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Founded 1968

Faith Seeking Understanding...Understanding Making a Difference

*A.M.E.s, Baptists, Catholics,
Methodists, Orthodox,
and many others exploring*



*Episcopalians, Lutherans,
Pentecostals, Presbyterians,
theology and ministry together*

SUMMER 2010 ♦ SATURDAY, JUNE 5 - THURSDAY, JULY 15

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WHAT IS THE ECUMENICAL INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY?

The Ecumenical Institute of Theology (E.I.) was founded in 1968 as the evening division of St. Mary's Seminary & University to provide accredited graduate theological education in the greater Baltimore area. Students and faculty come from a wide range of religious backgrounds. Many students study part-time for personal enrichment or to prepare for leadership roles in their religious communities. Other students are preparing for ordained ministry or professional positions. The Ecumenical Institute promotes mutual respect and understanding for persons of all faiths. We invite you to join us on the journey of faith seeking understanding and understanding making a difference.

WHAT KINDS OF COURSES DOES THE E.I. HAVE?

The E.I. offers courses in the major areas of theology: biblical studies, history, systematic theology, moral theology (theological ethics), religious education, practical theology, spirituality, and ecumenical and interfaith studies. Classes are offered in fall, spring, and summer terms.

We have several academic programs. (1) Our Explorations in Theology program is designed for individuals engaging theology and ethics for the first time. (2) Students may choose to work toward a graduate certificate in one of six areas: biblical studies, parish nursing, religious education, spirituality, urban ministry, and youth ministry. (3) Students may also pursue the M.A. in Theology or the M.A. in Church Ministries, each with several concentrations or tracks. (4) We also offer a post-master's Certificate of Advanced Studies (C.A.S.) for those who have a graduate theological degree. Further information concerning all E.I. programs is available at www.stmarys.edu/ei.

WHO MAY ENROLL?

Application to the E.I. to take classes for credit is open to any person with an undergraduate degree from an accredited institution, regardless of major, who has earned a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 (graduate GPA of 3.30 for the C.A.S.). Students with a lower GPA may apply for probationary admission. With the written permission of their department chair, their dean, and the dean of the E.I., juniors and seniors majoring in theology or religious studies at fully accredited colleges and universities may take certain courses for credit to transfer to their undergraduate institution. Interested students should contact the dean of the E.I.

Audit students are admitted to most E.I. courses. Normally, auditors do not need a bachelor's degree but must have at least 60 fully accredited undergraduate credits with a minimum GPA of 2.0. The E.I. reserves the right to restrict the number of auditors and to augment the requirements for audit admission.

INFORMATION FOR NEW STUDENTS

Prospective students for the Summer 2010 term must complete an application, submit a photograph, have an official transcript of their bachelor's degree sent from their undergraduate institution (master's transcript for C.A.S.), and schedule an interview no later than May 14. New audit students are requested, but not required, to have an interview to discuss their academic goals. Unless they have a Saturday class, all new students must attend new student orientation on Saturday, June 5, from 9:15-11:00 a.m.

New students normally take BS600 and/or TH601, or one of the other Explorations in Theology courses, which do not have prerequisites.

Criminal Background Checks: St. Mary's Seminary & University (SMSU) has mandated criminal background checks for seminarians as well as for all staff for a number of years. Other church bodies and institutions of higher education have similar policies. Consistent with our objective to safeguard individuals with whom students interact, and to maintain a uniform policy at SMSU, the E.I. obtains criminal background reports on its students from a third party. A criminal background check is required of all students. Upon written request, additional information as to the nature and scope of the criminal background reports, as well as a summary of a student's rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, will be provided to all students at their request.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT SUMMER TERM

The Summer 2010 term will begin on Saturday, June 5 and end on Thursday, July 15. There will be no classes Saturday, July 3 – Monday, July 5. All Summer 2010 courses (except BS600) yield three graduate credits. In addition to the listed courses, independent study courses in various areas may be arranged. (Independent study tuition is \$441.00 per credit.) More detailed course descriptions, including requirements and textbooks, will be available via email and at the Ecumenical Institute office during registration. Normally, at least five students must register in order for a course to run. If a course is canceled, students who have registered for it will be notified by telephone or email. Students should arrive early on the first day of classes to complete registration if necessary, receive their identification badge, obtain a library card from the circulation desk, and visit the bookstore to purchase textbooks.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Students may register by mail or in person during regular office hours. Continuing students should register early to ensure that all elective courses can run and to facilitate book ordering. Students desiring to pay on the deferred payment plan will be mailed a contract. Special in-person registration times are as follows:

Registration for New and Continuing Students

Mon.-Thurs., April 19-22	9:00 am - 12:00 noon
	12:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Friday, April 23	9:00 am - 12:00 noon
	12:30 pm - 4:00 pm

Late registrations will be accepted until the first meeting of a class, but there is a late registration fee of \$30.00 beginning Monday, April 26 (except for new students). The staff is available for academic counseling Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., or other times by appointment, in the E.I. office, 223B.

CHANGES IN REGISTRATION

Any changes in registration (e.g., credit to audit, audit to credit, withdrawal) must be made **in writing with a signature** (by mail or fax; no email). Changes are effective when received by the registrar. All students who do not officially withdraw **in writing with a signature** (by mail or fax; no email) from a course by the deadline for the term in which they are enrolled will receive a grade based on the work completed and/or not completed for the course.

BASIC INFORMATION

WHAT DOES IT COST AND HOW DO I PAY?

The tuition charge is \$882.00 *per three-credit course* (\$294 per credit). The audit tuition is \$588 *per three-credit course* with a discount of 50% for senior citizens (62 or older) and graduates of SMSU. The registration fee is \$75.00 *per term* for all students. There is also a student services fee of \$75.00 *per term*. Payment may be made with MasterCard or Visa. A deferred payment plan of payments spread throughout the term, beginning with registration, may be authorized upon consultation with the administration.

- 1. Continuing students who register by April 23, 2010 may do so by paying in full (check, money order, or credit card); paying on an approved deferred payment (installment) plan; or paying their fees only (\$150.00). A late fee of \$30.00 applies beginning April 26. For those who pay fees only, tuition is due in full by June 7, 2010. Students may not attend class until their tuition is paid or they have signed a deferred payment contract.**
- 2. Continuing students who register after April 23, 2010 must pay a late-registration fee of \$30.00 and all tuition and fees in full (check, money order, or credit card) or be approved for a deferred payment (installment) plan.**
- 3. New students should register early to insure their choice of classes, but they do not pay a late fee for late registration.**

A limited number of partial tuition scholarships is available for matriculated degree candidates. The E.I. also has a Partnership Scholarship Fund for students sponsored by their churches. Further information and scholarship applications can be obtained from the E.I. office. **Scholarship applications are due May 7, 2010.** (Matriculated students interested in student loans should contact Joyce Williams, 410/864-4273, in St. Mary's Office of Student Aid; she has day and evening hours by appointment.) Continuing students must meet all previous financial obligations to St. Mary's before registering for the new term. In addition, students must be in good standing with the library before attending the first class of the term.

TUITION REDUCTION AND REFUND

Students who withdraw from a course must fulfill their financial obligations for the course. Tuition charges may be reduced for students who officially withdraw, according to the schedule printed below. (The date used to determine the reduction or refund is the date on which a written withdrawal notice is received by the registrar.)

After 0-1 class meeting	100% reduction
Between June 9 and June 20	50% reduction
After June 20	0% reduction
For PT742 and ST582/782	50% until 6/18
	0% after 6/18
For H/ES618	50% until 7/5
	0% after 7/5

FACULTY FOR THE SUMMER TERM

Rev. Maurice Akwa, S.T.L.
Grand Séminaire Notre Dame de l'Espérance Bertoua, Cameroon, Africa

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Balt.-Wash. Conference, United Methodist Church

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Trinity Lutheran Church, York, PA

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Billing Officer

SUMMER 2010 COURSES

PR = prerequisite; CR = corequisite; PR/CR = either a prerequisite or a corequisite.

No prerequisites for auditors. Corequisites may be taken either at the same time as or before the course listed.

MONDAY/WEDNESDAY

5:30-7:20 p.m. BS723
WISDOM LITERATURE
Mr. Dewrell

A survey of wisdom literature from the ancient world, focusing primarily on texts from Jewish and Christian Scripture, including Proverbs, Job, and Ecclesiastes, among others. PR = BS600, TH601.

5:30-7:20 p.m. PT/RE727
SMALL GROUPS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH
Dr. Richardson

An overview of group dynamics and the theological implications of working in small groups, with attention to the ways to increase small-group ministry in the church/parish. PR/CR = TH601.

7:30-9:45 p.m. MT600
FUNDAMENTALS OF THEOLOGICAL ETHICS
Dr. Weiss

An examination of the basic biblical, theological, and philosophical foundations of Christian morality, in the context of the development of theological ethics through history. PR/CR = TH601. *This course ends on July 7.*

MONDAY ONLY

5:30-9:30 p.m. BS635
THE GOSPELS & JESUS
Dr. Jorgensen

An examination of the four canonical gospels through the following lenses: methods of interpretation, stages of gospel formation, comparative study, and the quest for the historical Jesus. PR/CR = BS600, TH601. *One additional class date to be determined (as a make-up for July 5).*

SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. PT742
June 5, 12, 19, 26
MINISTRY TO THE ILL & DYING
Dr. Fosarelli

An examination of medical, theological, and pastoral perspectives on illness and death, providing strategies for ministry to the ill, the recovering, and the dying, whether in home, hospice, or other institutional settings. PR/CR = TH601.

SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. ST582/782
June 5, 12, 26; July 10
CHRISTIANITY & ITS CRITICS
Dr. Dreisbach

An historical and theoretical look at criticisms of Christianity from the time of the apostles to the present day. PR for ST582 = NONE. PR for ST782 = TH601.

WEDNESDAY ONLY

5:30-9:30 p.m. H/SP760
EARLY CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY
Dr. Seville

A survey of early Christian (Eastern and Western, lay and ascetic) expressions and practices that demonstrate how the early Christians devoted their lives to God. PR = TH601, H601. *Fulfills SP requirement for the MA in Theology.*

EXPLORATIONS IN THEOLOGY

This program is a series of courses for people considering serious study of theology, religion, and ethics for the first time. The courses have no prerequisites. Beginning students are introduced to major dimensions of the theological tradition in order to help them better understand some of the great religious and ethical issues of our time. "Explorations" courses offered this summer include the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BS600 • H/ES618 • H/SP680 • MT/SP528 • ST582 • TH601 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orientation to Biblical Studies The Church in Africa Art & Spirituality in Ireland Violence, Vengeance & Virtue Christianity & Its Critics Introduction to Theological Study, Research & Writing |
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TUESDAY/THURSDAY

9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon **BS764**
**THE BOOK OF REVELATION & ITS
 INTERPRETERS**
Dr. Gorman

A careful study of Revelation in its first-century context, with attention to its interpretation through the centuries and its contemporary relevance. PR/CR = BS600, TH601. *This course ends on July 1.*

4:00-5:20 p.m. **BS600**
ORIENTATION TO BIBLICAL STUDIES
Dr. Edwards

A basic orientation to the academic study of the Bible with attention to the nature and growth of biblical literature, the development of the canon and the transmission of the biblical text, the process of exegesis, and the tools for biblical study. *This is a two-credit course.* PR/CR = NONE.

5:30-9:30 p.m. **SP612**
AFRICAN-AMERICAN SPIRITUALITY
Dr. Hunt

An analysis of African-American spirituality from a Christian perspective, with attention to historical developments, theological literature, and recent trends in its practice. PR/CR = TH601. *This course ends on June 24. Fulfills SP requirement for the MA in Theology.*

5:30-9:30 p.m. **H/ES618**
THE CHURCH IN AFRICA
Fr. Akwa

A survey of the history of the Christian churches in Africa, colonialism and Christianity, African Christian spirituality, and the current situation of the churches and of ecumenical relations. PR = NONE. *This course begins June 29. Fulfills either ES or second H requirement for the MA in Theology; also counts as an elective in any program.*

6:00-9:00 p.m. **ES701**
JUDAISM & CHRISTIAN BEGINNINGS
Dr. Gregerman

An analysis of the emergence of Judaism and Christianity in the first four centuries CE and the close but sometimes painful relationship between Jews and Christians. PR = TH601, BS600, and either BS622 or BS635. *This course ends on July 1.*

6:00-7:50 p.m. **MT/SP528/728**
VIOLENCE, VENGEANCE & VIRTUE
Dr. Fosarelli

An exploration of the religious, cultural, and psychological roots of both personal and societal violence; the perceived need for vengeance when one is harmed by another; and the virtues and spiritual practices that counteract the tendencies for violence and vengeance. PR/CR for MT/SP528 = NONE. PR/CR for MT/SP728 = TH601. *Fulfills SP requirement for the MA in Theology.*

6:00-8:30 p.m. **TH601**
**INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGICAL
 STUDY, RESEARCH & WRITING**
Ms. Reisinger

An introduction to the major disciplines of theological study with attention to instruction and practice in critical reading, writing, and research. PR = NONE. *There will be no class July 6 or 8.*

7:30-9:20 p.m. **ES740**
ECUMENICAL RELATIONS
Dr. Brannan

An exploration of the history of ecumenism among Christian denominations, ecumenical statements, and the practicalities of ecumenical understanding and cooperation. PR = TH601.

STUDY TOUR

August 2-9 **H/SP680**
ART & SPIRITUALITY IN IRELAND
Dr. Thomas & Ms. Kapikian

A tour of sites connected with Celtic saints (Patrick, Brigid, Kevin, etc.) to study the influence of Irish spirituality on the creation of art (illuminated manuscripts, monasteries, crosses, etc.) and the challenge of Celtic spirituality in our lives today. *Fulfills either SP or second H requirement for the MA in Theology.*

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Disclosure and Authorization to Release Information
(for those who have not previously submitted this form)

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The Ecumenical Institute will therefore request Social Security Verification, Residency History, Maryland Statewide Criminal Search, and Nationwide Sex Offender reports for each student. Upon written request, additional information as to the nature and scope of the criminal background reports, as well as a summary of a student's rights under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, will be provided.

During the application/enrollment/registration process and at any time during my tenure as a student or registrant at the Ecumenical Institute, I hereby authorize the Ecumenical Institute to procure a criminal background report about me for the purposes stated above.

By my signature below, I hereby authorize the Ecumenical Institute to obtain a criminal background report about me and to consider such report when making decisions regarding my application, enrollment, and/or registration.

Name (Please Print First, Middle, Last)

Maiden Name, Alias, or Other Name(s) Used

Present Street Address

City, State

Zip Code

Signature

Date

E. I. REGISTRATION FORM - SUMMER 2010

Registrations are not processed without the appropriate transcript, application, photograph, interview, and payment of fees.

Date: _____ Social Security Number: _____

Name: _____ E-mail address: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County of Residence: _____ or Baltimore City: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Do you have a disability that requires special services? Y ___ N ___ If so, what? _____

Mandatory Information (although information is used only for Federal and ATS reports, it must be completed):

Date of birth: ___/___/___ (m/d/y) Sex: ___F ___M Denomination: _____

Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin? ___ Yes ___ No

What is your race? Select one or more of the following categories:

___ White ___ Black or African American ___ Asian
___ American Indian or Alaska Native ___ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Church Name _____ Pastor _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Do you intend to pursue a degree/certificate at the Ecumenical Institute of Theology? Y ___ N ___

If so, which one? ___ M.A. in Theology ___ M.A. in Church Ministries - track: _____

___ Graduate certificate: (circle one) *Biblical Studies* *Spirituality* *Religious Education* *Urban Ministry* *Parish Nursing* *Youth Ministry*

___ Certificate of Advanced Studies: (circle one) *General track* *Specialized track*: _____

If not, are you taking classes for Credit ___ or Audit ___? Do you wish to be part of the Explorations in Theology program? ___

To register, list course numbers & titles. For courses listed in two departments (e.g., ES/H611) or with two numbers (e.g., BS565/765), choose only one (e.g., ES611 or BS565). Note: Certificate and degree candidates may not register for courses at the 500 level.

TUITION AND FEES All fees are due at time of registration. (Fees are non-refundable.) Note: late fee is waived for new students.

Registration fee \$ 75.00

Student Services fee \$ 75.00

Late-registration fee (\$30.00 begins April 26) \$ _____

3-credit course @ \$882/course x ___ = \$ _____

3-credit audit course @ \$588/course x ___ = \$ _____

3-credit senior/alum audit @ \$294/course x ___ = \$ _____

2-credit course @ \$588/course (BS600) \$ _____

2-credit audit @ \$392/course (BS600) \$ _____

2-credit senior/alum audit @ \$196/course (BS600) \$ _____

3-credit study tour @ \$325/course \$ _____

3-credit audit study tour @ \$275/course \$ _____

3-credit senior/alum audit study tour @ \$225/course \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

AMOUNT BEING PAID \$ _____

BALANCE DUE \$ _____

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Confirmation Sent ___ Parking Tag # _____

Initials: _____ Date Registered: _____