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Mission

The mission of Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary is to serve the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia by preparing students for service to the Church. This is accomplished by training students in disciplines which are preparatory for active service to the Church as clergy, monastics, choir directors and cantors, iconographers, and lay leaders. As the only Seminary within the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia, the Seminary opens its doors annually to applicants not only from the United States but from abroad, thereby serving its mission to serve parishes in all corners of the world. Many members of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia are now primarily English-speaking, and the English language has gained prominence as an international language. Therefore, Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary has risen to meet this need of our Church by offering instruction in English to English-speaking seminarians. The Seminary emphasizes the importance of spiritual life in theological education. Active participation in the life of the monastery, on whose premises the seminary is located, allows students to experience firsthand the spiritual depth of the Orthodox Church and gives future clergy a rare opportunity of gaining a thorough foundation and experience of the Orthodox liturgical life. Finally, the Seminary strives to preserve the high scholarly standards, teaching, and traditions of the Russian Orthodox Church.

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Calendar 2016-2017

First Semester

Secular Calendar Dates

Church Calendar Dates

First Semester

<i>Placement Exams</i>	<i>Sept. 8-9</i>
<i>St. Job of Pochaev</i>	<i>Sept. 10</i>
<i>Beheading of St. John the Baptist</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
<i>Beginning of Classes</i>	<i>Sept. 12</i>
<i>Nativity of the Theotokos</i>	<i>Sept. 21</i>
<i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	<i>Sept. 27</i>
<i>Protection of the Mother of God</i>	<i>Oct. 14</i>
<i>Autumn Holiday (American Thanksgiving)</i>	<i>Nov. 21-25</i>
<i>Entry of the Theotokos (Sunday)</i>	<i>Dec. 4</i>
<i>St. Nicholas</i>	<i>Dec. 19</i>
<i>End of Classes</i>	<i>Dec. 23</i>
<i>Beginning of Exams</i>	<i>Dec. 26</i>
<i>Nativity (Beginning of Nativity Vacation)</i>	<i>Jan. 7</i>

Second semester

<i>Beginning of Classes</i>	<i>Jan. 23</i>
<i>Three Hierarchs (Sunday)</i>	<i>Feb. 12</i>
<i>Meeting of the Lord</i>	<i>Feb. 15</i>
<i>First week of Great Lent</i>	<i>Feb. 27-Mar.4</i>
<i>Annunciation</i>	<i>Apr. 7</i>
<i>Passion week</i>	<i>Apr. 10-15</i>
<i>Pascha</i>	<i>Apr. 16</i>
<i>Bright Week</i>	<i>Apr. 17-22</i>
<i>End of Classes</i>	<i>May 19</i>
<i>Beginning of Exams</i>	<i>May 20</i>
<i>Translation of Relics of St. Nicholas</i>	<i>May 22</i>
<i>Ascension</i>	<i>May 25</i>
<i>Commencement (Summer Vacation)</i>	<i>May 28</i>

Calendar 2017-2018

First Semester

Secular Calendar Dates

Church Calendar Dates

<i>Placement Exams</i>	<i>Sept. 7-8</i>
<i>St. Job of Pochaev (Sunday)</i>	<i>Sept. 10</i>
<i>Beheading of St. John the Baptist</i>	<i>Sept. 11</i>
<i>Beginning of Classes</i>	<i>Sept. 12</i>
<i>Nativity of the Theotokos</i>	<i>Sept. 21</i>
<i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	<i>Sept. 27</i>

<i>Protection of the Mother of God (Saturday)</i>	<i>Oct. 14</i>
<i>Autumn Holiday (American Thanksgiving)</i>	<i>Nov. 20-24</i>
<i>Entry of the Theotokos</i>	<i>Dec. 4</i>
<i>St. Nicholas</i>	<i>Dec. 19</i>
<i>End of Classes</i>	<i>Dec. 22</i>
<i>Beginning of Exams</i>	<i>Dec. 26</i>
<i>Nativity (Beginning of Nativity Vacation)</i>	<i>Jan. 7</i>

Second semester

<i>Beginning of Classes</i>	<i>Jan. 29</i>
<i>Three Hierarchs</i>	<i>Feb. 12</i>
<i>Meeting of the Lord</i>	<i>Feb. 15</i>
<i>First week of Great Lent</i>	<i>Feb. 19-24</i>
<i>Passion week</i>	<i>Apr. 2-7</i>
<i>Annunciation</i>	<i>Apr. 7</i>
<i>Pascha</i>	<i>Apr. 8</i>
<i>Bright Week</i>	<i>Apr. 9-14</i>
<i>Ascension</i>	<i>May 17</i>
<i>End of Classes</i>	<i>May 18</i>
<i>Beginning of Exams</i>	<i>May 21</i>
<i>Translation of Relics of St. Nicholas</i>	<i>May 22</i>
<i>Pentecost</i>	<i>May 27</i>
<i>Commencement (Summer Vacation)</i>	<i>June 3</i>

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The Seminary

Mission and Purpose

Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary is a school of theology in the canonical jurisdiction of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia, a self-governing part of the Russian Orthodox Church (Moscow Patriarchate). The Seminary is established as an institution of higher education in the State of New York, being accredited by the New York State Board of Regents and the New York State Commissioner of Education since 1948 with the absolute charter granted on May 25, 1962. As the only Seminary within the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia, the seminary opens its doors annually to applicants from North America and from abroad, thereby fulfilling its mission to serve the Russian Church Abroad in all corners of the world.

The purpose of the Seminary is to provide education in Orthodox theology to the candidates for the priesthood in the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia or any other Orthodox Church, as well as to future lay leaders in those Churches, to promote the study and research of Orthodox theology, and to bear witness to the intellectual and spiritual legacy of traditional Russian Orthodox Christianity. The Seminary grants its graduates the four-year degree of the Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) (HEGIS 2301), as well as the Certificate in Pastoral Studies (HEGIS 5623), Certificate in Theological Studies (HEGIS 5623), and Certificate in Liturgical Music (HEGIS 5610).

The Seminary is located on the grounds of the world-renowned Holy Trinity Orthodox Monastery in Jordanville, NY, near the historic Mohawk Valley in Upstate New York, one mile north of the Village of Jordanville, within a triangle formed by Cooperstown, Utica, and Albany. The Seminary fulfills its mission in concert with the mission of Holy Trinity Monastery in Jordanville, N.Y., with which it maintains a very close relationship. Historically, the Monastery has been the source of the Seminary's existence and is the center of its spiritual and liturgical life.

A Brief History

Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary was founded in 1948 by Archbishop Vitaly (Maximenko) under the auspices of Holy Trinity Monastery as a school for the young members of the monastic brotherhood, but thanks to the untiring efforts of its founder, Archbishop Vitaly, and its first Dean, Professor Nicholas N. Alexandrov, the Seminary has grown into a theological school for Orthodox Christian students from all over the world.

From the very beginning, the Seminary emphasized the importance of spiritual life in theological education. Active participation in the liturgical, spiritual, and working life of the monastery has always been a distinctive feature of its program of theological formation, allowing the students to experience first-hand the spiritual depth of Orthodoxy and giving them as future pastors a rare opportunity of gaining a thorough experience of the Orthodox liturgical life. This was the foundation of the Seminary life established and maintained through the tireless labours of its ever-memorable Rectors: Archbishop Vitaly, Archbishop Averky (Taushev; 1952- 1976), and Metropolitan Laurus (Škurla; 1976- 2008).

In the course of over sixty five years of its existence, the Seminary has produced more than three hundred graduates, including two metropolitans, a number of archbishops, bishops, and many priests, deacons, and devout laymen.

Likewise, the Seminary always sought to preserve the high scholarly standards and intellectual traditions of the pre-revolutionary Russian Orthodox Church, and the Seminary library, publications, museum, and archives play an important role in achieving this goal. This continuity was secured through the efforts of the first generation of Seminary professors, which included such luminaries as Protopresbyter Michael Pomazansky (1888-1988), Nikolai

D. Talberg, Ivan Andreev, Archimandrite Konstantin (Zaitsev), and others. The current generation of Seminary professors seeks to the best of their abilities to maintain the legacy of their predecessors, while striving to impart to the new seminarians the rich heritage of the Russian Orthodox theological tradition.

In subsequent years, the Seminary has continuously improved and developed its academic standards and practices in response to the changing demographics of the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad. For a number of years now, the majority of the Seminary courses has been taught in English, and the program of study of Russian and Church Slavonic languages continues in its full rigor, as the Seminary seeks to enable its students to serve both Russian-speaking and English-speaking communities. These changes augmented the main mission and goal of the seminary: to serve the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia by preparing students to be effective pastors serving the Church and proclaiming the Gospel to the world.

Seminary Life

As an Orthodox Christian theological school, Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary perceives that the goal of its educational programs includes both academic, intellectual enrichment and spiritual formation of future pastors as wholesome, fully-developed persons. For this reason, as students of Orthodox theology, seminarians are subject to a discipline that is not only academic, but in some respects, also monastic. Students participate in daily church services together with the monastic brotherhood and the local Orthodox community. Active liturgical participation, including singing in the seminary choir and serving in the sanctuary, are considered to be important aspects of the students' preparation for their future service to the Church.

A seminarian's day normally begins with Divine Liturgy at 6:00 a.m.. After breakfast, classes are usually held from 8:00 a.m. until noon. In the afternoon, the students participate in various aspects of monastery obediences or use the time for their individual studies. In the evening, after supper, students and the monastic brotherhood gather for Small Compline. In the evening after 10:00 p.m. silence is observed in the student dormitory. Students take their meals in the monastery refectory together with the monastic brotherhood, listening to the readings from the lives of Saints or other spiritual writings. Meat and poultry are not served in the monastery, and all the fasts of the Orthodox Church are strictly observed.

In some aspects, student life is also distinct from the life of the monastery. Students live separately from the monastic brotherhood: single students live in the dormitory, while married students find housing off-campus. Seminarians are not obliged to attend all of the services at the monastery, and the Seminary dormitory offers a number of amenities, including its own kitchen for student use, a gym with modern equipment, and wi-fi access. Usually, available space allows one person to a room.

The Seminary is an enclosed institution of higher education: students are expected to have a blessing to leave the monastery or seminary grounds. However, students are free to leave for scheduled vacations. Those students who remain in the monastery during the summer months actively participate in monastery activities.

Seminary students attend daily and festal church services, attend all classes for which they are registered, and fulfill duties as assigned by the Seminary administration. A more extensive overview of students' rights and responsibilities is found in the *Student Handbook*. The students of the Seminary are expected to conduct themselves at all times in a manner consistent with their vocation both inside and outside of the monastery. Each student of the Seminary is required to abide by the standards of conduct established in the *Student Handbook* and other regulations and policies. It is presumed that the students have come to the Seminary for the purpose of preparing themselves to serve the Orthodox Church, and unbecoming conduct is inconsistent with that aim. The Seminary reserves the right

to suspend, expel, or refuse to register any student whose academic standing, conduct, or attendance are deemed unsatisfactory in accordance with the established regulations and policies.

Admissions and Fees

Admission Requirements

Since the Seminary is a traditional theological college, the main requirement for admission is the applicant's sincere desire to serve the Orthodox Church. Only with this motivation will the applicant appreciate the opportunities for learning and growth offered by the Seminary. A high school diploma or GED is necessary for entrance into the Bachelor of Theology, Certificate in Pastoral Studies, and Certificate of Theological Studies programs.

Both inquiries and the process of application for admission to the Seminary should begin by filling out an inquiry form or by starting an online application form found on the Seminary website: <http://www.hts.edu/admissions.html>; or by contacting: Office of Admissions, Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary, PO Box 36, Jordanville, N. Y. 13361 (315) 858-0945; or by emailing: admissions@hts.edu.

The seminary accepts applications from Orthodox Christians who have been received into the Church for at least one year and are parishioners in good standing.

The following must be submitted to the Office of Admissions for all programs:

1. **Completed Online Application Form.**
2. **Birth certificate** (photocopy or .pdf scan).
3. **Baptismal certificate** (photocopy or .pdf scan).
4. **Official transcripts** from all secondary schools and institutions of higher learning attended.
5. **Recommendation of spiritual father** (to be sent directly to the Seminary by the spiritual father).
6. **Recommendation of diocesan bishop**, if the applicant is not a member of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia.
7. **Application fee** (non-refundable) of \$40 for all students. Payment can be made in US dollars with a credit card or bank card through Populi's secure payment gateway, by phone (315-858-0945), or by sending a money order in US dollars.

For the Bachelor of Theology and Certificate in Pastoral Studies programs, the following are also required:

8. **Medical Certificate** (including immunization records or verification from a doctor). New York State requires the following minimum vaccination records OR proof of immunity: MMR—2 doses of measles vaccine, 1 dose of Mumps vaccine, and 1 dose of Rubella vaccine. Allowable exceptions include medical exemptions and the religious exception.
9. **Non-native speakers of English are required to pass the TOEFL exam** with the following minimum scores: Reading—20, Listening—20, Speaking—18, and Writing—18. Scores should be submitted through ETS.
10. **Proof of medical insurance coverage valid in New York State.** International and domestic students can obtain affordable health insurance. Domestic students are now subject to new US health insurance legislation and should verify existing coverage in New York State. See www.hts.edu/admissions.html for more information.

Application Deadlines

The Office of Admissions must receive all of the above documents for the Bachelor’s program and Certificate in Pastoral Studies by **June 1**; otherwise the application may be deferred until the following academic year.

Applications for the Certificate of Theological Studies program are due by **August 1** and **December 1** for the fall and spring semesters, respectively. Applications may be sent in early, but students may enter the program only at the beginning of the fall or spring semesters.

The decision of the Admissions Committee will be communicated to the applicant by mail after June 1.

Transfer of Credits

Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary can accept up to 60 credits toward a Bachelor of Theology degree at the discretion of the administration. If a student wishes to have credits transferred, an official transcript, including course descriptions, must be submitted to the Office of Admissions. Course syllabi may be also requested by the Office of Admissions in order to evaluate course content. In assessing the transfer of credits, the unique mission of Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary centered on the Orthodox Christian theological tradition will be considered normative in establishing equivalency. Only credits compatible with seminary courses will be considered for transfer and counted towards a degree.

Tuition and Fees

Bachelor of Theology and Certificate in Pastoral Studies.

General Notes: Tuition, room, and board fees are invoiced on a semester basis and due at the beginning of each semester. Institutional scholarships for each academic year will be awarded prior to the fall semester and applied directly to invoices. See below for more information on scholarships. Payment plans are available, but the full amount of each invoice must be paid before the beginning of the following semester. Arrangements can be made with parents, sponsors, parishes and dioceses to make payments directly to a student’s invoices. Official receipts and 1099-T forms are available on request. All accounts, including room and board, must be paid in full by the end of the semester or students will not be allowed to register for the following semester.

Due Dates: For first-time international students entering the country, SEVIS requires financial proof for the entire academic year at the border. Therefore, one year’s tuition is due August 1 in order to produce proper documentation to show at the border. For domestic and continuing international students, tuition for the fall semester is due September 1, but not later than registration day, and for the spring semester, January 15, but not later than registration day. The seminary reserves the right to withdraw a student from classes if payment is not made.

Total Expenses

Program	Bachelor of Theology	Certificate in Pastoral Studies	Certificate of Theological Studies
Tuition 2016-17	\$3500/Semester	\$3500/semester	\$150/Credit
Tuition 2017-18	\$3650/Semester	\$3650/semester	\$150/Credit
Dormitory Room 2016-17	\$750/semester	\$750/semester	n/a

Dormitory Room 2017-18	\$1025/semester	\$1025/semester	n/a
Board 2016-17	\$750/semester	\$750/semester	n/a
Board 2017-18	\$1025/semester	\$1025/semester	n/a
Books and supplies	\$200/semester	\$200/semester	\$150/semester
Online Exam Fees	n/a	n/a	\$20/exam

Room and Board: For the 2016-2017 academic year, the charge for room and board may be commuted by work for the monastery during the academic year in accordance with the approved Seminary policy. For the 2017-2018 academic year, seminarians are eligible to pay for half of their room and board (\$2050) during the course of the academic year through an assigned obedience at the monastery. The other half must be paid through personal or scholarship funds. Over nine months, students can work off approximately \$228 per month and must pay \$228 per month. A refundable \$200 room deposit is required upon move-in to the dormitory. If a student decides to change rooms, a standard cleaning fee of \$75 will be deducted automatically and damages assessed.

Additional Fees: \$50.00 is levied for late registration. \$25.00 is charged for entrance examinations. Auditors are charged \$375.00 for each audited course (per academic year), not to exceed the amount of regular tuition per year. The approximate cost for books and other supplies is estimated at \$200.00 per semester. A \$200 security deposit is due upon moving into the seminary dormitory. Complete information concerning fees can be found in the *Student Handbook*.

Total Cost Per Program

B.Th. and CPS	2016-2017	2017-2018
Tuition (annual)	\$7000	\$7250
Room and board (dormitory)	\$3000	\$4100
Books and supplies	\$400	\$400
Total	\$10,400	\$11,750

Certificate of Theological Studies

General Notes: Fees for the external program leading towards the Certificate in Theological Studies (HEGIS 5623) are assessed at \$150 per credit, not including course materials (\$300 per course). This includes tuition and on-campus exam fees. Exams taken through the internet require an additional \$20 proctoring fee per exam. Fees are due by the first day of each semester, except the online proctoring fee which is due at the time of the exam. In case of financial difficulty, monthly payment plans are available. Fees will increase for the 2017-2018 academic year by \$25 per credit.

Certificate of Theological Studies	2 courses	4 courses	8 courses (2 semesters)
Tuition	\$600	\$1200	\$2400

Books and supplies	\$75	\$150	\$300
Online Exam fees	\$40	\$80	\$160
Total	\$715	\$1430	\$2860

Work/Study

Participation in monastery obediences provides students with work experience, which, in some cases, involves learning new skills that may be useful in future careers. Possibilities include: iconography, icon mounting, publishing, library science, archival methods, bee-keeping, carpentry, book-binding, translating, assistant teaching, choir directing, and journalism. HTOS does not offer an option to pay for all expenses through an obedience at the monastery.

Scholarships

Institutional scholarships are awarded by the administration to B.Th. and C.P.S. students on the basis of the academic status of applicants and in consideration of individual financial situations. Institutional scholarship funds are not available for the self-study C.T.S. All scholarships are awarded directly through the Seminary and are payable toward tuition or room and board prior to the beginning of the fall semester. Incoming students who wish to be considered for financial aid should apply by May 1 and indicate need on the application form. Continuing students must be enrolled full-time and be in good standing in order to remain eligible. "Good Standing" in this case means a GPA above 3.0 and regular attendance of daily liturgies. The amount available to Bachelor of Theology students for scholarships increases with each successful year in the B.Th. program. Enrollment in other than registered or otherwise approved programs may jeopardize a student's eligibility for certain student aid awards.

The available scholarships for the Seminary students include:

1. Metropolitan Philaret Scholarship;
2. Ivan V. Kouliaeff Educational Fund;
3. The Protospesbyter Valery Lukianov Scholarship.

Withdrawals and Refunds

Students who decide to withdraw from the Seminary in the course of the semester must notify the Office of the Dean in writing, stating the reasons for withdrawal. Refunds of tuition and fees will be made according to the following schedule. The date of filing of the notification with the Office of the Dean will be regarded as the official date of withdrawal from the Seminary.

Withdrawal notification received by Dean's Office:

First week of class 80% refund
 Second week 60% refund
 Third week 40% refund
 Fourth week 20% refund

Fees are not refunded after the fourth week.

Classes may be dropped before the Friday of the third week of classes without academic penalty.

Leaves of Absence: In clearly established cases of good cause necessitating a postponement of the normal academic program, a leave of absence may be granted or required by the Dean in consultation with the Rector for a period not exceeding two years. A student returning from a leave of absence must contact the dean prior to September 15 for re-registration in the fall semester. A student returning from a medical leave of absence must submit a signed statement from his medical practitioner certifying that he is able to resume full-time attendance at Holy Trinity Seminary.

International Students

Applicants who reside outside the US will be sent all necessary documents to obtain a student visa. In order to gain entry into the United States, a student will need his I-20 form, F-1 Visa, and a receipt from Populi showing payment of \$7000 tuition (\$7250 for Academic year 2017-2018). Without these three documents, a student will be denied entry into the United States. For foreign students, tuition is due August 1. Please keep in mind that a student is not allowed to enter the country more than 30 days prior to the beginning of the academic semester.

Employment for Foreign Students: Those students who arrive on student visas must keep in mind that they are not permitted to hold outside employment while in the US except under special circumstances. Therefore, they must be able to provide the necessary funds to cover all expenses, including medical care. It is now required that students obtain medical coverage before arriving at the Seminary. The Monastery and Seminary are not responsible for students' personal expenses.

Optional Practical Training (O.P.T): F-1 students have the option to apply for the Optional Practical Training program offered through SEVIS, which allows a full-time student to obtain salaried or hourly employment for up to one year within the student's field of study (i.e. Church work). The student must maintain full-time status as a student (on-campus only) if he is employed during the time of his studies and may work up to 20 hours per week OR he may work full-time for up to one year after graduation off-campus. The seminary has no obligation to hire any student.

Seminarians arriving in the US on a student visa must return to their native country after completion of their studies. This also applies to those students who withdraw from the Seminary before graduating. Applicants already in the United States on a visitor's visa must either return to their country of origin to obtain a student visa or themselves arrange their change of status. J-1 applicants in the US must apply to transfer their status to F-1. Students arriving in the US on a student visa are required return to their native countries after completion of their studies or apply for post-completion Optional Practical Training for the right to work in the United States and exclusively within the Church for up to one year. Those who withdraw from the Seminary before graduating must return to their native country.

Language of Instruction

All lectures are conducted primarily in English. In most cases, the course materials are available in both Russian and English. It is not required to have a basic knowledge of Russian prior to entering the Seminary's regular academic program, although it is very helpful and highly encouraged.

Entrance Examinations

At the beginning of the academic year, all new incoming students will take entrance examinations and complete orientation. The entrance examinations will assess the applicant's knowledge of Liturgics, English, Russian (if applicable), Church Slavonic, and principles of Orthodox Christianity. Students who have taken courses at other accredited institutions that correspond to courses offered at Holy Trinity Seminary must supply official transcripts to the Office of Admissions with their application in order to transfer applicable credits (see "Transfer of Credits" above).

Married Students

The Seminary cannot provide housing for married students. Students with families must obtain housing independently. Information concerning the off-campus housing options and housing costs will be provided to the interested students upon request.

Academic Policies

Seminary Year

In the course of the academic year, each semester consists of fourteen weeks of classes followed by a one-week examination period. The classes meet for two, three, or four hours a week, corresponding to the number of credit hours assigned to the course in the Seminary catalog. The fall semester usually begins after Labor Day in September and ends after the Feast of St Nicholas (December 6/19). The spring semester usually begins on the Monday after the Feast of Theophany (January 6/19) and ends with the Commencement ceremonies usually taking place during Memorial Day weekend in May or the following week. Classes do not meet on the days of the Great Feasts, during the First Week of Lent, Holy Week, and Bright Week, but the students are expected to attend liturgical services at Holy Trinity Monastery. The Nativity Break between semesters, lasting from two to three weeks, and Bright Week are considered vacation, during which the students may travel away from the Seminary.

Class Attendance

Students are expected to attend all classes for which they are registered. A student who is absent from class for any reason assumes responsibility for making up the work he has missed.

The Seminary reserves the right to enforce strict adherence to its absentee and tardiness policies. Students who cannot attend a class for an excusable reason (such as illness, family illness etc.) must notify the course instructor or the Office of the Dean prior to the beginning of the class, so that their absence can be considered excused. Excused absences do not affect a student's grade.

Two unexcused absences will result in the grade reduction for the course one half of a letter grade (e.g. A to A-, A- to B+, etc.), however, the final decision concerning grade reduction is the prerogative of the course instructor. Further absences will affect the final grade accordingly. A student whose attendance of the course is lower than

70% may receive the grade of FN (failure for non-attendance) with the approval of the instructor. A student may appeal the grade reduction for non-attendance by following the established procedures.

The instructors reserve the right to establish their own attendance and tardiness policies, as long as these do not substantially contradict the Seminary's policy. The instructors also reserve the right to exclude from a class session any student or auditor who demonstrates disruptive, rude, and disrespectful behaviour toward the instructor or his own peers and who interferes with the conduct of the class. The student who is excluded from a class session is marked as "absent."

Students who experience academic difficulties, fall ill, or have other concerns relating to their course of studies should consult the Office of the Dean, the Dean of Students, or their course instructor. The Seminary reserves the right to place on probation or administrative hold any student who has unfulfilled academic or financial obligation before the school. Similarly, the Seminary may apply disciplinary measures, up to suspension and dismissal, with respect to students who engage in such proscribed conduct, acts of dishonesty or continuing behavior that interferes with the well-being of other members of the Seminary or Monastery community.

Independent Study Option

Holy Trinity Seminary does not offer a separate distance-study program leading to the degree of Bachelor in Theology, but students do have the option of completing part of the course work for the B.Th. degree through approved independent-study courses, such as equivalent courses of the Certificate of Theological Studies. Not all courses have a self-study option. Students who wish to exercise this option must first obtain approval from the seminary administration. A student may not earn more than 60 credits by self-study in order to receive a diploma. Students who are in self-study status are required to be present during the entire exam period and take exams according to the regular exam schedule. A student must be on-campus during the fourth and final year of his studies in the B.Th. program.

Course Auditing

Non-degree-seeking students may register for a course as an auditor. Degree-seeking students may also do so if such option is provided by the instructor and the Office of the Dean. An auditor is expected to attend the class regularly and to complete such obligations as may be arranged with the instructor but does not receive academic credit for the course. The student must pay an established fee for the audited course, and the course will appear on the student's transcript (marked AU).

Grading System

Grade		Grade Points
A (Excellent)	4.0	93-100
A-	3.7	90-92
B+	3.3	87-89
B (Good)	3.0	83-86
B-	2.7	80-82
C+	2.3	77-79

C (Average).....	2.0.....	73-76
C-.....	1.7.....	70-72
D+.....	1.3.....	67-69
D (Lowest Passing Grade).....	1.0.....	65-66
D- (Failure).....	0.7.....	60-64
F (Failure).....	0.0.....	00-64
Inc (Incomplete).....	0.0.....	
W (Withdrawal).....	0.0.....	

A grade of ‘Incomplete’ (Inc) may remain on a student’s record for up to one semester following the semester in which it was received. In cases when course requirements have not been satisfactorily fulfilled by that time, an ‘Incomplete’ (Inc) automatically becomes a ‘Failure’ (F).

If at the end of the first semester of a student’s first year in seminary academic performance is unsatisfactory, consideration will be given either to placing the student on probation for the following semester or requiring him to withdraw from the Seminary. In cases when students are placed on probation, further advancement will depend on overall performance for the whole year.

Transcripts

The Registrar’s Office issues transcripts on request for a fee of \$5.00 per transcript. Although a student may request an unofficial copy for his own use, official transcripts are issued directly to other academic institutions. Requests for transcripts are not accepted by telephone. Written requests must include the following information: legal name, date of birth, place of birth, dates of attendance, date of graduation. All transcript requests need to be signed and dated. Faxed and scanned requests must be accompanied by electronic payment either through Populi or by with a credit card by phone. Transcript request forms can be obtained in the administrative offices or downloaded at http://hts.edu/files/admissions/transcript_request_form.pdf.

Transcripts will not be issued until the student has fulfilled all outstanding financial obligations to the Seminary. If an apostille is requested, the fee is \$75.

Reporting of Grades

A grade report is issued to all students at the end of each semester by the Dean’s office. In addition, students may view their grades through Populi, HTOS’ online management system. Academic advising to students whose progress falls below average is offered by the Dean or by the course instructors.

Academic Integrity

The learning environment at Holy Trinity Seminary is intended to be one of trust. Students are expected to adhere to academic conduct that honors this trust and respects the integrity of the academic community. Academic dishonesty, including cheating (on an examination or test), plagiarism and collusion, is a violation of this trust, and all instances of academic dishonesty will be thoroughly investigated and will result in academic sanctions.

Plagiarism is considered an even more egregious violation of trust and a moral, intellectual and academic offense, and all allegations of plagiarism will be rigorously investigated. All instances of academic dishonesty will be investigated by the faculty member who is the course instructor with the assistance of the Office of the Dean.

Repeated violations resulting in two letters of warning or reprimand will result in the imposition of a greater sanction after the third infraction. Moreover, in cases of repeated and blatant violations of the standards of academic integrity, the faculty member may request for additional sanction or sanctions to be imposed, including the letter of warning or reprimand, probation, suspension, notation in the student's file or expulsion from the Seminary. This decision will be subject to the discretion of the Dean and the Faculty Council.

Disciplinary Measures

Each student of Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary is required to abide by the rules and standards of conduct as set forth in the *Regulations of the Faculty Council* and the *Student Handbook*.

Any violation of the standards of conduct constitutes proscribed conduct. It may include rude, disrespectful, or unethical behaviour toward ecclesiastical authority, faculty, administration, or monastics; violation of the Seminary alcohol and substance abuse policy; sexual misconduct; harassment, bullying, and discrimination; criminal activity; insubordination to ecclesiastical authority, administration or faculty; public proclamation of teachings incompatible with the doctrine of the Church; or any other conduct unbecoming of a student of the Seminary or contrary to the best interests of the Seminary.

Any instance of proscribed behavior will be subject to an investigation by the Dean of Students and Student Affairs Committee, and its results will be reported to the Dean, who will make a decision concerning the matter. If a student does not accept the sanction imposed by the Dean, a formal hearing will follow, which may result in the imposition of one of the disciplinary sanctions, including a letter of warning or formal reprimand, probation, suspension, permanent notation in the student's file or expulsion from the Seminary. Repeated violations resulting in two letters of warning or reprimand will result in the imposition of a greater sanction after the third infraction.

A student can be suspended from the Seminary, pending the outcome of the investigation and/or hearing, if his presence on campus threatens the safety of other students, faculty, and Seminary and Monastery staff. Specific instances of proscribed conduct, including sexual misconduct, substance abuse, and criminal activity, will necessarily result in the student's suspension or expulsion from the Seminary after the first instance of such misconduct.

A student can be placed on probation pending the outcome of the investigation or hearing. A student can also be placed on probation if he has unfulfilled financial or academic obligations before the Seminary. If the outstanding obligations are not fulfilled within one semester, the Office of the Dean may place the student on administrative hold or recommend that he be dismissed from the Seminary.

Termination

In accordance to the established policies and procedures of the Seminary, a student may be dismissed (expelled) from the Seminary if found guilty of repeated and blatant violation of the standards of academic honesty and the standards of conduct. A student will be dismissed from the Seminary after the first proven instance of sexual misconduct, substance abuse, and criminal activity. A student may also be advised to withdraw from the Seminary if he fails to maintain a satisfactory academic record or demonstrates disruptive and immoral behaviour, thus showing a lack of diligence and aptitude for service to the Church.

Programs of Study

Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary offers one degree program of Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.) and three certificate programs: Certificate in Liturgical Music, Certificate of Theological Studies (CTS), and Certificate in Pastoral Studies (CPS). Students should note that enrollment in other than registered or otherwise approved programs may jeopardize a student's eligibility for certain student aid awards.

Bachelor of Theology Degree

The Bachelor of Theology (HEGIS 2301) is the standard, degree-seeking program offered at Holy Trinity Orthodox Seminary. This program lays a strong foundation for the study of theology by incorporating both basic courses in humanities and theological disciplines. The B.Th. program intends to prepare candidates for ordination by providing students with theological, liturgical, and pastoral training. Likewise, the program is intended to prepare choir directors and lay leaders for the service to the Orthodox Church.

Program Objectives

Holy Trinity Seminary identifies the following program objectives or learning outcomes, seeking to equip its B.Th. students, upon graduation, with the ability to:

- Read and interpret Holy Scriptures in the light of the Orthodox, patristic tradition to proclaim the Gospel with knowledge and understanding;
- Possess a broad knowledge of Orthodox Christian theology, history, and pastoral disciplines and learn to apply this learning in pastoral work;
- Acquire and develop an understanding of history, literature, philosophy, other humanities and cultural contexts through the theological perspective of the Orthodox Christian teaching;
- Have a thorough practical and theoretical knowledge of liturgical services of the Orthodox Church and be able to celebrate them “decently and in order” (1 Cor 14:40) in accordance with the Orthodox tradition;
- Have sufficient competence in Russian and Church Slavonic languages to be able to serve the bilingual communities of the Russian Church Abroad.

Degree Requirements

The degree of Bachelor of Theology is awarded annually at the close of the spring semester at the recommendation of the Faculty Council. The degree will be awarded upon the completion of the degree requirements which include:

1. Successful completion of a minimum of 120 credit hours in coursework and of all required courses with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 (C);
2. Successful completion of the B.Th. comprehensive examination;
3. Successful submission of a B.Th. thesis (see below);
4. Successful completion of the field education (practicum) component of the B.Th. curriculum;
5. A satisfactory record of attendance at church services as shown in the grade for Practical Liturgics.

Schedule of Courses

Note: For the description of courses and their designated credit hours, see “Description of Courses” below.

First Year

FALL (5 courses)

Russian 101
Church Music I
Church Slavonic I
Foundations of Theology I
English 107

SPRING (5 courses)

Russian 102
Church Music II
Church Slavonic II
Foundations of Theology II
Russian History

Second Year**FALL (6 courses)**

Russian 201
Church Slavonic III
Liturgics I
World History
Russian Literature
Russian Church History I

SPRING (6 courses)

Russian 202
Biblical Archeology
Liturgics II
History of Philosophy
Russian Church History II

Third Year**FALL (5 courses)**

Russian 301
Byzantine Philosophy
Old Testament I
New Testament I
Biblical & Lit. Greek I

SPRING (5 courses)

Russian 302
Dogmatic Theology
Old Testament II
New Testament II
Biblical & Lit. Greek II

Fourth Year**FALL (6 courses)**

Pastoral Theology I
Church History I
Liturgical Theology
Patrology
Canon Law
Homiletics I
Field Ed. Requirement

SPRING (5 courses)

Pastoral Theology II
Church History II
Comparative Theology
Moral Theology
Homiletics II
Thesis

Comprehensive Examination

In the spring semester of their final year of studies, all B.Th. students must pass a comprehensive examination, comprising both written and oral components. The comprehensive examination is meant to assess a student's knowledge of theological disciplines and practical liturgics and his ability to use this knowledge in pastoral situations. Successful completion of the comprehensive examination is required for graduation from the Seminary.

Thesis

In their final year of studies, all B.Th. students are required to complete a B.Th. thesis, no less than 30 pages in length. A B.Th. thesis normally constitutes an extended research paper on one of the areas in Orthodox theology: church history, liturgics or pastoral practice. The topic of the thesis is determined by the agreement between a student and his chosen thesis advisor. The thesis topic should be clearly indicated on the Thesis Approval Form,

submitted to the Office of the Dean and bearing the signatures of the thesis advisor and of the Dean of the Seminary. The student should be working on his thesis under the direction of his thesis advisor, adhering to the deadlines and the Seminary's policies concerning the completion of the thesis. The final copy of the thesis must conform to the Thesis Stylesheet approved by the Dean.

Two hard bound copies of the final version of the B.Th. thesis must be submitted to the Office of the Dean no later than the last day of classes for the spring semester. The copies of the thesis shall be distributed to the thesis advisor and the second reader who will read the thesis and issue their grades. The student's thesis grade will be recorded in his transcript.

Graduation

The degrees and certificates are awarded by the Board of Trustees at the recommendation of the Faculty Council. All degrees and certificates are issued at the Commencement ceremony that takes place at the end of the academic year. No degrees or certificates shall be awarded if a student has unfulfilled academic or financial obligations before the Seminary. Before his graduation, a student is also required to submit a certificate showing no outstanding obligations before the Seminary Library.

Graduation Honors. At the recommendation of the Faculty Council, a student of a graduating class may be awarded honors together with his B.Th. degree. The graduation honors are awarded on the basis of the cumulative grade point average resulting from the coursework this student has completed at the Seminary and are as follows:

- B.Th. *cum laude* is awarded to a student with a cumulative GPA between 3.50 and 3.74;
- B.Th. *magna cum laude* is awarded to a student with a cumulative GPA between 3.75 and 3.89;
- B.Th. *summa cum laude* is awarded to a student with a cumulative GPA between 3.9 and 4.0.

Upon its awarding, the graduation honors will be added to the student's transcript. Transfer students will constitute a special category with regard to honors at graduation: their designation for honors will be based solely on work completed at the Seminary. Students in the Certificate programs are not awarded honors or citations at Commencement.

Commendation for Thesis: The Faculty Council may also decide to award a "commendation for the thesis" honor for a B.Th. thesis of an outstanding quality based on the recommendation of the thesis advisor confirmed by the second reader of the thesis.

Valedictorian: A valedictorian is a B.Th. student from the graduating class who is given an honor to speak in the name of his class at the Commencement ceremony. The Faculty Council bestows this honor upon a B.Th. student who has completed all the degree requirements and has the highest cumulative grade point average in his class and showed excellence in all other aspects of the Seminary life.

Withholding a Degree: The Faculty Council may resolve to withhold a degree from a graduating student if there is a pending investigation or hearing concerning suspected instance of dishonesty or proscribed conduct or if such investigation or hearing has shown that the degree candidate was guilty of dishonesty or proscribed conduct.

Postponed Graduation: The Faculty Council may also resolve to postpone the awarding of the degree to a student of a graduating class if the student has unfulfilled academic, financial or other obligations before the Seminary. At its discretion, the Faculty Council may decide to allow this student to participate in the Commencement Ceremonies as a member of the graduating class but without the awarding of the diploma.

Description of Courses

Note: The course offerings below are applicable for the Bachelor of Theology and the Certificate in Pastoral Studies programs. For the course offerings for the Certificate in Liturgical Music and the Certificate in Theological Studies, see the relevant sections of this Catalog.

FIRST YEAR

Russian 101-102

Credits: 3 credits/semester

Dr. Elena Nelson

Russian 101-102 function as a comprehensive program for the study of Russian language and culture. The course focuses on proficiency in the following skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing, as well as on the building blocks of grammar and vocabulary. The course is taught with a communicative, process-oriented approach in compliance with ACTFL's Oral Proficiency Guidelines and the 5C's of the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning.

Church Slavonic 105-106

Credits: 3 credits/semester

The Rev. Protodeacon Victor Lochmatow/Dr Elena Nelson

The course introduces students to Church Slavonic alphabet and numerical system. Upon the development of initial vocabulary, the students are engaged in intensive practice in reading with reference to English translations to develop comprehension.

English 107

Credits: 4 credits

Mr. Edward F. Novis

English Composition and Literature. This is a first-year college-level English course that integrates literature and composition. The course includes a survey of English literature, which the students access through close reading and analysis of a selection of representative texts. The students will also be taught different modes of writing, with special emphasis on developing a thesis and on the formal rules of English grammar.

Church Music 111

Credits: 3 credits

Mr. Nicholas Kotar/Staff

The course introduces students to the basics of Orthodox ecclesiastical musicianship, focusing on the memorization of the eight tones and basic principles of voice production.

Church Music 112

Credits: 3 credits

Mr. Nicholas Kotar/Staff

The course is an introduction to the advanced level of Orthodox Christian musicianship. The course introduces the students to the principles of church choir conducting, square notation, and special melodies (podobny). The course also includes the survey of the history of sacred music with emphasis on the style and practice of the Russian Church.

Prerequisite: Church Music 111.

Russian History 122

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Deacon Andrei Psarev

This course offers a survey of the history of Russia from the beginning of the Russian state to the modern period. The course specifically focuses on the period of the Tatar yoke, the Time of Troubles, the development of the Muscovite state, and the reforms of Peter the Great. The course concludes with the analysis of the Revolution of 1917, the Civil War, and the impact of the Revolution on the Russian people and culture, including the Russian diaspora.

Foundations of Theology 149

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. John Malcom

The course offers an introduction to the principles of Orthodox theology and spiritual life for the first-year students. The course includes a survey of the Scriptures, sacred history, basic catechism, structure and content of the divine services, and the foundations of spirituality.

Foundations of Theology 162

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. John Malcom

Orthodox Apologetics. The course explores the defense of fundamental teachings of the Orthodox faith in response to challenges from heterodox traditions, modern atheism and secularism. The course also explores the general principles of religious studies, including the substance of religion, existence of God, immortality of the soul, and the teaching on revelation.

Prerequisite: Foundations of Theology 149.

Church Slavonic 205

Credits: 3 credits

Dr. Elena Nelson

This is a practical course that trains students to articulate and understand Church Slavonic liturgical texts. Students learn vocabulary items and master fundamental grammar topics in the context of authentic liturgical texts. Special attention is given to festal troparia and Gospel readings, which are often presented in an order that corresponds to the Orthodox liturgical calendar. Students also memorize basic Church Slavonic prayers.

Prerequisite: Church Slavonic 105-106.

English as Second Language 207E, 208E, 307E, 308E

Ms. Lauren Jedlan

This remedial course covers English vocabulary, conversation, writing, and grammar and is designed for students who are not native English speakers and who have passed the TOEFL with a score of 76 or higher but are not yet prepared for English 107.

SECOND YEAR

Russian 201-202

Credits: 3 credits

Dr. Elena Nelson

Russian 201 and 202 follow from 101/102 in continuing to develop proficiency in the following skills: listening, reading, speaking, and writing, as well as on the building blocks of grammar and vocabulary. Russian 201/201, taught primarily in Russian, function as a comprehensive program for the study of Russian language and culture. The course is taught with a communicative, process-oriented approach in compliance with ACTFL's Oral Proficiency Guidelines and the 5C's of the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning.

Prerequisite: Russian 101-102.

Church Slavonic 206

Credits: 3 credits

Dr. Elena Nelson

This is a practical course that trains students to articulate and understand Church Slavonic liturgical texts. Students' learn vocabulary items and master fundamental grammar topics in the context of authentic liturgical texts. Special attention is given to festal troparia and Gospel readings, which are often presented in an order that corresponds to the Orthodox liturgical calendar. Students also memorize basic Church Slavonic prayers.

Prerequisite: Church Slavonic 205.

World History and Civilization 213

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Deacon Andrei Psarev

The course offers a survey of ancient and medieval history, with emphasis on the pivotal events, processes and attitudes in Byzantium from 313 to 1453, including discussions of philosophy, Church art and literature. This course provides a foundation for the study of Church History by focusing on socio-political events in the history of Eastern Roman Empire.

Russian Literature 216

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Protodeacon Victor Lochmatow

The course is an introductory survey of Russian literature, both ecclesiastical and secular, from the baptism of Russia to the "Golden Age" classical Russian authors. Specific focus is made on the 18th-19th century writers and major literary trends of this period. The classical Russian writers and poets are given special attention, including Pushkin, Gogol, Lermontov, Dostoevsky, and Tolstoy.

Russian Church History 225

Credits: 3 credits

The Rev. Deacon Andrei Psarev

Russian Church History I. This course is a survey of the history of the Russian Church from the baptism of Rus until the Old Believer Schism of the 17th century. The primary sources on the Russian church history are studied, and specific turning points are discussed, including the church under the Kievan State and the Tatar Yoke, the establishment of the Moscow Patriarchate, and the reforms of Patriarch Nikon.

Prerequisite: Russian History 122.

Russian Church History 226

Credits: 3 credits

The Rev. Deacon Andrei Psarev

Russian Church History II. The course offers a survey of the history of the Russian Church from the beginning of the Synodal period until the modern period. The status of the Russian church from Peter the Great until the Revolution of 1917 is given detailed attention. The latter part of the course offers an in-depth study of the major turning points in the history of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside of Russia.

Prerequisite: Russian Church History 225.

Biblical Archeology 220

Credits: 2 credits

The Very Rev. Hegumen Theophylact (Clapper-Dewell)

The goal of the course is to familiarize the students with the history and culture of the Biblical world and to enhance their understanding of the context Old and New Testaments and of the meaning of the Holy Scriptures.

Liturgics 241

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Deacon Peter Markevich

The course offers an introduction to the structure, organization, and celebration of the liturgical services of the Orthodox Church. The course overviews the structure of liturgical year, as well as the development and the received form of Matins, Vespers, Hours, and All-Night Vigil.

Liturgics 242

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Deacon Peter Markevich

The course offers an introduction to the structure, organization, and celebration of the services of the Orthodox Church, specifically focusing on the divine liturgies of St John Chrysostom, St Basil the Great, and the Presanctified Gifts. The services of the Lenten and Paschal cycle are also studied, as well as the celebration of other sacraments and rites described in the Book of Needs.

Prerequisite: Liturgics 241.

Philosophy 266

Credits: 2 credits

Mr. Edward F. Novis

History of Philosophy. This course is a historical overview of the major philosophies developed from ancient Greece to contemporary Europe. Topics, such as humanity, the cosmos, and divinity, will be traced through a chronological study of individual philosophers and their understanding of these concepts.

THIRD YEAR

Russian 301-302

Credits: 3 credits/semester

Dr. Elena Nelson

Russian III. Conducted primarily in Russian, this course focuses on discussion, reading, vocabulary acquisition, and grammar review. The course is taught with a communicative, process-oriented approach in compliance with ACTFL's Oral Proficiency Guidelines and the 5C's of the National Standards for Foreign Language Learning.

Prerequisite: Russian 101-102, Russian 201-202.

Biblical and Liturgical Greek 311

Credits: 3 credits

The Very Rev. Hegumen Cyprian (Alexandrou)

Biblical and Liturgical Greek I. Introduction to Biblical and Liturgical Greek grammar and vocabulary, with emphasis on translation and exegesis. Texts include excerpts from Gospels, Acts, Epistles, Genesis, Exodus, Psalms, and Prophecies, as well as the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom and other material from the Divine Services.

Biblical and Liturgical Greek 312

Credits: 3 credits

The Very Rev. Hegumen Cyprian (Alexandrou)

Biblical and Liturgical Greek II. Introduction to Biblical and Liturgical Greek grammar and vocabulary, with emphasis on translation and exegesis. Texts include excerpts from Gospels, Acts, Epistles, Genesis, Exodus, Psalms, and Prophecies, as well as the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom and other material from the Divine Services.

Prerequisite: Greek 311.

Old Testament 331

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Protopresbyter Peter A. Heers

Pentateuch and Historical Books. The course introduces students to the books of the Scriptures of the Old Testament, focusing specifically on the structure, history, content, composition, and patristic exegesis of the Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy) and the historical books of the Bible.

Old Testament 332

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Protopresbyter Peter A. Heers

Prophets and Writings. The course introduces students to the books of the Old Testament Scriptures, focusing specifically on the structure, history, content, composition, and patristic interpretation of the Psalms, ethical books (Proverbs, Wisdom of Solomon, etc.), and the books of the Prophets. The messianic theme in the Prophets (esp. Isaiah) and the liturgical use of the Old Testament Scriptures are given special attention.

Prerequisite: Old Testament 331.

New Testament 333

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Protopresbyter Peter A. Heers

Gospels and Acts of the Apostles. The course introduces the students into the study of the canonical Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles, particularly focusing on the role and the reception of the Gospels in the liturgical, theological, and spiritual life of the Church. The course studies historical, literary, and theological aspects of the individual books of the New Testament, showing the relationships between the texts in presenting the unique theological vision of the Person of our Lord Jesus Christ.

New Testament 334

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Protopresbyter Peter A. Heers

Epistles and Revelation. The course introduces the students into the study of the Epistles of St. Paul, General Epistles, and the Revelation (Apocalypse) of St. John, particularly focusing on the role and the reception of these writings in the liturgical, theological, and spiritual life of the Church. The course studies historical, literary, and theological aspects of these books of the New Testament.

Prerequisite: New Testament 333.

Dogmatic Theology 352

Credits: 4 credits

Dr. Vitaly Permiakov

This course is an introduction to the system of dogmatic theology of the Orthodox Church. The course will focus on the exposition of the Orthodox doctrine concerning Scripture and tradition, the knowledge of God, Trinitarian

theology, Christology, and ecclesiology. The goal of the course is to acquaint the students with the richness and depth of the Orthodox theological thought, enabling them to proclaim their faith with knowledge and understanding.

Philosophy 365

Credits: 2 credits

Mr. Edward F. Novis

Byzantine Philosophy. The course introduces students to the basic philosophical apparatus necessary to understand Byzantine theology and culture. The course thoroughly studies the philosophical works of Nemesius of Emesa (c. 390) and St John of Damascus (d. 749), supplementing those works with the works of other Church Fathers who utilized the Byzantine philosophical framework.

Prerequisite: Philosophy 266.

FOURTH YEAR

Homiletics 417-418

Credits: 1 credit

The Very Rev. Archpriest Gregory Naumenko

This two-semester course, supplemental to Pastoral Theology 453-454, introduces the students to the theoretical aspects and technique of Orthodox Christian preaching. The course includes the study of different forms of sermons, as well as hallmarks of Orthodox patristic oratory.

Church History 419

Credits: 3 credits

The Rev. John Malcom

Early Christianity and Byzantine Church. The course traces the development of the Church from the New Testament period until the end of the Byzantine period (1453). The study focuses on the history and theology of the seven Ecumenical Councils and the Schism of 1054. The establishment and historical role of the Patriarchate of Constantinople is also addressed in this course.

Church History 420

Credits: 3 credits

The Rev. John Malcom

Orthodox Church in the Modern Period. The course examines the history and development of Orthodox churches after the fall of Byzantium in 1453 until the modern times. The course explores the relations between the Church and state, the struggle against Papal expansion, and the response of Orthodoxy to the challenges of the Reformation.

Prerequisite: Church History 419.

Canon Law 425

Credits: 4 credits

The Rev. Deacon Andrei Psarev

The course introduces students to the fundamentals of Orthodox canon law with a focused discussion of the canonical sources concerning Orthodox ecclesiology, the sacrament of marriage, and the ecclesiastical court.

Patrology 435

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Archimandrite Luke (Murianka)

Early and Byzantine Fathers. A study of Apostolic Fathers, Apologists, and major fathers of the fourth century through their works, biography, teachings, and influence. Students will also study the ascetical writers, the rise of monasticism, the fathers of the Byzantine period, and the Russian fathers up to the present day.

Liturgical Theology 443

Credits: 4 credits

Dr. Vitaly Permiakov

This course interprets “liturgical theology” as the study of historical and theological meaning of liturgical rites achieved through the close reading of patristic and liturgical sources. The course focuses on the reading and discussion of primary and secondary texts, illuminating the early history and formation of the Orthodox Christian liturgy in the Byzantine tradition.

Prerequisite: Liturgics 241-242.

Comparative Theology 448

Credits: 4 credits

Dr. Vitaly Permiakov

The course offers a comparative survey of major religious denominations, focusing on their historical origins and basic theological principles. In particular, the course studies the origins and doctrinal tenets of Non-Chalcedonian Christianity, Roman Catholicism, and the most important branches of Protestantism. The course also introduces students to major non-Christian religions: Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism.

Pastoral Theology 453

Credits: 3 credits

The Very Rev. Archpriest Gregory Naumenko

The course acquaints students with the traditional teaching of the Orthodox Church concerning pastorship, especially focusing on the ideal of the pastor as presented in the Scriptures and Fathers and on the duties and problems of pastoral ministry. The relationship between pastor and parish are thoroughly examined.

Pastoral Theology 454

Credits: 3 credits

The Very Rev. Archpriest Gregory Naumenko

The course, continuing further the exploration of the themes of Pastoral Theology 453, seeks to teach the students theological perspectives and practical skills to equip them for their future pastoral ministry in a parish.

Prerequisite: Pastoral Theology 453.

Moral Theology 456

Credits: 4 credits

The Very Rev. Protopresbyter George D. Dragas

This course is an examination of the dogmatic principles of moral theology from the perspective of the teaching of the Church Fathers. The concepts of moral law, virtue, sin, and the Christian relationship with self, family, neighbour, and the state are explored from the patristic and ecclesiological point of view.

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Certificate in Liturgical Music

A Certificate program in Liturgical Music (HEGIS 5610) has as its purpose the training of choir directors, readers, singers, and musicians in the tradition of liturgical music of the Russian Orthodox Church. The program is offered annually in the summer, usually during the first weeks of July.

Course requirements: The full course of study required for the awarding of the Certificate consists of three summer sessions, during which the students take courses in musical theory and musicianship, study the history of Russian Orthodox musical tradition, and receive practical training as choir directors, readers or singers. A non-certification track is offered to those who seek enrichment in the area of Russian Orthodox music and do not intend to become choir directors.

Description of Courses (Certificate in Liturgical Music)

History of Russian Church Music

Credits: 2 credits

Elena Perekrestov

A survey of Russian sacred music from the 10th through the 20th centuries.

Music Theory and Musicianship

Credits: 2 credits

Dr. Kurt Sander

A presentation of the basic elements of music theory to help students understand and analyze a musical composition.

Choir Conducting Techniques and Practicum

Credits: 2 credits

Mr. Nikolay Myshkin/Ms. Lyubov Temnova

This course deals with the three main elements of choral sonority, ensemble, intonation, and nuances, and provides guidelines to singers for mastering choral singing techniques.

Voice Class

Credits: 2 credits

Ms. Irina Mozyleva

Students learn the basic principles of breath support, head and chest resonance, articulation, and phonation as they apply to Russian choral church singing.

Liturgical Performance Practice

Credits: 2 credits

The Very Rev. Archpriest Andre Papkov/Ms. Lyubov Temnova

Students learn the various aspects of kliros singing, the problems relating to this, and their solutions. They also become proficient in the eight-tone system and its use in the Russian Church.

Church Slavonic

Credits: 2 credits

Elena Perekrestov/Dr. Elena Nelson

This course is designed to give students a working knowledge of the liturgical language of the Orthodox Slavs in the standard recension of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Liturgics for Choir Directors

Credits: 2 credits

Mr. Aleksandr Andreev

This course is an overview of the history, structure, and meaning of the liturgical cycle of the Russian Orthodox Church based upon the Jerusalem Typicon.

Contact Information: For more detailed information visit www.hts.edu and view “academics” or directly: <http://sslm.hts.edu/index.php>. The program staff can be contacted via email address musicschool@msn.com.

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Certificate in Theological Studies

The Certificate in Theological Studies (HEGIS 5623) is an independent study program designed for Orthodox Christian clergy and laity who wish to broaden their knowledge of the history, theology, and pastoral practice of the Orthodox Church but are unable to enroll in the full course of study at the Seminary. Through independent study, the students acquire competence in Orthodox theology and other disciplines in order to enrich their ecclesial and spiritual life and to apply this learning to the proclamation of the Gospel. The independent study courses can be taken in either Russian or English, and the course materials are available in both languages.

Course Requirements: The Certificate in Theological Studies program requires the completion of 24 credit hours accomplished over four semesters of independent study, normally with four courses taken per semester. Each course requires an independent completion of assigned readings, a final essay, and a written examination.

Course Procedures: At the beginning of each semester students have access to course information through Populi, including syllabi with essay topics and book lists, study guides, instructor contact information, related materials, and helpful web links. A student may request a hard copy of course materials that will be sent by mail. Textbooks may be obtained through the Monastery Bookstore at bookstore.jordanville.org, by calling (315) 858-3817 during business hours, or by e-mail at bookstore@jordanville.org.

Examinations: Certificate students are expected to take their examinations during the final examination periods at the Seminary twice a year. Exams may be taken in person at the Seminary or online. Before admittance to exams, students submit course papers to the course instructor. Ideally, a student will complete four courses in a semester, but students may sign up for a part-time load, no less than one course per semester. The application process is the same for certificate students as it is for full-time students, except that a student may apply at any time and begin either in the fall or in the spring semester.

Description of Courses (Certificate in Theological Studies)

First Semester

Principles of the Orthodox Faith 149C

Credits: 2 credits

This course is an introduction to the divine services, a survey of sacred history and basic catechism, and a study of the daily prayers and basic elements of spiritual life.

Old Testament 231C

Credits: 2 credits

This course is an introduction to the study of the Holy Scriptures of the Old Testament's Pentateuch (first five books of Moses) and the historical books through the lens of Orthodox Tradition, Patristic writings, and secondary sources.

New Testament 333C**Credits: 2 credits**

This course is an introduction to the Gospels, providing students with an interpretation, a guide to the individual peculiarities, and a detailed chronological study of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as related by the four evangelists.

Liturgics 341C**Credits: 2 credits**

This course provides an introduction to the divine services, cycles of the Church year, church structure, clerical vestments, order of services, major liturgical writers, and the development and present-day form of matins, vespers, vigil service, and hours.

Second Semester

Old Testament 331C**Credits: 2 credits**

This course is an introduction to the study of the Holy Scriptures of the Old Testament's Wisdom and Prophetical books through the lens of Orthodox Tradition, Patristic writings, and secondary sources.

New Testament 433C**Credits: 2 credits**

This course studies the Book of Acts, Epistles, and Revelation, investigating authorship, purpose, and time of writing. A historical background is provided.

Liturgics 441C**Credits: 2 credits**

Students learn about the the Divine Liturgy, studying its formation and present structure, Lenten and Paschal services, Sacraments, and the Book of Needs.

Comparative Theology 557C**Credits: 2 credits**

An introduction to comparative theology, students study and evaluate major denominations and sects.

Third Semester

Patrology 435C**Credits: 2 credits**

Students study the Apostolic Fathers, apologists, and major Fathers of the fourth century, investigating their works, biography, teachings, and influence.

Dogmatic Theology 451C**Credits: 2 credits**

This course is an introduction to Dogmatic Theology, where students learn the dogma of faith, sources of dogma, and an outline of Orthodox Christian theology.

Pastoral Theology 453C

Credits: 2 credits

Studying traditional pastoral teaching, students learn to become ideal pastors by understanding his his duties, challenges, and elationship to his parish.

Canon Law 525C

Credits: 2 credits

This course provides students with the fundamentals of Orthodox Canon Law and an introduction to Orthodox ecclesiology, the Sacrament of marriage, and the Church court.

Fourth Semester

Canon Law 526C

Credits: 2 credits

A continuation of 525C, this course deepens students' knowledge of the fundamentals of Orthodox Canon Law, Orthodox ecclesiology, the Sacrament of marriage, and the Church court.

Patrology 535C

Credits: 2 credits

This course is a study of ascetical writers, the rise of monasticism, the Fathers of the Byzantine period, and the Russian fathers up to the present day.

Dogmatic Theology 551C

Credits: 2 credits

Students study the the Church of Christ on earth, the Sacraments, prayer, and new movements in Russian theology in the light of the Orthodox Christian Faith.

Moral Theology 555C

Credits: 2 credits

Students study dogmatic principles of moral theology: moral law, virtue, sin, the Church, and a Christian's obligations to self, family, neighbor, and the state.

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Certificate in Pastoral Studies

The Certificate in Pastoral Studies (HEGIS 5623) is designed for the Orthodox Christians who wish to undergo theological, spiritual, and pastoral formation in preparation for the service to the Orthodox Church but cannot or are unwilling to enroll in a full Bachelor of Theology program. The objective of the program is to provide basic theological and pastoral training to the candidates wishing to serve the Orthodox Church as priests, deacons, minor clergy or lay leaders or to those who wish to enrich their theological education and ecclesial life.

Application Requirements: Application requirements and tuition are the same as for the Bachelor of Theology. All classes are taught in English and must be completed on-campus, and a distance study option is not provided.

Course Requirements: The program requires a completion of 68 credit hours, normally over the course of four semesters. The courses constituting the Certificate program include survey courses in the Scriptures, liturgics, systematic theology, and church history. The language courses are not required by this program.

Schedule of Courses (Certificate in Pastoral Studies):

First Year

FALL (4 courses)

BIBLE-331 Old Testament I
 BIBLE-333 New Testament I
 PATR-435 Patrology
 LITURG-241 Liturgics I

SPRING (4 courses)

BIBLE-332 Old Testament II
 BIBLE-334 New Testament II
 THEO-352 Dogmatic Theology
 LITURG-242 Liturgics II

Second Year

FALL (5 courses)

HIST-419 Church History I
 THEO-453 Pastoral Theology I
 THEO-443 Liturgical Theology
 THEO-425 Canon Law
 THEO-417 Homiletics I

SPRING (6 courses)

HIST-420 Church History II
 THEO-454 Pastoral Theology II
 THEO-456 Moral Theology
 THEO-448 Comparative Theology
 HIST-226 Russian Church History II
 THEO-418 Homiletics II

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Alumni Association

The HTOS Alumni Association is the association of the graduates of the Seminary, which serves to advance the mission of the Seminary and to support brotherly ties and fellowship among the Seminary graduates. It assists the Board of Trustees in promoting interest and securing financial commitment to the Seminary for the advancement of its mission. Any alumnus who holds a degree or a certificate from the Seminary is by default a member of the Alumni Association.

The Alumni Association gathers for its meetings and retreats at least once a year. Its work is directed by the Alumni Association Board. The President of the Alumni Association represents the Seminary alumni on the Seminary's Board of Trustees.

Alumni Data

Entering Cohort Year	Entering Cohort Number	Graduates	Graduation Rate	Job Placement Rate	Graduate School Enrollment

2010	12	6	50%	67% known	0 known
2009	12	6	50%	67% known	0 known
2008	10	5	50%	80%	20%
2007	4 (plus three transfer)	3 (3-transfer)	75% (100% transfer)	33% known (66%known)	33%
2006	5	5	100%	60% known	20%

Library and Archives

The Library currently holds over 40,000 cataloged volumes as well as approximately 20,000 still lacking electronic bibliographic description. The library subscribes to roughly 50 current periodicals, and combined with the collection of periodicals housed in the archives, has a significant research collection relating to Russian Orthodoxy and the history of the Russian emigration. The library serves the needs of the Seminary faculty, students, and monastic brotherhood as well as the neighbouring Russian Orthodox community.

About half of the print collection is in Russian or Slavonic, approximately half of which is considered unique and includes rare pre-revolutionary theological, historical and other titles as well as interwar émigré publications. The collection concentrates on all areas of Slavic and Orthodox studies.

Access to the Seminary and Monastery Archives is limited and requires a prior appointment and approval by the Curator. Approximately one-third of the archives have been microfilmed and are available for use by researchers in the Research Reading Room.

Applications for access to collections and research queries should be directed to the Curator. The inquiries concerning the catalog, periodical collections, and Interlibrary Loan (ILL) requests should be directed to the Seminary Librarian or library staff.

Foundation of Russian History Staff:

Michael Perekrestov, *Director, Curator of the Collections*

James Volmensky, *Archivist*

Andrei Lyubimov, *Library Manager*

Seminary Library Hours (During Fall and Spring Semester):

Monday- Thursday 1:00- 7:00 PM

Friday 1:00- 4:00 PM

Saturday 1:00- 3:00 PM

The Library is closed on Sundays and Church feast days.

Lectures, Conferences, and Colloquia

Holy Trinity Seminary frequently features guest speakers and hosts regular academic colloquia and conferences, which usually take place in the early fall. The conferences deal with subjects related to Orthodox theology, church history, and the broader field of Russian Studies. Leading scholars from around the world participate alongside the faculty and students of the Seminary.

Facilities

Dean Nicholas N. Alexandrov Building: This is the main seminary building which houses classrooms, administrative and faculty offices, the Seminary Hall, the library, museum, and archives.

Seminary Dormitory: This historic building housed the entire monastery prior to building Holy Trinity Cathedral and the monastic brotherhood building. The first classes were conducted here. Currently this building is used exclusively as a seminary dormitory

Holy Trinity Cathedral: A gem of Russian Orthodox Architecture and iconography, the cathedral has two churches which are used at different times of year.

Monastery Trapeza: Seminarians join with the monastic brotherhood for common meals. Lunchtime is the main meal and a time for the entire community to share a meal, news, and solidarity.

For more a more complete description of facilities, see www.hts.edu/facilities.html.

How to Reach the Seminary

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By air:

SYRACUSE AIRPORT–Taxi to Syracuse bus depot (about a 10-minute ride). Bus to Utica.

Bus to Mohawk. Taxi to Monastery (15-minute ride).

By train or by bus:

UTICA–Order a ticket to Richfield Springs (Adirondack Trailways), from there take a taxi to the Monastery.

By car:

THRUWAY–Exit 30 (Herkimer). Route 28 (South). Take Route 28, turn left at Jordanville Road. The Monastery is about a mile past Jordanville, to the left side of Route 167.

ROUTE 20–To Richfield Springs, then Route 167 (North) at Richfield Springs. Monastery is about a mile past Jordanville.