

# Northwestern Christian University

*“Educating the World for Jesus Christ”*

Celebrating 46 years of Christian Education since 1980



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## A Message from the Chancellor / Founder

Dear Prospective Student:

Allow me to extend to you a very warm welcome, and to congratulate you on your very wise decision to investigate opportunities in education which can help advance your life and career. The fact that you are reading our academic information shows that you are now focused on educational opportunities. **With NCU administrative headquarters in Florida and physical offices and branches worldwide, We have watched our educational ministries grow, by the Grace of God, to reach thousands over the past 46-years.** It is my hope and prayer that Northwestern Christian University may be a major stepping-stone in your stride toward accomplishment of your Christian professional, personal and ministry goals. Your graduate degrees are valuable documents which demonstrate your qualifications as you move forward in your career as a Christian professional.

In choosing the theologically accredited, non-traditional, approach to acquiring your Bachelor, Master and Doctorate degrees you have made a wise decision that you can take pride in. Now, along with many others, you too will save considerable time and money as you speed up the process leading to the accomplishment of your educational goals and total life fulfillment. Furthermore, you are doing it in the most efficient and effective way imaginable.

I sincerely wish you all of the best, as you continue to reach and achieve all of your goals in life. May the Lord bless you as you serve and grow in the knowledge of His matchless grace through the unfathomable wisdom of His divine Word.

**Our Purpose:** God has called us to go into all of the world and preach the Gospel, to teach and make disciples in all nations. Matthew 28:18-20. By God's Grace, NCU is touching many lives of the less financially fortunate providing affordable Bible centered education to the world.

If you are not currently involved with our worldwide Church and Educational missionary outreach ministries, we ask that you participate as prayer partner and become more familiar with our ministries around the world in the USA, Asia, Africa and the Middle East.

Sincerely in Christ,

Dr. Howard M. Sarkela, PhD., ThD., D.D.

Founder / Presiding Bishop / Chancellor

Christian Alliance Ministries/ Worldwide Church of Jesus Christ

Northwestern Christian University and Northwestern Theological Seminary

## A Message from the President

Dear NCU Student:

It is with great joy and a sense of excitement that I address you in this letter, for I know that those who are reading through this Catalog/Manual are either new students at Northwestern Christian University or are currently looking at NCU as a means of proceeding on with a University level education in preparation for a church or ministry avocation. That calls for excitement as it shows that more and more, around the world, there are those that wish to prepare themselves to be more effective in the work of the Kingdom of God and to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Northwestern Christian University and Northwestern Theological Seminary concept began in Detroit, Michigan in 1980, and has been preparing men and women for the past 46 years, leading them in a path to a higher understanding of the Scriptures with a clear acceptance of God's inspiration through the Word, making it profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, and for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Our focus and call at both NCU and NTS, is to make disciples around the world who will continue the spread of the Gospel in obedience to our Lord's Great Commission (Mt 28:18-20). By learning to rightly divide the Word of Truth, you will not be easily tossed from side to side by every wind of doctrine and teaching that does not align with the Word of God. (2 Timothy 2:15)

At NCU we utilize a system of analytical research in order for our students to better understand the content of the courses. As you write each paper you will find yourself understanding things through the use of applying and analyzing the information into your own words, greatly increasing the level of retention of information. NCU strives to better relate with the needs of the average person by not limiting the time of study and allowing one to achieve comfortable and attainable study habits which allow for completion of Degree programs without interfering with the busy schedules of most students. A level of self-discipline is required of all students, as they commit to the completion of their course work, leading to their NCU degree award.

I would encourage you to take your time reading through this NCU Catalog and be sure that you understand exactly what NCU has to offer. I would also encourage you to visit our website for more information. If you are ready to begin, then I congratulate you in your decision to get started and welcome you to our student body.

If you are still considering your decision, we will join with you in prayer by request, for God's guidance regarding your decision to fulfill your Christ-centered education at NCU. We do believe that there are many good schools that can help equip you, but we also understand that men and women of God, who have deposited their trust and future in His hands, will seek God's direction in all matters.

May God continually bless you, and we look forward to working with you in your achievement of a higher education.

Sincerely in Christ

Dr. Samuel Galloza, Ph.D., D.D.  
President,  
Northwestern Christian University  
and Northwestern Theological Seminary

## Statement of Faith

(1) We believe the Bible to be the inspired, infallible Word of God. (2) We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (3) We believe in the Genesis account of creation. (4) We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory. (5) We believe that salvation is the free gift of God by grace, through faith and is possessed by each individual who has, by grace through faith, received the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior. (6) We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, whose indwelling empowers Christians to live a godly life. (7) We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved, unto the resurrection of eternal life in a literal heaven and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation, in a literal hell. (8) We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ, who is the head of HIS body, the one true Church. (9) We believe that by grace through the gift of faith, God draws those who will believe the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. (10) We believe that God's grace, mercy and love endure forever.

## **Northwestern Christian University Degree Programs**

### **Bachelor's Programs available as either a B.A., (or) B.Th.**

#### B.Th. – Bachelor of Theology (or) B.A. – Bachelor of Arts

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Biblical Studies

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Theology

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Christian Counseling

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Christian Social Work

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Christian Education

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Christian Organizational Leadership

Bachelor of Theology/ B.A./B.Th. in Ministry / Divinity

### **Master's Program**

- Available as a M.A., M.Th., M.Div.

#### M.Th. – Master of Theology (or) Master of Arts

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Biblical Studies

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Theology

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Christian Counseling

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Christian Social Work

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Christian Education

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Ministry / Divinity

Master of Theology/ M.A./M.Th. in Christian Organizational Leadership

#### M.Div. - Master of Divinity Program

Master of Divinity in Ministry / Divinity

Master of Divinity in Christian Counseling

### **Doctorate Programs**

#### Th.D. – Doctor of Theology

Doctor of Theology in Biblical Studies

Doctor of Theology in Theology

Doctor of Theology in Christian Counseling

Doctor of Theology in Christian Social Work

Doctor of Theology in Christian Education

Doctor of Theology in Ministry / Divinity

Doctor of Theology in Christian Organizational Leadership

### Ph.D. – Doctor of Philosophy

Doctor of Philosophy in Biblical Studies

Doctor of Philosophy in Theology

Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Counseling

Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Social Work

Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Ministry

Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Organizational Leadership

### D.Min. – Doctor of Ministry

Doctor of Ministry in Biblical Studies

Doctor of Ministry in Theology

Doctor of Ministry in Christian Counseling

Doctor of Ministry in Christian Education

Doctor of Ministry in Ministry / Divinity

## Course Materials

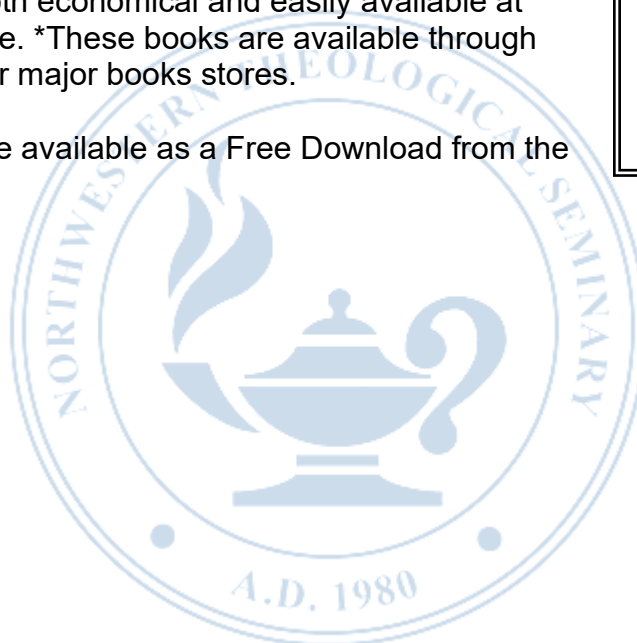
Northwestern Theological Seminary courses have been evaluated together with the program material necessary in order to complete the requirements for each course of study.

For the most part, students will use a variety of PDF books available at no charge from our Virtual Library. In the case of Module Five, students are required to purchase the necessary textbooks\* in order to complete the specified courses in that module. All attempts to maintain textbooks purchases at a minimum have been taken, as well as the choosing of textbooks that are both economical and easily available at bookstores and online. \*These books are available through Amazon.com or other major books stores.

*"I have truly been blessed by being a student of NCU. The educational process at NCU has shown me how to retain the information I am learning. I have a greater appreciation for God and His creation."*

**Simmons L.,  
South Carolina**

Learning Modules are available as a Free Download from the University website.



## **Accreditation**

### **United States Government Approval**

Religious education is a right of every citizen under the U.S. Constitution.

### **Licensure:**

**NCU education does not qualify for professional licensure however, numerous students have cited their NCU education in obtaining ordination from major church denominations worldwide.**

### **State of Florida**



#### **State of Florida Department of Education**

Northwestern Christian University operates under authorization, as a degree granting institution through exemption, by the Florida State Board of Independent Colleges and Universities under Section 1005.06 (1) (f), FLA Statutes. The state of Florida, like other states, does not require accreditation or theological accreditation for our religious education. However, both NTS and NCU have achieved private Theological Accreditation status through IACEA.

## Theological Accreditation

### **International Association for Educational Accountability**

[www.iacea.info](http://www.iacea.info)



#### **IACEA Approval:**

Northwestern Christian University is theologically accredited by The International Association for Christian Educational Accountability a Worldwide organization for Christian Theological accreditation with the goal of maintaining the highest educational standards for its' member institutions. IACEA accreditation standards are maintained through ongoing evaluation, compliance and accountability. \*NCU is not regionally accredited.

IACEA supports the Biblical principle of separation of Church and state; Mark.12:17; James 4:4; II Corinthians. 6:14. Remaining consistent with Biblical standards and not liberal or secular positions, IACEA has chosen not to seek endorsement by either the EAES or COPA, CHEA etc. which are all governmentally influenced accrediting organizations. IACEA is a rapidly growing and respected network of over 500 schools on the cutting edge of Christ centered, Biblical education.

IACEA is an international membership association of numerous Christian educational institutions. Members must pass a rigorous evaluation process, leading to theological accreditation for their educational programs in accord with Christian educational standards and institutional integrity through initial and ongoing evaluations. Further information concerning our process of evaluation leading to Christian educational accreditation may be obtained by visiting IACEA at: [www.IACEA.info](http://www.IACEA.info)

**The following quote is taken from the web site of the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA).** *"There are accrediting organizations that may not be recognized but are not accreditation mills. For example, the accreditor may be seeking recognition, but the process is not complete. Or the accreditor does not meet the requirements of CHEA or USDE for reasons that do not relate to quality."*

**The following quote from the United States Department of Education.** *"It should be noted that some institutions have chosen not to participate in the federal student aid program and therefore do not have to be approved by an accrediting agency recognized by the Department. While these institutions do not appear on the Department's list, they may be legitimate schools."*

**This quote from the former executive director of the Association for Biblical Higher Education (an accrediting agency recognized by the United States Department of Education), stated as follows:** *"There are hundreds of Bible Colleges and Seminaries in the United States and Canada that are offering good solid theological training, yet they are not accredited."*

**Ministry and education:** Your ministry avocation is one of those areas where God's will and plan is more important than anything else. In fact, for those already serving in ministry, a degree from a highly credible though governmentally unrecognized school may be the smartest choice. Especially when you can receive a quality online seminary education for a fraction of the expense associated with regionally accredited schools. We should not forget that, especially in the Christian tradition, academic freedom is considered a cornerstone of religious liberty. Of course, so is academic responsibility! Therefore, any program of study leading to a theological degree should be both biblically sound, and academically honest. At NTS, you can be assured of such integrity with quality educational materials based soundly on Biblical principles.

If you are concerned whether your church or place of employment will accept you with a degree earned through a privately accredited school, that is not regionally accredited, then you should simply inquire concerning the same. Remember too, that even with degrees earned from regionally accredited schools, there could be restrictions on what kind of degree is recognized. Always inquire first, since in some cases, denominations and ministries may not accept degrees from secular schools, or schools not affiliated with a specific denomination or organization.

### **Educational Affiliations**

Northwestern Theological Seminary is a member in good standing with the following:

1. The International Association of Christian Theologians T.I.A.C.T.
2. The American Theological Library Association A.T.L.A.
3. The Theology Journal Editorial Committee T.J.E.C.
4. International Fellowship of Christian Ministries I.F.C.M

### **Transfer of Credits**

No college, university or other institute of higher education is obligated to accept transfer credits from any other institution. **However, other institutions in transfer have accepted our NTS/NCU credits**, but (as with any college, university, seminary or Other educational institution) decisions concerning the acceptance of credits by an institution other than NTS, its affiliates and/or branches are at the sole discretion of the receiving institution, and no representation is made concerning the transferability of credits to such institutions. Students considering continuing their education at another institution should not assume that credits earned at NCU/NTS, its affiliates and/or branches will be accepted by the receiving institution without inquiring of the registrar of the receiving institution as to that institution's policy concerning the acceptance of such credits.

Students and applicants that have earned credits in other institutions will be evaluated by NCU in order to determine whether those credits can be applied to their course requirements in their NCU Degree Programs.

## **Course Descriptions**

### **101/102 Introduction to The Bible I & II**

Study on the history of the word of God and its progression through many stages of development from inspiration to the written word.

### **102/103 Old Testament Survey I & II**

Study on the overview informative look of the Old Testament.\_

### **201/202 New Testament Survey I & II**

Study on the overview informative look of the New Testament.

### **203 Philippians and Spiritual Life**

Study on the book of Philippians and how it relates to our own spiritual development.

### **204 Life of Christ I & II**

An in depth study of the life of our Lord, from his birth, through his life and ministry and continuing through his example of obedience in his sin atoning death, burial and resurrection.

### **205 Ministry of Paul I & II**

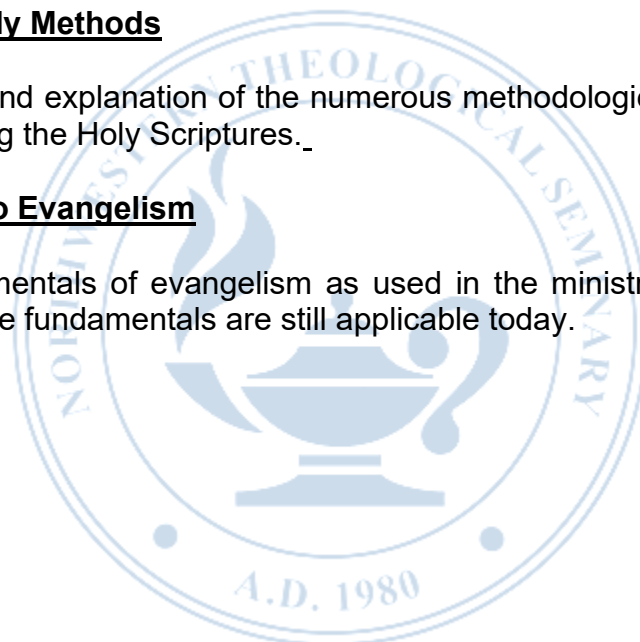
Study on the life of the Apostle Paul and his evangelistic, missionary, ministry.

### **301/302 Bible Study Methods**

An in depth review and explanation of the numerous methodologies, which may be applied to studying the Holy Scriptures.\_

### **206 Introduction to Evangelism**

Study on the fundamentals of evangelism as used in the ministry of the early church and how these fundamentals are still applicable today.



### **207 Introduction to Apologetics**

Study on the fundamentals of apologetics as used in the ministry of the early church and how these fundamentals are still applicable today.

### **208 Book of Acts**

An in depth study of the work of the apostles in the development of the early church. Exegesis Required.

### **209/210 Daniel / Revelation I & II**

An in depth study of the amazing interrelationship between the prophetic truths which are revealed in the Old Testament book of Daniel and the New Testament book of the Revelation. Exegesis Required.

### **211 Introduction to the Principles of Teaching**

**An overview of the basic methodologies involved in the teaching process.**

### **212 Introduction to Missions**

Study on how missionary work was organized and developed in the early church age and how this relates to the worldwide missionary ministry today.

### **301/302, 401/402 Theology I, II, III, IV**

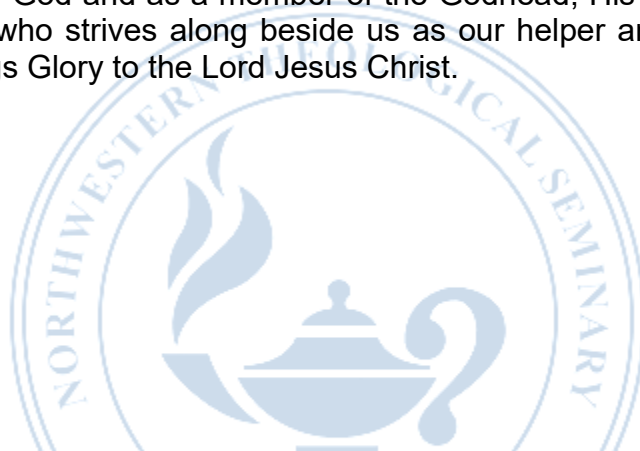
An in depth study of the many areas of theological doctrine.

### **301 Christology**

An in depth study of the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ and HIS position of deity, as God in the flesh as well as HIS position as a creator, in the beginning and His position today, as intercessor, seated at the right hand of the Father.

### **302 Pneumatology**

An in depth study of the Holy Spirit as seen in the Old and New Testaments. His position as one with God and as a member of the Godhead, His ministry as the Paraclete, the one who strives along beside us as our helper and teacher and counselor who brings Glory to the Lord Jesus Christ.



### **303 Books of Moses**

An in depth study of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the bible. Written by Moses, these books are a wealth of historical and spiritual knowledge. Exegesis Required.

### **304/305 Evangelism I & II**

An in depth study of evangelism, using examples from the life of Christ and His early church. All Christians are under obligation to do our part in fulfillment of the Great Commission of the Lord Jesus. This study examines the principles of evangelism and how to apply them with the goal of winning converts to a life of faith and obedience to the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ. The importance of discipleship is stressed, so that multiplication will result, as new converts continue in teaching others also, in accord with the scripture text found in: II Timothy 2:2.

### **306/307 Apologetics I & II**

An in depth study of how to defend our faith through the knowledge of the truth as written in God's Holy Word.

### **401/402 Homiletics I & II**

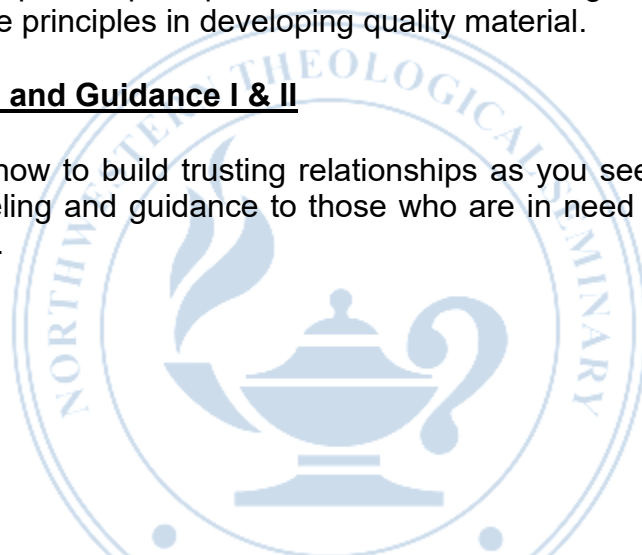
Study on sermon research, preparation and delivery. A thorough look at the importance of a central theme, the supporting points of a sermon and how to use transitional statements to make your delivery smooth and understandable. The course also includes how to use the different forms of bible study in development of your sermon. Including the importance of remaining in context and how to outline your scripture text which shows how the main theme is supported by book, chapter, paragraph and verse.

### **501/502 Writing and Journalism I & II**

A study of the many important principles involved in both writing and journalism and how to apply these principles in developing quality material.

### **701/702 Counseling and Guidance I & II**

An in depth study of how to build trusting relationships as you seek to provide bible centered counseling and guidance to those who are in need of emotional and spiritual guidance.



### **704/705 Counseling Social Work I & II**

An in depth study of how to build trusting relationships as you seek to provide bible centered counseling and guidance to those who are in need of emotional and spiritual guidance.

### **801/802 Hymnology I & II**

Study on the history and development of hymns as a musical ministry of praise and worship.

### **804/805 Praise and Worship**

Study on the history, development and importance of praise and worship in our ministry unto the Lord.

### **701/702 Psalms I & II**

An in depth study of the Psalms, their authorship, history and meaning and how they can be a powerful guide in learning how to pray, to praise and to worship effectively. Exegesis Required.

### **811/812 Music History**

An in depth study of the history of music, from the first musical instruments and songs to present day music, songs and instruments.

### **901/902 Principles of Teaching I & II**

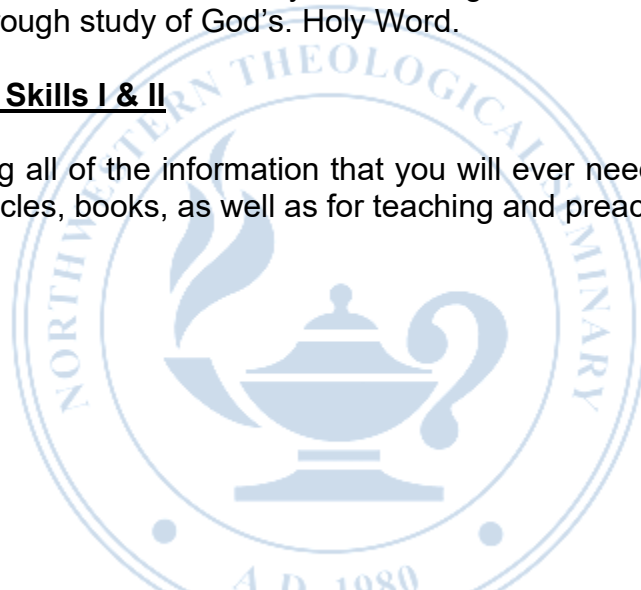
Study on how to research and develop an effective teaching plan, as well as an in depth look at the many methodologies which can be employed in the instruction of your students.\_

### **908 Bible Study Methods**

Study on helpful resources and the many methodologies that we can use to do an effective and thorough study of God's. Holy Word.

### **521/522 Research Skills I & II**

The how to of finding all of the information that you will ever need, for research projects, papers, articles, books, as well as for teaching and preaching.



### **921/922 I & II Corinthians**

An in depth study of the Apostle Paul's two epistles to the church at Corinth. Exegesis Required.

### **923/924 Gospels I & II**

An in depth study of the four Gospels, crystallizing the life and ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ. Harmony of the Gospels Required.

### **925/926 I, II, III John**

Study on the three great spiritual letters of John. Exegesis Required.

### **931 Book of Matthew**

Study on the life of our Lord, as seen through the eyes of Matthew. Exegesis Required.-

### **932 Book of Mark**

Study on the life of our Lord, as seen through the eyes of Mark. Exegesis Required.

### **933 Book of Luke**

Study on the life of our Lord, as seen through the eyes of Luke. Exegesis Required.

### **934 Book of John**

Study on the life of our Lord, as seen through the eyes of John. Exegesis Required.

### **935 Book of Romans**

Study on spiritual doctrine as explained by the Apostle Paul. Exegesis Required.

### **936 Book of Ephesians**

A study of spiritual instruction, prepared as a letter to the church at Ephesus, by the Apostle Paul. Exegesis Required.

### **937 Book of Galatians**

A study of spiritual instruction, prepared as a letter to the church at Galatia, By the Apostle Paul. Exegesis Required.

### **938 Book of Philippians**

A study of spiritual instruction, prepared as a letter to the church at Philippi, By the Apostle Paul. Exegesis Required.

### **939 Book of James**

A study of the great epistle of spiritual instruction to the twelve tribes, as James instructs concerning how to live a spiritual life. Exegesis Required.-15-

### **940 Book of Hebrews**

Study on the great letter to the Hebrews that instructs on the attributes and triumphs of the Lord Jesus Christ and the importance of faith. Exegesis Required.

### **941 Marriage and Family**

A study of how to have a spiritual and fulfilling life reflected through our marriage and family relationships.

### **942 Anger Management**

A study in how to identify anger triggers and how to identify and eliminate, negative, self defeating behavior patterns from our lives, as we grow into a closer relationship with the Lord and others.

### **943-944 Balancing the Christian Life**

Study on the importance of balance in our spiritual lives. We need to have a goal of growing more Christ like. Jesus is our perfect example. We should desire to learn of HIM, so that in knowing HIM better, we can become more like HIM. We should be identifying and eliminating sinful behavior from our lives. The more we grow spiritually in balance with HIS word, the more we become like HIM and the more others can see HIM in us.

### **945 Volunteerism**

Study on how to recruit and manage volunteers in ministry.

### **846/847 History of Art I & II**

Study on the many forms of art which have been created by man throughout history. -16-

### **848/849 / 850,851 Art Workshop I, II, III, IV**

This course covers the planning, preparation and creation of works of art. Students will create and then photograph these art projects and send pictures in to the seminary, along with sketches and planning / preparation details.

### **852 Art Forms**

A study of the many forms in which art can be created and expressed.

### **853 Biblical Art**

Study on the history of art relative to God and the Holy Bible.

### **854 Advanced New Testament**

Advanced study on the New Testament.

### **855 Advanced Pauline Epistles**

Advanced study on Paul's epistles.

### **856 Advanced Psalms**

An advanced study of the Psalms

**802 Advanced Revelation**

A advanced study of the Revelation of John the Divine

**1001 Advanced Book of Romans**

An advanced study of the Book of Romans

**1002 Advanced Proverbs**

An advanced study of the Proverbs

**1002 Advanced Gospels**

An advanced study of the Gospels -17-

**1093 Advanced Old Testament**

An advanced study of the Old Testament

**1004 Christian Life Development Module One**

Study on how to grow and develop in our Christian life.

**1005 Christian Life Development Module Two**

Developing awareness in our Christian life and establishing a Christian worldview, while seeking God's will for our lives and discipleship.

**1006 Christian Life Development Module Three**

Major components of Learning Module Three involve both Bible book studies through Old Test. and New Test Survey assignments, Biographical studies, study of theology, apologetics courses and research papers utilizing the analytical process of applied education.

## NCU Educational Process

"The Analytical Process for Applied Education"

Both Northwestern Christian University and Northwestern Theological Seminary utilize a unique process for learning, developed by our founder, Dr. Howard M. Sarkela, in early August of 1980. This process is more than a teaching system and better termed as a contemporary process for research and applying knowledge. Dr. Sarkela while attending colleges and universities found that the old system of education was greatly lacking in effectiveness and efficiency. He found that the archaic, yet still in practice, ***system of memorizing lists and cramming for examinations resulted in considerable loss of knowledge*** because of the fact that much which is memorized, through cramming, goes into our short term memory and may be quickly forgotten. As a result of this discovery he decided that there must be a better way, whereby students can acquire knowledge and assimilate it while at the same time being better enabled to retrieve it for application in their lives and careers.

The process developed is called: "***The analytical process for applied education.***" This simple yet thorough method of study involves the inductive method, of progressing from the GENERAL to the SPECIFIC while assimilating and applying the knowledge gained through research.

The GENERAL process involves making an outline and doing research to gather data, then utilizing the gathered information to formulate and develop a comprehensive research project. This involves compilation, comprehension and application of the relevant data being researched. To do this, the student must continuously be asking, "What is the value of this information relative to the subject?" and then crystallizing it by asking, "how can I apply this **general and specific** knowledge for the enhancement of my education, life and ministry?" as well as, "How can I apply this information in helping others?" Repetition of this process, improves the ability to perform quality research, as well as the ability to assimilate and apply knowledge gained from quality research. Using this methodology to fulfill a research assignment leads to better comprehension and retention of valuable information thus complimenting the learning process and further enabling the student.

***"I really value that Northwestern is dedicated to provide me with a quality Christ centered academic program, reasonably priced, accredited, accessible, challenging to the diverse population of adult learners. Also, I can set my own agenda and it allows me to complete my degree in less time when put compared to attending a traditional on Campus College or University."***

**Cuozzo M.  
California**

The SPECIFIC process evolves: First; Research phase, through analysis we develop many **specific questions** relative to the specific subject matter/ major. Second: Further research to find **specific answers** that the student can assimilate and apply for the enhancement of their learning, life, career, and ministry. This valuable learned information is then interwoven into the research project. Through this process of education, the student is able to remember more of the valuable information that he or she is exposed to. Understanding specific information well enough to remember and apply it is the goal of this process of analytical research. Obviously, there can be tremendous educational, life, career and ministry value achieved through such effective application of both general and specific knowledge.

If it is true, that intelligence quotient, or I.Q., relates not so much to acquired knowledge as it does to the ability to apply such knowledge, then it is logical that the "analytical process of applied education," should result in higher I.Q. scores whenever this advanced, process of contemporary education has been continuously and conscientiously practiced.

As a student of Northwestern Theological Seminary, you will receive education based on this advanced educational process. Having a better ability to recall knowledge learned through this process of research, assimilation and personal application, as well as having a better ability of knowing how to find answers through research, will provide our students with more of an advantage in our modern, competitive society.

*Knowing the correct questions to ask and knowing how to find the correct answers as well as knowing how to correctly apply such answers for your learning, life, career and ministry, is a priceless gift, a gift we offer to all of our students at Northwestern Christian University.*

### **NCU Donation / Costs / Fees:**

Enrollment is FREE. No tuition/donations are paid until after final grading prior to award of your NCU degree. Accelerated Degree \$499. Full Curriculum \$1,499.

NCU students submit a Love Offer/ donation in lieu of tuition. These Love Offers represent a committed amount that the student will pay for their Degree Programs, while at the same time supporting missionary outreach and ministries affiliated with Christian Alliance Ministries Worldwide. The amounts stated are minimum acceptable donations.

**Educational Savings! NCU donations represent an educational savings to our students of up to 98% when compared with traditional university tuition.**

In 2008, a business week magazine article revealed that private colleges and universities require tuition, books, lodging, fees etc. of over \$25,000 per year. A 4-year degree would cost well over \$100,000. \*Copies of this article are available by request.

Bachelor – Master – Doctorate Degree Program Donations:  
Enrollment is FREE a donation is requested after final grading and prior to award of your degree.

Full Curriculum Love Offer - \$1,499 \*No other mandatory fees or costs apply

Accelerated Degree Love Offer - \$499 \*No other mandatory fees or costs apply

When completing your Enrollment Application, you are required to choose a Love Offer amount within the ranges specified for the Degree Program of your choice.

## **Admission Information**

Applicants for admission to Northwestern Christian University are considered without regard to sex, age, color, national or ethnic origin, meeting the guidelines of the Civil Rights Act, Section 1984 and all other local and federal programs.

NCU will accept any and all individuals who desire to increase their knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ and His Holy Word. Each prospective student will be assessed according to academic background and experience. An individualized program of study will be set up to meet any additional needs.

## **NCU/NTS Prerequisites for Admission**

For the Bachelor's Degree Program:

A High School diploma or equivalency at the time of the awarding of the degree is required.

For the Master's Degree Program:

A Bachelor's Degree at the time of the awarding of the degree is required.

For the Doctorate Degree Program:

A Master's Degree at the time of the awarding of the degree is required.

## Academic Probation

In some cases, students will be admitted who have not yet met the prerequisites for admission and their required diplomas or degrees. To be allowed to enroll at NCU in such cases, the prospective student must be actively pursuing the acquisition of their required diploma or degree. The NCU degree will be issued upon completion of all requirements. No degree will be awarded to any student who has not fulfilled the required standards as required for their specific Degree Program.

## Dismissal Policy

NCU reserves the right at any time to place on probation, suspend or dismiss a student whose academic standing, financial obligations, progress, or conduct is not deemed satisfactory by the administration.

## Prior Learning and Life Experience Credits

NCU awards credits for seminars and workshops attended through work or church etc.

### Military Service Credit

Military service personnel from any allied national armed forces branch will receive a minimum of three hours credit hours, for honorable service.

### Life/Work/Ministry Credit

Credit for life, work and ministry will be evaluated. You may have years of part-time or full-time experience in Christian service that would have credit value. You will be asked to submit a short bibliography/resume for evaluation. These credits may be applied to each degree through the master's level. \*Credit can also be considered for published books and extensive papers and articles.

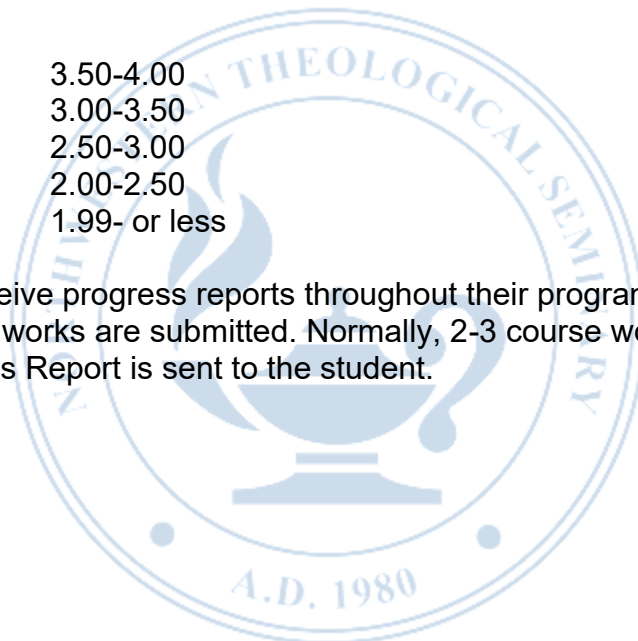
**“Northwestern has been more than a school, and the work has been more than assignments. I continue to learn and grow stronger in faith and will, someday, be equipped to share the message of Christ’s love with others.”**  
**Burchell E.,**  
**Tennessee**

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## Grading

100 – 94	A	3.50-4.00
93 – 87	B	3.00-3.50
86 – 79	C	2.50-3.00
78 – 71	D	2.00-2.50
70 -	F	1.99- or less

Students will receive progress reports throughout their program with grades and current GPAs as course works are submitted. Normally, 2-3 course works must be received before a Progress Report is sent to the student.



Additional electives can be taken in order to increase your GPA at no additional cost without exceeding 3 added electives.

Note: Thesis or Dissertation grading replaces Final exam.

#### Scholastic Honors

3.50 – 3.79	cum laude
3.80 – 3.99	magna cum laude
4.00 -	summa cum laude

NCU Students completing their degree programs with Scholastic Honors will receive recognition as an Honor Graduate from NCU. Scholastic Honors are not easy to attain but can be achieved through concentrated efforts. Guidelines will be provided for submitting work in a manner that will achieve higher grade averages.

## **Love Offer Payment, Handling Complaints and Refund Policy**

Students can Pay by Credit Card, PayPal or Western Union:

For secure payments, students will be provided with payment details at the time of final grading.

## **Policy for Handling of Complaints / Discipline and Appeals**

NCU provides 24 hour access by email for handling any complaint as well as discipline or and appeals. Please express any complaint by email to: [NCUamerica@gmail.com](mailto:NCUamerica@gmail.com) for immediate handling. NCU will contact you promptly regarding any disciplinary action and provide the opportunity for appeal.

100% Refund of Love Offer/Donation may be given, for a valid reason, if the student withdraws prior to final grading and awarding of their degree.

## **| Refund and Withdrawal Policy |**

Refunds of any payment may be given, for a valid reason, at our discretion, if the student withdraws within fourteen days of enrollment. The amount of the refunds will be based on the percentage table and time frames below. \*Policy for determining a withdrawal dates are included below.

## **Withdrawal Time and Percentage Table**

- Withdrawals within the first 7 days of enrollment = 100% Refund
- Withdrawals within the 8th to 14th day of enrollment = 50% Refund minus the \$75.00 Student Enrollment Processing Fee (The \$75.00 fee is currently waived for new enrollments. however, the waiver does not apply to withdrawals and the fee will be charged at the time of termination).
- Withdrawals after 14th day of enrollment = 0%

NOTE: Most students enroll for FREE. No payments are transferred until the time that the degree is Awarded. There is no refund allowed after the award of any degree. This is a universal policy with most colleges and universities.

## **Cancellation of Obligations**

Also: NCU allows cancellation of obligations (except for non-returnable supplies) within 3 working days of signing and refunds within 30 days of withdrawal determination.

## **Withdrawal/Refund Procedures**

Withdrawals and request for refunds must be in writing, submitted by certified postal mail, and is credited based on the post marked date on the envelope. The requests for withdrawal should include the reason for the withdrawal, if you should consider re-enrollment at a later time. The requests should be mailed to:

### **Contact Christian Educational Services**

Attn: Northwestern University Services 14391 Spring Hill Drive STE 288 Spring Hill, Florida 34609

### **Special Circumstances**

In case of death or involuntary call to military duty, NCU will return 100% of the Love Offer amounts received if such an event takes place within 90 days of enrollment.

## Thesis and Dissertation Guidelines

Please view the Thesi/Dissertation GUIDE provided on the NCU website for details.

### Submitting Your Coursework

Coursework for the NCU Degree Program is to be sent as you complete Modules or courses as directed. Your work will be graded and a progress report provided.

The Faculty Advisor will be working with the student throughout their degree program in order to assure that the work submitted aligns with all requirements.

All completed coursework is sent by email attachment for grading.  
Send to [NCUamerica@gmail.com](mailto:NCUamerica@gmail.com)

### NCU Degree Programs:

**Note:** Northwestern Christian University maintains the right to amend, add, or delete any program requirement, including any course offered as part of any degree program.

- All Core courses / curriculum listed on pages 10-17

B.A. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 120 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Thesis

B.Th. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 120 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Thesis

M.A. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Thesis

M.Th. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Thesis

M.Div. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Thesis

Ph.D. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Dissertation.

Th.D. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education, Christian Social Work, Christian Humanities, Christian Organizational Leadership

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Dissertation.

D.Min. in Theology, Divinity, Ministry, Biblical Studies, Biblical History, Christian Counseling, Christian Education

\*Degree Requirement 60 Credit Hours includes: PLA/ Core Curriculum and Dissertation.

## **NCU Accelerated Degrees**

Following the century old European standard as practiced in Europe and by numerous colleges and universities in the United States, Master's and Doctorate degrees may be earned by thesis or dissertation only. However, if the student does not have educational experience supporting their major, core courses will be required. Bachelor degree students will in the majority of cases be required to compete supporting core courses along with a bachelor's thesis to earn an accelerated degree. All Bachelor degree students must be able to show 120 cr. hrs. of educational and work-related experience to earn an NCU degree. In some cases bachelor degree students are able to transfer in credits from other schools to support the required 120 credits.

## **Questions Regarding Educational Grants & GI Bill**

Although NCU is a theologically accredited school with state authorization to grant religious degrees, because of the fact that the seminary is not a regionally accredited school, NCU does not qualify for any government sponsored grants or GI Bill.

### **Note: Military Chaplaincy**

Although some of our graduates currently function in the calling as Chaplains within the police, fire, and prison departments throughout the United States, Military Chaplaincy in the US Military requires that you obtain a degree from a regionally accredited school, and at this time NCU will not qualify you in your degree requirements as a military chaplain. (See section on the NCU Accreditation for further information on types of accreditations)

Our view of a chaplain is one that has been called to the ministry by God, and one that can be prepared through a religious educational institution. For some, chaplaincy is looked at as a career or occupation, which will require the same type of accreditation in their degrees as that of any other secular major.

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Are degrees awarded by NCU recognized?**

Degrees awarded by Northwestern Theological Seminary are legal degrees recognized as religious degrees by the State of Florida, USA. In most of the USA, you are legally entitled to use your educational degrees from NCU on your resumes. For the most part, religious bodies accept degrees issued by non-regionally accredited schools, but we would advise that if you are interested in a specific religious organization, that you obtain the educational criteria for ordination by that specific organization.

### **What is meant by Love Offer in lieu of tuition?**

All degree programs of Northwestern Theological Seminary are offered with a Love Offer range based on the specific level of study (Bachelor, Master, or Doctorate). The applicant agrees to pay a Love Offer within the range established in the application for enrollment, with the minimum amount being accepted for payment of the program. The term 'Love Offer' is used because of the international work that is supported by the funds received through Northwestern Theological Seminary and is received in lieu of tuition. The 'Love Offer' amount represents the required full amount necessary to earn a specific degree through the chosen degree program in the application.

### **Am I required to attend any on-campus classes?**

NCU has **administrative headquarters** in Florida, USA as well as offices in Africa, Asia and the Middle East and **NCU physical educational branches** worldwide. In person education is provided through our worldwide branches. However, NCU online education is provided through Internet access in many countries. Once an NCU applicant is enrolled for Online studies, they will have free access in their degree programs including all required textbooks in PDF format. For all NCU Online students, there is no need to attend any classes at any campus. Once you receive and download your course work, you begin working from your computer and emailing the completed courses to NCU for grading. **USA Administrative address is listed on the NCU website.**

### **How long does it take to complete a degree program?**

This is solely based on the student's dedication to their studies, the amount of credits transferred from previous schools, life experience credits earned, and required courses left to complete. Bachelor Degree programs are normally established to be completed within 2-4 years, but in some cases programs have been completed in less than 1 year. Through our AADP accelerated degree program, graduate level degrees for a Masters or Doctorate can be completed by Thesis or Dissertation in less than 1- year.

### **How long do I have to complete my program?**

There are no time limits for your program. You are encouraged to set aside a certain time throughout each week to dedicate to your studies. However, for some this is impossible due to other responsibilities and some can only study sporadically. At NCU, we do understand this and at no time will you be pushed or rushed through your program.

### **Will NCU accept credits earned by non-accredited schools or programs?**

In most cases after evaluation, we will allow for non-accredited courses to be transferred as long as they are compatible to the course of study necessary for your degree program. We would encourage that you submit such for consideration.

### **Can I earn a degree with NCU by just using life experience?**

No, as with most schools of higher learning, life experience credits can only account for a portion of your required credits in your degree program. NCU degrees are earned degrees which will require that course work be submitted and a passing grade given in order to receive a degree from this university.

### **What is NCU's denominational standing?**

NCU is a non-denominational religious institution. We encourage all denominations to apply for enrollment. Our courses are structured in a way in which a student can complete their research papers from an individual denominational position. You will only be asked to provide adequate references to support your theological positions in your research papers. Most students are Protestants however; we have graduated Catholic Priests and even Jewish Rabbi's from our educational ministry. We will not lower your grade for not being in line with our theological position.

### **Why does it seem as if the educational programs of NCU Seminary sound too good to be true?**

Obviously, this is a very common question among our applicants, and we understand why. Because NCU is a Christ-centered religious institution that seeks to prepare men and women for their individual callings, our answer is simple; we are a seminary interested in fulfilling God's calling to provide Christ centered Biblical education for the world at minimal expense. However, we encourage our applicants to seek God's direction through prayer, in the choosing of an educational institution from which to complete their degree programs. Only if God has given you peace and assurance in your decision to enroll with NCU should you submit an application to enroll. For all who enroll, we truly believe that each student will receive the benefit of uncompromisable, Godly instruction as provided in the *Living* Word of Jesus Christ.

### **Advertising / Recruiting Policy**

NCU does not allow any placement of display ads, commercial advertising or paid advertising. All recruiting is through word of mouth and website optimization for our websites and social media only. Also: NCU does not allow other organizations to advertise on our websites or social media. Websites such as: [NorthwesternChristianUniversity.com](http://NorthwesternChristianUniversity.com), [NorthwesternUniversityUSA.org](http://NorthwesternUniversityUSA.org), [ChristianAllianceMinistries.com](http://ChristianAllianceMinistries.com), [NTSLibrary.com](http://NTSLibrary.com) etc. NCU social media pages such as: Facebook, Reddit, Pinterest and Instagram etc. all promote Northwestern Christian University without display ads. **There are NO display ads or other advertisements on any NCU websites or social media pages**, only descriptive information is provided. Note/ Warning: Only our social media pages, originating from the USA, are legitimately representing NCU. There are fraudsters in Africa and elsewhere who have illegally used our name and posted false and misleading information on fake social media pages. \*They have been reported and such pages should be ignored.

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\*NCU courses are offered online and through our physical branches worldwide.