

THE ECUMENICAL INSTITUTE OF THEOLOGY
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BS/PT560/760 1 Corinthians: Paul as Pastor

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Monday & Thursday, 1:00-4:30 pm, June 1-25

Pre/Corequisites for 500 level: none; for 700 level: BS600, TH601

Course Description:

An exploration of Paul's theological and practical strategies for shaping a community of faith, hope, and love at Corinth, with attention to the letter's contemporary significance.

Course Requirements:

- Students should expect to read 900 pages (700 level) or 750 pages (500 level).
- Students should expect to write *at most* 15 double-spaced pages (10 pages for 500 level). These will be comprised of the following:
 - 700 level
 - a 750-word analysis of one pastoral issue at Corinth (15%)
 - a 3,000-word exegesis paper and pastoral engagement with one text in 1 Corinthians (35%)
 - 500 level
 - a 750-word analysis of one pastoral issue at Corinth (15%)
 - a 2,000-word paper on the contemporary relevance of Thompson, *Pastoral Ministry According to Paul* and Starling, *UnCorinthian Leadership* (35%)
- In addition to reading, writing (50%) and class participation (20%), all students should expect to produce or participate in these additional graded learning activities:
 - an exegetical notebook (20%)
 - an in-class presentation on their final project (10%)

Required Texts:

1. Michael J. Gorman, *Reading Paul* (Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2008); 978-1-55635-195-2. **NOTE: This book should be read before the first class meeting.**
2. James W. Thompson, *Pastoral Ministry According to Paul: A Biblical Vision* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2006); 978-0801031090.
3. Richard B. Hays, *First Corinthians* (Interpretation; Louisville: Westminster/John Knox, 1997); 978-0664234409.
4. David I. Starling, *UnCorinthian Leadership: Thematic Reflections on 1 Corinthians* (Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2014); 978-1-62032-792-0.
5. Matthew R. Malcolm, *The World of 1 Corinthians: An Exegetical Source Book of Literary and Visual Backgrounds* (Eugene, OR: Cascade, 2013). 978-1620329832. **NOTE: This book is required for the 700 level and recommended for the 500 level.**