

Bachelors Degree Program - Course Synopsis

Three required book readings

15 semester hours

Required Reading (3 works selected by the college) - 15 semester hours

- Metaphysical Primer, Robertson, J.
- Man's Search for Meaning , Vicktor Frankl
- The Aquarian Gospel , Levi
With forewords by James Grant, Ph.D., D.Min & Stephen Rinaldi, D.MT

A three to five page paper is required for each book on what the student learned and felt from each book. We are interested in content. Please refer to the ICMT Document entitled **ICMT Writing Guidelines** for detailed instructions for completing your writing assignments.

All written assignments to be submitted via your ICMT Online Campus account. For instructions on layout, format and submitting your assignments, please see the ICMT Document entitled **Online Assignment Submission Guidelines**.

Metaphysics

4 semester hours

The student will study ancient metaphysics, cultures and history.

- The Metaphysics, Aristotle (350 B.C.E.).
With foreword by Dr. Stephen Rinaldi

The student will progress up to more modern beliefs and cultures, including new thought and new age cultures. Further research information on these topics is readily found on the internet or in a public library. Additional information is available on the ICMT Online Campus Library.

Assignment 1: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

A History of God

3 semester hours

This course is the study of the three religions of Abraham and includes an overview of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. The purpose of the study is to familiarize the student with these religions so the student has an understanding and how metaphysics is intertwined with those religions. Resources are provided on the ICMT Online Campus and Campus Library. Additional online resources are also provided.

This section currently includes a web-based audio segment.
(this is an optional resource for those with fast connections)

Assignment 2: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

History of Eastern Philosophy

3 semester hours

The student is to explore eastern philosophies, metaphysics and religions. This should include Confucianism, Taoism, Buddhism and Hinduism. The student should distinguish the difference between what is religion and what is philosophy.

Resources are provided on the ICMT Online Campus and Campus Library. Further information for this assignment should also be available at your local library. The college has also provided a number of relevant web links to help with your research. See the Online Resources document available from the Online Student Center website.

Assignment 3: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

Native American Spirituality

1 semester hour

The student is to explore Native American Spirituality and metaphysics. Resources are provided on the ICMT Online Campus and Campus Library. Further information for this assignment should also be available at your local library. The college has also provided a number of relevant web links to help with your research. See the Online Resources document available from the Online Student Center website.

Assignment 4: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

Spirituality

8 semester hours

Examine and explore spirituality from its earliest thoughts through to the present, including paganism, Wicca, and other early spiritual groups. Continue your exploration of the subject by discussing modern day views on spirituality. The student will explore the differences between religion and spirituality. The student will also consider the abuses and misuse of religion to control others.

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Assignment 5: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

The study of altered states of consciousness

6 semester hours

The student will study meditation, hypnosis, deep prayer, laying of hands and other altered states of consciousness. The student will have the opportunity to experience self-hypnosis and meditation.

Resources for this topic can be found at most libraries. The college has provided relevant Internet links to help with your research. Please see the Online Resources document available from the Online Student Center website.

Assignment 6: A three to five page paper is required on the subject.

Final Project

10 semester hours

Assignment 7: The student is to write a five to ten page paper on what they have learned from the study of metaphysics and how they feel they have grown from the study. *As with all papers, we are interested in content more than form.*

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Please note: Your thesis and dissertation will be more formal in nature.

Seminary Ordainment studies

Ordainment as a Metaphysical Minister

10 semester hours

This course includes the following:

- 1) Complete the Ministerial Orientation Lessons (provided in e-book format).
- 2) Read the book included with your orientation kit. Write a 3-5 page paper outlining your thoughts and responses to the book in regard to religion, science, mind and nature. Do you agree? Disagree? Did the reading influence your thinking in any way? Did you find any information that you feel you can apply to your ministerial work? Please follow the writing guidelines from the ICMT Bachelors Degree program in preparing your paper.
- 3) Write a 3-5 page paper outlining what your Ordainment will mean to you. How will you move forward with your ministerial work? What areas of ministry most interest you? In which areas do you feel you need or want to increase your knowledge and experience? Please follow the writing guidelines from the ICMT Bachelors Degree program in preparing your paper.
- 4) Read the e-book by Dr. James R. Grant, Ph.D. entitled Metaphysics, Theology and the Theory of Morals. There is no assignment associated with this reading.
- 5) Read, Sign & Submit your Ordination Vows to the Seminary following the instructions included with that document.
- 6) Submit your first year's Ministerial Affiliation fee (\$60 per year).

More details and instructions will be provided upon completion of your Bachelors Degree coursework.