

# WORLD MISSION

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## Courses

(Credits)

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### MSSN525 (2-3)

#### *Mission to the World*

A broad introduction to Christian world missions. Includes aspects of mission history, the theological foundations of mission, intercultural perspectives of mission service, contemporary theoretical thought about missions, and basic relationships to other faiths. Required of all MDiv students.

### MSSN530 (2-3)

#### *Theology and Witness for Other Faiths*

Fosters an understanding of and an approach to other faiths as found in North America. Includes Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, New Age, Bahai, etc. Prerequisite: MSSN525.

### MSSN535 (2-3)

#### *Applied Missiology for Pastors*

Uses the insights of missiology and the social sciences for the analysis of congregations and society. Forms the base for informed witness and cultural and ethnic understanding and cooperation. Prerequisite: MSSN525. Required for all MDiv students.

### MSSN584 (2-4)

#### *Preparation for Mission Service*

A general orientation for missionary candidates that aims to (1) create an awareness of the actual missionary situation today; (2) prepare mission appointees to meet this situation; and (3) shape attitudes that are indispensable to a fruitful mission service.

### MSSN610 (2-3)

#### *Theology of Mission*

The biblical foundation of mission—its essence, goals, motives, and the role of the church in mission.

### MSSN615 (2-3)

#### *Anthropology for Mission and Ministry*

The fundamentals of culture, social structure, group organization, and social change studied as a basis for intercultural understanding and communication. Attention given to issues which constitute challenges and opportunities to cross-cultural workers.

### MSSN618 (2-4)

#### *International Urban Mission*

Explores the nature of cities worldwide, noting their history, development, and relationship to the mission of God and the church. Students are exposed to various ministries.

### MSSN627 (2-3)

#### *Development, Community, and Ministry*

A study of biblical models, historical examples, and development paradigms illustrating ways that Christian mission has been involved in social change.

### MSSN630 (2-3)

#### *Cross-Cultural Leadership Development*

A study of leadership emergence, selection, and training in missionary churches with particular attention paid to strategic issues of various training models and the relationship between formal, informal, and non-formal leadership development. Identical to CHMN630.

### MSSN635 (2-3)

#### *Contemporary Issues in Mission*

Current issues in mission and the way they affect the church's outreach in the world. Repeatable.

### MSSN650 (2-3)

#### *Introduction to a World Religion*

An introduction to the history, beliefs, writings, personalities and current developments in religions such as Islam, Judaism, Hinduism and Buddhism. Repeatable.

### MSSN660 (2-3)

#### *Witnessing to People of Another Religions*

Development and evaluation of various forms of Christian witness among the peoples of other religions such as Muslims, Jews, Hindus, and Buddhists. Repeatable.

### MSSN676 (2-3)

#### *History of Christian Mission*

History of the expansion of the Christian church, from the first century until the present. At the discretion of the Department of Church History, this course may fulfill a Church History elective requirement.

### MSSN685 (2-3)

#### *Strategies for World Mission*

A concentrated study of mission theory and strategy, cultural perspectives of mission service, and basic principles of church growth.

## INDIVIDUAL AND SEMINAR STUDIES

### MSSN690 (1-3)

#### *Independent Study*

Individual research on a selected problem in the theory, history, or practice of mission. See general guidelines under Academic Information.

### MSSN797 (1-3)

#### *Independent Study*

### MSSN826 (3)

#### *Seminar in Theology of Mission*

MSSN827 (3)

*Seminar in History of Mission*

MSSN828 (3)

*Seminar in Social Sciences and Mission*

MSSN829 (3)

*Seminar in Other Religions*

MSSN830 (3)

*Seminar in Strategies and Development in Mission*

MSSN890 (2-12)

*Directed Reading in Mission Studies*

Repeatable. May be graded S/U.