**Dogmatic/Systematic Theology**

**DVDT 501  Foundational Theology (3 cr.)**
Explores the basic theological realities of God, faith, revelation, Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit and tradition. Special topics include dogmatic development and the hierarchy of magisterial authority.

**DVDT 502  Theology of the Church (3 cr.)**
*MAT Core Course*
Provides an in-depth scriptural and historical examination of the mystery of the Church. Students will explore the historical origins of contemporary issues in ecclesiology such as universal salvation, Christian unity, authority and collegiality, the role of laity and infallibility. Additional topics include the mission, membership and ministries of the Catholic Church in the world, and its relationship to other churches. Prerequisite: M.Div. Students – DVDT 501 or permission of instructor.

**DVDT 503  Theological Anthropology (3 cr.)**
Presents a systematic consideration of the human person as disclosed in the Christian tradition. The course includes an examination of the Catholic understanding of creation, evolution and scientific views of humanity, original sin and existential evil, grace and sanctification, and the telos of human existence. Prerequisite: M.Div. Students – DVDT 501.

**DVDT 504  Christology (3 cr.)**
Traces the development of the expression of Christological faith from the New Testament and Patristic writings and the definitions of ecumenical councils. Through selected readings, class discussion, reflection and research, students will deepen their understanding of Jesus of Nazareth as the Christ of God and gain an appreciation of the soteriological significance of Christology in contemporary thought and in pastoral ministry. Prerequisite: M.Div. Students – DVDT 501.

**DVDT 530  Nature and Mission of the Church (3 cr.)**
*MAPM/MARE Core Course*
Studies the origins of the Church as reflected in the Christian Scriptures. The course examines the nature and mission of the Church as it develops in history and implications for our understanding of issues such as universal salvation, ecumenism, ministry, authority and women.

**DVDT 561  Christian Theology of God and the Human Person (3 cr.)**
*MAPM/MARE Core Course*
Presents an understanding of God based on Scripture and the historical tradition, with special attention given to interpretation. Central is the belief that Jesus fully reveals both God and what it means to be fully human. This course emphasizes key conciliar texts and the direction they give to the development of Christology and Trinitarian theology and their implications for Christian anthropology. Students will have an opportunity to apply their learning to catechetical and pastoral ministry topics.

**DVDT 661  Christian Theology of God (3 cr.)**
*MAT Core Course*
Presents a Christian understanding of God based on Scripture and the historical tradition, with attention given to questions of interpretation. This course emphasizes careful reading of key magisterial texts, their implications for the development of Christology and Trinitarian theology, and contemporary questions and issues.
DVDT 702 Theology of Mary (3 cr.)
Presentation an historical and systematic survey on Catholic teaching about Mary as understood within the mystery of Christ and of the Church. The course also considers Mary in the interfaith context, Latin American devotion, apparitions, the development of Marian dogmas, writings by recent popes and Mary in contemporary theology. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students - one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVDT 501.

DVDT 706 Theology of the Trinity (3 cr.)
Explores the theological development of the doctrine of the Trinity, from its source in Revelation through its refinement by the first seven ecumenical councils and its ongoing theological articulation. Students will identify the underlying philosophical bases of contemporary issues and problems for belief and gain an appreciation of the soteriological, ecclesiological and anthropological significance of Trinitarian belief. Prerequisites: M.Div. Students - DVDT 501 and DVDT 504; Dual degree Students - substitutes for DVDT 661.

DVDT 707 Theology of the Holy Spirit (3 cr.)
Examines the pneumatological dimension of theology in God's creative, redemptive and sanctifying activity in salvation history as it is witnessed to in Scripture and Tradition. Topics include the role of the Spirit in various fields of theological concern: Trinity, Christology, ecclesiology, ecumenism, eschatology, sacraments and grace. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students - one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVDT 504.

DVDT 708 Christ and the Religions (3 cr.)
Explores various approaches undertaken today by several representative Christian theologians and movements in their attempts to account for the relevance and importance of Christ in the context of other world religions. The course will introduce and evaluate some proposals for integrating the fruits of interreligious dialogue with a Christian understanding of Jesus Christ. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students - DVDT 661; M.Div. Students – DVDT 504.

DVDT 712 Theology since Vatican II (3 cr.)
Considers contemporary questions confronting theology in the period after the Second Vatican Council. Topics and focus areas may include the rise of liberation and feminist theologies, historical consciousness, science and theology, the threat of doctrinal relativism, ecumenical theology, and the place of Jesus Christ and the Christian church in a non-Eurocentric world. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students – one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students – DVDT 502 and DVDT 504.

DVDT 731 Readings in Aquinas: Summa theologicae, prima pars (3 cr.)
This course examines the method, thought, and personality of Aquinas as well as the historical context and contemporary relevance of his work. The course emphasizes careful reading of selected texts of the Prima pars of the Summa Theologicae. Last Updated: May 2013

DVDT 732 Readings in Aquinas: Summa theologicae, prima secundae (3 cr.)
This course examines the method, thought, and personality of Aquinas as well as the historical context and contemporary relevance of his work. The course emphasizes careful reading of selected texts of the Prima secundae of the Summa Theologicae. Last Updated: May 2013

DVDT 733 Readings in Aquinas: Summa theologicae, secunda secundae (3 cr.)
This course examines the method, thought, and personality of Aquinas as well as the historical context and contemporary relevance of his work. The course emphasizes careful reading of selected texts of the Secunda secundae of the Summa Theologicae. Last Updated: May 2013

DVDT 734 Readings in Aquinas: Summa theologicae, tertia pars (3 cr.)
This course examines the method, thought, and personality of Aquinas as well as the historical context and contemporary relevance of his work. The course emphasizes careful reading of selected texts of the Tertia pars of the Summa Theologicae. Last Updated: May 2013
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**Historical Studies**

**DVHS 501  History of the Christian Tradition I (3 cr.)**

Presents an interdisciplinary approach to the history of Christianity from its origins to the Renaissance of the 15th century. The course examines the Jewish roots of Christianity, New Testament foundations, Greek and Roman influences on Christian life and expression, patristic formulations and medieval developments.

**DVHS 502  History of the Christian Tradition II (3 cr.)**

Examines the history of Christianity from the 15th century to the present time, surveying the Protestant and Catholic Reformations and developments in worldwide Christianity through the modern era with particular emphasis on events within the Catholic Church in the 19th and 20th centuries. Prerequisite: DVHS 501.

**DVHS 601  Patristics (3 cr.)**

*MAT Core Course*

Introduces the literature and theological themes of the patristic period, from the first to the seventh centuries. The course emphasizes reading and discusses primary sources in translation. Themes may include the formation of Christian doctrine, the Church, spiritual life broadly construed, the interpretation of the Bible, the relation of faith and culture, and the emergence of a Christian consciousness of history. Pre-requisite: M.Div. Students - DVHS 501.

**DVHS 605  American Church History (3 cr.)**

Explores religious life and thought in the United States primarily among Protestants and Catholics. The course introduces religious pluralism, church-state relations, revivalism, fundamentalism, ethnicity and religion, the emergence of the African-American churches, selected American theologians, social justice, bigotry and anti-Semitism, as well as ecumenism and interfaith relationships, civil religion and the quest for religious identity. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students - one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVHS 502.

**DVHS 703  Reformation Christianity (3 cr.)**

Investigates the origins of the Protestant tradition through the writings of Martin Luther, John Calvin, Ulrich Zwingli and the Radical reformers, among others. The course examines the Roman Catholic response, especially as articulated by Ignatius of Loyola, Teresa of Avila and the Council of Trent. Among the theological topics the course considers are marriage and family life, religious and political authority, and the status of women. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students – DVHS 601 or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVHS 502.

**DVHS 706  Judaism and Christianity in Dialogue (3 cr.)**

Examines the theological, historical and practical relationships between Christianity and Judaism with special reference to fundamental shared beliefs and differences, the relationship of Jesus and the early Church to Israel, the history of Jewish-Christian relations, anti-Semitism, the Holocaust from Jewish and Christian perspectives, comparisons and contrasts in liturgy and spirituality, the implementation of Jewish-Christian relations on the congregational level, and current relations between Jews and Christians. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students – one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVHS 502.

**DVHS 707  Christianity in the Middle Ages (3 cr.)**

Introduces how Christians of the Middle Ages reflected upon revelation, particularly addressing Augustinianism and the development of scholasticism. Students read and discuss translated texts from the period to gain an understanding of the historical context of the medieval reflections and to acquire theological appreciation for the texts. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students – DVHS 601 or permission of instructor; DVHS 501.

**DVHS 712  Eastern Christianity (3 cr.)**

Focuses on various branches of Christianity whose ancient roots are in the eastern half of the Roman Empire or beyond. These churches include Eastern Orthodoxy, the non-Chalcedonian or "Oriental Orthodox" Christian churches, the Assyrian Church of the East and Eastern Catholic churches. Topics will vary, but may
include the history of a particular church, the history of a group of churches in a particular area (e.g., Eastern Europe or the Middle East), or a particular period in the history of Eastern Christianity. Significant attention will be given to the relations of these churches to the Roman Catholic Church both in the past and in the present. The specific topic will be announced in the schedule when the course is offered. Prerequisite: M.A.T. Students – DVHS 601; M.Div. Students - DVHS 501.

DVHS 714  Christianity since the Enlightenment (3 cr.)
Examines Christianity's interaction with the world in the modern era (17th-20th centuries) and its response to major social, political and philosophical developments that have presented considerable challenges to Christian theology. Topics may include: the Enlightenment, natural sciences, historical and social sciences, political and philosophical systems hostile to religion, and the secularization of society. Prerequisite: MAT. Students – one core course or permission of instructor; M.Div. Students - DVHS 502.

DVHS 800  Topics in Historical Studies (2-3 cr.)
DVHS 900  Seminar in Historical Studies (3 cr.)
DVHS 902  Thesis: Historical Studies (3 cr.)

Moral Theology

DVMT 601  Moral Theology (3 cr.)
*MAT Core Course*
Enables students to think systematically about the Christian moral life within the framework of the Catholic tradition, while more broadly engaging current debates in Christian ethics and moral theology. Following the Second Vatican Council's call for a renewal of moral theology, the course draws on the sources of Scripture and tradition, as well as theology, philosophy and ecumenical conversation. Students will gain a broad theological understanding of human freedom and human nature, conscience, moral norms and systems, sin, the virtues and the Catholic understanding of moral goodness.

DVMT 602  Fundamentals of Moral Theology and Catholic Social Teaching (3 cr.)
*MAPM/MARE Core Course*
Provides the fundamentals of Catholic moral theology as it addresses topics like a Christian understanding of freedom and conscience and what it means to "think with the church" on ethical matters. This course also provides an overview of Catholic Social Teaching as reflected in Sacred Scripture, papal encyclicals, and other church documents. Students will have an opportunity to apply their learning to selected moral issues, such as sexual and biomedical ethics and Catholic social teaching on war and peace, economic justice, and human rights.

DVMT 610  Sexual Morality (2-3 cr.)
Presents an historical and systematic inquiry to the origins and development of contemporary Church doctrine in the areas of sex and marriage. The course examines the current debate over questions of sexuality in light of traditional sources, norms and methods of Catholic moral theology. MAT students receive an additional credit for completing a research project. Prerequisite: DVMT 601.

DVMT 703  Biomedical Morality (2 cr.)
Explores the historical development of Catholic thinking about biomedical ethics through an interdisciplinary approach. The course provides a method and forum for the discussion of practical cases in bioethics, including the beginning of human life and abortion, human experimentation, justice and the allocation of medical resources, patient rights and confidentiality, care for the aging, euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide. MAT students receive one additional credit for completing a research project. Prerequisite: DVMT 601.

DVMT 704  Christian Virtues (3 cr.)
Analyzes the virtue tradition for Christian living. The course shows how the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance relate to the theological virtues of faith, hope and charity. It presents a virtue-based perspective that illuminates practical aspects of the life of faith.
Prerequisite: M.Div. Students – DVMT 601 and at least one dogmatic/systematic theology course at the DVDT 600 level or higher.

**DVMT 706  Principles of Stewardship & Sustainability (3 cr.)**
This course will provide the occasion to consider the complex issue of “environmental stewardship” from the perspectives of traditional Catholic theses concerning the meaning of creation and the status of the human person within it. Special emphasis is given to the Thomistic categories of natural philosophy and theology. The seminar course will include common readings to be discussed at each class in light of fundamental themes developed throughout the whole. Last Updated: May 2013

**DVMT 709  Authority and Sources for Moral Theology (3 cr.)**
Explores issues of interpretation and development in the Church’s teaching as Christians appropriate the two major authorities for Christian moral reflection – Sacred Scripture and Tradition – with special attention to New Testament ethics and the role of the magisterium. Prerequisite: DVMT 601.

**DVMT 710  Contemporary Moral Issues (3 cr.)**
Considers various moral problems encountered in ministry. The course examines the tradition of the Church’s teaching on topics such as sexual morality, communal and individual conscience formation, professional ethics and abortion. For M.Div. students, stress is placed on developing methodical competence in order to provide sound pastoral guidance. Prerequisite: DVMT 601.

**DVMT 725  Catholic Social Teaching (2 cr.)**
Provides an overview of the Church’s social teaching as reflected in Sacred Scripture, papal encyclicals and other documents, while applying Catholic social teaching to an illustrative selection of contemporary issues. Issues include poverty, immigration, business ethics, racism, the environment, globalization, rural economies, war and peace, terrorism, economic justice and human rights. Prerequisite: MAT students – DVMT 601 & permission of instructor.

**DVMT 800  Topics in Moral Theology (2-3 cr.)**
**DVMT 900  Seminar in Moral Theology (3 cr.)**
**DVMT 902  Thesis: Moral Theology (3 cr.)**

### Pastoral Theology

**Homiletics**

**DVPT 515  Communication Skills for Ministry**
Prepares students for liturgical leadership in singing, reading and storytelling. The course includes practice of vocal and physical skills helpful in singing and speaking. Students make videotaped oral presentations, practice singing publicly, and receive peer and instructor feedback. Noncredit requirement.

**DVPT 612  Prayer Leadership for Lay Ministry (3 cr.)**
*MAPM Core Course/MARE Core Practica*
Focuses on leadership of the community’s prayer. This practicum course includes preparation for rites other than Eucharist, such as ministry to the sick and for presiding and preaching the Liturgy of the Hours, catechumenate rites, wake and graveside services, and services of Word and Communion. Students prepare and videotape several services for critique.

**DVPT 620  Introduction to Homiletics (3 cr.)**
Introduces the theory and practice of homiletics. Students develop the ability to integrate Scripture, personal experience and congregational needs in a homily. They write, present and critique videotaped homilies, use narrative principles in sermons and build self-confidence in preaching. Prerequisite: DVPT 515.
DVPT 704  Scriptural Preaching Workshop (1 cr.)
Develops skill in preaching on selected biblical texts following intensive exegetical study. Students apply methods in exegesis and hermeneutics to prepare and deliver Sunday and weekday homilies that are videotaped. Students must be registered in a Scripture course in order to enroll in this workshop. Prerequisite: DVPT 620.

DVPT 705  Special Occasion Preaching Workshop (1 cr.)
Develops an appreciation for the role of preaching at significant moments in people’s lives. Students apply sermon preparation techniques to special occasion preaching and deliver videotaped homilies designed for specific rites, such as baptisms, reconciliation, marriages and funerals. Prerequisite: DVPT 515 and permission of instructor.

DVPT 718  Preaching the Catholic Social Tradition (2 cr.)
This course is designed as a seminar to explore ways to integrate the Catholic Social Tradition with homiletic preaching. Special attention is paid to both rationale and method for preaching the Catholic Social Tradition.

Pastoral Ministry
DVPT 509  Pastoral Ministry in American Culture (2 cr.)
Provides an overview of the context of ministry in the United States, with special attention given of the dioceses of the students in the class. The course assess the importance of culture in relations to evangelization, presents a beginning understanding of the theology of ministry, and distinguishes between the role of priests and lay ecclesial ministers. It also examines the multicultural fabric of the church and the diverse groups to be served, the organization and pastoral leadership of American parishes, and the value of collaboration among various church ministers.

DVPT 510  Theology of Pastoral Ministry (3 cr.)
MAP/MARE Core Course
Examines the Church’s teaching on the call to pastoral ministry and the complementary but distinctive roles of priests, deacons, and lay ecclesial ministers in work of the church. The course focuses on the theological foundations of pastoral ministry and the context for ministry in the contemporary American Church. In addition, students will learn methods of faith sharing and theological reflection in order to begin to construct their own theology of ministry. For M.A.R.E. students, special attention is given to catechetical documents that provide the foundation and guiding principles for the ministry of catechesis and faith formation.

DVPT 602  General Principles of Church Law (3 cr.)
Presents the Code of Canon Law as a resource for responding to canonical issues and questions arising in pastoral ministry. The course surveys the antecedents and status of law in the Church, norms governing the interpretation of law, the rights and obligations of all members of the Church, and legal provisions regarding the teaching, sanctifying and governing ministries of the Church. Prerequisite: DVDT 502.

DVPT 605  Canon and Civil Law for Pastoral Ministry (3 cr.)
MAP/MARE Core Course
Surveys the antecedents and status of law in the Church, norms governing the interpretation of law, the rights and obligations of all members of the Church, and legal provisions regarding the teaching, sanctifying and governing ministries of the Church. The course presents the Code of Canon Law as a resource for responding to canonical issues and questions arising in pastoral ministry, such as annulments and remarriage, encumbrances to the reception of the sacraments, and the roles and functions of parochial structures. It also addresses some civil law questions related to employment of personnel and protection of children and vulnerable adults.

DVPT 618  Community and Mission in a Diverse Church (3 cr.)
MAPM Core Course/MARE Core Practica
Explores the challenge of building community and ministering in a Church and society that is culturally, religiously and ethnically diverse. The course emphasizes the skills for developing community by fostering individual gifts and cultivating the leadership and service of the laity. It also gives attention to the ways that
people from various ministries can work together to achieve common goals. Through visits to sites in the local community, students will experience the diversity among Catholic parishes, schools and outreach organizations. They also will have an opportunity to investigate some ecumenical and interfaith communities. The course includes a social justice practicum that involves outreach to the poor through work with local agencies.

DVPT 625  Rural Ministry/Practicum (2 cr.)
Explores the issues, rewards and challenges encountered in rural parish ministry. The course fosters theological reflection and pastoral response through study and an onsite practicum where students dialogue with rural people, Catholic priests and other ministers serving in rural settings.
Prerequisite: DVPT 509 or permission of instructor.

DVPT 635  Teaching: A Reflective Process (2 cr.) Combines reflection and practice to offer insight into the art of teaching. The course develops skills for the teaching-learning process. Students design and teach a class session or seminar that is videotaped and critiqued.

DVPT 712  Ministry to Families (3 cr.)
Introduces family systems theory, explores the dynamics that contribute to healthy and unhealthy families, examines family life within the diverse cultural framework of American society, and presents a theology of family based on Church documents. Through lecture, discussion and limited fieldwork, students will gain an awareness of pastoral strategies for working with families.
Prerequisite: DVPT 509 or permission of instructor.

DVPT 713  Pastoral Counseling for Ministry (3 cr.)
Provides a theoretically focused and practical approach to counseling in the diversity of encounters experienced in ministry. Distinctions between various types of counseling, such as pastoral counseling, psychological counseling and spiritual direction, will be highlighted. The course also addresses crisis intervention, domestic violence, needs of special groups, referral sources, and differences between urban and rural situations. The pastoral encounter is studied clinically, theologically and experientially. Training and development of the professional pastoral person is the focus of the course.
Prerequisite: DVPT 509 or permission of instructor.

DVPT 714  Multicultural Ministry Practicum (3 cr.)
Emphasizes integration of practical skills with previous internship experience and interaction with pastoral agents working in Hispanic ministry in the field. The course explores pastoral issues central to Hispanic ministry and the development of intercultural parish communities. Students engage in practica in presiding and preaching at intercultural baptisms, quinceañeras, weddings, presentaciones, and planning and presiding at intercultural and Spanish Eucharistic liturgies. Students reflect on the integration of life and ministry, and on their individual strengths and challenges in intercultural ministry. Students are required to do some of their inquiry in local parish communities and neighborhoods.

DVPT 721  The Person’s Call to Beatitude (1 cr.)
MAPM Core Course
Focuses on the person’s call to beatitude through sessions on virtue, self-knowledge, and development of a prayer life. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry reflection, and spiritual direction. Last Updated: September 2014

DVPT 722  The Life of Virtue (1 cr.)
MAPM Core Course
Focuses on virtue in the personal life through sessions on the practice of virtue, discipline, and maintaining a balanced lifestyle. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry reflection, and spiritual direction. In addition, students complete the ministry placement proposal in preparation for the placement the following fall. Last Updated: September 2014

DVPT 723  The Call to Community (1 cr.)
MAPM Core Course
Focuses on the human orientation toward community through sessions on personality types, leadership, and service. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry
reflection, and spiritual direction. Students begin the first semester of the ministry placement and complete monthly reporting for this experience. Last Updated: September 2014

DVPT 724 Living in Community (1 cr.)
MAPM Core Course
Focuses on the person’s call to live in community through sessions on dealing with conflict, personal and professional boundaries, and the emotional life. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry reflection and spiritual direction. Students finish the final semester of the ministry placement and complete monthly reporting and a final evaluation on this experience in May. In addition, students complete the integrative internship project proposal in preparation for the project the following fall. Last Updated: September 2014

DVPT 728 Catechetical Leadership (3 cr.)
MARE Core Practica
Examines principles of leadership and organizational theory with application to the ministry of catechesis and faith formation. The course includes skill development in communication and conflict resolution, and collaborative leadership. It emphasizes liturgical catechesis, lectionary-based catechesis, and developing the teaching and leadership skills required for sacramental preparation of parishioners in collaboration with catechetical leaders, youth ministers and religious educators in schools. The course includes coordinating programs for evangelization and lifelong faith formation.

DVPT 730 Church Administration (2 cr.)
Treats the prescriptions of the 1983 Code of Canon Law governing the acquisition, ownership, administration and alienation of church property, personnel policies of various dioceses and parishes, personnel management and collaborative leadership skills.
Prerequisite: DVPT 602.

DVPT 738 Administration and Stewardship (3 cr.)
MARE Core Practica
Treats issues related to responsible stewardship of parish staff and resources, coordination of the work of Parish Pastoral Councils and parish committees, and the promotion of ministerial relationships beyond the local church community. Depending on their ministerial needs, students will develop techniques for recruitment, supervision and professional development of staff and parish committees, and learn skills that foster accountability of parish staff and volunteers. They will examine issues related to accountability in the management of the Church’s annual budget and its other material resources. Students will be encouraged to develop and refine a theology of stewardship that directs and motivates their treatment of these administrative concerns.

DVPT 800 Topics in Pastoral Ministry (2-3 cr.)
DVPT 900 Seminar in Pastoral Theology (3 cr.)

DVPT 930 Curriculum Development (3 cr.)
MARE Core Practica
Broadens the definitions of curriculum for catechesis. The course involves the process of evaluating, planning and organizing curriculum, principles for design and analysis, and evaluation of a course of study. It also identifies learning styles and motivation patterns and their use in planned instruction.

DVPT 982 Master of Divinity Integrative Seminar (3 cr.)
Provides the opportunity for students to draw on their experience in supervised ministry as they address the relationship between pastoral practice and the theological disciplines. This course is a capstone seminar for M.Div. degree candidates.
DVPT 991  The Pastoral Leader in the Parish Context (1 cr.)

MAPM Core Course
Focuses on leadership in the parish context through sessions on personal and professional boundaries, personal balance, and figures in the Catholic tradition who exemplify service and leadership. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry reflection, and spiritual direction. Students begin the first semester of the integrative internship project and complete monthly reporting and reflections on this experience.

DVPT 992  Becoming a Bridge to Christ (1 cr.)

MAPM Core Course
Focuses on the pastoral minister's call to serve as a bridge to Christ through sessions on recollection and presence, the sacrament of the present moment, and individual gifts and limitations. Sessions alternate from week to week between spiritual formation, human formation, ministry reflection, and spiritual direction. Students finish the final semester of the ministry placement and complete monthly reporting, a written report, and a final evaluation for this experience in May.

DVPT 999  MARE Core Practica Internship/Project (2-3 cr.)

Supervised Ministry
DVPT 500  Supervised Ministry: Mission of a Parish (1 cr.)
Provides an opportunity at a parochial site for students to examine the mission and spirituality of a parish by attending Sunday liturgies and prayer opportunities for the people, interviewing parishioners, attending parish council meetings, reading parish documents and working in the parish office. Through classroom time and meetings with the pastor/supervisor, the student develops an understanding of the format for theological reflection. A teaching parish committee of parishioners is formed to guide and support the student over the course of their studies.

DVPT 501  Supervised Ministry: Pastoral Care (1 cr.)
Provides the opportunity to continue developing pastoral care skills according to the Roman Catholic tradition. Gives the student a foundation for Catholic sacramental care of the sick; teaches listening skills; and prepares for a hospital ministry program such as CPE (DVPT 508), SPM (DVPT 511) or another program as directed. In the teaching parish the student continues to meet with the committee; does theological reflections; attends Sunday liturgies and participates in parish life; may begin visiting the homebound, nursing homes, or hospitals; and in conjunction with the supervisor may assist with funeral preparation, wake services, and funeral liturgies.

DVPT 508  Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) (3 cr.)
Integrates theological studies with pastoral experience at an accredited medical facility. Under the direction of a site supervisor the student participates fully in the facility's pastoral care by visiting patients, relating to staff, and cooperating with other ministers. The student does theological reflections and receives peer/supervisor feedback to improve pastoral present and set personal growth goals. The student must apply for CPE early in the spring. Accommodations are made for supervisors who require students to complete CPE at a Catholic hospital. Prerequisite: DVPT 501.

DVPT 511  Spiritual Pastoral Ministry (SPM) (3 cr.)
Immerses the student more fully in the Roman Catholic Church's spirituality and ministry of pastoral care. The spirituality portion starts the course with a week-long retreat, then teaches rules for discernment of spirits, assists the student to understand natural and spiritual gifts, and equips to serve in accordance with temperament. The pastoral ministry portion discusses the Church's approach to sickness, addiction, suffering, death, and ministry to grieving families. Under the mentorship of a Catholic hospital chaplain, each student spends several half-days and a few full days visiting hospital patients, refining skills, and strengthening pastoral presence. Prerequisite: DVPT 501.

DVPT 600  Supervised Ministry: Youth Faith Formation (1 cr.)
Introduces the student to how a parish passes on the "Good News of Jesus Christ" in the parish. The student visits and assists in teaching parishioners of all age groups who participate in various programs, including sacramental preparation sessions, religious education, and school programs. In the classroom the student
examines how rural, urban, and suburban parishes pass on the “Good News.” Theological Reflection continues with the pastor/supervisor and teaching parish Committee as well as involvement in liturgies and parish life. Prerequisite: DVPT 501.

DVPT 601 Supervised Ministry: RCIA (1 cr.)
Applies the theory of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults that is being studied in the classroom to the parish setting. Students are involved in weekly meetings of catechumens, candidates and sponsors and participate in the rites during Lent, the Triduum and the Mystagogia. In the classroom the students examine how various parishes approach the RCIA in rural, urban and suburban settings. The students focus on RCIA in theological reflections with the pastor and Teaching Parish Committee, at Sunday liturgies and within the parish life of the community. Prerequisite: DVPT 600.

DVPT 660 Supervised Multicultural Ministry
Provides an opportunity for students to be involved in Hispanic ministry in parish settings in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis or Latin America. Students live in the communities for six to ten weeks to engage in various aspects of parish ministry and are involved in individual and group theological reflection. The emphasis is on skills needed for students to minister to communities that are culturally different from their own backgrounds, as well as on the gifts Hispanic communities bring to the universal church. Prerequisite: DVPT 601. Noncredit requirement.

DVPT 740 Supervised Ministry: Ministerial Relationships (1 cr.)
Provides an opportunity for students to examine the relationships of parish personnel, staff and volunteers, to compare job descriptions by interviewing staff, and to observe hiring and staff support. Students review the pastoral relationship with administration by examining the finances, budgeting system and property management. In the seminar, students examine the differences in personnel and administration in rural, urban and suburban settings. Theological reflections on this subject are presented to the pastor/supervisor and to the Teaching Parish Committee. Students continue to participate in the liturgical and community life of their teaching parish. Prerequisite: DVPT 601.

DVPT 790 Supervised Ministry: Leadership and Administration (1 cr.)
Examines leadership roles and means to promote advocacy and outreach in the parish, local, regional and global communities by presiding at liturgies, attending parish meetings, deanery meetings, ecumenical gatherings and diocesan meetings, and by participating in local and city gatherings that deal with social justice issues. When possible, preparation for baptisms and marriage occur in the parish. In the seminar, the students will draw up job descriptions for pastors and associates, analyze the systems within which parishes exist to discover means of working toward justice, and examine their own leadership styles in view of the rural, urban and suburban church. With the pastor/supervisor and the teaching parish committee, the student continues discussions of liturgical, educational and spiritual leadership. Prerequisite: DVPT 740.

Spirituality

DVSP 510 Foundations and History of Spirituality (3 cr.)
Provides an introduction to the field of Christian spirituality and investigates central issues in spirituality through biblical and historical surveys of the field. By acquainting students with important principles and figures, the course grounds them in concepts useful for their future ministry.

DVSP 800 Topics in Spirituality (2-3 cr.)
DVSP 900 Seminar in Spirituality (3 cr.)

Sacred Scripture

DVSS 501 Old Testament (3 cr.)
MAPP/MARE Core Course
Surveys the major genres of the Hebrew Scriptures and the Deutero-canonical books of the Bible, addressing questions of historical and literary context and their theological themes. Introduces various
approaches to the study of the Old Testament and focuses on Catholic views of canon, inspiration and interpretation. Gives attention to the use of the Old Testament in ministerial settings and as a source for the teaching and worshipping ministries of the Church.

**DVSS 505 New Testament (3 cr.)**  
*MAPM/MARE Core Course*  

**DVSS 511 Old Testament: Pentateuch (3 cr.)**  
Examines the principles of interpretation employed in the analysis of the Hebrew Scriptures and reflects on the sources of the Catholic tradition of biblical studies. The course stresses a plurality of approaches available to the interpreter as well as the strengths and weaknesses of each approach. It addresses texts dealing with theological themes such as promise, election, covenant and fidelity.

**DVSS 521 New Testament: Synoptic Gospels (3 cr.)**  
Explores the New Testament through the study of the Synoptic Gospels. Using the Gospel of St. Matthew as the standard, all three Synoptic Gospels are examined, as well as theological themes appropriate to each evangelist. The course emphasizes the continuity of divine revelation within Sacred Scripture and the Tradition of the Church. Issues related to hermeneutics and pastoral ministry are integrated into the exegetical study of the Synoptic Gospels.

**DVSS 525 Survey of Old Testament Literature (3 cr.)**  
*MAT Core Course*  
Surveys the major genre within the Old Testament canon and examines the principles of interpretation employed in the analysis of the texts. Stresses a plurality of approaches available to the interpreter, while teaching the classical methods of biblical interpretation. The course also introduces Catholic views of canon, inspiration and interpretation.

**DVSS 530 Survey of New Testament Literature (3 cr.)**  
*MAT Core Course*  
Surveys the major genre within the New Testament canon and examines the principles of interpretation employed in the analysis of the texts. Stresses a plurality of approaches available to the interpreter, while teaching the classical methods of biblical interpretation. The course also introduces Catholic views of canon, inspiration and interpretation.

**DVSS 701 The Psalms (3 cr.)** Investigates the Psalms with focus on exegesis, theology and spirituality.  
The course begins with the notion of genres appropriate to various liturgical settings in ancient Israel. It explores their significance for contemporary study and worship. Attention is given to recent approaches to the study of the Psalter, including relationship to individual and communal prayer, worship and the lectionary. The course attends to the diversity of biblical interpretation and its significance for ecumenism, interfaith relations and inculturation.  
Prerequisite: DVSS 511 or DVSS 525.

**DVSS 704 Luke/Acts (3 cr.)**  
Prerequisite: DVSS 521 or DVSS 530.
DVSS 705  The Pauline Epistles (3 cr.)
Introduces students to the Pauline letters. Preference is given to the following: 1 Thessalonians, Galatians, Philippians, Philemon, 1 and 2 Corinthians, and Romans. The course examines Paul's life, the letter genre and major themes of the letters. The course may also include the deutero-Pauline letters to show the ways in which the Pauline traditions continued within the primitive church. Prerequisite: DVSS 521 or DVSS 530.

DVSS 707  Johannine Literature (3 cr.)
Presents the literary composition, structure, and theology of the fourth Gospel, with additional attention to the Epistles of John. The course also attends to issues of interpretation of the fourth Gospel, particularly as they relate to interreligious dialogue. Prerequisite: DVSS 521 or DVSS 530.

DVSS 721  Apocalyptic Literature (3 cr.)
Presents a historical-critical analysis of biblical apocalyptic literature. The course introduces the literary genre of apocalyptic with special focus on Daniel and Revelation, read within the context of Jewish apocalyptic; and teaches students to analyze complex visions and symbols of Jewish apocalyptic in their various interpretations. Prerequisite: DVSS 511, DVSS 521, DVSS 525 or DVSS 530.

DVSS 740  Prophets (3 cr.)
Introduces students to the literary prophets and the role of prophetic traditions in Judea-Christian thought. Students exegete selected passages. Prerequisite: DVSS 511, DVSS 521, DVSS 525 or DVSS 530.

DVSS 745  Wisdom Literature (3 cr.)
Examines Old Testament Wisdom literature, focusing on Proverbs, Job, Ecclesiastes, Wisdom and Sirach. This course examines the composition, structure and theology of the Wisdom books as well as issues related to multiculturalism, ecumenism and interreligious dialogue. Prerequisite: DVSS 511 or DVSS 525.

DVSS 800  Topics in Sacred Scripture (2-3 cr.)
DVSS 900  Seminar in Sacred Scripture (3 cr.)
DVSS 902  Thesis: Sacred Scripture (3 cr.)

Sacramental Theology and Liturgy

DVST 501  Introduction to Sacraments and Worship (3 cr.)
Introduces the basic concepts, categories, questions and topics that form the basis for the sacramental theology and liturgy curriculum. The course examines the Church's sacraments and liturgy as influenced by biblical studies, cultural anthropology, liturgical history, phenomenology and contemporary theology, and related doctrinal issues. It includes voice training for liturgical participation and leadership.

DVST 601  Eucharist (3 cr.)
MAT Core Course
Examines the sacramental theology of the Eucharist through its liturgical history, doctrinal declarations and the writings of theologians. It explores the relationship between the Eucharistic tradition and Christology, ecclesiology and eschatology, and provides a foundation for sound pastoral practice and teaching. Prerequisite: M.Div. students – DVDT 504. DVST 501 is recommended.

DVST 602  Sacraments of Initiation and Reconciliation (3 cr.)
Examines the theological meaning of baptism, confirmation and the Eucharist as initiatory rites and of penance as sacramental reconciliation, so that the students will be prepared to enrich the contemporary Church with pastoral action formed by the Tradition. Prerequisite: DVST 601.
DVST 605  Catholic Sacramental Worship (3 cr.)
*MAPM/MARE Core Course*
Prepresents the sacramental and ecclesial principles of Catholic liturgical worship, beginning with the Catholic understanding of the world, salvation and faith. The course examines Catholic sacraments primarily through a survey of the historical development and theology of the Eucharist (Mass) and initiation (Baptism and Confirmation). The other sacraments will be related to these. Finally, the ecclesiological and spiritual implications of the sacraments will be addressed.

DVST 701  Christian Marriage (3 cr.)
Studies the fundamental theology, doctrine and liturgical history that undergirds the Roman Catholic understanding of Christian sacramental marriage, and pastoral preparation of couples for Christian marriage. Includes an overview of the marriage rite and the pastoral application of the canonical norms governing marriage in parish ministry. Prerequisite: DVPT 602 and DVST 501.

DVST 702  Liturgical Theology (3 cr.)
Addresses the ways that contemporary theology understands the interaction of liturgy and theology and the place of the liturgy in the Church's tradition. The course examines how the liturgy is structured, surveys a spectrum of liturgical patterns, and proposes methods for disclosing the theology inherent in the Church’s liturgical rites. It leads to the application of structural principles in liturgical celebrations. Prerequisites: DVST 601.

DVST 704  The Liturgical Year (2 cr.)
Prepresents the theology and anthropology of Christian festival. A general survey of the origins and historical development of the major elements of the liturgical year in East and West. Pays particular attention to the liturgical theology implicit in Christian seasons and feasts. Prerequisite: DVST 501.

DVST 715  Liturgical Planning (2 cr.)
Explores the principles and methods for pastoral ministers and clergy who take an active role in planning, celebrating and evaluating parish worship. Emphasis is placed on planning liturgy according to how liturgy expresses and shapes Christian faith, the form of the liturgy and its symbols, the rhythms of the Church year and the relations of liturgy to culture. Elements of worship considered include: word, music, gesture and movement, and art and architecture. Prerequisite: DVST 501.

DVST 800  Topics in Sacramental Theology and Liturgy (2-3 cr.)
DVST 900  Seminar in Sacramental Theology and Liturgy (3 cr.)
DVST 902  Thesis: Sacramental Theology and Liturgy (3 cr.)

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