

## Reformed Episcopal Seminary Certificate: <u>Dogmatic Theology</u> - 18 Credits



## **Contents / Required Courses:**

DT 501 The Doctrine of God (3 credits)
DT 502 The Doctrine of Man and of Sin (3 credits)
DT 506 Research and Theological Methods (3 credits)
DT 601 Christology and Soteriology (3 credits)
DT 702 Classical Apologetics (3 credits)
DT 750 Moral Theology (3 credits)

## **Course Descriptions:**

- + **DT** 501 **The Doctrine of God (3 credits):** Theology Proper: Theological prolegomena, the doctrine of revelation (general and special), arguments for the existence of God, the nature and attributes of God, the decrees of God, the providence of God, the doctrine of the Holy Trinity.
- + **DT 502 The Doctrine of Man and of Sin (3 credits):** The origin and antiquity of man; the image of God in man; the pre- and post-lapsarian condition of man; the covenant of works; original sin; the imputation of sin; the total depravity of man; a comparison of the Pelagian, Arminian, Calvinistic, and perfectionistic systems.
- + **DT 506 Research and Theological Methods (3 credits):** An introduction to research in Biblical and theological disciplines, this course introduces students both to the process of writing research papers and developing and maintaining a sound theological method for doing so. Areas covered include library research, time management, use of the internet, proper etiquette, format, and argument development.
- + **DT 601 Christology and Soteriology (3 credits):** The person and work of Christ, the hypostatic union, the deity and humanity of Christ, impeccability, theories of the atonement, the Holy Spirit in applying the work of Christ, the covenants of redemption and grace, justification, effectual calling, regeneration, faith, conversion, sanctification, perseverance.
- + **DT 702 Classical Apologetics (3 credits):** Defense of the Christian faith as practiced by advocates of Thomism, natural theology, and reason. Contrast with rationalism, irrationalism, existentialism, empiricism, and logical positivism. Time will be spent relating faith and reason to produce a balanced, rational apology for the Christian hope. Arguments of Reformed epistemology as taught by Hoitenga, Plantinga, and James Kelly Clark will be discussed.
- + **DT 750 Moral Theology (3 credits):** This course is designed to foster critical and connective moral thinking from a biblical Christian perspective with respect to both developing character and holiness through the cultivation of virtue (being formed to the image of the Son, Romans 8:27), and the process of moral discernment of the Christian stance on difficult moral issues (putting on the mind of Christ, I Corinthians 2:13). Lecture content will include special topics in the historical development of Christian ethics, e.g. theological anthropology, pacifism and just war theory, Scriptural moral hermeneutics, and eschatology.