

NON-degree Course of Study Course Catalog
USA/Canada Church of the Nazarene

1. God's Holy Call on Women and Men to Ministry	
Course Description An exploration of the call to Christian ministry in light of the holy God who calls. This course provides the abilities to articulate the sacred nature of the call to ministry and to nurture that calling through intentional practices of the classical Christian disciplines.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CH4, CH5, CH6, CH7, CN4
2. Biblical Literature and Scriptural Interpretation	
Course Description This course equips students with the ability to exegete Christian Scripture for the sake of faithful proclamation and preaching. Attention will be given to the development of the canon, historical models of biblical interpretation, their application to contemporary cultural contexts, and a distinctly Wesleyan understanding of the function of Scripture in Christian life, theology, and ministry.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CN4, CN5, CN6
3. Old Testament Scriptures and Theology	
Course Description An exploration of the timeline of the Old Testament, its literary structure, and its theology. Special attention will be given to developing the ability to communicate the major turning points, figures, and the history of Israel.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CN1, CN2
4. New Testament Scriptures and Theology	
Course Description An exploration of the timeline of the New Testament, its literary structure, and its theology. Special attention will be given to the spread of the gospel as recorded in the New Testament and the forms of preaching and evangelism expressed therein.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CN3, CN4

5. The Mission and Ministry of the Church of the Nazarene

Course Description

Exhibit a working knowledge in conversation with parishioners and ministry peers (Nazarene and other Christian traditions) of the history of the Church of the Nazarene, our roots, the formative events and persons, etc. of our Wesleyan heritage and denomination (with global awareness) along with a capacity to relay past history to the possibilities of the present.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CN7, CN12, CN13, CN14

6. Theology of Christian Holiness

Course Description

A theological exploration of the God who is holy and the call to be a holy people. This course will include a survey of OT and NT history and texts concerning a theology of holiness, the historical development of the theology of holiness, and a Wesleyan understanding of the doctrine of Christian perfection.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CN9

7. Introduction to Church History

Course Description

This course explores the development of the Christian confession, worship, and practice across history. Looking to the major points of development, it will take account of the ecumenical councils, major turning points in ecclesiastical history, and the relationship of church history to major world events.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CN10, CN11, CX5

8. Celebration of Women in Ministry

Course Description

A biblical, historical, and theological exploration of women in the life of the church and Christian ministry. Special attention will be given to celebrating the ministry of women in the Church of the Nazarene.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CN4, CN13

9. The Moral Shape of Christian Ministry

Course Description A biblical, theological, and philosophical exploration of Christian ethics and role of the Christian minister as a moral theologian. Drawing on the resources of the Wesleyan-holiness tradition, special attention is given to skills and insights for making complex moral decisions in Christian ministry.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CH1, CH2, CH3, CH8, CP5, CX3
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10. Christian Discipleship in a Pluralistic Age	
Course Description Taking into account the increasingly pluralistic nature of contemporary society, this course explores the ways Christian discipleship can thrive. Special attention will be given to the developmental realities of different age groups in developing an effective ministry of discipleship.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CP8, CP9, CP10, CP15

11. Transformational Leadership	
Course Description Leadership theory and theology will serve as the foundation of the fundamentals of leadership. Personal leadership styles and character development will be assessed. Leading teams, groups, other leaders, and organizations will be a progressive focus while also learning to use tools to cast vision, develop strategy and mission, and develop greater stewardship. Culture and change will also be considered in the context of a missional community. Upon completion, students will have knowledge of leadership with tools to guide organizations to transformational change and organizational health.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CH7, CP2, CP3

12. Christian Theology 1	
Course Description Exploration of theological sources and method, the doctrine of God, doctrine of the Trinity, Christology, pneumatology, and ecclesiology, and the Nazarene Articles of Faith around those doctrines. The course concludes with learning about the vital connection between theology and ministry	Ability Statements Fulfilled CN7, CN8

13. Christian Theology 2	
Course Description Exploration of Doctrine of Creation, theological anthropology, hamartiology, soteriology, eschatology, and the Nazarene Articles of Faith around those doctrines.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CN7, CN8

14. The Vital Church in Context	
Course Description This course explores the local church in the context of its community. Students will gain the ability to discern sociological dynamics, power dynamics, and exegete congregations and communities for the sake of mission, and explore movements related to church planting and revitalization.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CX3, CX6, CX8

15. The Missional Church	
Course Description In this course, students will develop a holistic theological vision of compassionate ministry and evangelism that is biblically sound and culturally sensitive. Students will learn to make use of models of community exegesis for the sake of hospitable engagement.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CP7, CP8, CP17, CP18, CX2, CX8

16. The Church in Worship	
Course Description This course explores the dynamic relationship among the elements of Christian worship, providing students the ability to plan, evaluate, and execute the liturgical elements of a Christian worship service.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CP11, CP19, CP20

17. The Proclamation of the Living Word	
Course Description This course equips students with the ability to work exegetically in a biblical text, plan, and deliver sermons making use of various homiletical models. Students will also gain the capacity to evaluate various models of preaching for the sake of faithful ministry.	Ability Statements Fulfilled CP1, CP12, CP13, CP14

18. Christian Ministry in Inter-Cultural Contexts

Course Description

Beginning with a Wesleyan theology of mission and evangelism, this course provides the student the ability to draw together hospitable engagement and inter-cultural understanding as the basis for evangelism and church planting.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CX1, CX2, CX4, CX7

19. Pastoral Care and Counseling

Course Description

An exploration of the developmental factors affecting Christian formation and pastoral care across the lifetime of persons. Emphasis will be placed on how pastoral care can be offered at the various stages of life. Short-term counseling and trauma awareness will also be explored.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CP5, CP6, CP16, CH7

20. Church Leadership and Administration

Course Description

This course will examine models of leadership and administration for the sake of faithful Christian ministry. It will include training in leadership and administrative skills and provide the ability to employ current models of organizational leadership and administration.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled

CP4, CP21, CP22

21. Ordination Capstone

Course Description

The Ordination Capstone Course will guide and assist the student in the development of a ministry handbook that will be a resource to them throughout their future ministry. Through the compilation of assignments and resources, supervised experiences and the completed demonstration of necessary competencies for vocational ministry, they will have developed a portfolio of theological, spiritual and personal reflection, as well as practical experience in the local context that will be a future resource for ministry.

Ability Statements

Fulfilled