

Spring 2025							
In-Person Degree Program Courses							
*Online MTS-FT students will be registered by their Program Coordinator. Please contact your online Program Coordinator with any questions.							
Course Title	Subject	Course Number	CRN	Units	Course Level	Instructor/Dates/Times	Course Description
Introduction to New Testament	NT	501	109	3	Introductory	Kruger Wednesday, 6-9pm	Introduction to the New Testament studies the writings of the New Testament with special focus on the Four Gospels, The Acts of the Apostles, and the Pauline Letters. The course also covers the history and methods for interpreting the New Testament, especially in light of the Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation, Dei Verbum (1965).
Fundamental Moral Theology	CE	501	110	3	Introductory	Warner Monday, 6-9pm	Moral theology helps us to live faithful lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. Our human dignity emerges from being created in the image of God, but our sin impedes our response to God's love. This course will present core sources (Scripture, tradition, natural law, and human experience), methods, and concerns of moral theology. Students will learn about models of moral decision making, virtue, conscience, and synodal discernment.
History of Christianity II	HS	508	112	3	Introductory	Burns & Chinnici Thursday, 6-9pm	A continuation of History of Christianity I, this course covers the development of Christianity from Reformation times to the 20th century. Taught in modules of 6 or 7 week, the first part covers the Reformation to Vatican I (Chinnici) and the second part covers the history of Catholicism in the United States (Burns).
Letters of St. Paul	NT	601	113	3	Intermediate	Zautcke Thursday, 1-4pm	This class introduces students to the Pauline epistles. Students will study the letters within the context of the Greco-Roman world and first-century Judaism to gain a better understanding of their theological message both for their original audience and today.
Psalms	OT	603	114	3	Introductory	Zautcke Tuesday, 9am-12pm	This class will introduce students to the language and literary form of the psalms. Students will study the psalms in light of OT theology, the canon of Scripture, communal worship and prayer.

Intercultural Theology	ST	603	115	3	Intermediate	Lee Wednesday, 6-9pm	This course will examine the historical interaction between Christianity and various cultures throughout its global mission of evangelization. It will explore a diverse approach to accommodating local cultures and study various contextual theologies and religious practices that have emerged in response to the specific concerns of local communities as they embrace and nurture Christianity in new contexts.
Sacraments of the Church	LS	604	116	3	Intermediate	Freyer Monday, 9am-12pm	An exploration of the sacraments of the Catholic Church, their scriptural and historical background, development over the centuries and current practice. Special emphasis will be placed upon the Franciscan tradition in the theology of the sacraments.
Intro to Christian Spirituality	SP	606	117	3	Intermediate	Lee Tuesday, 1-4pm	This course explores the historical development of Christian spirituality by examining the inspirational texts that have touched the mind and heart of Christians throughout history. The course also discusses the development of the definition of spirituality and various approaches to the modern studies of spirituality.
Ministry Seminar: Leadership	PS	608	118	3	Intermediate	Warner & Gillman Wednesday, 9am-12pm	This ministry seminar required for MDiv students will include lectures on pastoral ministry, time in field placements, and group theological reflection exercises. Special attention will be given to ministry to marginalized groups as well as the proper formation of volunteers.
Border Pilgrimage: Theology of Migration	CE	616	125	1.50	Intermediate	Warner	<p>This course experience is anchored in a 5-day immersive learning experience in Tijuana and Mexicali, Mexico, visiting ministries that serve migrants across the US border. You will encounter migrant families, hear their stories, and learn from front-line service providers and human rights advocates. As a result of this class, you will be able to articulate your own theology of migration.</p> <p>Schedule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - One pre-trip class on Zoom: January 7, 2025; 4:30-6pm - Four-day immersion January 23-26, 2025 (full days) - Two post-trip classes on Zoom: February 4 and 18, 2025; 4:30-6pm <p>Note that there is a fee of \$150/student that helps provide stipends to the sites visited. All other fees associated with the pilgrimage will be covered by FST. Students must have a valid passport to participate.</p>

Franciscan Theological Anthropology	ST	704	121	3	Intermediate	Freyer Friday, 9am-12pm	<p>This course, based on Franciscan sources, will introduce students to the main spiritual and theological concepts that underlie the Franciscan vision of human beings according to some authors of the tradition, such as St. Francis, St. Clare, St. Anthony, Alexander of Hales, Bonaventure, Peter John of Olivi, Blessed Johannes Duns Scotus and others.</p> <p>The goal of the course is the knowledge of one's own Franciscan vision of the human as the basis of a spiritual life and praxis of faith. As a thrological anthropology, the course aims to broaden the perception of systematic theology through enrichment with the Franciscan tradition. Final assessment will take into account active participation in the lectures and oral verification, in which a topic covered by a written paper (ca. 10 pages) during the course will be presented.</p>
Canon Law/Marriage	CL	501	111	3	Introductory	McNulty Thursday, 9am-12pm	<p>Divided into parts, this course covers the Introduction to Canon Law and Marriage Law. Throughout the entire course the emphasis will be on the pastoral application of law to ministerial situations. Balanced pastoral application of the law presumes healthy comprehension of the essential concepts underpinning the legal norms and wise weighting of the facts in a particular case.</p>
Theology of the Religious and Diocesan Presbyter	ST	703	120	1.5	Intermediate	Chinnici Tuesday, 1-4pm (first half of the semester)	<p>The purpose of this course is to provide an overview of a theology of the priesthood in the Roman Catholic tradition, to integrate this theology into the various settings for priestly callings within the Church, and to enable the participants to discover some best practices that enflesh this theology in pastoral work.</p>
Advanced Preaching/Presiding	LS	801	122	3	Advanced	Sabak Monday, 9am-12pm	<p>This course is designed primarily to be a continuation of LS-605 preaching theory with emphasis on actual preaching in a variety of settings. It is designed to provide the student with the opportunity to consider the problems that the homilist confronts as he attempts to interpret the Gospel to congregations in contemporary settings. It is also a liturgical practicum designed to assess and refine prayer leadership, the pastoral art of presiding at Eucharist and administering the sacraments.</p>
MA Thesis	MA	900	123	.25-6	Advanced	Instructor	Contact Academic Affairs Coordinator, Brady Young, for registration information — byoung@fst.edu
MTS Thesis	MTS	900	124	.25-6	Advanced	Instructor	Contact Academic Affairs Coordinator, Brady Young, for registration information — byoung@fst.edu
Special Reading Course	SRC	599			Introductory	Advisor/Instructor	Contact Vice President, Sr. Juliet Mousseau, for registration information — jmousseau@fst.edu
Special Reading Course	SRC	799			Intermediate	Advisor/Instructor	Contact Vice President, Sr. Juliet Mousseau, for registration information — jmousseau@fst.edu

Special Reading Course	SRC	899			Advanced	Advisor/Instructor	Contact Vice President, Sr. Juliet Mousseau, for registration information — jmousseau@fst.edu
MTS Comprehensive	MTC	900			Advanced	Instructor	Contact Academic Affairs Coordinator, Brady Young, for registration information — byoung@fst.edu
	Introductory (500–599)					CE	Christian Ethics/Moral Theology
	Intermediate (600–799)					HS	Historical Studies
	Advanced (800–899)					LS	Liturgical Studies
	Thesis (900)					NT	New Testament Studies
	Comprehensive (900)					OT	Old Testament Studies
						PS	Pastoral Studies
						SP	Spirituality Studies
						ST	Systematic Theology
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