

**SAN FRANCISCO
BAPTIST
THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY**



1984 - 1985

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BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1984 - 1985

FALL SEMESTER, 1984

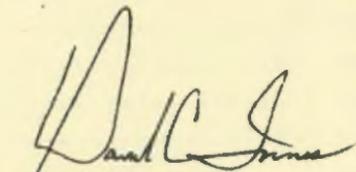
Aug. 28.....	Orientation - 9:00 a.m.
Aug. 28.....	Registration - 10:00 a.m.
Aug. 29.....	Classes begin - 7:30 a.m.
Sep. 17.....	Fall Convocation
Oct. 17.....	Day of Prayer
Nov. 21.....	Thanksgiving recess begins
Nov. 27.....	Classes resume
Dec. 18-21.....	Final Examinations
Dec. 21.....	Christmas recess begins

SPRING SEMESTER, 1985

Jan. 8.....	Orientation - 9:00 a.m.
Jan. 8.....	Registration - 10:00 a.m.
Jan. 9.....	Classes begin - 7:30 a.m.
Jan. 21.....	Spring Convocation
Mar. 13.....	Day of Prayer
Mar. 29.....	Spring recess begins
Apr. 9.....	Classes resume
Apr. 12.....	Founder's Banquet
May 3.....	Last day of classes
May 7-10.....	Final Examinations
May 5.....	Baccalaureate
May 6.....	Commencement



The building of strong, vibrant local churches is the need of the hour. Churches will be no stronger and effective than the pastoral leadership over those churches. The San Francisco Baptist Theological Seminary was founded to train and prepare men for an outstanding lifetime of ministry embracing the militant, fundamentalist, separatist position coupled with a strong soul-winning outreach. It remains our conviction that the Bible is the inerrant, inspired and infallible Word of the living God of heaven. It remains our purpose to train men to be leaders in the fundamentalist movement.


David C. Innes,
President



The purpose of the San Francisco Baptist Seminary is to prepare men for an evangelistic and Biblically sound ministry. Since we believe that the local church is central in God's program for this dispensation, our program includes a strong emphasis on practical application in local Baptist churches around the Bay Area of what is learned in the classroom.

To carry out this objective, the board of trustees has assembled a faculty that is both highly qualified academically and involved in and committed to the local church. The faculty is committed to the dispensational approach to Scripture, and the premillennial and pretribulational return of Christ.

A Biblically sound ministry must be based on an accurate understanding of the original text of the Bible and thorough training in theology. These are emphasized along with instruction in making the Bible practical and understandable for the layman.

A Biblically sound ministry also includes warnings of the dangers of certain contemporary movements such as the National and World Councils of Churches, ecumenical evangelism, and the charismatic movement.

HISTORY of SEMINARY

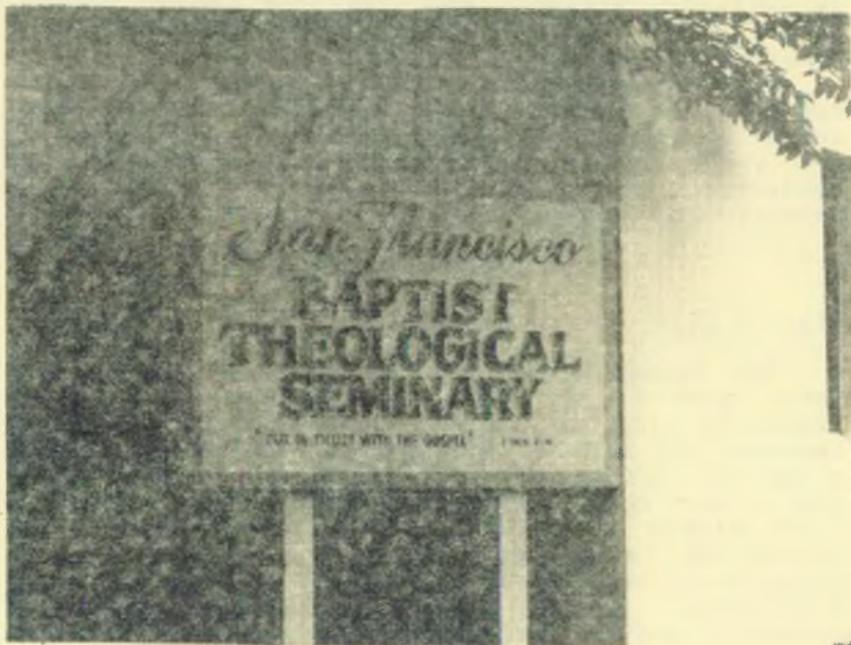
The Seminary had its inception in the prayerful concern of a great many pastors in Northern California and especially in the Bay Area, all of whom had come to realize that Fundamental Baptists of this area must take adequate steps to train their own future leadership. A committee of six pastors was chosen by the local association of churches at their regular meeting in January 1958 assembled at Grace Baptist Church in San Leandro, California, whose function was to study this vital educational matter and bring back specific recommendations. Six weeks later this "exploratory committee" made its report, which was adopted unanimously by the initiating ministers at their meeting in March 1958 held at the Foothill Baptist Church in Oakland, California.

The character of the Seminary was set in the formal resolution which described it as: (1) essentially Baptist in the accepted historical sense and (2) clearly positioned as an institution of premillennial pretribulationist and separatist conviction and teaching. A small committee of incorporators, was responsible to draw up the constitution, statement of faith, articles of incorporation and other founding documents. This committee invited a founding board of 24 ministers to come together to join forces on April 14, 1958 at the Women's Club in Lakeport, California. After a lengthy season of prayer these Baptist brethren rose from their knees to formally organize. Dr. G. Archer Weniger was named as chairman of the board with Dr. Roy H. Austin as vice-chairman.

A rally was held on September 15, 1958 in the Hamilton Square Baptist Church for the purpose of giving praise to God. On the following day, September 16, 1958 the first class sessions of the new Seminary were convened with twelve students formally enrolled. The board elected Dr. Arno Q. Weniger as Seminary President in 1959, a position he occupied until August 1976. He was then elected President Emeritus.

During the turbulent days of theological controversy of the late 1960's, and with the rise of New Evangelicalism, the Seminary severed its informal relationship with the Conservative Baptist Association and its allied mission societies. This action was taken to insure that the Seminary would continue in its original militant Fundamental and separatist position. The Board voted to become self-perpetuating. Control of the Seminary rests exclusively with the Board. The Seminary enjoys the endorsement of the Association of Fundamental Baptist Churches of Northern California and scores of local Baptist Churches around the world. It also fellowships with the Fundamental Baptist Fellowship of America and the New Testament Association of Independent Baptist Churches.

On August 17, 1976, Dr. G. Archer Weniger was elected as the third President. He served faithfully in this position until his promotion to glory on September 6, 1982. On November 15, 1982, Dr. David C. Innes, pastor of the Hamilton Square Baptist Church, San Francisco, was elected as the fourth president of the Seminary.



STATEMENT of FAITH

THE SCRIPTURES

Article I

The Old and New Testaments are a divine revelation and constitute the Word of God. The Bible was recorded by selected men who wrote under the superintendence of the Holy Spirit. It is verbally and plenerily inspired, as originally given, and the manuscripts which we possess are practically identical with the originals. The King James and American Standard versions should therefore be preached with confidence and authority.

THE GODHEAD

Article II

Comprehensively, the Scriptures testify that God is spirit, light, and love. Theologically, God is infinite, eternal, and immutable in His wisdom, power, presence, unity, holiness, justice, goodness, truth, and love. Thus God is sovereign.

God is revealed as self-existent and self-revealing in three distinct Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Who share the same attributes and are worthy of the same worship, confidence, and obedience, each having a distinct place in the execution of divine purpose.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Article III

The Second Person of the Triune God is the Son Whose name is the Lord Jesus Christ. He existed eternally with the Father, and at the time of His incarnation, without a change in His deity, became a man through the miracle of His divine conception and virgin birth. He lived a sinless, impeccable life, died a substitutionary death for all men, was buried and arose from the grave physically the third day. He ascended into Heaven, is presently fulfilling His intercessory and mediatorial ministry, and has promised to return to rapture the

church, prior to the Tribulation, at the conclusion of which He will institute His Davidic reign over Israel and the nations.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

Article IV

The Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Godhead and is the divine agent in creation, revelation and redemption. He convicts the world of sin, calls, regenerates, seals, and baptizes believers into the Body of Christ. He indwells all who are born again and empowers them for service, illumines their understanding of the truth and promotes sanctification in all who become children of God through faith in Christ.

MAN

Article V

Man was created in the image and likeness of God immediately and apart from any process of evolution. By personal disobedience to the revealed Will of God, man became sinful, guilty before God, and subject to the power of the Devil. This total depravity has been transmitted to the entire human race so that man is a sinner by nature, choice, and practice, and possesses within himself no means of recovery of salvation.

SALVATION

Article VI

Salvation is by the grace of God through a free gift which is neither merited nor secured in whole or in part by any virtue or work of man. The single ground or basis of salvation is the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the single condition is faith in the risen Son of God. Salvation is achieved through the instrumentality of the Word of God. In salvation the believer is called, regenerated, justified, forgiven all sin, eternally secure, and endowed with every spiritual blessing.

THE SPIRIT WORLD

Article VII

Prior to the creation of man, God created a great host of personal spirit beings, many of whom kept their first estate of holiness and presently worship God and serve His earthly people. One of the spirit beings, Lucifer, fell through the sin of pride, taking with him a large number of his associates who became demons and participate in his unholy purposes. Satan is the author of sin and accomplished the moral fall of the progenitors of the human race, subjecting them to his authority and defrauding them of world dominion. He is the enemy of God, the accuser of God's people, and is active in counterfeiting the works and the truth of God. He was judged at the cross, and while active in this age and the scourge of Tribulation, his destiny is the Lake of Fire to which he will be consigned at the close of the millennium.

THE CHURCH

Article VIII

The Church is a spiritual body created on the Day of Pentecost, into which all true believers of this age are baptized by the Holy Spirit. The exalted Christ is the sole and supreme Head of the Church.

The local expression of the church is a company of immersed believers, independent in character and autonomous in function, existing in fellowship with other churches of like faith and order. Such New Testament local churches are free from interference and from ecclesiastical or political authority.

To these churches are committed the ordinances of Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Baptism, obligatory upon every believer, is by immersion in water in the name of the Trinity as a sign of identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection, and constitutes a prerequisite for membership. The Lord's Supper is a commemoration of the death of Christ and is designed as a renewal of communion with Him and a pledge of church fellowship. The officers of the local churches are pastors and deacons with the term "pastor" being

used interchangeably with the terms "elder" and "bishop." The local churches have the responsibility of worship, self-edification, and the world-wide preaching of the gospel.

FUTURE EVENTS

Article IX

At death the spirits and souls of believers pass instantly into the presence of Christ and remain in conscious joy until the resurrection of the body when Christ comes for His own.

The blessed hope of the believer is the imminent, personal, pretribulational, premillennial appearance of Christ to rapture the church. His righteous judgments will then be poured out on an unbelieving world during the Tribulation, the last half of which is the Great Tribulation. The climax of this fearful era will be the physical return of Jesus Christ to the earth in great glory to introduce the Davidic kingdom. Israel will be saved and restored to national superiority. Satan will be bound and the curse will be lifted partially from the physical creation. Following the Millennium, the Great White Throne judgment will occur, at which time the bodies and souls of the wicked dead shall be reunited and cast into the Lake of Fire.



STATEMENT of POSITION

1. The Unity of the Faith and the Fellowship of Believers

The Biblical teaching concerning the unity of all believers in the Lord Jesus Christ is gladly embraced and faithfully taught in this Seminary. While not organically connected with any ecclesiastical group, this Seminary recognizes a worldwide spiritual relationship with fundamental Baptists in general, and with separatist Baptists in particular. It believes in a fellowship of churches upon a thoroughly Biblical and historically Baptist basis, unmixed with liberals and liberalism and those who are content to walk in fellowship with unbelief and inclusivism. Most emphatically, it holds that God's blessing will not fall upon Baptist support of an affiliation with apostate ecumenical organizations (that is, organizations that would coercively combine the professed Christian religions of the world into one universal church). Specifically this Seminary repudiates the position of the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches. In all respects, it seeks to uphold a Biblical standard of ethics in its attitude toward those with whom it disagrees.

2. The Apostasy of the Last Days

Believing that we serve in the closing days of this age of grace near to the second coming of our Lord with the predicted falling away from the truth clearly evident in the control and leadership of many organized fellowships, this Seminary declares its opposition to entrenched unbelief in ecclesiastical policies, appointments, literature, and philosophy. We heartily concur that we do not therefore move with power while operating under any so-called "inclusive missionary policy," that is, inclusive of believers and unbelievers alike, which while recognizing faith condones unbelief and violates conscience. This Seminary desires to produce men who will vigorously "oppose departure and deviation from the great foundational truths of the Word of God."



3. Separation from Apostasy

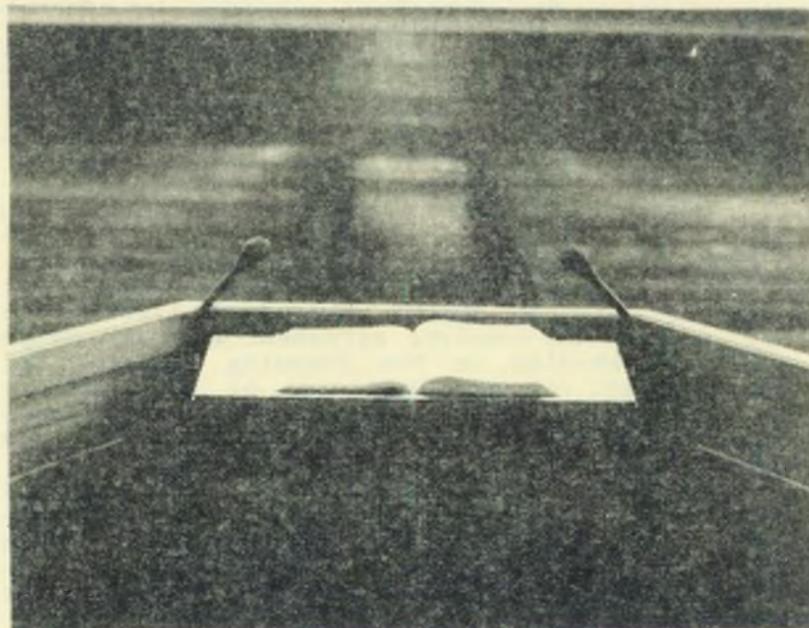
This Seminary upholds the position of evangelical separation and vigorously advocates separation from apostate denominationalism. Accordingly, no professor, lecturer, or special instructor is allowed to teach who advocates, supports, or adheres to any form of the inclusive policy. Recognizing that a great danger lies in the direction of being "tolerant toward those who are tolerant of unbelief," this Seminary declares its opposition to those movements and organizations whose leaders and sponsors are connected with the apostasy.

4. The Leadership of this Seminary

Each and every member of the Board, Faculty, and staff is required to be a member of a local fundamental Baptist church. They must likewise be those who are in complete agreement with the major principles embodied in the founding documents of this Seminary. At the beginning of the Seminary year they shall gladly sign the Seminary's doctrinal statement and subscribe to the Seminary policies without equivocation, mental reservation, or any secret evasion whatsoever. Failure on the part of any individual to comply with the Seminary's stated position will make it mandatory upon the Chairman of the Board to declare that individual's position vacant at the earliest regular Board meeting.

5. Courses of Instruction

The Seminary majors in systematic Biblical theology and historic Baptist distinctives, with a strong emphasis upon the practical phases of the gospel ministry. The dispensational premillennial position is set forth, holding that view in premillennialism which recognizes the pretribulation rapture as the blessed hope of the Church. The entire Bible is covered in the basic three-year period in the Greek New Testament, Hebrew Old Testament, English Bible courses, or in special lectures from time to time. This institution is committed to the direct method of presentation of divine truth from the Bible which is an absolutely authoritative and exclusive revelation. In the defense of the Faith its apologetics are Biblical in presenting both positive and negative arguments. In all things, scholarship is considered as a means toward an end of correctly understanding the Word of God, rather than as an end in itself. In curriculum it is the wholehearted desire of the Seminary that "in all things He might have the pre-eminence."





LOCATION

As one of the most popular tourist attractions in the United States, San Francisco and the Bay Area contain many cultural and recreational advantages, ranging from redwood forests to opera houses, and Alcatraz Island to Chinatown. The rich ethnic and racial variety of the Bay Area population of over 4,000,000 provides the student with a unique opportunity for missionary experience.

The radicalism and low morality of some very vocal groups in the area has caused great concern to Bible-loving Christians across America. San Francisco Baptist Theological Seminary presents a unique opportunity to do something about it.

In California a score of counties do not have a Fundamental Baptist testimony. With 25 million people living in a state which is 1200 miles long and 200-300 miles wide, the opportunities are limitless. There ought to be no less than 1000 new Fundamental Baptist churches established in the next ten years, if the Lord delays His Coming.

FACILITIES

All of the Seminary offices, classrooms, library, lounge, and study rooms are housed in the Hamilton Square Baptist Church of San Francisco. This fundamental church, which has ministered to the city for over 100 years, has provided these facilities to the Seminary for all 25 years of its existence. These facilities are attractive, spacious, comfortable, and provide an ideal local-church setting in which to prepare for the ministry of God's Word.



LIBRARY

Believing that a good library is essential for a good academic training, the Seminary has gathered a large collection of technical and inspirational books, magazines, and pamphlets. The student has access to nearly 25,000 volumes in the school library. In addition, several large theological libraries in the Bay Area are available to students doing advanced research.

STUDENT EXPENSES

Tuition per semester:

12-16 hours.....	\$775.00
8-11 hours.....	650.00
2-7 hours (per hour).....	75.00
Th.M.....	80.00
Auditing fee (per hour).....	65.00
Matriculation fee.....	50.00
Graduation fee.....	60.00
Late registration fee:	
First week.....	15.00
Second week.....	25.00

Refunds

If it is necessary for a student to withdraw from the Seminary, except for academic reasons, refunds will be made upon request according to the following schedule:

First week.....	90% of the fees
Second week.....	70% of the fees
Third week.....	60% of the fees
Fourth week.....	50% of the fees
Fifth week and thereafter.....	No refund



ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Daily Schedule

Classes meet four days each week, Tuesday through Friday. Each student should be prepared to be on campus from 7:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. each school day. It is the student's responsibility to arrange his employment schedule so as to conform with this requirement.

Grading System

Grades will be computed on the following basis:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Grade Points/Hour</u>
A	95-100	2.5 - 3.0
B	88-94	1.8 - 2.4
C	80-87	1.0 - 1.7
D	70-79	0 - 0.9
F	Below 70	-1

WP---Withdrawal with permission while passing

WF---Withdrawal with permission while failing

Inc.--An incomplete grade may be granted only by action of the faculty for exceptional reasons, such as illness. All work must be complete within two weeks after the current semester.

A grade point average of 1.4 must be maintained in order to remain in good standing. When the student's semester average drops below 1.4, he will be placed on academic probation.

SPIRITUAL REQUIREMENTS

Chapel

A thirty-minute chapel service is conducted each day featuring faculty members and visiting speakers. Students of all classifications are required to attend these services.

Practical Work

One hour each week of practical Christian service is required of each student. Weekly reports must be made to the Director of Practical Work. Each student, not already a member of a local church, is required to become affiliated with a fundamental Baptist Church in the area, and to support the ministry of this church.

Standards of Conduct

Each student is given supplementary information indicating the standards of dress and deportment expected. The Seminary believes that the use of tobacco and alcoholic beverages and indulgence in other worldly practices is incompatible with preparation for the Christian ministry. Students are expected to abide by these convictions. Failure to do so will be considered sufficient cause for the faculty and administration to consider dismissal of the offending student.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Seminary admits students of any race to all the privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded to its students. Also the Seminary does not discriminate on the basis of race in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, or scholarship programs.

M. Div. & M.A.B.S.

The Seminary will accept students who have prepared themselves for work on a graduate level. To be considered by the Admissions Committee for enrollment as a regular or part-time student, one should have a baccalaureate degree or its academic equivalent.

In view of the Seminary's intensive emphasis on the Biblical, theological, and linguistic aspects of its curriculum, and the necessity for a pastor to have a broad background in the arts and sciences, it is strongly recommended that a student emphasize the following disciplines in his undergraduate program: English, history (especially western civilization), foreign language, science, social science, philosophy, and psychology.

Master of Theology

Prospective candidates for the Master of Theology degree must first complete the Master of Divinity program before being formally accepted as a degree candidate. A 2.0 (B) grade point average is necessary for admission to the program.

Nondegree Students

The Seminary also accepts some students who do not have undergraduate degrees as special nondegree students. Work taken may be applied toward a degree when undergraduate requirements are completed.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Application for admission should be made at least six weeks prior to the opening date of the semester in which the student desires to begin his work. This will give the Seminary time to process the application and notify the student well before the opening of the school term. The following steps constitute the proper application procedure:

1. Application must be made on an official form which may be secured from the Seminary.
2. A recent photograph must accompany the application blank.
3. An official transcript of all courses taken beyond the high school level must be sent directly from the institution where the work was completed.
4. A fee of \$25.00 must accompany the application. This fee is not refundable.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students from other acceptable seminaries who desire to complete their theological training at this institution must meet the requirements of the curriculum set forth in the catalog. Every effort will be made to give credit for all courses taken if a comparable course is offered in this institution. The grades of D or F are not transferable. Students may lose credit when transferring from other institutions because of the unique Biblical and theological position of this school. There are also residence requirements for each of the programs.

MASTER OF DIVINITY

The Master of Divinity degree is designed for the prospective pastor or missionary and emphasizes theology, the practical use of the original languages, and the application of Biblical principles to the work of the ministry. Each student makes practical application of his academic training through work in a local church.

FIRST YEAR

First Semester

111	Prolegomena & Bibliology	4
211	Christian Life	2
311	Ecclesiastical Separation	2
413	Greek Gram. & Reading	2
*	(401 Elem. Greek)	(2)
315	Introduction to Christian Education	2
511	Old Testament Intro. I	2
611	Church History I	2
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Second Semester

112	Theology Proper, Man, Sin, Holy Spirit	4
212	Hermeneutics	2
312	Contemp. Christendom	2
414	Textual Criticism/Intro. to Exegesis	2
*	(402 Elem. Greek)	(2)
412	New Testament Intro.	2
512	Old Testament Intro. II	2
612	Church History II	2
		<u>16</u>

SECOND YEAR

First Semester

123	Christology	2
221	Matthew and Acts	4
321	Homiletics I	2
325	Pastoral Counseling	2
423	New Testament Exeg.	2
523	Elementary Hebrew I	2
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Second Semester

124	Soteriology, Angelology	4
226	Daniel and Revelation	4
322	Homiletics II	2
424	New Testament Exegesis	2
524	Elementary Hebrew II	4
		<u>16</u>

THIRD YEAR

First Semester

135	Ecclesiology & Eschat.	4
333	Homiletics III	2
339	Baptist Polity	2
437	Exegesis of Romans	2
535	Hebrew Exegesis I	2
635	Baptist History	2
637	Hist. Modern Thought	2
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Second Semester

236	Micah, Ezekiel, Hab.	4
334	Homiletics IV	2
336	Apologetics	2
338	Pastoral Theology	4
434	New Testament Exeg.	2
536	Hebrew Exegesis II	2
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MASTER OF ARTS IN BIBLICAL STUDIES

The Master of Arts in Biblical Studies degree provides advanced Bible training to those who are not necessarily called to a pastoral ministry. The program is ideal for Christian School teachers, or anyone who desires more effectiveness in teaching the Word on the local church level. Both men and women students are admitted to the Master of Arts in Biblical Studies program.

The prospective candidate for the Master of Arts in Biblical Studies degree must complete twelve hours of college level courses in Bible. Any student who is deficient in this prerequisite may make this up either by taking correspondence study at an approved college or by taking additional courses at the Seminary.

First Semester

211 Christian Life	2	
311 Ecclesiastical Separation	2	
- Theology Elective	4	
- Electives	8	
	16	

Second Semester

- Theology Elective		4
- Research Project		2
- Electives		10
		16

MASTER OF THEOLOGY

The Master of Theology degree program offers specialized training in the departments of Old Testament, New Testament, and Theology. Each student selects courses in all three areas while concentrating upon his major interest.

First Semester

157 O.T. Biblical Theology	2	
159 Syst. Theology Critique	2	
241 Dispen. Premillennialism	2	
445 N.T. Greek Reading	2	
447 Greek Word Study	2	
541 Adv. Hebrew Grammar	2	
- Seminar in Major Field	2	
- Thesis	2	
	16	

Second Semester

148 Eschatological Problems		2
158 N.T. Biblical Theology		2
441 Greek Exegesis		2
444 Adv. Greek Grammar		2
542 Exegesis of Isaiah		2
643 Hist. Christian Thought		2
- Seminar in Major Field		2
- Thesis		2
		16

HOUSING and EMPLOYMENT

Housing for Seminary students and their families can be found both in the city of San Francisco and in the surrounding Bay Area communities, which are readily accessible by public transit. The Seminary is glad to give as much assistance as possible to aid students in finding suitable housing. However, students moving from out of the area should arrive several weeks early in order to be well-settled when classes begin. Employment is also readily available for those who need it. Students are encouraged to balance the time spent on outside employment with their course load in order to adequately handle all of their responsibilities.



CONFERENCE CENTER

On the north shore of Clear Lake 150 miles north of the Bay Area is the Lucerne Christian Conference Center, which is owned and operated by the Seminary. Here Christian camps and conferences are held all during the year. These facilities provide the Seminary family with a unique opportunity to sit under the ministries of well-known fundamentalists from all across the country who have been greatly used of God.

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COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

111 PROLEGOMENA AND BIBLIOLOGY

Prolegomena, introduction to Systematic Theology, deals with the meaning and relations of Systematic Theology, the necessity for studying it and the scientific nature of this subject. Bibliology, the doctrine of the Scriptures covers the main topics connected with the Bible as a supernatural revelation; namely, the evidences for such a revelation, the genuineness of the Bible books as to their human authorship, the credibility of the Bible as a record of facts, the canonicity of the Bible books and the nature and extent of Biblical inspiration. Four hours.

112 THEOLOGY PROPER, MAN, SIN, HOLY SPIRIT

Theology Proper, the doctrine of God, is concerned with the nature, attributes and decrees of God, with the doctrine of the Trinity receiving special study. Anthropology, the doctrine of man, covers the original constitution of man as created by God, his fall, and the consequences to himself and to the race. Hamartiology, the doctrine of sin, deals with the rebellion of both angelic and human beings and discusses in depth the problem of sin in a world created by a holy God. Pneumatology studies the person and work of the Holy Spirit, with special reference to His work as it affects man both before and after salvation. Four hours.

123 CHRISTOLOGY

Christology, the doctrine of Christ, includes a study of His person and work. The complex nature of the God-man is thoroughly covered as well as His redemptive work on the cross (the application of this work being reserved for Soteriology). Two hours.

124 SOTERIOLOGY AND ANGELOLOGY

Soteriology covers the entire range of those subjects related to salvation: faith, repentance, justification, regeneration, sanctification and election. Angelology deals with the nature and activities of created celestial beings good and evil, including the history of Satan from his creation to his final doom. Four hours.

135 ECCLESIOLOGY AND ESCHATOLOGY

Ecclesiology, the doctrine of the church, covers two areas: The Church, the Body of Christ, and the local church as an assembly of professing believers. Eschatology, the doctrine of the last things, deals with the intermediate state of the dead, the second coming of Jesus Christ and related events, the resurrections, the judgments, the millennium and the eternal state. Four hours.

148 ESCHATOLOGICAL PROBLEMS

Approximately twenty-five of the more important problems concerning God's future program are developed to arrive at a Scriptural understanding of their solution. The approach is from the pre-millennial-dispensational viewpoint. Two hours.

157 OLD TESTAMENT BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

The three objectives of this course are: (1) to identify the basic revelatory periods in the Old Testament and the doctrines emphasized in each, (2) to trace the progressive development of these doctrines, especially God's plan of redemption, and (3) to familiarize the student with the history, nature, and current ideas of Old Testament Biblical Theology. Two hours.

158 NEW TESTAMENT BIBLICAL THEOLOGY

There are two objectives in this course: (1) to identify the doctrinal emphases of the New Testament writers, especially in the area of soteriology and (2) to familiarize the student with the history, nature, and current ideas of New Testament Biblical Theology. Two hours.

159 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY CRITIQUE

The student examines a major work on systematic theology, evaluating the author's doctrinal positions both negatively by way of criticism and positively by way of approval and appreciation. Two hours.

211 CHRISTIAN LIFE

This course focuses on various aspects of the Christian life: true spirituality, dedication, walking in the Spirit, the filling of the Spirit, etc. Numerous controversial issues are analysed in the light of Scripture, including "tongues" and the modern Charismatic movement. Two hours.

212 HERMENEUTICS

A study of the principles and rules of interpretation basic to the correct exegesis of Scripture. The methods of interpretation developed by the literal and allegorical approaches to Scripture are compared and contrasted. Two hours.

221 MATTHEW AND ACTS

These pivotal books are studied developing their teaching concerning the message and purpose of Jesus the Messiah and the beginning and development of the Church. Their unique contribution to the outworking of God's eternal plan is emphasized. Four hours.

226 DANIEL AND REVELATION

A detailed study is made of these major prophetic books. From an analysis of the books, God's plan for the future is developed, including the future for both Israel and the Church. Four hours.

236 MICAH, EZEKIEL, AND HABAKKUK

The development of the themes of Israel's sin, judgment, and restoration as found in these books. Both the historical situation which forms the background of the books and the future fulfillment of their prophecies are considered. Four hours.

241 DISPENSATIONAL PREMILLENNIALISM

An examination of the dispensational premillennial distinctions of Scripture and their connection with a literal or normal hermeneutic in contrast to the alternate views. Two hours.

311 ECCLESIASTICAL SEPARATION

An analysis of the teaching of Scripture regarding the holiness of God and the implications of God's holiness in relation to Christian conduct and associations. The positions of various separatist groups are evaluated in the light of the above. Two hours.

312 CONTEMPORARY CHRISTENDOM

A survey of the current religious scene in the light of the Scriptures. Emphasis is placed on the implementation of the doctrine of separation in practice and on how the busy pastor can stay current on contemporary issues. Two hours.

315 INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Organization and administration of the Christian education program in the local church. Particular stress is laid upon the role of the Pastor, the Director of Christian Education, and the correlation of the various agencies of Christian education. Two hours.

321,322 HOMILETICS

Studies in the principles of public speaking, sources of sermon materials, the development of outlines, and the construction and delivery of sermons. Analysis of the various kinds of sermons and actual preaching. Two hours, each semester.

325 PASTORAL COUNSELING

A survey of the various techniques involved in helping those whose lives are complicated by serious emotional problems, with emphasis upon the Biblical basis for all lasting change. Two hours.

333,334 ADVANCED HOMILETICS

Development of the expository style of preaching with extensive preparation and delivery of messages. Two hours, each semester.

336 CHRISTIAN EVIDENCES AND APOLOGETICS

The Biblical basis and the rational basis for Christian apologetics are discussed as an introduction to the study of those traditional internal and external evidences by which the claim of the Bible for a divine origin is supported. Two hours.

338 PASTORAL THEOLOGY

Three areas receive particular attention in this course: (1) the personal life of the pastor and his call to service, (2) pastoral responsibilities such as administration of the ordinances, conducting of marriages and funerals, and leadership in worship and evangelism, and (3) organizational emphasis related to establishing and organizing local churches. Four hours.

339 BAPTIST POLITY

A detailed study of the Scriptural foundation, theory, and practical application of the Baptist distinctives. Emphasized are the authority of Scripture, regenerate church membership, priesthood of the believer, church discipline, congregational church government, and ecclesiastical and civil religious liberty. Two hours.

401,402 ELEMENTARY GREEK

This is an introductory course designed to provide a foundation in Greek for the student who is deficient in the language. It will also provide a review course for those students who have not completely mastered the elements of Greek. Two or four hours, each semester.

412 NEW TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

A study of the background and historical credibility of the New Testament, emphasizing primary source material. The student will also learn the chapter content of the New Testament. Two hours.

413 GREEK GRAMMAR AND READING

This course is designed to improve the student's ability to read the New Testament. Additional time is spent on increasing the understanding of Greek grammar and syntax. Two hours.

414 NEW TESTAMENT TEXTUAL CRITICISM AND EXEGESIS

An introductory course dealing with the origin and history of textual criticism. The recent contributions in this field are evaluated and examination is made of selected passages in the light of these studies. The student is also introduced to principles used in New Testament exegesis. Two hours.

423 EXEGESIS OF EPHESIANS

Two hours.

424 EXEGESIS OF PHILIPPIANS

Two hours.

434 EXEGESIS OF GALATIANS

Two hours.

437 EXEGESIS OF ROMANS

Two hours.

441 EXEGESIS OF THE PETRINE EPISTLES

An exegesis of I and II Peter. Discussion of textual, historical, and theological problems. Two hours.

444 ADVANCED GREEK GRAMMAR

Advanced studies in Greek grammar with a view toward exegesis. Two hours.

445 NEW TESTAMENT GREEK READING

Selected reading from books not covered in other Greek courses. Studies in vocabulary and the application of grammar to exegesis. Two hours.

447 GREEK WORD STUDY

The principles of etymology and basic roots are applied to selected Greek words related to salvation and the ministry to develop an understanding of semantics as well as to increase a knowledge of the vocabulary of the New Testament. Two hours.

511,512 OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

General introduction first semester including inspiration, canonicity, textual criticism, higher criticism, and surveys of Biblical archaeology and geography. Special introduction second semester including authorship, date, contents, and special problems relating to each of the books of the Old Testament. Two hours, each semester.

523,524 ELEMENTARY HEBREW

Studies in the vocabulary, phonology, morphology, and syntax of Biblical Hebrew. Translation of selected prose passages from the Hebrew Old Testament. Four hours, each semester.

535,536 HEBREW EXEGESIS

Introduction to Hebrew exegesis including grammar and word studies. Translation and exegesis of selected prophetic and poetic passages from the Hebrew Old Testament. Two hours, each semester.

541 ADVANCED HEBREW GRAMMAR

Advanced studies in the form and syntax of Hebrew grammar with a view towards Biblical exegesis. Two hours.

542 EXEGESIS IN ISAIAH

Translation and exegesis of selected portions of the book of Isaiah with studies in interpretation. Two hours.

543,544 OLD TESTAMENT SEMINAR

A comprehensive survey and analysis of the field of Old Testament studies. Extensive readings, discussion, and evaluation of scholarship, both past and present. Two hours, each semester.

611,612 CHURCH HISTORY

A survey of the history of the church and of professing Christendom from the time of the apostles up to the Reformation and of the men, movements, and events in Christendom from the Reformation to the present with stress on our orthodox, Fundamentalist heritage. Research in selected primary source documents. Two hours, each semester.

635 BAPTIST HISTORY

A survey of Baptist history, including theories of origins, the Anabaptists, Baptists in England and America, and Baptist missions around the world up to the present. The student will do a historical research project in primary source documents concerning some previously unstudied aspect of Baptist history. Two hours.

637 HISTORY OF MODERN THOUGHT

The origins and implications of the philosophies dominant in the secular and religious world of today are evaluated in the light of Scripture. The course presents Biblical answers to evolution, humanism, pragmatism, positivism, and existentialism. Two hours.

643 HISTORY OF CHRISTIAN THOUGHT

A survey of theological opinion, beginning with the early Church Fathers and culminating with the theology of the Reformation. Two hours.

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