: An Intermediate Study of the Grammar and Syntax of the Old Testament.* B&H Academic, 2024. 9781462776733
Mathews, Kenneth. *Leviticus: Holy God, Holy People*. Preaching the Word. General Ed. R. Kent Hughes. Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2009. 978-1433565748
Rosner, Brian S. *Paul and the Law: Keeping the Commandments of God*. New Studes in Biblical Theology. Downers Grove: IVP/Apollos, 2013. 978-0830826322
Wenham, Gordon J. *The Book of Leviticus*. New International Commentary of the Old Testament. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1979. 978-0802825223

DVNT511
Introduction to New Testament Greek
Professor: Padilla

Required texts:
Duff, Jeremy. *The Elements of New Testament Greek*, 3rd ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2005.
Aland, Barbara, et al. *The Greek New Testament,* 5th rev. ed., with dictionary. Stuttgart: Germany: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2014.

DVBF503
New Testament Theology
Professor: Padilla

Required texts:
Frank J. Matera, *New Testament Theology: Exploring Diversity and Unity*. Louisville: Westminster/John Knox Press, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0-664-23044-9

DVNT511
Introduction to New Testament Greek
Professor: Park

Required texts:
Biblical Greek Laminated Sheet, William Mounce
978-0310262947
Greek I Lecture Notes (provided by MS Park), Cost TBA
Recommended text:
The Greek New Testament, USB 5th Ed.
9783438051172

DVNT721
Exposition of I Peter
Professor: Park

Required texts:
ESV Study Bible. Wheaton: Crossway, 2008.
Inserra, D. The Unsaved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2019. ISBN-13: 978-0802418807
Jobes, K.H. 1 Peter. BECNT. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2022². ISBN-13: 978-1540965783
Wallace, D.B. Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1996. ISBN: 978-0310218951

Commentaries: Highly Recommended:
Achtemeir, P.J. 1 Peter. Hermeneia. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1996. ISBN-13: 978-0800660307
Green, J.B. 1 Peter. THNTC (Two Horizons). Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0802825537

DNVT 616
Greek Exegesis Practicum
Professor: Park

Required texts:
Aland, Kurt, et al., *The Greek New Testament*, 5th rev. ed., with dictionary. Stuttgart, Germany: Deutsche Bibelgesellschaft, 2014. ISBN-13: 978-3438051172
Bauer, W., F.E. Danker, W.F. Arndt, F.W. Gingrich, eds. *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*. 3rd Ed. Chicago: University of Chicago, 2000. (BDAG) ISBN: 978-0226039336
Greenlee, J.H. *Introduction to New Testament Textual Criticism*. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 1993. ISBN-13: 978-0801046445
Inserra, D. *The Unsaved Christian: Reaching Cultural Christianity with the Gospel*. Chicago: Moody Publishers, 2019. ISBN-13: 978-0802418807
Jobes, K.H. *1 Peter*. BECNT. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2022². ISBN-13: 978-1540965783
Wallace, D.B. *Greek Grammar Beyond the Basics*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1996. ISBN: 978-0310218951
Zerwick, M and M. Grosvenor. *A Grammatical Analysis of the Greek New Testament*. Gregorian & Biblical Press, 2010. ISBN: 978-8876536519

Recommended (On Reserve at Samford Library):
Grammar:
Blass, F., A. DeBrunner and R.W. Funk. *A Greek Grammar of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 1961. ISBN-13: 978-1313163408
Mounce, W. *Biblical Greek Grammar Laminated Sheet*. ISBN 978-0310262947
Turner, N. *Syntax*. Vol. 3 of *A Grammar of New Testament Greek*, ed. J.H Moulton. Edinburgh: T & T Clark, 1963. ISBN-13: 978-0567010117
Wallace, D. *New Testament Greek Syntax Laminated Sheet*. ISBN 978-0310292081

Zerwick, Maximillian. *Biblical Greek*. Rome: Pontifical Biblical Institute, 1963. ASIN: B00BNX8848

Commentaries: Highly Recommended
Achtemeir, P.J. *1 Peter*. Hermeneia. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 1996. ISBN-13: 978-0800660307
Green, J.B. *1 Peter*. THNTC (Two Horizons). Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2007. ISBN-13: 978-0802825537

DVML701
Supervised Ministry Practicum I
Professor: Parks

Required texts:
The Trellis and the Vine: The Ministry Mind-Shift that Changes Everything, Marshall and Payne, T., 978-1921441585

DVSF 501
Spiritual Formation
Professor: Sterling

Required texts:
Invitation to a Journey A Road Map for Spiritual Formation, M. Robert Mulholland Jr. 978-0830813865
Life Together, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, 978-0060608521
Celebration of Disciplines: The Path to Spiritual Growth, Richard J. Foster 978-0060628390
Discovering Our Spiritual Identity: Practices for God's Beloved, Trevor Hudson 978-0830810925
Water from a Deep Well: Christian Spirituality from Early Martyrs to Modern Missionaries, Gerald L. Sittser, 978-0-8308-3745-8

DVWS701
Wesleyan History & Doctrine
Professor: Tennent
Required texts:
Heitzenrater, Richard. *Wesley and the People Called Methodists*, 2nd ed. (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2012).
Collins, Kenneth and Jason Vickers, eds. *The Sermons of John Wesley* (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2013).
Noll, Mark. *Turning Points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity*, 2nd edition. **READ CHAPTER TEN ONLY** - (available on Canvas site).

DVNT616
Greek Exegesis Practicum
Professor: Thielman

Required texts:
Introduction to New Testament Textual Criticism, revised edition (J. Harold Greenlee)
The Greek New Testament, 5th rev. ed. with Dictionary (Barbara Aland, et al.)
Ephesians (Frank Thielman)
A first-year Greek Grammar, preferably William D. Mounce, *Basics of Biblical Greek*

Recommended text: *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*, 3rd ed., revised and edited by Frederick William Danker

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DVHD 605
Pastoral Theology
Professor: Thomas

Required texts:
Timothy Keller, Center Church (Zondervan, 2012).
Ray Van Neste, The Oversight of Souls (Heritage Seminary Press, 2024).
Eugene H. Peterson, The Pastor: A Memoir (HarperOne, 2011).
Doug Webster, Pastoral Identity: True Shepherds in the Household of Faith (Kregel, 2023).
Doug Webster, A Pastoral Theology: Christ-Centered, Biblically Rooted, Gospel-Focused

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