



CANYON HILLS

SCHOOL OF MINISTRY

2010/2011 ACADEMIC CATALOG





INTRODUCTION

CANYON HILLS SCHOOL OF MINISTRY [a ministry of Canyon Hills Community Church] is a Bible-centered evangelical institution of Christian studies with a primary goal of educating and equipping Christian lay people for various Christian ministries both inside and outside the church. The vision and commitment of CHSM is to serve the greater evangelical community, creating a diverse student body that offers a vibrant learning environment.

Canyon Hills School of Ministry is committed to historic, biblical Christianity. The school will faithfully uphold the inerrancy of Holy Scripture and accept as truth and without reservation all matters about which the Bible speaks—maintaining the belief that it is imperative to possess a faithful understanding of God’s Word and to apply its message in all aspects of life.

The decision to pursue a biblical and theological education is an important one. Whatever your calling in life, we know that, as you pursue your education at the Canyon Hills School of Ministry, you will be rewarded with a practical biblical education that will enhance your ability to lead with faithfulness, humility, intelligence, and wisdom—all to the glory to God!

Welcome to the Canyon Hills School of Ministry. May God bless you richly in your studies.

▼ Mission Statement

Canyon Hills School of Ministry exists to advance the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ by equipping godly men and women for service to Christ in the home, world, and church. This is to be accomplished through educational excellence and an environment which emphasizes making more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

▼ Educational Philosophy

Canyon Hills School of Ministry is committed to spiritual excellence in an academic environment. This is to be achieved through the worship of God, submission to the authority of Holy Scripture, a life of personal holiness, the priority of the local church and the mission of penetrating the world with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

▼ The Importance of the Scriptures at CHSM

Instructors are concerned for the students' academic pursuit of knowledge in biblical, theological and ministerial disciplines. Along with maintaining high academic standards in the teaching-learning process, the instructors also are to minister to the personal and spiritual needs of the students, with the goal of fostering spiritual growth through interaction with divine truths.

▼ Our Dependence on God's Gifts of Grace

Since communication of God's truth is a divine-human process in which the instructor seeks to impart God's truths to and in the lives of students, both instructors and students need to depend on God in the teacher-learning process. The divine-human process adds an essential spiritual dimension and dynamic to the classroom curriculum and provides a unique climate and a distinctive theological education.

▼ Student and Instructor Interaction

Instructors actively involve their students in the education and training process. This is accomplished through numerous means such as lectures, note-taking, discussions, exegetical papers, examinations, readings, instructor-student dialogues, etc.. These help foster maximum learning in a Christian academic environment. Instructors are required to be committed to these principles.

▼ Code of Conduct

Canyon Hills School of Ministry is a ministry of Canyon Hills Community Church; as such, is subject to the policies, procedure, bylaws and Elders of Canyon Hills Community Church. Instructors and students are expected to live a life that reflects a firm commitment to Jesus Christ and the Word of God. Canyon Hills School of Ministry expects tangible evidence of ethical, mature Christian character in the church, community, and the classroom.

▼ Curriculum

Canyon Hills School of Ministry's curriculum is rooted in a commitment to the absolute and verbal inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, the original documents of which are inerrant as to fact and infallible as to truth. Through its curriculum CHSM remains committed to providing a theological and biblical education to last a lifetime.

Students should gain the following:

- † An introduction to the breadth of learning in the Christian tradition;
- † An ability to think biblically, logically, analytically, and independently within the Christian tradition;
- † An ability to understand the inter-relationships among the various fields of biblical and theological studies and the significance one discipline has for another;
- † An ability to communicate clearly, effectively, and compassionately, both orally and in writing;
- † An ability to maintain a spiritually vital and edifying corporate life of worship and service that encourages the formation of disciplined and mature Christian character.
- † An ideal of leadership and life-style that accurately reflects the example of Jesus Christ.



INSTRUCTORS**Pastor Steve Walker**

Senior Pastor Canyon Hills Community Church (1995-)
D.Min, Northwest Graduate School

Pastor Jim Sewell

Executive Pastor Canyon Hills Community Church (2000-)
B.A., National University; M.A., National University; M.A., Liberty University

Pastor Mark Barrett

Pastor of Biblical Studies Canyon Hills Community Church (2009-)
B.A., New England College; M.Div., Faith Evangelical Seminary

Pastor Ben Marshall

Professor of Counseling Canyon Hills Community Church (2008-)
B.A., Saint Martin's College; M.A., the Master's College;
NANC Certified Counselor

Bob Twaddle

New Testament Studies Canyon Hills School of Ministry
B. A. Cal Poly., M.Div. Western Seminary Portland, Oregon

Dr. Jay E. Thompson

Professor of Church History Faith Seminary (1996-)
B.A., Western Washington University; M.A.R., Western Evangelical Seminary;
Ph.D., University of California-Berkeley

COST

CLASS FEE - \$40.00 + books/materials
REGISTRATION FEE (Certificate Students only) - \$25.00

DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

Please reference the "We Believe" tab on the Canyon Hills Community Church web site: www.canyonhillscommunitychurch.com.

SUMMARY OF CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

- Certificate of Christian Ministry
- Certificate of Biblical Counseling

▼ Overview

Canyon Hills School of Ministry offers two separate two-year Bible Certificate's of Christian Ministry and Biblical Counseling for those who desire a higher level of Christian education, but do not have time to pursue an advanced degree. The program consists of General Bible, General Religion, biblical counseling and various electives.

NOTE: The Canyon Hills School of Ministry's credit hours are transferable to Faith Evangelical Seminary in Tacoma, Washington (www.faithseminary.edu); students should be knowledgeable of credit-transfer policies and requirements of Faith Evangelical Seminary prior to enrolling in the certificate track at CHSM if interested in pursuing Bachelors of Arts in Religion at Faith Seminary. If interested please contact Leisa Chaney at Canyon Hills Community Church.

▼ General Admission Requirements

Canyon Hills School of Ministry calls for students who demonstrate a faithful commitment to the Word of God. They will demonstrate a heart for Christian service, and the personal discipline to complete their studies.



COURSE TITLES

- AT- Applied Theology
- CO- Biblical Counseling
- EL- Electives
- HS- Church History
- OT- Old Testament Studies
- NT- New Testament Studies
- TH- Theology

**General Bible**

- OT 101 Old Testament Survey 1
- OT 102 Old Testament Survey 2
- NT 101 New Testament Survey 1
- NT 102 Life of Christ
- AT 101 Bible Study Methods
- AT 102 Bible Teaching Methods

General Religion

- TH 101 Survey of Theology 1
- TH 102 Survey of Theology 2
- HS 201 Origins of Christianity
- HS 202 Reformation History
- TH 103 Christian Philosophy
- TH 104 Comparative World Religions
- TH 105 Pseudo-Christian Cults
- NT 103 Basics of Greek
- OT 103 Basics of Hebrew
- RE 501 Discipleship and Ministry 1
- RE 502 Discipleship and Ministry 2

Electives

- EL 304 The Way of the Master
- EL 101 Financial Peace University.

EL 102 Foundations

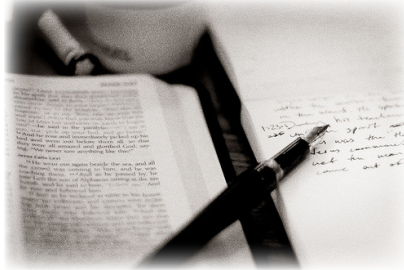
CO Counseling 100 Changing Hearts, Changing Lives

CO Counseling 101 Beginning Counseling

CO Counseling 102 Counseling Observations

CO Counseling 103 Marriage and Family Counseling

Total Hours 48



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

OT 101 OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY 1

A survey of OT structure, chronology, and historical figures that provides students with a basic understanding of theological covenants between God and the nation of Israel.

OT 102 OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY 2

An examination of the ministry and message of the major and minor Hebrew prophets including their call, the content of their message, and their theology.

NT 101 NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY 1

An overview of the New Testament with attention given to the political, historical, social, economic, religious, and Jewish context. The NT books are surveyed in light of their origin, date, place, content, outline, unique emphasis, and purpose.

NT 102 LIFE OF CHRIST

An overview of the four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, focusing on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ.

(COURSE DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED)**TH 101 SURVEY OF THEOLOGY 1**

An introductory study of the major doctrines of the Bible, including the doctrine of God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

TH 102 SURVEY OF THEOLOGY 2

A further study of the major doctrines of the Bible, including the doctrines of soteriology (doctrines of grace); election, regeneration, justification , sanctification, glorification. Included will also be the study of angels and demons, Heaven and Hell, and anthropology.

HS 101 ORIGINS OF CHRISTIANITY

A survey of the origins of the Christian faith examining the historical and theological Jewish roots of the Christian faith from A.D. 70 until A.D. 600 with an emphasis on Jewish thought and tradition.

HS 102 REFORMATION HISTORY

This course covers the time period of the protestant reformers Martin Luther, John Calvin and their emphasis on Christian thought and tradition.

TH 103 CHRISTIAN PHILOSOPHY/APOLOGETICS

Christian philosophy summarizes Christian teachings that are challenged by unbelievers today—such as the existence of God, the problem of evil, the nature of truth and logic, and the divinity and resurrection of Christ. We will seek to answer the strongest and most common objections to the historic Christian faith.

TH 104 COMPARATIVE WORLD RELIGIONS

A study of the origins, teachings, and contemporary expressions of the world's principal non-Christian religions such as Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, and New Age philosophy.

TH 105 PSEUDO-CHRISTIAN CULTS AND VIEWS

An introduction to the major cultic groups (Mormonism/Jehovah Witnesses) and their theological views compared with the historic teachings of orthodox Christianity. In addition to examining these groups, the course will teach students how to begin and sustain dialogue with cult adherents.

(COURSE DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED)**RE 501 DISCIPLESHIP AND MINISTRY 1, 2**

The student learns personal Christian disciplines, leadership skills, and how to offer practical Christian ministry in a hands-on, supervised setting. These courses are taken through arranged or directed study.

OT 103 BASIC HEBREW LANGUAGE OVERVIEW

An introductory overview of biblical Hebrew covering the alphabet, vowels, and basic syntax.

NT 103 BASIC GREEK LANGUAGE OVERVIEW

An introductory overview of biblical Greek covering the alphabet, vowels, and basic syntax.

AT 100 BIBLE STUDY METHODS

A class covering the art and science of biblical hermeneutics: Observation, Interpretation and Application as applied to the Biblical text.

AT 102 BIBLE TEACHING METHODS

The goal of this course is to increase your ability to prepare Bible messages and lessons which are true to the biblical text, clear and well-organized, interesting to listen to, and specifically relevant to the listeners' needs. Emphasis will be given to learning how to determine the specific applications of a biblical passage, and how to help listeners follow the unfolding of the message.

CO 100 CHANGING HEARTS, CHANGING LIVES

This ten-week counseling introduction is for those who are interested in being equipped to help others who struggle with the trials of life. Learn how to understand why people do what they do, instructing them how to change according to God's Word. This class is great for parents, teens, small-group leaders, small-group members, ministry leaders, etc..

(COURSE DESCRIPTIONS CONTINUED)**CO 101: BEGINNING COUNSELING**

This 13-week class includes a broad overview of other forms of counseling as well as the distinctives of biblical counseling. At the end of the course the student will be able to identify root counseling issues and know how to handle those issues from a biblical viewpoint.

CO 102 COUNSELING OBSERVATIONS

This ten-week class allows the student to observe five different counselors counseling very common themes that tend to present themselves in the counseling office. The goal is for the student to see different approaches to biblical counseling while at the same time seeing a uniform approach with Scripture at the center. Prerequisites: taken concurrently with CO 100 or CO 101.

CO 103 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING

This class is designed to extend the student's understanding of biblical counseling in relation to marriage and family issues. A special emphasis is given to counseling families that are blended families as well as families that are faced with dealing with the sin of homosexuality.

EL 106 THE WAY OF THE MASTER

This Basic Training Course is specially formatted to train believers in a group setting to simply and confidently share the gospel with family, friends, and strangers.

EL 102 FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Dave Ramsey's DVD course shows how to put into practice the proven common-sense principles that allow them to eliminate personal debt and achieve financial peace.

EL 102 FOUNDATIONS

This nine-week general survey class covers the foundational doctrines of the church. This class will include such topics as the inerrancy of scripture, the doctrine of sin, and spiritual disciplines. This is a great class for new Christians or the season believer who is looking for a refresher course in the core doctrines of the Christian faith.

▼ Graduation Requirements

1. Two-Year Certificate of Christian Ministry, 16 total classes.
 - a. Option A- Complete eight classes of six Bible courses.
 - b. Option B- Complete 16 classes to get one year of transferable credit to Faith Evangelical Seminary.
2. Two-Year Certificate of Biblical Counseling.
 - a. The certificate in Biblical Counseling can be completed in one or two years. Requirements include completion of all foundational classes plus three of four electives. See the Canyon Hills Community Church Counseling Department for detailed guidelines.



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