



Reformed Episcopal Seminary

Certificate: Pastoral Theology (Level 2) - 18 Credits



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Course Descriptions:

- + **PT 603 Ministry to Women (3 credits):** This course concentrates on the study of ministry to women and by women. Because women constitute more than half of most congregations, pastors and church leaders need to be equipped to minister to their needs. By focusing on the differences and synergy that ministry to women provides, the student will be equipped to enhance the ministry to their own congregation.

- + **PT 610 Supervised Practical Ministry (3 credits):** The Field Education Internship is the practical counterpart to the student's academic preparation in the classroom. The Field Education Internship is a pastor supervised training providing experience within the context of the local parish. Field placements are learning experiences through which students hone their skills for ministry and develop pastoral competencies. The Field Education Internship is a time of integration and formation. It is a time to apply theological education as well as learn things that cannot be taught in a classroom. It is a component of the Homiletics and Liturgics Practicum requirement. Interns will have opportunities for hands-on experience in the various ministry areas of the local church such as (but not limited to): leading worship, preaching, participation in sacramental rites (as permitted by the Canons), pastoral visits, parish administration and leadership, Christian education and development, parish mission, and evangelism.

- + **PT 636 Urban Ministry & Mission (3 credits):** This course will treat Urban Ministry and Missions from the perspectives of Biblical and pastoral theology, encouraging the students to have a heart for evangelism, mission, and God's people wherever they are while being soundly rooted in the Bible and a theology of ministry.

- + **PT 705 Pastoral Administration: Managing Finances & Conflict (3 credits):** This course analyzes the role of administration as a necessary function in pastoral ministry. Consideration is given to the daily functions of pastoral ministry with an eye to using the gifts and skills God has given His people to the best advantage of Christ and His Church. The focus of this course is management of money and other resources and managing church and personal conflict. This class counts for the degree requirements for PT 705 (3 credits) or if already fulfilled, 3 elective credits. Students may take both PT 705 and PT 715 for credit.

- + **PT 707 Evangelism & Outreach (3 credits):** The intent of this course is to enable students to develop and articulate a theological and historical understanding of evangelism, identify important principles in



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evangelism and outreach and use them to evaluate existing models, and develop a plan for mobilizing a real or hypothetical parish church for evangelism.

- + **PT 800 Leadership (3 credits):** In the providence of God throughout the course of redemptive history, the Lord has called and gifted certain individuals to lead and shepherd his flocks. This course is designed to assist the student in developing an understanding and practice of church leadership that is biblically and liturgically based, and theologically sound. Principles of leadership will be developed and applied by using several biblical models as primary reference. The purpose of this course is three-fold:
 1. To Examine biblical and liturgical principles of leadership
 2. To Evaluate your leadership gifts, style, strengths, and weaknesses
 3. To Expose you to various leadership models, methods, and practical applications.

