

Course of Study School at Saint Paul School of Theology—Adjunct Instructors 2024/25

Rev. Mark Statler



MDiv
Biblical Interpretation, Intro to Bible;
Missouri Conference;
Extension Ministry in MO Conference.

COS 121- Bible I: Introduction: Attention to inspiration, formation, and function of the canon, the development of a methodology of interpretation consistent with the nature of scripture. Importance of the Bible as witness to life and faith of ancient Israel and earliest Christianity. Sum24, Fal24, Spr25.

Rev. Dr. Tiffany A. Nagel Monroe



Dmin, Church Leadership Excellence
Theological Heritage;
Oklahoma Conference;
Sr. Pastor, Edmond First UMC.

COS 122 – Theological Heritage I: Introduction: Introduces student to theological reflection in Wesleyan tradition. Basic terms, tasks, & methods of Christian theology introduced. Classical themes will be defined. Provides a foundation for further historical and theological study. Sum24, Fal24, Spr25.

Rev. Dr. Derrek Belase



DMin
Leadership Development, Discipleship;
Oklahoma Conference;
Exec Director Connectional Ministry.

COS 123– Formation and Discipline: Grounds student in the theology and core practices of personal and congregational formation and discipleship. Articulate theological basis for Wesleyan emphasis on spiritual disciplines, practice them as means of grace. Sum24.

Dr. Heesung Hwang



PhD, Christian Education
Faith Formation, Social Transformation;
SPST Assistant Professor Christian
Religious Education.

COS 123– Formation and Discipline; Fal24

Rev. H. Eduardo Bousson



EdD, Interdisciplinary Leadership
Leadership Studies;
Great Plains Conference;
GBHEM- Director of Schools, Universities.

COS 124- Transformative Leadership: This course forms the student's identity as a pastoral leader and change agent in congregations, the UMC, & the world. Sum24, Fal24.

Dr. Brendon Benz



PhD, Hebrew Bible, Ancient Near East
History, Religion, Theology;
Associate Professor of History at
William Jewell College.

COS 221 – Bible II: Torah, and Israel's History: Interpret critical events, developing institutions, and traditions of Israel. Earliest Covenants, to the Exodus, to the rise of the monarchy, and to other events up to 8th century prophets. Sum24, Fal24, Win25.

Dr. Amy Oden



PhD, Religious Studies
Early Church History, Spiritual Formation
Adjunct & Prior Professor at Saint Paul
School of Theology.

COS 222 – Theological Heritage II: Early Church: History and theology of Church through the first five centuries. Students will reflect on significant individuals, events, and the articulation of the Christian faith during this period. Sum24, Spr25.

Rev. Dr. Phyliss Provost-Saas



DMin, Pastoral Counseling
Worship and Sacraments;
Great Plains Conference;
Winfield Grandview UMC Kansas.

COS 223 – Worship and Sacraments: Examines worship within The UMC including liturgy, sacraments, & special services. Attention is given to the pastor's role and duties as leader in worship. Sum24, Spr25.

Rev. Steve Jones



MDiv; JD
UM Polity, Gospels, Social Justice;
Missouri Conference;
Pastor 1st UMC in Maryville, MO.

COS 224 – Polity and Administration: Develops student's competency as administrator in a UM congregation. Special consideration is given to UMC polity & discipline. Sum24, Win25, Spr25.

Dr. Jill Engelhardt



PhD, Biblical Interpretation
New Testament;
Adjunct Professor, TCU & SPST.

COS 321- Bible III: Gospels: Focuses on content and message of the Gospels, as well as theological perspectives of Gospel writers. Practice of exegesis will be emphasized. Sum24, Win25.

Rev. Dr. Bruce Baxter



PhD, Education Administration
Practical Theology, Biblical Studies;
Missouri Conference;
District Superintendent.

COS 321- Bible III: Gospels; Fal24.

Dr. Kyle Butler



PhD, Systematic Theology
Theological Heritage, Social Outreach;
Exec Dir. LifeBridge at Kirkwood UMC.

COS 322 – Theological Heritage III: Medieval through the Reformation: Major movements beginning with split between Eastern and Western forms of Christianity, through the Reformation. Reflect on individuals, events, developments. Sum24, Spr25.

Rev. Tino Herrera



MDiv, DMin Candidate
Congregational Care, Justice;
Great Plains Conference;
Sr. Pastor Trinity UMC Kansas City, MO

COS 323– Congregational Care: Practices of congregational care and responsibility in caregiving. Care and organization of such in varieties of settings, using boundaries and sensitivity. Sum24, Fal24

Dr. Heesung Hwang



PhD, Christian Education
Faith Formation, Social Transformation;
SPST Assistant Professor Christian
Religious Education.

COS 323– Congregational Care; Win25.

Rev. Adam L. Mustoe



MDiv
Preaching and Communications;
Missouri Conference;
First UMC Kearney, MO.

COS 324 – Preaching: Preaching the gospel from the Old and New Testaments. Articulate theology of proclamation, evaluate sermons, exegete biblical passages. Sum24, Spr25.

Rev. Dr. Choongho Kwon



DMin, Biblical Interpretation
Biblical Interpretation & Preaching;
Missouri Conference;
Sr. Pastor, First UMC Kirksville, MO.

COS 421 – Bible IV: Prophets, Psalms, and Wisdom Literature: Examines and understands history of God's Word through Israel's prophets, selected Psalms, & selected passages from Wisdom literature. Exegete biblical literature. Sum24, Fal24, Win25.

Rev. Dr. Henry "Hal" Knight, III



PhD, Theological Studies
Wesleyan Studies, Evangelism;
Emeritus Professor at Saint Paul
School of Theology.

COS 422 – Theological Heritage IV: Wesleyan Movement: Covers significant individuals, decisive events, & theology of Methodist movement. Using grace, faith, & holiness, the student will better understand Wesleyan heritage & identity. Sum24.

Rev. Trista Soendker Nicholson



MDiv; PhD Candidate
Wesleyan Theology, History, Polity;
Missouri Conference;
Sr Pastor, St. Paul's UMC Raymore MO

COS 422 – Theological Heritage IV: Wesleyan Movement: Win25, Spr25.

Dr. Lucas Endicott



EdD – Doctor of Education;
Mission, Service and Justice;
Missouri Conference.

COS 423 – Mission: Introduces theology of mission, pastor's role in leading congregations as agents of God's redemption. Examine unjust social realities and Christian response..Sum24, Spr25.

Dr. Joshua S. Bartholomew



PhD Religious & Theological Studies
Ethics, Church, Society;
Assistant Professor SPST;
Baptist Preacher in Harlem & Boston.

COS 424 – Ethics: Biblical & theological bases for Christian behavior, emphasizing pastoral skills for moral leadership in congregations and community. Use of Social Principles of UMC as a resource for ethical reflection & action. Fal24, Spr25.

Rev. Zhenya Gurina-Rodriguez, PhD.



PhD, New Testament, Early Christianity
Hebrew Bible & New Testament;
Central Texas Conference
Assoc Pastor First UMC Fort Worth, TX.

COS 521- Bible V: Acts, Epistles, and Revelation:
Content and context of these writings, and theological
emphases. Acts and Revelation, Romans, 1
Corinthians, Hebrews, James, and 1 John are covered.
Students will articulate a theology of scripture and
exegete these forms of biblical literature.
Sum24, Fal24.

Rev. Dr. Aaron Stauffer



PhD, Theology and Ethics
Social Ethics, Ecumenical Studies;
Assoc. Director-Online Learning at
Vanderbilt, Nashville, TN.

COS 522 – Theology in the Contemporary Church:
Covers significant individuals, movements, events, &
theological developments from 19th century
including ecumenism and process theology.
Recognizing various movements. Sum24, Fal24, Spr25

Rev. Carlos Ramirez



MATS, New Testament
Congregation Vitality, Hispanic Ministry;
Oklahoma Conference;
Sr. Minister Southern Hills UMC.

COS 523 –Evangelism: Introduces the theology &
practices of evangelism as an expression of the
mission of God. Interpret the Wesleyan heritage of
evangelism. Reflect on & implement strategies for
evangelism by the congregation. Sum24, Win25, Spr25

Rev. Yvi Martin



MDiv
Preaching, Mission, Teaching;
Missouri Conference;
Lead Pastor Platte Woods UMC, MO.

COS 524 - Theological Reflection on the Practice of
Ministry: Capstone to the student’s basic COS. Focus
on integration of the biblical, theological, & practical
aspects of ministry. Articulate a Trinitarian theology.
State the mission of the Church & relation to pastoral
ministry. Fal24.

Rev. Kate Walker



MDiv
Facilitator, Discernment, Formation;
Texas Conference;
Pastor Grace Heights, Houston, TX.

COS 524- Theological Reflection on the Practice of
Ministry. Sum24.

**Course of Study School at Saint Paul
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CLASS SCHEDULES for 2024/2025
Course of Study School at Saint Paul School of Theology
All classes online

You may take more than one class each semester, except winter. Each color represents a different class day.

SAINT PAUL - COURSE OF STUDY - ONLINE - SUMMER 2024							
Course (& Session)	ZOOM Intro - 2 hrs	LECTURE - 2 hrs	Forums Week - due Wed & Fri	LECTURE - 2 hrs	ZOOM CLASS - 8 hrs	Assignment Due - 10 pgs	Assignments Due - 5 pgs ea
121, 321, 521 - M1	MONDAY 7/08	MON 7/15	Posts 7/24 & 7/26	MON 7/29	MON 8/05	MON 8/12	MON 8/19
221, 421 - M2	MONDAY 7/15	MON 7/22	Posts 7/31 & 8/02	MON 8/05	MON 8/12	MON 8/19	MON 8/26
122, 322*, 522 - T1	TUESDAY 7/9	TUE 7/16	Posts 7/24 & 7/26	TUE 7/30	TUE 8/06	TUE 8/13	TUE 8/20
222, 422 - T2	TUESDAY 7/16	TUE 7/23	Posts 7/31 & 8/02	TUE 8/06	TUE 8/13	TUE 8/20	TUE 8/27
123, 323, 523* - W1	WEDNESDAY 7/10	WED 7/17	Posts 7/24 & 7/26	WED 7/31	WED 8/07	WED 8/14	WED 8/21
223, 423 - W2	WEDNESDAY 7/17	WED 7/24	Posts 7/31 & 8/02	WED 8/07	WED 8/14	WED 8/21	WED 8/28
124, 324, 524 - Th1	THURSDAY 7/11	THU 7/18	Posts 7/24 & 7/26	THU 8/01	THU 8/08	THU 8/15	THU 8/22
224, 424 - Th2	THURSDAY 7/18	THU 7/25	Posts 7/31 & 8/02	THU 8/08	THU 8/15	THU 8/22	THU 8/29

SESSIONS are as follows: M1 is MONDAYS Starting in WEEK 1 & meeting/due dates are MONDAYS, M2 is MONDAYS starting in WEEK 2;
T1 - TUESDAYS 1, T2 - TUESDAYS 2; W1 - WEDNESDAYS 1, W2 - WEDNESDAYS 2; TH1 - THURSDAYS 1, TH2 - THURSDAYS 2.
SEE SCHEDULE ON WEBSITE OR SYLLABUS FOR EXACT TIMES www.spst.edu/cos

SAINT PAUL - COURSE OF STUDY - ONLINE - FALL 2024							
Course (& Session)	ZOOM Intro	LECTURE	Forums Week	LECTURE	ZOOM CLASS	Assignment Due	Assignments Due
121, 321, 521 - M1	MONDAY 9/23	MON 9/30	10/09 & 10/11	MON 10/14	MON 10/21	MON 10/28	MON 11/04
221, 421 - M2	MONDAY 9/30	MON 10/07	10/16 & 10/18	MON 10/21	MON 10/30	MON 11/04	MON 11/11
122, 522 - T1	TUESDAY 9/24	TUE 10/01	10/09 & 10/11	TUE 10/15	TUE 10/22	TUE 10/29	TUE 11/05
123, 323 - W1	WEDNESDAY 9/25	WED 10/02	10/09 & 10/11	WED 10/16	WED 10/23	WED 10/30	WED 11/06
124, 524 - Th1	THURSDAY 9/26	THU 10/03	10/09 & 10/11	THU 10/17	THU 10/24	THU 10/31	THU 11/07

SAINT PAUL - COURSE OF STUDY - ONLINE - WINTER 2025							
Course (& Session)	ZOOM Intro	LECTURE	Forums Week	Forums cont...	ZOOM CLASS	Assignment Due	Assignments Due
221, 224, 321, 323, 421, 422, 522, 523- TH1	THURSDAY 1/16	THU 1/23	M 1/27 - W 2/05	M 1/27 - W 2/05	THU 2/06	THU 2/13	THU 2/20

SAINT PAUL - COURSE OF STUDY - ONLINE - SPRING 2025							
Course (& Session)	ZOOM Intro	LECTURE	Forums Week	LECTURE	ZOOM CLASS	Assignment Due	Assignments Due
121 - M1	MONDAY 3/31	MON 4/07	Th 4/10 & T 4/15	MON 4/21	MON 4/28	MON 5/05	MON 5/12
122, 322, 222, 224-T1	TUESDAY 4/01	TUE 4/08	Th 4/10 & T 4/15	TUE 4/22	TUE 4/29	TUE 5/06	TUE 5/13
223, 423, 523 - W1	WEDNESDAY 4/02	WED 4/09	Th 4/10 & T 4/15	WED 4/23	WED 4/30	WED 5/07	WED 5/14
324, 224, 424 - Th1	THURSDAY 4/03	THU 4/10	Th 4/10 & T 4/15	THU 4/24	THU 5/01	THU 5/08	THU 5/15

LENT BEGINS 3/5 and HOLY WEEK IS 4/13 - 4/20/2025