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## Academic Calendar

### 2010-11 Academic Calendar

#### First Semester

August 23	Monday	Classes Begin (Day & Evening)
September 6	Monday	Labor Day - Holiday
October 8	Friday	Mid-Semester Holiday
November 24-28	Wednesday-Sunday	Thanksgiving Recess - College Closed
November 29	Monday	Classes Resume
December 6-9	Monday-Thursday	Semester Examinations
December 9	Thursday	Semester Ends

#### Second Semester

January 10	Monday	Classes Begin (Day & Evening)
January 17	Monday	Martin Luther King Holiday
February 18	Friday	Mid-Semester Holiday
March 7-12	Monday-Saturday	Spring Break
March 14	Monday	Classes Resume
April 22-25	Friday-Monday	Easter Break (Good Friday & Easter Monday)
April 26	Tuesday	Classes Resume
May 2-5	Monday-Thursday	Semester Examinations
May 5	Thursday	Semester Ends
May 7	Saturday	Commencement

### 2011-12 Academic Calendar

#### First Semester

August 22	Monday	Classes Begin (Day & Evening)
September 5	Monday	Labor Day - Holiday
October 7	Friday	Mid-Semester Holiday
November 23-27	Wednesday-Sunday	Thanksgiving Recess - College Closed
November 28	Monday	Classes Resume
December 5-8	Monday-Thursday	Semester Examinations
December 8	Thursday	Semester Ends

#### Second Semester

January 16	Monday	Martin Luther King Holiday
January 17	Tuesday	Classes Begin (Day & Evening)
February 24	Friday	Mid-Semester Holiday
March 12-17	Monday-Saturday	Spring Break
March 19	Monday	Classes Resume
April 6-9	Friday-Monday	Easter Break (Good Friday thru Easter Monday)
April 10	Tuesday	Classes Resume
May 7-10	Monday-Thursday	Semester Examinations
May 10	Thursday	Semester Ends
May 12	Saturday	Commencement

## Academic Policies

Refer to the appropriate graduate program description in this catalog for special academic policies relating to individual programs.

### Student Responsibility

The final responsibility for fulfilling the requirements of a course syllabus in each class, for meeting all program/degree requirements, and for complying with College regulations and procedures rests with the student. Students should consult with their academic advisor when selecting courses or making adjustments in their course schedule.

### Attendance

Students must meet the stated requirements for attendance or participation expected with the class delivery format. If class participation policies are not followed, the student may receive a grade reduction in accordance with the instructor's policy.

### Communication Standards

The College expects students enrolled in a graduate program to demonstrate oral and written communication proficiency commensurate with acceptable standards of good English usage.

### Academic Honesty

#### History, Rationale, Rights, and Responsibilities of Faculty and Students

Frequent reports in today's media indicate that a culture of plagiarism and other dishonesty exists in our society. New technologies combine with old temptations to increase the pressures against acting honestly in academic work.

It is imperative then, that we as a college community value intellectual and moral integrity and promote honesty in work and school as a way to succeed. We must therefore identify and penalize all violations of our shared trust as violations of the principles that inspire our institution and bind us together.

**Imperatives for Honesty:** Our society and the academic community promote many reasons for intellectual honesty:

- **Moral:** Judaeo-Christian principles underlying our moral beliefs forbid theft of others' style and material.
- **Academic:** The ultimate goal of the learning experience is that one develops his or her own synthesis of knowledge, based on seriously reading the syntheses of others; the work of others must therefore be meticulously documented as the basis for one's own; plagiarism, the dishonest use of others' work, invalidates the meaning of the academic experience.
- **Legal:** Western law protects the owner of the style and the material used by another.
- **Professional:** Professional ethics demand respect for the documented labor of others.

**The Shared Trust of Faculty and Students:** Faculty and students have the responsibility of behaving honestly in whatever ways and by whatever means they use and share information. Honesty must be the foundation of our communication in written, spoken, artistic, scientific, symbolic, and cybernetic ways:

1. Written: essays, research papers, reports, case studies, statistical analyses, poetry, fiction, drama.
2. Spoken: speeches, class discussions, panel discussions.
3. Artistic: paintings, photographs, cartoons, musical compositions.
4. Scientific: field research, research projects, lab reports, and lab examinations.
5. Symbolic: mathematical expressions, graphs, and tables.
6. Cybernetic: computer databases, files, and records.

As with all other character traits, honesty must be consistent if it is to be part of the moral structure of our personalities.

Faculty, students and administrators must value honesty and want to encourage and develop it among their peers and throughout their college and social communities. In an academic community that puts a premium on intellectual and moral integrity, students and faculty will take equal responsibility for bringing to light any incidents that violate the shared trust. Students and faculty will avoid allowing or actively participating in acts that violate the community trust (examples: faculty will investigate suspicious documentation; students will refuse requests to cooperate with cheaters and plagiarists). So that we may all agree about what honest behavior includes, the following contexts are provided as examples.

1. **Honesty on examinations, tests and quizzes.** The student who values integrity will:
  - prepare for and perform on all exams, tests and quizzes according to the professor's directions and will consult the professor on any matters on which he or she is unsure.
  - perform on examinations, tests and quizzes using his/her own knowledge and information based on his/her own research and study efforts.
  - use during an exam only those aids that the instructor has specified and approved.
  - refuse to use crib notes, have a substitute take an exam, give or receive unauthorized information prior to or during an exam, or alter answer sheets during test reviews.
2. **Honesty by actions.** The student who values integrity will:
  - respectfully and punctually use public material (e.g., tapes, records, disks, books from the library, an academic department or the Consortium) that needs to also be available and in usable condition for other students.
  - not make an unauthorized copy of restricted material without permission (e.g., videotapes, software).
  - not provide work or materials for another student to copy and submit as his or her own.
3. **Honesty of student academic records.** The student who values integrity will:
  - not alter or tamper with student records (e.g., transcripts, grade sheets, financial statements, references, etc.) which are the property of the College.
  - not alter or tamper with grades and assessments maintained by faculty in their records.
4. **Honesty on written, oral, computer, artistic, and scientific assignments.** The student who values integrity will:

- document all distinctive language, concepts, data, ideas, statistics, symbols, formulas, graphs, designs, and the like borrowed from published, printed, spoken, or broadcast sources whether these sources are public or private, copyrighted or uncopyrighted. Failure to document written/spoken/visual symbolic communication, style or matter is plagiarism - representing the words and/or images and/or symbols, style, and content of another as one's own.
- document his or her research meticulously according to acceptable standards and the professor's prescribed format and will consult the professor or an appropriate resource (e.g., the Writing Center) on any indefinite matter. The diligent student may and should consult any legitimate resource when doing a project, such as the Writing Center, about refining his or her writing or speaking style and about ethically using others' material as part of that project.
- not substitute words/images/symbols from another's work as one's own and will not rearrange syntax of another's written document as one's own sentence structure.
- not represent the visual or verbal organization of another's work as one's own.
- compose an individual project or his/her segment of a group project wholly on his/her own and will not use any deceitful behavior whereby the work of another is represented as his or her own. These deceitful behaviors include ghost-written work, inappropriate collaboration, the use of an assignment for more than one class without the instructor's permission, and the submission of photocopies of others' work as one's own.

5. **Honesty in the use of computer databases and files.** The student who values integrity will:

- generate his/her own material and will refuse to copy other students' disk files, databases, and other electronically stored material.
- properly cite and document all information derived from reference sources such as information retrieval services, computer bulletin boards, or CD ROM reference materials.

Students have an absolute responsibility to comprehend and practice without exception the honest, academic behaviors that are stated and implied in this document and to consult an appropriate professional resource in any case about which they are uncertain or unclear.

Students have rights when their professors question the integrity of a project. Included are the rights to:

- receive a full explanation of the problem when a professor doubts the honesty of a written, spoken, performed, illustrated, or computerized project.
- enjoy confidentiality during all stages of an inquiry into the integrity of a project he/she has done.
- challenge any decision in which the documentable evidence indicates dishonest behavior on an academic project (the process that students should follow is indicated in the College's policy on academic dispute resolution).
- be involved in deciding the form of penalty they will receive and the restitution they will make when an evident case of academic dishonesty is demonstrated (see "Restitution and Education" on page 5).

### **Procedures for Restitution & Discipline**

**Rationale.** The purpose of any process of restitution and education of an offender of an academic honesty policy is two-fold: 1) to make good for any loss which the offender has caused; 2) to help the offender learn the appropriate behavior as an alternative to the offense which he/she committed. It is assumed that for every violation of academic honesty some kind of restitution or education of the student will be applied. It is further assumed that the instructor has the ultimate authority to deal with a case of academic dishonesty in his/her course.

**Procedures.** When an instructor has reason to believe that the academic honesty policy has been violated, the following steps will be followed.

**Step 1:** The instructor will confer with the involved student(s) concerning the issue of honesty in a particular situation and determine what action needs to be taken.

**Step 2:** The methods available to the instructor in collaboration with the student to resolve the issue are as follows:

1. The instructor require that the work be redone and/or that reasonable restitution be made (see “Restitution and Education” on page on page 5).
2. The student receives a failing grade for the assignment.
3. The student receives a failing grade for the course, without the option of dropping the course if the deadline has not yet passed. The instructor should inform the registrar and his/her department chairperson if this option is chosen.
4. The instructor, with the knowledge of the department chairperson, recommends one of the following to the vice president for academic affairs (VPAA):
  - that the student be discontinued in the department
  - that the student be suspended from the College
  - that the student be dismissed from the College.

Academic honesty should not be indicated on the student’s official record as reason for failing a course, suspension or dismissal. The student involved in the issue of academic honesty has the right to appeal any decision regarding academic honesty through academic appeal process.

**Restitution and Education.** After an instructor has determined that a violation of academic honesty has occurred and after an appeals process has been completed, the instructor will decide on an appropriate action of restitution and education, if the student opts to pursue it. In deciding this action, the instructor is encouraged to discuss the situation, while maintaining confidentiality, with knowledgeable colleagues, his/her division dean, or the VPAA. A specific action of restitution and education should utilize the skills and strengths of the student (e.g., teaching a pro-bono word processing session for a major in computer information who violated a policy in preparing an assignment in computer programming). Part of any restitution or education is that the instructor give a full explanation to the student concerning the appropriate behavior which should have been followed in the assignment where the violation took place. Some suggestions for restitution and education include asking the student to:

1. complete another assignment (e.g., write an additional paper to the one in which the offense was committed).
2. provide some private restitution to the owner of the written or published work which was violated.

### **Legal Penalty for Tampering with Education Records**

No person shall knowingly tamper with records (files, documents, etc.) held at the College of Mount St. Joseph, or tamper with computer software or data, or knowingly gain unauthorized access to computer systems. Ohio Revised Code 2913.04 and 2913.42 defines and establishes criminal codes for tampering with records and unauthorized access to computer systems. Violators are subject to state prosecution. The College’s policy for addressing cases of record tampering or unauthorized access to computer systems can result in a person’s 1) suspension, 2) rescission of a Mount degree if the violation is discovered after graduation, or 3) prosecution.

## Grades

### Graduate Grading System

The following grading system is used in graduate-level courses:

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Quality</i>	<i>Points</i>
A	Excellent	4.00
B	Acceptable	3.00
C	Below Standard	2.00
F	Failure	0.00
FA	Failure due to Absence	0.00
I	Incomplete (Incomplete grades are initiated by the student with a course work completion plan. Incomplete grades, if not changed by the instructor, convert to an “F” the following semester.)	0.00
IP	Current term in progress	0.00
NC	No credit	0.00
NR	Grade not reported by instructor	0.00
W	Withdrawal (not calculated in GPA)	0.00
AU	Audit (not calculated in GPA)	0.00
P	Pass (not calculated in GPA)	0.00
SP	Satisfactory Progress Grade option for thesis, research and internship courses; no credit awarded until converted to a final grade upon completion of the course requirements. SP grades require the student to re-register for the same course the following semester(s) with a maximum of two subsequent registrations for the same course. SP grades not completed within one calendar year from the last day of the semester when the original SP grade is assigned for the initial registration of a thesis, research or internship course will convert to an “F” grade.	0.00
U	Unsatisfactory	0.00

Students who receive a grade of “F” or “FA” must repeat the course to obtain credit.

Refer to the appropriate graduate program description in this catalog for special academic policies relating to the individual programs.

### Pass/Fail Grading

A grade of “P” is not counted in the grade point average and credit is given. A grade of “F” is counted in the grade point average and credit is not given.

### Graduate Programs Grade Point Average (GPA)

The grade point average is obtained by dividing the total number of quality points earned by the total number of semester hours attempted for credit. All graduate programs require that students have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 throughout their program to be in good academic standing and to be eligible for graduation.

## Incomplete Grades

A student must initiate a request for an “I” (incomplete) grade with an instructor, **by the last week of classes for traditional semester courses or before the last scheduled date of accelerated classes. The completed form must be submitted by the student to the Office of the Registrar prior to exam week or the final accelerated class meeting.** An “I” (incomplete) grade is only assigned by an instructor for a student who has made significant academic progress in the course, but for a serious reason has not fulfilled all requirements. This petition may be approved or denied by the instructor.

If a student is unable to finish some required assignments or examinations, the student should petition the instructor for an “I” (incomplete) grade. The remaining specific assignments or examinations yet to be completed must be listed with an agreed upon completion date. The completion date must be chosen with regard to the “I” to “F” grade conversion schedule given below.

The specified student course work must be completed and submitted to the instructor no later than the completion date agreed upon by the student and instructor. If an “I” grade is not changed by the time specified in the grade conversion schedule, the “I” grade will automatically convert to an “F” (failing) grade.

<b>“I” grades convert to “F” grades on the following schedule:</b>	
Fall semester “I” (incomplete) grades change to “F”	Last day of spring semester
Spring semester “I” (incomplete) grades change to “F”	The end of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of fall semester
Summer session “I” (incomplete) grades change to “F”	The last day of fall semester

## Change of Grade

If for serious reason an instructor must change a student’s grade, the instructor must submit a Change-of-Grade to the Registrar’s Office and give a rationale for the change. Only instructors are authorized to change grades. Grade changes cannot be made which exceed a time limit of one calendar year after the original grade assignment.

In the case of incomplete grades, the instructor must change the “I” to a letter grade by the end of the following term. Satisfactory Progress “SP” grades are to be changed to a letter grade within one calendar year from the last day of the semester when the original SP grade was assigned for the initial registration of a thesis, research or internship course.

## Repeated Courses

Course work with a final grade of “F,” “FA,” audits, or withdrawals may be repeated. However, a student earning a grade of “F” or “FA” in a required core course must repeat the course. A student may repeat a course only once. This applies to all transcribed courses that repeat an equivalent Mount course including audits, withdrawals or transfer credits.

A student who repeats a course will receive credit only once unless the nature of the course specifically provides otherwise. When a course is repeated, the credit and grade associated with the higher course grade will be the one counted in the student’s cumulative grade point average and toward graduation requirements. Both courses will be shown on the student’s academic record.

## Grade Reports

Academic grade reports are issued from the Registrar's Office to students at the end of each semester or term. Students have full access to their grades via the Web. Grade reports to students in on-campus graduate programs will be mailed only upon receipt of a written request to the Registrar's Office.

## Transcripts

Transcripts of a student's complete academic record at the College are obtained only upon written request from the student. An official transcript, one bearing the College seal and the authorized signature of the Registrar, is sent directly from the Registrar's Office to the individual and/or institution specified by the student. An official transcript issued to the student is labeled "Student Copy." The College is not permitted by law to issue copies of documents from other institutions. A fee of \$10 is required for each copy requested (and \$1 for additional copies requested on the same order). Information for requesting an immediate transcript electronically can be found on the Mount's Web site at <http://www.msj.edu/view/academics/registrar/transcript-requests.aspx>.

No transcript is issued for an applicant whose financial obligations to the College have not been fulfilled.

## Academic Grade Appeal

A grade appeal may be initiated by any student who believes that he or she has been evaluated inaccurately or unfairly in the determination of the final course grade. This is a serious charge and the student must bear in mind that the faculty member has both the right and responsibility to render a fair and critical judgment regarding the quality of the academic work performed according to the grading criteria stated in the course syllabus. The student has the burden of proof to show otherwise, and must be able to provide some evidence of the lack of a fair evaluation in order to file an appeal. The following procedure must be followed in filing an appeal.

1. Within 15 working days of the grade being posted on the web, the student must meet with the instructor and try to resolve the grade dispute. The student needs to fully explain to the instructor that they are considering filing a grade appeal and then describe his/her view of how the grade was evaluated inaccurately or unfairly according to the grading criteria in the course syllabus.
2. If a resolution is not reached and a student wants to continue with a formal appeal process, the student shall submit within 10 working days following the meeting with the instructor, a written request to the Division Dean for a meeting with the Dean and the instructor. In advance of the meeting, the student will submit a letter to the Dean describing his/her meeting with the instructor and explaining the student's view of how the grade was evaluated inaccurately or unfairly according to the grading criteria in the course. The Dean will provide copies to the instructor. The instructor will provide documentation to the Dean prior to the meeting explaining the basis for the grade. If the instructor is a Division Dean, a senior faculty member in the department, appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs (VPAA) or an administrator designated by the VPAA will serve in place of the Dean. The student may be accompanied to this meeting by either his/her academic advisor or a member of the full-time Mount faculty to serve in an advisory role to clarify issues, not as an advocate. The Division Dean will convene the group to discuss the issues related to the appeal.
3. Should the resolution be unsatisfactory to the student or the instructor within ten working days of the meeting in Step 2, either party may submit a letter to the VPAA describing the basis for continuing the appeal.

4. The VPAA or an administrator designated by the VPAA will collect relevant information and meet with the instructor and student together or separately before making a final decision.

The final decision made by the VPAA or the designated administrator will be based on a review of the Step 1, 2, and 3 materials that have been submitted and the process that has been followed. There is no further appeal.

No legal counsel will be present during the grade appeal process. The student may withdraw the appeal at any juncture by a written request to the Division Dean who will notify the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

## **FERPA**

### **Annual Notification of Student Rights**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records. These rights include:

- (1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the College receives a request for access.

Education records are files, documents and other information which contain information directly related to a present or former student enrolled at the College.

Information not considered education records are:

- medical or counseling records used solely for treatment and made or maintained by a physician, psychologist, psychiatrist, or other recognized professional or paraprofessional acting in his or her professional capacity or assisting in a paraprofessional capacity
- law enforcement records
- records created by College personnel which are in the sole possession of the maker and are used only as a personal memory aid and are not accessible or revealed to any other person except a temporary substitute for the maker of the record
- employment records of an individual if employment is not related to the individual's status as a student
- financial records submitted by parents
- education records of the student that contain information on more than one student
- confidential letters and statements of recommendation
- alumni records which maintain information after the student stopped attending the College and do not contain information about the person as a student

A student wishing to exercise his/her right to inspect and review his/her education records must submit to the registrar, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dean of Students, financial aid director or other appropriate official, a written request that identifies the education record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The College official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If a student does not live within reasonable commuting distance from the college and wishes to inspect his/her records, please provide this information with your request and the College official

will make arrangements to provide copies of the education record(s) by mail. The student may be charged a fee for producing copies of the education record(s).

If the records are not maintained by the College official, to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed

(2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes may be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA.

A student who wishes to ask the College to amend a record should write the College official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed.

If the college decides not to amend the record as requested, the College will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student's right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right of the hearing.

(3) The right to provide written consent before the College discloses personally identifiable information from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure of directory information without consent.

The College, in accordance with FERPA, may publicly release directory information without the written consent of the student. The College has identified directory information as:

- name
- address(es) (local, home and e-mail)
- telephone (local and home)
- date and place of birth
- photograph
- student classification (year in school)
- program of study
- major(s) and minor(s)
- academic advisor
- inclusive dates of enrollment
- enrollment status (undergraduate or graduate programs, full-time or part-time)
- degrees earned
- awards received (including academic honors)
- most recent previous educational agency or institution attended
- participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- weight and height of athletic team members

Students may restrict the publication and release of directory information by completing a request of non-disclosure form in the Registrar's Office, Conlan Center.

The College may disclose education records without a student's prior written consent under the FERPA exception for disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests.

A school official is a person employed by the College in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person or company with whom the College has contracted as its agent to provide a service instead of utilizing College employees or officials (such as an attorney, auditor, agency, or collection agent); a person serving on the Board of Trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, and volunteers or persons assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities for the College.

The College may disclose without a student's prior written consent under FERPA exceptions for Judicial orders and subpoenas; information in accordance with the Patriot Act, Clery Act and the Campus Sex Crimes Prevention Act; and to appropriate parties in connection with an emergency or if the information is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or other individuals.

Upon request, the College may also disclose education records without student consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer and to update, correct or explain information originally disclosed.

(4) The right to file a complaint with the U. S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the College to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office  
U. S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20202-5901

Questions regarding FERPA may be directed to the Registrar's Office, Conlan Center

## **Solomon Amendment**

In compliance with the Solomon Amendment which became effective April 1, 1977, the College of Mount St. Joseph must supply directory information (plus prior military experience) upon written request from representatives of any branch of Federal Armed Forces for the purpose of federal recruiting.

## **Academic Standards**

### **Good Academic Standing**

A graduate student in good academic standing must maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average. The grade-point average is obtained by dividing the total number of quality points earned by the total number of semester hours attempted for credit.

## **Academic Probation**

A graduate student whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.0 (excluding incomplete grades) will be placed on academic probation. The academic status will be noted on the graduate academic record. Once on probation students will have up to one semester if full-time or nine semester hours if part-time to achieve a GPA of at least 3.0 to remove their probationary status. A graduate student on academic probation will be returned to good standing when at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA is achieved. A student cannot be placed on probationary status more than once. If a student successfully removes him/herself from probationary status and subsequently has a cumulative GPA that falls below a 3.0 on the 4.0 scale that student will be dismissed from the program. Some programs have additional requirements to be in good academic standing. See individual program requirements.

## **Academic Dismissal**

A student who fails to meet the cumulative grade point average of 3.0 in a graduate program for two semesters, or nine additional hours, will be dismissed from the program. When dismissed, the student becomes ineligible to register for additional graduate level courses in that program. Some programs have additional factors that can lead to academic dismissal. See individual program requirements. The academic dismissal will be noted on the graduate academic record.

## **Non-Academic Dismissal**

The Academic Department reserves the right to recommend dismissal for reasons of poor scholarship, academic fraud or misconduct. Such recommendations are made to the department Chairperson. When dismissed, students are ineligible to continue taking graduate courses.

## **Appeals for Reinstatement**

Appeals for reinstatement must be submitted within 10 working days from the date of dismissal. Appeals must be in writing and addressed to the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies. The student's academic as well as personal record while at the College of Mount St. Joseph will be reviewed to determine whether to grant reinstatement. The Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies decides whether to grant or deny appeals and determines conditions of reinstatement.

A written appeal or petition must include the following:

1. A student's self-assessment of factors that contributed to poor academic performance and a statement indicating what will be or has been done differently to positively alter the situation;
2. A recommendation for reinstatement from the faculty advisor and graduate program director and/or department chairperson.

## **Graduation**

### **Degrees Awarded**

The College offers the following graduate degrees:

Doctor of Physical Therapy Master of Arts  
Master of Arts in Religious Studies  
Master of Nursing  
Master of Science in Organizational Leadership

### **Comprehensive Exam and/or Integrative Project**

A comprehensive examination and/or integrative project is required in each graduate degree program. These are described in the respective graduate program sections of this catalog.

### **Residency Requirements**

A minimum of 75 percent of the credits required for a graduate degree must be earned from the College of Mount St. Joseph. A program of study is developed during the student's first semester to ensure that the residency requirement, as well as other degree requirements, are satisfied.

### **Time Limit on Degree**

Degree programs are designed to serve both full-time and part-time students. Students admitted to a degree program are expected to work with continuity in their program until all requirements are completed. Consequently, a student who does not register for graduate course work during two consecutive years is considered to have withdrawn and is required to submit a revised application and two current letters of recommendation. All degree requirements must be completed within five years of acceptance into the graduate program. An exception may be made at the discretion of the department chairperson and the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies.

### **Degree Applications/Graduation**

A degree-seeking student who has completed the general requirements and the specific program requirements with a cumulative 3.0 GPA is eligible to be awarded a graduate degree. Graduation candidates completing their degree requirements in December 2010, May 2011 and August 2011 will be eligible to participate in the May 2011 graduation ceremony.

**Commencement Ceremony Participants** Graduate program students who will not complete degree requirements by the May ceremony and who will complete their final course work by the end of the summer session may apply and participate as August graduates in the May ceremony.

Candidates who apply for graduation and are listed on that year's annual commencement program are not eligible to be listed in future commencement programs nor participate in future ceremonies for the same degree.

**Applying for Graduation** Graduation candidates are required to complete the application paperwork with their program directors or department chairperson. The completed application for graduation is submitted to the Registrar's Office. The degree application must be on file in the Registrar's Office by the posted deadline dates. Students applying for graduation after the application deadline will be considered candidates as of the next official graduation date, i.e. December, May or August. If degree requirements are not completed by the date (month/year) specified on the student's degree application, the application will

be moved to the next graduation cycle. If the requirements are not completed by the next official graduation date, i.e. December, May or August, the application will be cancelled. If a student completes their degree requirements after they are notified their application has been cancelled, the student will be required to petition for review of completed degree requirements for degree certification on the next official graduation date.

A graduation application fee is assessed to all graduation candidates. The graduation application fee is a one-time charge for each degree application. If a student applies for one degree during one academic year and another degree during a future academic year, the graduation application fee is charged twice. A student applying for an undergraduate and a graduate degree during the same academic year will be charged the full graduation application fee twice.

December, May and August degrees are conferred by the College of Mount St. Joseph at the annual commencement ceremony. The May commencement ceremony is held before final second semester grades are submitted by instructors. Therefore, official diplomas for all May graduates will be mailed in June after grades have been submitted and degree certifications are completed based on the final semester's grades. Diplomas for December graduates are mailed in January. Diplomas for August graduates are mailed in September.

## Transfer Policies

Graduate credits earned at another regionally accredited institution may be accepted in transfer under the following conditions and limitations:

1. An official transcript from a regionally accredited institution must be submitted directly from the college or university attended to the College of Mount St. Joseph, Graduate Admission Office, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233. Once enrolled in graduate programs at the Mount, courses earned at other institutions must be submitted directly from the college or university attended to the College of Mount St. Joseph, Office of the Registrar, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.
2. A maximum of three classes or nine semester hours of graduate course work related to the student's major may be accepted as elective or required credit, as determined by the graduate program director or designee at the time of admission. A minimum of a "B" grade is required for each transfer course.
  - (a) A maximum of two pass/fail grades may be accepted. A passing grade is equivalent to a grade of "B" or above.
  - (b) A maximum of two workshops totaling six semester hours may be accepted
3. No correspondence courses will be accepted.
4. Graduate credits over seven years old will be accepted at the discretion of the respective department chairperson.
5. Grades for credits transferred from another college are not included in the calculation of the student's cumulative grade point average at the Mount.
6. Students should consult with their graduate program director or chairperson for other limitations on transfer credit which may apply in their program.

## **Accreditation, Memberships, & Assessment**

### **Accreditation or Approval**

The College receives its regional accreditation from: The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools

30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400

Chicago, IL 60602

800-621-7440

<http://www.ncahigherlearningcommission.org/>

American Bar Association  
American Chemical Society  
Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education  
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education  
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
Council on Social Work Education  
National Association of Schools of Music  
Ohio Board of Nursing  
Ohio Board of Regents  
Ohio Department of Education  
Teacher Education Accreditation Council

### **Institutional Memberships**

Adult Higher Education Alliance  
American Association of Colleges and Universities  
American Association for Higher Education  
American Association for Paralegal Education  
American Association of Colleges of Nursing  
American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers  
American College Personnel Association  
American Council on Education  
American Sociological Association  
Association for Continuing Higher Education  
Association for Student Affairs at Catholic Colleges and Universities  
Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities  
Association of Gerontology in Higher Education  
Association of Graduate Programs in Ministry  
Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Ohio  
Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Education  
Association for Integrative Studies  
Association of University Programs in Health Administration  
Cincinnati Paralegal Association  
College and University Professional Association for Human Resources  
College Entrance Examination Board  
Consortium for the Advancement of Private Higher Education  
Cooperative Education and Internship Association  
Council for Adult and Experiential Learning

Council for the Advancement and Support of Education  
Council of Graduate Schools  
Council of Independent Colleges  
EDUCAUSE  
Employers Resource Association  
Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce  
Greater Cincinnati Consortium of Colleges and Universities  
Hamilton County Police Association  
Institute of International Education  
International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators  
Mathematics Association of America  
NAFSA: National Association of International Educators  
National Academic Advising Association  
National Association for College Admission Counseling  
National Association for the Education of Young Children  
National Association of Campus Activities  
National Association of Campus Card Users  
National Association of College and University Business Officers  
National Association of Colleges and Employers  
National Association of College Auxiliary Service  
National Association of Lay Ministers  
National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators  
National Association of Student Personnel Administrators  
National Career Development Association  
National Catholic College Admission Association  
National Catholic Educational Association  
National Coalition for Campus Children's Centers  
National Collegiate Athletic Association  
National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame, Inc.  
National League of Nursing  
National Orientation Directors Association  
Ohio Academic Advising Association  
Ohio Association for College Admission Counseling  
Ohio Association of Student Personnel Administrators  
Ohio Association of Colleges for Teacher Education  
Ohio Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers  
Ohio Association of Private Colleges for Teacher Education  
Ohio Biological Survey  
Ohio Campus Law Enforcement Association  
Ohio College Association  
Ohio Continuing Higher Education Association  
OhioLINK  
OHIONET  
Southern Ohio Transfer Council

## **Institutional Review Board**

The College of Mount St. Joseph maintains a process for the protection of human subjects involved in research conducted by students, faculty and staff of the College. A copy of this policy is available in the Office of the Chief Academic Officer.

## Assessment

On an annual basis, the College of Mount St. Joseph assesses the effect of its major academic programs on student learning. The results of this assessment are used to maintain and improve the quality of its academic programs.

## Advising & Registration

### Catalog Requirements for New Students

Students are required to comply with the policies, degree, major, licensure or certificate requirements stated in the College Catalog in effect for the first semester/term of enrollment following acceptance. Students enrolled for the first time in summer sessions will follow the requirements of the Catalog in effect for the following fall semester/term.

### Advising

After acceptance, a student is assigned an academic advisor by the department program director or chairperson. The advisor introduces the student to graduate policies, procedures and programs. Together the advisor and the student develop a plan of study. A copy of this plan is filed with the department program director. It is the student's responsibility to complete the plan. Continued consultation with the advisor is expected. Graduate students in the education program must meet with their advisor to obtain approval to register for each semester or term.

### Classification of Graduate Students

Students are classified as follows:

1. **Degree-seeking (matriculated) students are those who:**
  - (a) have been officially accepted for admission by the graduate program.
  - (b) are degree-seeking in academic pursuit of a master's degree.
2. **Certificate, endorsement, or licensure seeking (matriculated) students are those who:**
  - (a) have been officially accepted for admission into a certificate, endorsement, or licensure program by the graduate program.
  - (b) are not pursuing a degree, but are pursuing a certificate, endorsement, or licensure. College program requirements and residency requirements must be fulfilled in order to receive a certificate, endorsement, or licensure from the College of Mount St. Joseph.
3. **Non-degree seeking (non-matriculated) students are those unclassified students who:**
  - (a) have submitted an application but have not completed all requirements for official acceptance through the graduate program (acceptance status is "Pending").
  - (b) have not planned to submit an application for acceptance and do not intend to pursue a degree, certificate, endorsement, or licensure program.
  - (c) There is a nine semester graduate credit hour limit for non-degree status students.

#### 4. Conditional Standing

Admission to a graduate program with conditional standing is possible in some programs if the student does not meet requirements for degree seeking classifications but can provide evidence of promise for success in graduate study. If the student must satisfy departmental prerequisites or has academic deficiencies, he/she can be admitted on conditional standing even if minimum requirements for admission with regular standing have not been met.

Such requests must have support of the academic department to which the student seeks admission. Evidence in support of acceptance with conditional standing may include graduate admission test scores, reference to successful professional experience, statements of academic prowess, etc. A student admitted with conditional standing must achieve a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 in the first 12 hours of graduate courses taken for grades. Grades earned in undergraduate courses do not apply to the required grade point average. The probationary period begins on the date of admission with conditional standing for two consecutive semesters. If the student does not satisfy the requirements of conditional standing, he/she is denied further registration in the graduate program. If requirements are met, the student is admitted to degree seeking status.

#### Change of Status

A student may obtain degree-seeking status from the appropriate graduate program office by satisfying all admission requirements and by requesting and completing a change of status form. Credits earned by non-degree students who apply for admission are subject to the same limitations as transfer credits.

#### Course Load and Selection

A full course load is defined as nine graduate hours. A maximum course load for a full-time student is defined as 18 credits and/or five courses taken during a semester. Credits in excess of the maximum course load must be approved by a graduate advisor.

All credits in one semester, regardless of course delivery format, are added in determining full- or part-time status. All summer sessions combine to form one semester.

Students planning a course load during accelerated day, evening, weekend, or summer terms should be aware of the intensive, condensed time frame for academic content during the short-term sessions.

Students must meet special course restrictions and required prerequisites established by academic departments when selecting classes.

#### Course Numbering System

Courses numbered 100-499 are taken for undergraduate credit. Courses numbered 500 and above are graduate level/credit courses.

#### Course Scheduling

The College of Mount St. Joseph offers courses throughout the calendar year. The time frame in which classes are taught is variable and flexible to meet students' needs. Classes may be scheduled for standard

semester sessions, accelerated evening, or summer sessions. All classes conform to the requirements for contact hours.

## **Course Delivery Formats**

The standard format is available in day and evening time frames. The accelerated format is available during the day, evenings and on the weekends. Distance learning classes are available via the Web.

**Standard Format** Daytime courses meet two or three times per week for a 16-week semester. Evening courses meet for the same number of hours per week, but in one extended evening session during each week of the 16-week semester.

**Accelerated Format** Accelerated study at the Mount is an intense learning experience that offers working adults the opportunity to complete uniquely designed courses predominately in the evenings and on weekends. Instructors follow a different teaching methodology with fewer class contact hours and more independent study.

Accelerated courses are offered over several terms, including the summer. Each course requires attendance at five to eight class sessions. Each course requires a preassignment that must be completed before the first class meeting. The completed preassignment and expected 20 hours of independent study between each class meeting are integral to this format. Some accelerated classes require a post-assignment.

**Distance Learning Format** Courses include significant use of the Web and are offered using WebCT and blackboard, Internet-based course management systems.

**Blended Learning** Blended learning integrates best teaching practices of face-to-face classroom and online course formats in a planned, pedagogically sound manner. In blended courses, online activities replace a portion of the face-to-face 'seat time'. The number of hours sitting in class is decreased, yet not eliminated. Online activities complement face-to-face instruction, thereby giving students the benefits each learning format has to offer. Class meeting times and online work are outlined in the development of each course.

**Preassignments for Accelerated Courses** The College offers a variety of accelerated formats and time frames in which classes are condensed during a term. It is essential to maximize in-class time. To do so, instructors require that a preassignment be prepared in advance of the first class session. Preassignments are available (generally one month before the beginning of each term) on the Mount's Web site at [www.msj.edu](http://www.msj.edu). Students are required to have purchased books and completed preassignments before the first class meeting.

## **Graduate Courses for Undergraduates**

Undergraduate seniors in their final semester of study at the College of Mount St. Joseph may enroll, with written approval of their undergraduate academic advisor and a graduate program advisor, in graduate courses (course numbers 500+), subject to the following conditions:

1. Graduate courses may be crosslisted with an undergraduate course number (100-499) to meet undergraduate academic credit/degree requirements. Graduate level courses with numbers 500 and above will not fulfill undergraduate degree requirements.

2. Undergraduate seniors in their final semester of studies at the College may take graduate courses for graduate credit applied to a graduate academic record with the permission of the department program director.
3. Undergraduate seniors may not register for more than 18 hours of combined graduate and undergraduate credit.
4. The maximum amount of graduate credit may not exceed nine hours while simultaneously pursuing an undergraduate degree. Undergraduate seniors in their final semester of study at another regionally accredited college or university may not enroll for more than six hours of graduate credit as a non-degree seeking student at the Mount, subject to the above restrictions.

## Independent Study / Learning Contracts

Students who wish to undertake an independent study must consult with their advisor and register in the independent study course. The instructor's approval in Web registration is required before a student may enroll. Independent study credit hours are included in the course hour load. Independent study is limited to a maximum of three semester hours during the student's graduate program. The student's work is supervised by a faculty member assigned by the department program director or chairperson in the intended field of study. Objectives for the study are developed by students in consultation with the faculty member. Students are expected to meet regularly with the faculty member for consultation and discussion. The faculty member has the responsibility for evaluating the student's achievement. Independent study may not be audited.

Any student seeking credit through an independent learning opportunity must contact the instructor to discuss and complete a learning contract. Through contractual learning, the student is to understand the instructor's expectations and criteria for evaluation. A completion date is established between the student and instructor. There is no re-contracting after an established completion date. A copy of the signed learning contract must be on file in the Registrar's Office.

## Registration Procedures

Course schedules and registration information are available on the Mount's Web site. Materials may also be obtained by contacting the appropriate graduate program office. Dates, times and procedures for Web registration are published in each semester's or term's *Semester Policies and Procedures*, or on the Mount's Web site at [www.msj.edu](http://www.msj.edu). Prior to the first term of enrollment, students are issued PIN numbers for accessing Web registration.

In-person registration support is provided in the Conlan Center, Student Administrative Services.

Tuition and fees must be paid one week prior to the start of class.

Graduate students may register on the Web or in person.

Payment should be sent to:

College of Mount St. Joseph  
Location 00121  
Cincinnati, OH 45264-0121

All prior financial obligations to the College must be paid in full before registration will be permitted for any new semester or session.

## **Adding/Dropping Courses**

During periods when Web registration is open for a term, students may drop or add courses over the Internet. Students are expected to seek an advisor's approval before making any changes to an advisor-approved class schedule.

To add a class after the first week of day and evening classes, students must obtain the instructor's signature on an add/drop form. In accelerated-format classes, adding a course is not possible after the first class session.

After the first week of classes, add/drops cannot be done on Web registration. Students must submit an add/drop form, with any required signatures for processing, to Student Administrative Services.

Any student who fails to process an add/drop will receive a grade of FA (failure due to absence). Any student who does not officially add a class will not receive credit or a grade for course work.

## **Auditing**

Graduate students may audit courses (except independent study courses and auto-study options) on a space-available basis as determined by the instructor and the department offering the course. Audited courses earn zero (0) credit hours. Conditions or requirements of the audit are determined by the instructor or department. Courses taken for audit require the signature of the department program director.

Full-time graduate students (nine or more credit hours) may audit courses at no charge. Other students pay one-half price for audited courses. Alumni of the College from a graduate program may audit courses (except independent studies or auto-study options) on a space-available basis for a special discounted tuition rate, providing appropriate academic prerequisites have been completed. Lab fees are additional for all students.

If a student wishes to change from audit to a grade or vice versa, the change must be made in the graduate program office or Student Administrative Services during the first five weeks of class. Changes in accelerated day, evening or weekend classes must occur before the third class meeting.

## **Course Withdrawal Policy**

Each semester or class term is segmented into three withdrawal periods. Classes officially dropped during the first withdrawal period are removed from the student's academic record. A grade of "W" (withdrawal) will be assigned to any classes dropped during the second withdrawal period. The "W" grade is not calculated in the student's grade point average. The class remains on the student's academic record.

No drops are accepted during the third withdrawal period. Instructors will assign grades for any classes not dropped before the third withdrawal period begins.

### **First/Second Semesters and All Summer Sessions**

Weeks 1-5	No record of dropped class
Weeks 6-10	Grade of "W" for dropped class
Weeks 11+	No drops accepted

### **4 Week Term**

Weekend/Week 1	No record of dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 2-3	Grade of "W" for dropped class
Weekend/Week 4	No drops accepted

**5 Week Term**

Weekends/Weeks 1-2	No record of dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 3-4	Grade of “W” for dropped class
Weekend/Week 5	No drops accepted

**6 Week Term**

Weekends/Weeks 1-2	No record of dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 3-4	Grade of “W” for dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 5-6	No drops accepted

**7 Week Term**

Weekends/Weeks 1-3	No record of dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 4-5	Grade of “W” for dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 6-7	No drops accepted

**8 Week Term**

Weekends/Weeks 1-3	No record of dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 4-6	Grade of “W” for dropped class
Weekends/Weeks 7-8	No drops accepted

**10 Week Term**

Weeks 1-3	No record of dropped class
Weeks 4-6	Grade of “W” for dropped class
Weeks 7-10	No drops accepted

Specific dates for each term are published on the Mount’s Web site at [www.msj.edu](http://www.msj.edu).

**Withdrawals and Reduced Charges**

All students complying with established procedures for withdrawal from the College or credit hour reduction are entitled to have charges reduced. Please see the tuition reduction schedule which is published in the *Semester Policies and Procedures*.

Notification of withdrawal or cancellation is recognized as the date the drop (withdrawal) is completed in Web registration, or the date the form is received in the graduate program’s office or Student Administrative Services.

In cases where students feel extraordinary circumstances warrant exception from the reduction policy, an appeal for review can be made in writing and directed to Student Administrative Services, Conlan Center.

A full reduction of departmental fees is made in cases of withdrawal before classes begin. After classes begin, no reduction is made for departmental fees.

All tuition refund requests must be in writing and directed to Student Administrative Services, Conlan Center. Requests for refunds based on outside assistance will be processed upon the completion of the add/drop period. Governmental loan refunds will be processed in accordance with the guidelines of the specific loan program.

## **Study at Other Institutions**

Full- and part-time degree-seeking students, both undergraduate and graduate, are eligible to enroll in the Greater Cincinnati Consortium cross-registration program. The Consortium provides educational access for students to take courses not available at their own college. Developmental courses taken through the Consortium that are similar in content to those offered at the College of Mount St. Joseph will be accepted as general electives; however, those courses that are not applied toward a degree at a host institution will not be accepted.

Degree-seeking Mount students may enroll in a maximum of two courses or six semester hours in consortium courses each academic year. Enrollment in Consortium courses occurs concurrently with enrollment at the Mount. Graduate students cannot earn more than 25 percent of the credits required for a master's degree in courses taken either through the Consortium or in transfer from another institution.

Extenuating circumstances may require an exception to the Consortium cross-registration policy. Appeals for exceptions are submitted in writing to the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies. The College's approved Study Abroad programs are exempt from Consortium policies.

Mount students are charged Mount tuition when registering through the Consortium. Credit hours earned by courses taken through the Consortium are treated as Mount residency hours. Consortium grades are calculated in the student's Mount grade point average.

Cross-registration procedures are as follows:

1. Begin with the Consortium contact person in the College of Mount St. Joseph's Registrar's Office to secure course and Consortium procedure information.
2. Obtain a signature of approval on a Mount registration or add form from an academic advisor.
3. Complete the cross-registration form in the College of Mount St. Joseph's Registrar's Office. The Mount's Consortium representative's signature on the Consortium form is required. The student may wish to call the host school's registration office to determine the availability of space.
4. Take the cross-registration form to the registration office of the institution where the course will be taken (host school). Specific times and dates are scheduled for this purpose and are available for student reference in the Registrar's Office.
5. If a change in enrollment status (add/drop) is made, the add/drop procedure must be completed at both schools.

The following schools are members of the Consortium: Art Academy of Cincinnati, The Athenaeum, Chatfield College, Cincinnati Christian University, Cincinnati State Technical and Community College, College of Mount St. Joseph, Gateway Community and Technical College<sup>1</sup>, God's Bible School and College; Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science, Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, Miami University, Northern Kentucky University, Thomas More College, Union Institute and University, University of Cincinnati, Wilmington College, and Xavier University.

## **Tuition, Fees, & Payments**

### **Tuition and Fees**

Tuition is charged on the basis of a cost per credit hour. Current tuition and fee information is published in the Semester Policies and Procedures each semester. Some courses have a related fee. These costs are

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<sup>1</sup>Effective 1/10/10

included with course information.

The College reserves the right to modify tuition and the amount or number of fees at the beginning of any academic year subsequent to the student's initial registration.

### **Payment of Charges**

All tuition and related fees are payable in full at the published confirmation date. Students should read closely all information regarding the confirmation process in the *Semester Policies and Procedures* for each semester/term and fulfill the requirements indicated. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the student's registration. Information concerning payment options is available in Student Administrative Services, Conlan Center. Because financial aid is considered a payment for College charges, all financial aid paperwork should be completed well before the beginning of the student's first semester/term at the College. For subsequent years, students are encouraged to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1.

Students with delinquent accounts may not register for upcoming terms until outstanding balances have been paid in full. Students will not receive a transcript or a degree until accounts are settled. Unpaid balances, for any reason, are subject to monthly service fees.

### **Veterans' Education**

The College of Mount St. Joseph is approved for the education and training of veterans and their dependents under all existing public laws. Veterans qualified for V.A. educational benefits must contact the College's certifying official each semester or term to verify eligibility. Students receiving V.A. benefits who are placed on academic probation for more than two consecutive semesters may be suspended from the benefits unless progress is shown toward improving their grade point average, even though they may not be dismissed from the College. Requests for information should be referred to the College's V.A. certifying official in the Registrar's Office, Conlan Center.

## Course Descriptions

### **ART 510 Art History:Special Topics (3)**

Courses offered on an occasional basis to explore subject matter of special interest or timely relevance. Topics may include "Matisse & Picasso: Dialogue & Rivalry of Great Modern Masters," "History of Photography," etc.

### **ART 510A Topics in Art History: History of Design (3)**

#### *New Course*

A survey of visual communication/design/ and industrial design from unrecorded times through the present. Emphasis will be from the industrial revolution through the present.

### **ART 512 Fabric Design Workshop (3-6)**

The exploration of the processes of dyeing, painting, printing, and embellishing the surface of cloth. Courses are offered on a rotating basis (with one course per semester) from among the following: BATIK AND RESIST DYEING. Dye resists in which hot wax or compression is applied to prevent dye from penetrating the cloth which is then immersed in a cold-water dye bath. DRAWING AND PAINTING ON FABRIC. Direct application of colorants to cloth using dye pastels, markers, pigments and brushing, canning, mist bottle, extruders, silk painting; also, fabric manipulation. DYE PAINTING ON SILK. Fiber-reactive dyes are applied to various silk fabrics using resists (primarily hot wax or gutta); thickened dye painting; sized and unsized fibers. Traditional and experimental approaches. FABRIC PRINTING. Images or colorants are transferred from various printing "plates" to fabric. Printing processes include: relief (block, stamp, found object); stencil; speedscreen; monoprint; cyanotype (blueprint); heat transfer; dye transfer, photo transfer; marbling. FIBER AND FABRIC. Textile structures that incorporate both fiber and fabric: collage, stitchery, applique, reverse applique ("mola"), quilting, trapunto stuffing, cord quilting. SCREEN PRINTING. Image-making technique in which a squeegee is used to force textile pigment through a stencil on a tautly stretched mesh attached to a frame. Stencil processes include: plastic, film, photographic emulsion, wax crayon, drawing fluid, screen filler, blank screen.

### **ART 525 Ceramics Workshop (3-6)**

Enhancement of technical development of throwing on the wheel, decorative skills and glazing formulae.

### **ART 526 Toolmaking for Potters (1.5)**

No prerequisite.

This course presents a variety of toolmaking techniques including the 7,000 year old roulette and clay stamp, small plaster casts that enable sprigging and applique as surface design, Japanese wrapped rope paddles and handmade brushes. Students will throw or hand build basic pieces to try out the tools. The emphasis is on process not glaze fired work. Pieces will be bisque fired the week after class for pick up later.

### **ART 526A Ceramics Workshop:The Narrative Box - Stories & Secrets (1.5)**

This course explores hand-building the box form with a variety of possibilities. Students will build container forms with slab and combination techniques exploring intent, purpose, and story. The emphasis is on process not glaze-fired work. Pieces will be bisque fired the week after class for pick up later.

### **ART 526B Ceramics Workshop: Teapots - A Study in Form and Function (1.5)**

#### *New Course*

This course examines the domestic and creative history of the teapot and its imaginative expression today. Construction techniques will focus on hand building techniques that are adaptable to personal or classroom use. Juxtaposition of parts and creative expression are prime considerations as students balance form, symbolism and function. The emphasis is on process not glaze-fired work. Pieces will be bisque for pickup later.

### **ART 552 Photography Workshop (3-6)**

Advanced photographic skills are explored with a focus on lighting, professional development, and studio use.

Students will focus on portfolio development and in-depth research. A computer with an internet connection is required as WebCT will be used as the course management system.

**ART 555 Drawing Workshop (3-6)**

An exploration of the creative possibilities and techniques of drawing in pastel. Students will investigate the strategies for producing vibrant images using this expressive medium. The principles of landscape design, perspective and color theory will compliment the experience of direct observation in unique natural settings.

**ART 562 Sculpt Wkshp:Figure Modeling (3-6)**

In-depth designing of form in three-dimensions with respect to exploring materials and technical skills necessary therein.

**ART 562B Sculpt Wkshp:Mixed Media (1-6)**

**ART 569 Printmaking Workshop:Lithography (1.5)**

The exploration of a variety of techniques in which inked images from prepared surfaces are transferred to paper resulting in a series of original prints. Creative experiences in hand printing methods and the use of mechanical presses. Students will produce both editions of identical images and unique, single-image prints. Emphasis on nontoxic procedures. Courses are offered on a rotating basis (with one to two courses per year) from among the following: RELIEF PRINTMAKING. Covers various methods of producing prints off of incised and inked surfaces from which multiple images can be printed. Processes include vinylcut, woodcut, lino-cut, masonitecut and wood engraving. SCREEN PRINTING. Printing techniques using a frame with stretched fabric mesh. Ink is passed through the stenciled mesh onto paper to produce a wide range of effects. Processes include cut stencil, blockout stencil, pochoir and photosilkscreen. INTAGLIO. Covers various printing techniques in which images are incised or chemically etched onto a plate of metal or plexiglas. The images are inked and printed onto paper using an etching press. Processes include drypoint, etching, photoetching, aquatint, lift ground, chine colle, and mezzotint. LITHOGRAPHY. Original prints are made from images drawn in crayon or other substances on limestone slabs or metal plates. The chemically-treated surfaces are inked and printed using a lithographic press. Processes include stone litho, metal plate, paper plate, and photolithography. EMBOSSING AND COLLOGRAPHY. Printing plates are constructed from various materials to create a dimensional surface. Dry or inked plates produce images in relief on paper.

**ART 671 Advanced Studio Problems (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Instructor approval, learning contract, and intermediate level of accomplishment in area of concentration.

Comprehensive problem solving experiences in studio arts under the supervision of a graduate faculty member. This tutorial culminates in an exhibition of a cohesive body of work.

**ART 671A Advanced Studio Problems (1.5)**

*New Course*

*Prerequisite(s):* Instructor approval, learning contract, and intermediate level of accomplishment in area of concentration.

Comprehensive problem solving experiences in studio arts under the supervision of a graduate faculty member. This tutorial culminates in an exhibition of a cohesive body of work.

**ART 681 Graduate Exhibition (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Instructor approval, learning contract, and to be taken last, having completed 12 of 15 credits required in the Art Concentration.

Required course to be taken last in the Art Concentration sequence. The course requires the graduate student to create a culminating body of work in the chosen area of arts concentration that will then be exhibited in the Studio San Giuseppe Art Gallery. The student must work closely in consultation with a graduate faculty member through the conception and execution of this body of work. A reflective paper is also required and will accompany the exhibited art work.

**AYA 533 Adol/Young Adult Practicum (2-3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* AYA 550, AYA 670

Admission to Education Department, minimum gpa 2.5, 30 credit hours in your major, and the methods course in your content area. Instructor permission is required for this course. The field experience is the central component of this course. The student will be assigned to a specific school in grades 7-9 where he/she will participate in flexible field hours Monday through Friday for 12 weeks and monthly seminars. Teaching activities as designated by the instructor will be assigned in order to apply theory learned in prior course work.

### **AYA 533A AYA Practicum (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* AYA 550, 670

Admission to TEAM-AYA Program; full-time teaching position in math or science. The field experience is the central component of this 1-credit hour course. TEAM-AYA students who are teaching full time in a classroom will be coached and evaluated during the semester by a Mount supervisor. Students also participate in reflective teaching practices, which include a video self-assessment of their teaching. Teaching activities coordinated for specific content area methods will be assigned in order to apply theory learned in prior course work. In addition, case studies will be analyzed in group discussions on WebCT.

### **AYA 550 Nature and Needs of Adolescents (3)**

In this course, students will examine the unique nature and needs of young adolescents in relation to effective secondary teaching practices. Major trends and issues facing secondary classroom teachers will be investigated through evaluation of current educational research. Such trends include human development, classroom management, school organization, funding, curriculum, and assessment. Specific secondary instructional strategies will be discussed and applied through peer teaching. Reflection of personal beliefs, educational theory, and practice is promoted in the course.

### **AYA 556 Methods Teaching Language Arts (3)**

*Crosslisted MCE 556* This course is designed to introduce the teacher candidate to the principles, practices, and guidelines necessary to teach language arts to a diverse population of middle level students and secondary level students. The teacher candidate will prepare language arts lessons that ensure success for all learners enabling them to construct a meaningful understanding of language arts concepts. Lessons and language arts curricula projects will be aligned to the ODE content standards and to the learning outcomes for the Ohio Reading and Writing Proficiency Tests. Integration in other content areas will be explored and encouraged.

### **AYA 558 Methods of Teach Social Studies (3)**

*Crosslisted MCE 558*, This course is designed to prepare the teacher candidate to teach social studies and the social sciences to children in the middle and secondary grades. Students will become familiar with the curriculum framework as well as the philosophies behind various teaching approaches as outlined by the NCSS Standards and the Ohio K-12 Content Standards for the Social Studies. The teacher candidate will investigate and practice using various teaching techniques and materials.

### **AYA 559 Teaching Methods of the Sciences (3)**

*Crosslisted MCE 559*, An exploration of methods used in teaching biology/science, chemistry/physical sciences, and earth/space/environmental sciences. Students will plan instruction for a wide range of learner abilities, backgrounds and goals based on learners' prior knowledge and conceptualizations. Laboratory and field based experiences require use of current resources in the field. Students will use appropriate electronic technologies which have application in the learning environment. Safety issues and the ethical use of living materials are emphasized.

### **AYA 580A TEAM-AYA Field Experience A (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* AYA 550, AYA 670, Admission to TEAM-AYA Program; full-time teaching position in math or science

The field experience is the central component of this 1-credit hour course. TEAM-AYA students who are teaching full-time in a class room will be coached and evaluated during the semester by a Mount supervisor. Students also participate in reflective teaching practices, which include a video self-assessment of their teaching. Teaching activities coordinated for specific content area methods will be assigned in order to apply

theory learned in prior course work. In addition, case studies will be analyzed in group discussions on WebCt.

**AYA 670 AYA Curriculum Methods: Teaching to Standards (3)**

This purpose of this course is to integrate theories of teaching and learning with actual practices of standards-based education. The focus of the course is on the improvement of teaching and learning by putting standards at the forefront of the instructional program. The graduate student will analyze the Ohio Content Standards, National Standards (NCTM, etc.) and other state standards. Interpretation of the standards in order to develop approaches to teaching while maintaining grade level rigor in lieu of adapting instruction to the average or low achiever will also be addressed. The course will also include approaches to standards-based assessment.

**BIO 526 Human Gross Anatomy (8)**

This course provides a complete study of the anatomy of the human body. This course is primarily designed for the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program, and therefore, places emphasis on integrating basic knowledge gained in prerequisite coursework with an in-depth knowledge of the relationships of the skeletal, muscular, and peripheral vascular and nervous systems.

**BUS 600 Acctg & Fin Decision Making (3)**

This course will involve the preparation, analysis, communication, and interpretation of accounting information to decision-makers. This will involve the presentation of accounting information from the perspective of the user, not the preparer. The emphasis will be on what accounting information is, why it is important and how it is used by economic decision-makers.

**CIS 610 Understanding Technology (3)**

This is an introductory technology course on understanding and using information technology. It focuses on communications using computer technology, the digital revolution, the Internet, and the Web. It covers the fundamental computing concepts surrounding the digital age including software, hardware, data, people, communications, and procedures. It also examines ethical issues in the information age and investigates emerging technologies that could impact individuals as well as organizations in the future. This course is required for all students who do not have a technology-related degree and is a prerequisite to CIS 620 Managing Technology.

**CIS 620 Managing Technology (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* CIS 610

This course addresses significant issues related to managing technology in a corporate environment from both strategic and tactical perspectives. It is designed to meet the needs of students who, as either managers or consultants, must understand the use of technology as a powerful tool of competitive advantage and growth. Emphasis is given to the challenges facing managers to make research and development serve the needs of the organization in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

**COM 675 Organizational Communication (3)**

*New Course*

*Crosslisted MGT 675* Communication concepts and theories that describe and explain interactions among organizational members at all levels are examined in this course. Key to this examination is the opportunity for students to observe, analyze and practice effective interaction patterns. Topics of discussion include: upward, downward and horizontal communication; formal and informal communication (grapevine); superior-subordinate communication; performance evaluation; information overload; conflict and negotiation; power, politics, and influence; and organizational culture.

**ECO 655 Global Economic Awareness (3)**

*New Course*

*Crosslisted MGT 655* This course has two distinct parts. The first part is a comparison of the different economic systems around the globe. In this section, students examine the economic structures of different nations as well as the different roles for government. The second part of the course focuses on international trade. Students examine the theories that guide trade and the role of international economic institutions

such as the World Trade Organization.

**EDU 500 Statistics and Research (3)**

This course explores the components of the research process: problem definition, hypothesis construction, variables, literature review, research designs, statistical methods, collecting, analyzing, and interpreting data.

**EDU 501 Educational Psychology (3)**

A study of the teaching/learning process, what learning is and how it occurs according to three major classifications of theories and the correlates of learning - theories of intelligence, cognitive styles, thinking processes, thinking skills, motivation and creativity. Emphasis will be placed on applications to the teaching craft, including classroom dynamics and management, teaching/learning styles, including individual differences of students, the teacher and the classroom environment and measurements.

**EDU 502 Measurement & Evaluation (3)**

Materials and techniques used to assess and evaluate students. Administration and interpretation of standardized instruments. Construction of various types of teacher-made tests and pupil evaluation. Methods of classroom test construction. Field component.

**EDU 504 Behavioral Management/Classroom Organization (3)**

Principles and practices in behavioral management in the classroom. Basic concepts of behavior modification, learning theory and operant conditioning. Models and strategies that influence and can be used for behavioral management in educational and other settings.

**EDU 517 Computers in the Instructional Process (3)**

An introductory course on the computer and technology in the K-12 classroom. Using a combination of lecture and hands-on instruction, it will address issues surrounding the use of instructional technology, including, but not limited to: integrated software packages (word processing, spreadsheet, database); CD-ROMs; instructional software; the Internet; PowerPoint and other presentations program; hypermedia; and technology in the instructional process.

**EDU 533A Art Education Practicum (1-3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Web Approval of Instructor

The field experience is the central component of this course which ranges from 1-3 credits, depending upon the needs and experience of the learner as determined by the student's advisor. The student will be assigned to two or three placements with individuals between the ages of 3 to 21. The student will participate in the various placements practicing skills and completing application assignments from associated major courses. The instructor will supervise the students in placement at least two times and meet with the students on a regular basis. Each credit requires at least 50 hours of fieldwork.

**EDU 533M Music Education Practicum (2-3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Web Approval of Instructor

The field experience is the central component of this course which ranges from 1-3 credits, depending upon the needs and experience of the learner as determined by the student's advisor. The student will be assigned to two or three placements with individuals between the ages of 3-21. The student will participate in the various placements practicing skills and completing application assignments from associated major courses. The instructor will supervise the students in placement at least two times and meet with the students on a regular basis. Each credit requires at least 50 hours of fieldwork.

**EDU 535 Communication Development and Disorders (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* IEC 630 or SED 515

Major theories of language acquisition and development and the development of literacy; the causes of communication deficits and disorders; the developmental process for typically and atypically developing young children; the conditions that effect children's language and literacy development and learning; bilingual education. Case studies of typically and atypically developing children.

**EDU 595 Independent Study Teaching Portfolio (1-3)**

Independent study under the guidance of a faculty member to meet stated objectives. Permission of department chair and faculty member is required.

**EDU 598 Workshops (1-3)**

The workshop's content will be announced when the course is offered.

**EDU 598G Portfolio Development for Classroom Teachers (1)**

This graduate course is intended to provide explanations and direction for the design and development of electronic portfolios for classroom teachers. The development of portfolios is intended to prepare the practicing teachers to document evidence of their continued professional development and accountability. This course will guide the practicing classroom teacher in preparing an electronic portfolio as well as a standard portfolio. This online course will permit the participants to progress accordingly in the development of the portfolio, however the professor will be available for directions, questions, and consultations.

The students will plan, develop, produce and assess their portfolio and performances as required by the Ohio Competencies for Teacher Licensure. Each teacher will produce a creative portfolio that presents evidence of authentic self-assessment, reflection and continued professional growth and development. As the culminating project each participant will develop a portfolio using the Power Point format.

**EDU 599 Workshops (1-3)**

The workshop's content will be announced when the course is offered.

**EDU 600 Integrative Project (1)**

The development of the Integrative Project is the culmination of the Education Divisions Master of Arts Degree programs. Students apply content learned in the EDU 500 Statistics and Research course and integrate content from courses throughout each Graduate Program. Students critically analyze peer-reviewed literature surrounding a selected educational issue and propose a feasible solution based upon current research. EDU 600 is a repeatable course.

**EDU 601 Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings Mild to Moderate (3)**

This course will analyze the concept of differentiated instruction strategies, including CAT (Computer Assistive Technology), to better meet the individual and diverse needs of children in inclusive settings. This course will also focus on managing change in the professional learning community.

**EDU 602 Ethics for Educators (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Admission to the Graduate Program

This course is a study of major ethical theories and their application to educational issues. Ethical case studies will be examined. Reflection on personal beliefs concerning correct behavior and the development of a professional code of ethics are important components of this graduate course.

**EDU 616 Cognition Across Cultures (3)**

This course will provide the graduate student with a broader view of learning in terms of the influence of language on the child's world view and the ability to process concepts, ideas and problems. Also covered are the impact of culture on the child's understanding of story, a respect, understanding and valuing of different cultural beliefs and practices, needs for functioning in two worlds, and the focus and importance of various disciplines in other cultures.

**EDU 644 Student Teaching (6)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Admission to student teaching and completion of practicum hours.

An intensive full-day experience in teaching and related professional development. Student teaching allows the student to synthesize the theory and practice under the guidance of an experienced master teacher. This is an all day experience in the relevant grade levels, lasting a minimum of twelve weeks.

**EDU 644A ART Educ Grad Student Teaching (6)**

*New Course*

**EDU 650 Topics in Literacy (3)**

This course is designed to discuss current issues and trends in effective literacy instruction and assessment. Topics of discussion will include, but are not limited to: literature-based reading programs; approaches to emergent and beginning reading; reading management systems; holistic assessment; writing instruction; and writing portfolios.

**EDU 670 Standards-Driven Instruction & Assessment (3)**

This purpose of this course is to integrate theories of teaching and learning with actual practices of standards-based education. The focus of the course is on the improvement of teaching and learning by putting standards at the forefront of the instructional program. The graduate student will analyze the Ohio Content Standards, National Standards (NCTM, etc.) and other state standards. Interpretation of the standards in order to develop approaches to teaching while maintaining grade level rigor in lieu of adapting instruction to the average or low achiever will also be addressed. The course will also include approaches to standards-based assessment.

**EDU 671 Curriculum Development: Theory & Applications (3)**

This course presents a critical examination of foundations, principles, concepts, and current practice in the field of curriculum. Topics will include program planning, design, implementation, and evaluation; using a curriculum mapping model for instructional improvement; using collaborative and interdisciplinary approaches to curriculum development within this framework.

**EDU 672 School Law (3)**

A review of laws, court decisions, and issues pertinent to teachers, administrators, and students, such as classroom discipline, teacher negligence, and students' rights. The legal process, structures of the law, legislation/litigation, and practices to avoid legal infringements are addressed.

**EDU 674 Instructional Leadership (3)**

Students examine leadership roles as forces which define the quality of educational institutions. Leadership theories, classic and contemporary models are studied. Themes such as organizational climate, systems thinking, collaboration and change management are discussed in depth. Knowledge, skills and attitudes essential to effective school leadership are studied. Reactions to school reform are discussed in-depth. Teachers' and principals' reactions to change, and the gaps in their perceptions will be analyzed. No Child Left Behind implications will be analyzed.

**EDU 675 School Finance (3)**

This course is a graduate study of financing public education systems in the United States, focusing on federal, state and local financing of schools; equalization of educational opportunity; sources of school revenue; school budgets; and the business practices employed in the daily operations of a school district. An important element of this course is the integration of finance issues with the issues of priority setting, educational goals, curriculum and general administrative practice at the school site level. Emphasis will be placed on principals and practices relating to Ohio public school finance.

**EDU 676 Educational Administration (3)**

This course is a practical introduction to the theories and every day practices of educational leadership. The course is designed to provide an examination of organizational behavior as well as introduce you to the challenges that will face you as an educational leader. Students will further be introduced to models of supervision that will have an effect on student achievement through the practice of observation and evaluation, improve instruction, and aid in the development curriculum.

**EDU 677 Principal Internship (6)**

*Prerequisite(s):* EDU 674, EDU 676 & SED 670

This experience is to provide the participant with an opportunity to relate the course work and research to actual practice while engaged in specific dimensions of leadership in the school. Work will be done under the supervision of the building administrator as well as College of Mount St. Joseph faculty. Student will spend one third of the time in a public school; one third, in a private school; and one third, in a small business.

**HUM 670 Reading and Writing: The Culture of Work (3)**

*Crosslisted SOC 670* This course is an in-depth study of how workers themselves experience their work. It will explore how the lives of workers have been depicted in literature, film, and history. It will involve the close study of a local workplace culture through fieldwork, the method used by cultural anthropologists to understand how people generate and interpret social behavior in a given setting. Students will not only read and interpret texts, but also produce texts that describe the lived experience of actual workers.

**IEC 510 Assessment and Diagnosis of Young Children (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* IEC 630.

Use of formal and informal assessment instruments and strategies to diagnose and assess young children's learning and development. A 10-hour field experience is included.

**IEC 530 Integrating Science and Social Studies through Content Reading (3)**

Providing a learning environment in which young children develop key concepts and knowledge in mathematics, science, understanding, and relationships using a variety of meaningful activities, solving concrete and real life problems; emphasizes thinking, reasoning and problem solving.

**IEC 533 Inclusive Early Childhood Literacy Practicum (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Acceptance into Education Department required

One of three Inclusive Early Childhood Practica of 50 hours each. This practicum entails supervised teaching in an ECE setting to facilitate the college student's ability to instruct young students in the skills and processes of listening, speaking, reading, writing for the promotion of literacy.

**IEC 534 Inclusive Early Childhood Integrating Curriculum Practicum (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Acceptance into Education Department required

One of three Early Childhood Practica of 50 hours each. This practicum entails supervised teaching in an ECE setting to promote teaching skills related to Integrating the Curriculum.

**IEC 535 Practicum: Incl Early Childhood Working w Families & Agencies (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Acceptance into Education Department required

One of three Early Childhood Practica of 50 hours each. This practicum entails supervised activities in an ECE setting that relate to working with families and professional agencies in the schools; participating under supervision as an interagency and intra-agency team member providing consultation services.

**IEC 552 Math Curriculum and Methods for Early Childhood (3)**

This graduate course is designed to prepare a teacher candidate with the background necessary to integrate theory and practice of mathematics pedagogy within the context of an inclusive early childhood environment. Major mathematical concepts for grades Pre-K - 3 will be interlaced throughout the term to provide students with the necessary background for this endeavor. Methods endorsed by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), and the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) for teaching mathematics will be taught and modeled.

**IEC 610 Critical Issues in Early Childhood and Special Education (3)**

Investigates the conditions, legal issues, legislation, public policies, and programs that affect children and their families; the historical and philosophical backgrounds of early childhood and special education.

**IEC 620 Working With Families (3)**

Working with families and other professionals to plan educational and intervention strategies for young children and their families. Course includes developing IFSPs.

**IEC 630 Promoting Young Children's Development (3)**

Specialized study of the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, moral/ethical, and aesthetic development of typical and atypical children from birth to age 8 and the application of developmental theories to providing a learning environment and learning experiences which support and enhance the development of all young children.

### **MCE 533 School Practicum:Education Content (2)**

A field based experience that is designed to give the student the opportunity to work in the classroom with students in grades 4-9. The student will be placed with a practicing teacher in the preservice teacher's area(s) of concentration(s) for an extended field experience. The preservice teacher will be expected to not only observe, but to also plan for and teach one-on-one, small group, and whole class lessons as directed and supervised by the cooperating teacher and the college supervisor. Placements will be coordinated through the Education Department. Each credit hour is equivalent to 50 classroom hours. This field experience is a prerequisite for student teaching and as such students are not expected to assume total responsibility for the classroom.

### **MCE 540 Introduction to Middle Childhood Education (3)**

In this course, students will examine the unique nature and needs of middle childhood students (grades 4-9) in relation to effective middle childhood teaching practices. Major trends and issues facing MCE classroom teachers will be investigated through evaluation of current educational research. Such trends include human development, lesson plan development, classroom management, school organization, funding, curriculum and assessment. Specific MCE instructional strategies will be discussed and applied through peer teaching. Reflection of personal beliefs, educational theory, and practice is promoted in the course.

### **MCE 556 Methods Teaching Language Arts (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* MCE 533

*Crosslisted AYA 556,* This course is designed to introduce the teacher candidate to the principles, practices, and guidelines necessary to teach language arts to a diverse population of middle level students. The teacher candidate will prepare language arts lessons that ensure success for all learners enabling them to construct a meaningful understanding of language arts concepts. Lessons and language arts curricula projects will be aligned to the ODE content standards and to the learning outcomes for the Ohio Reading and Writing Proficiency Tests.

### **MCE 558 Methods of Teaching Social Studies (3)**

*Crosslisted AYA 558,* This course is designed to prepare the teacher candidate to teach social studies and the social sciences to children in the middle and secondary grades. Students will become familiar with the curriculum framework as well as the philosophies behind various teaching approaches as outlined by the NCSS Standards and the Ohio K-12 Content Standards for the Social Studies. The teacher candidate will investigate and practice using various teaching techniques and materials.

### **MCE 559 Methods of Teaching Science (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* MCE 533

*Crosslisted AYA 559,* An exploration of methods used in teaching biology/science, chemistry/physical sciences, and earth/space/environmental sciences. Students will plan instruction for a wide range of learner abilities, backgrounds and goals based on learners' prior knowledge and conceptualizations. Laboratory and field based experiences require use of current resources in the field. Students will use appropriate electronic technologies which have application in the learning environment. Safety issues and the ethical use of living materials are emphasized.

### **MCE 599 Seminar in Teaching Ohio History Culture and Society (2)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Student must either hold a bachelor's degree or be of senior status as an undergraduate. The seminar will analyze and interpret significant historical events, perspectives, patterns and themes in the history of Ohio. The customs, traditions, and needs of Ohio's various cultural groups will be examined.

### **MCE 616 Global Connections (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Student must either hold a bachelor's degree or be of senior status as an undergraduate. The course will survey the major regions of the world focusing on people, places and environments. Interrelationships between the physical environment and human activity will be emphasized. The realities of global interdependence will also be explored.

### **MGT 610 People in Organizations (3)**

*Crosslisted PSY 610* This course explores individual, group and organizational processes to increase understanding of self and others in organizations. Emphasizes awareness, self-development, and self-management in the context of organizational issues such as conflict resolution, negotiations, team performance, and leadership opportunities.

### **MGT 620 Managing Technology (3)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: CIS 610

This course addresses significant issues related to managing technology in a corporate environment from both strategic and tactical perspectives. It is designed to meet the needs of students who, as either managers or consultants, must understand the use of technology as a powerful tool of competitive advantage and growth. Emphasis is given to the challenges facing managers to make research and development serve the needs of the organization in an increasingly competitive marketplace.

### **MGT 630 Organization Development (3)**

*New Course*

*Crosslisted MOL 630* A study of organization development, processes, and methods by which individual, group, and organizational performance can be improved. Emphasis will be on understanding and applying organizational design (OD) skills and methods to facilitate planned change and renewal.

### **MGT 640 The Changing Workplace (3)**

*Crosslisted SOC 640* This course will focus on the dynamic nature of organizations and change. Since the organizational environment changes continuously, the course is by nature a topics course. Additionally the course will introduce the student to change at the individual, group and organizational levels so they can function effectively as catalysts for change or as members of a change process.

### **MGT 645 Organization Theory and Design (3)**

This course examines structural and contextual factors affecting organizational design and effectiveness and studies the impact of strategy, technology, culture, and the environment on structure. This course also emphasizes analyses of organizational designs and implications of designs based on theory, research and changing events.

### **MGT 655 Global Economic Awareness (3)**

*Crosslisted ECO 655* This course has two distinct parts. The first part is a comparison of the different economic systems around the globe. In this section, students examine the economic structures of different nations as well as the different roles for government. The second part of the course focuses on international trade. Students examine the theories that guide trade and the role of international economic institutions such as the World Trade Organization.

+ Course pending approval by College Graduate Committee

### **MGT 675 Organizational Communication (3)**

*Crosslisted COM 675* Communication concepts and theories that describe and explain interactions among organizational members at all levels are examined in this course. Key to this examination is the opportunity for students to observe, analyze and practice effective interaction patterns. Topics of discussion include: upward, downward and horizontal communication; formal and informal communication (grapevine); superior-subordinate communication; performance evaluation; information overload; conflict and negotiation; power, politics, and influence; and organizational culture.

### **MOL 600 Exploring Leadership (3)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: Must be taken in the first nine hours of course work.

This course explores the meaning of leadership across time, culture and contexts and also examines classic writings on leadership, the most recent leadership theories and research, and popular contemporary management books on leadership. Special attention will be given to theories that emphasize the role of values and ethics in leadership. Students also begin assessing their own leadership skills.

### **MOL 605 Methods of Organizational Research (3)**

This course introduces the organizational research process, the ethical issues involved in organizational research, the methodologies employed to analyze data, and the appropriate methods of effectively reporting organizational research results. Emphasis will be placed on critical thinking and analysis.

**MOL 630 Organization Development (3)**

*New Course*

*Crosslisted MGT 630* A study of organization development, processes, and methods by which individual, group, and organizational performance can be improved. Emphasis will be on understanding and applying organizational design (OD) skills and methods to facilitate planned change and renewal.

**MOL 675 Seminar in Organization Leadership (3)**

*New Course*

A course which examines current topics in Organization Leadership. Students pursue topics or subjects of current interest that are not part of the regular curriculum

**MOL 690 Integrative Project (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* MOL 600, PSY 610/MGT 610 and MOL 605 plus successful completion of 24 hours in MSOL program.

This course is an integrative experience in which the student applies the knowledge, skills and understanding developed in the Master of Science in Organizational Leadership program. This seminar allows for a structured approach as individuals work on their own independent projects. It also provides opportunities to learn and share together about those projects and the process of doing an applied academic project. The project itself may take a variety of forms and will result in a formal report demonstrating program learning. This course is designed to be completed in the final semester of the program.

**MTH 503 Methods of Teaching Mathematics (3)**

Emphasis is on problem solving, problem-solving strategies and thinking skills in a risk free environment. Students use oral and written language with peers and teacher to develop and extend mathematical understanding and apply it to the teaching of mathematics. The NCTM standards are introduced. Concepts are explored using manipulative, oral and visual techniques. Students plan lessons to teach diverse groups of adolescents and young adults.

**MUS 510 Applications in Music Theory (3)**

*New Course*

This course includes theory of jazz and popular styles, computer applications for music and music theory pedagogy for the K-12 teacher. (NASM Music Theory standard)

**MUS 520 Music of the World's People (3)**

*New Course*

An in depth study of ethnomusicology with special focus on the music of South America, Africa, the Caribbean, and South East Asia; with practical applications for the K-12 music curriculum to assure diversity and inclusivity in the same.

**MUS 530 Music Education Trends - Theory and Applications (3)**

*New Course*

This course will encompass graduate level music methods, incorporating curriculum development and latest practices. (NASM standard)

**MUS 535 Instrumental Literature (3)**

*New Course*

An exploration of major trends in instrumental literature for the band and orchestra director, to include organization of beginning and advanced programs, literature selection, rehearsal techniques, program objectives, and assessment of student performance.

**MUS 536 Choral Literature (3)**

*New Course*

An exploration of major trends in choral literature for the choral director, to include organization of beginning and advanced programs, literature selection, rehearsal techniques, program objectives, and assessment of student performance.

**MUS 540 Applied Studies (1.5)***New Course*

Graduate level one-on-one studies on instrument or voice with special attention given to pedagogy of the instrument and applications for the music educator. (NASM standard)

**MUS 552 Strings Workshop (1)***New Course*

A workshop designed for string teachers, orchestra conductors, and university students to study techniques for string playing, and orchestra rehearsal techniques helpful for instruction in public schools programs.

**NUR 500 Health Assessment & LAB (3)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: One year of college Anatomy and Physiology with lab.

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 500A, 501, 515, 518, 518A, 519

This course presents the art and science of assessing the health of clients across the lifespan. The content addresses the purpose and method of obtaining a comprehensive holistic client database using a nursing assessment model. Strategies for drawing inferences about the health status of clients using epidemiological, social, and environmental data is discussed. The use of effective communication techniques to obtain assessment data is addressed. Deviations in health patterns are identified by comparing assessment data to norms, standards, and theories. Assessment findings are documented in a manner appropriate for an interdisciplinary health care community.

**NUR 500A Health Assessment (LAB) (0)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: One year of college Anatomy and Physiology with lab.

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 500, 501, 515, 518, 518A, 519

This course presents the art and science of assessing the health of clients across the lifespan. The content addresses the purpose and method of obtaining a comprehensive holistic client database using a nursing assessment model. Strategies for drawing inferences about the health status of clients using epidemiological, social, and environmental data is discussed. The use of effective communication techniques to obtain assessment data is addressed. Deviations in health patterns are identified by comparing assessment data to norms, standards, and theories. Assessment findings are documented in a manner appropriate for an interdisciplinary health care community.

**NUR 501 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Chronically Ill Clients (3)**

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 500, 500A, 501A, 501C, 515, 518, 518A, 519

This course introduces the student to clinical reasoning and the nursing process as a systematic method for determining the health care concerns of clients within the framework of primary health care. Content fundamental to primary prevention, secondary prevention, and implementation of therapeutic interventions related to common/chronic health care concerns is presented. Teaching principles are introduced and incorporated into the nursing process as a means of promoting health among clients of varying developmental stages and ethno-cultural backgrounds. Nursing care that facilitates the client's activities of daily living and that is consistent with the client's ethno-cultural values and beliefs is implemented. Application of the concepts and content fundamental to the practice of nursing is addressed in an on-campus skills laboratory and in clinical settings in the community.

**NUR 501A Nursing Skills Lab (0)**

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 500, 500A, 501, 501C, 515, 518, 518A, 519

This course introduces the student to clinical reasoning and the nursing process as a systematic method for determining the health care concerns of clients within the framework of primary health care. Content fundamental to primary prevention, secondary prevention, and implementation of therapeutic interventions related to common/chronic health care concerns is presented. Teaching principles are introduced and incor-

porated into the nursing process as a means of promoting health among clients of varying developmental stages and ethno-cultural backgrounds. Nursing care that facilitates the client's activities of daily living and that is consistent with the client's ethno-cultural values and beliefs is implemented. Application of the concepts and content fundamental to the practice of nursing is addressed in an on-campus skills laboratory and in clinical settings in the community.

**NUR 501C Evidence-based PH Care Nurs Chron Ill Clinical (0)**

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 500, 501A, 501C, 515, 518, 518A, 519

This course introduces the student to clinical reasoning and the nursing process as a systematic method for determining the health care concerns of clients within the framework of primary health care. Content fundamental to primary prevention, secondary prevention, and implementation of therapeutic interventions related to common/chronic health care concerns is presented. Teaching principles are introduced and incorporated into the nursing process as a means of promoting health among clients of varying developmental stages and ethno-cultural backgrounds. Nursing care that facilitates the client's activities of daily living and that is consistent with the client's ethno-cultural values and beliefs is implemented. Application of the concepts and content fundamental to the practice of nursing is addressed in an on-campus skills laboratory and in clinical settings in the community.

**NUR 503 Evidence-based Population-Focused Primary Health Care Nursing (2)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 501/501A

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 511, 512, 531, 506

This course emphasizes promoting population-focused primary health care. Concepts from nursing and health, liberal arts and sciences, and the sociopolitical, cultural and economic dimensions of the community as a whole are synthesized in examining the idea of health communities, social issues, and life style choices. Students partner with a community to analyze community assets and health problems to plan a large-scale community project.

**NUR 504 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Women and Infants (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 511/512

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 505, 507, 631, MOL 600

This course explores the needs and health concerns of women across the life span and the unique needs of newborns in the first 28 days of life. Theoretical elements required to manage the health care of women and infants are discussed. Clinical reasoning and the nursing process are used within the primary health care framework to plan care for women which fosters health promotion, maintenance, and restoration, as they move through the preconceptual, prenatal, intrapartum, postpartum, and perimenopausal periods of their lives. Assessment and care of the newborn is explored within a family-centered care context. High-risk maternity disorders are discussed; the role of the nurse as part of the interdisciplinary team is emphasized. Current nursing and related scientific research is discussed in relation to current practice. Community concepts include non-acute care birth settings, postpartum/newborn care at home, and epidemiological concepts related to women and childbearing.

**NUR 505 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Children and Families (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 511/512

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 504, 507, 631, MOL 600

This course explores the needs of pediatric clients and their families. Theoretical elements required to manage the pediatric client experiencing a variety of health alterations are discussed. Clinical reasoning and the nursing process are used within the primary health care framework to plan developmentally appropriate care which fosters health promotion, maintenance, and restoration. High-risk pediatric and neonatal issues are discussed; the role of the nurse as part of the interdisciplinary team is emphasized. Current nursing and related scientific research in pediatrics is discussed in relation to current practice. Professional issues related to the professional pediatric nurse are explored. Community concepts including home visit process, referrals, resources, school-based nursing and public health concerns related to the pediatric client and family are discussed.

**NUR 506 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with the Mentally Ill (3)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: NUR 500, 501, 518, 518A, 519

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 511, 512, 531, 503

This course explores the needs of mental health clients and their families. Theoretical elements required to manage the mental health client experiencing a variety of health alterations are discussed. Clinical reasoning and the nursing process are used within the primary health care framework to plan developmentally appropriate care which fosters health promotion, maintenance, and restoration. The role of the nurse as part of the interdisciplinary team is emphasized. Current nursing and related scientific research in mental health is discussed in relation to current practice. Professional issues related to the professional mental health nurse are explored. Community concepts including home visit process, referrals, resources, and public health concerns related to the mental health client and family are discussed.

### **NUR 508 Evidence-based PH Care Nursing w.Critically Ill Clients (6)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: NUR 514

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 508A, NUR 640

This course focuses on using clinical reasoning and the nursing process to care for clients experiencing conditions that are life threatening and/or involve multiple body systems. Complex medical-surgical conditions in adults are discussed in terms of pathophysiology, etiology, diagnosis, and treatments that are based on current research. Content focuses on acute and rehabilitation phases of these conditions and use of advanced technology and resources in the hospital, home, and community settings. The role of the nurse in the care of clients with these conditions is emphasized within the context of the liberal arts and sciences, nursing theories, research and advanced technology within a primary health care environment. Competencies in communication with diverse populations, leadership and management, delegation, coordination and evaluation of client care, critical thinking, and interdisciplinary collaboration are enhanced. A clinical rotation in an intensive care unit will provide practical application of this high risk content.

### **NUR 508A Critical Care Clinical (0)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: NUR 514

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 508, NUR 640

This course focuses on using clinical reasoning and the nursing process to care for clients experiencing conditions that are life threatening and/or involve multiple body systems. Complex medical-surgical conditions in adults are discussed in terms of pathophysiology, etiology, diagnosis, and treatments that are based on current research. Content focuses on acute and rehabilitation phases of these conditions and use of advanced technology and resources in the hospital, home, and community settings. The role of the nurse in the care of clients with these conditions is emphasized within the context of the liberal arts and sciences, nursing theories, research and advanced technology within a primary health care environment. Competencies in communication with diverse populations, leadership and management, delegation, coordination and evaluation of client care, critical thinking, and interdisciplinary collaboration are enhanced. A clinical rotation in an intensive care unit will provide practical application of this high risk content.

### **NUR 509 Primary Health Care Preceptorship (6)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: NUR 508/508A

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 510

In this final clinical course, students will work one-on-one under the guidance of a professional nurse in an acute care facility in an area of their choice. Clinical reasoning, increased initiative and independence in caring for clients, and the ability to synthesize bodies of data to provide evidence-based care are emphasized. Students demonstrate that they met the course outcomes by doing an integrative project that combines clinical reasoning and professional competence.

### **NUR 510 Primary Health Care Nursing Graduate Seminar (1)**

*Prerequisite(s)*: NUR 508/508A

*Corequisite(s)*: NUR 509

This seminar is designed to be a synthesizing experience which blends theory with clinical practice from the student's preceptorship. Personal development, socialization into the professional role and career goals will be examined. Preparation for the licensing exam (NCLEX) will be reinforced for entry into practice.

**NUR 511 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Acutely Ill Client (4)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 500, 501, 518, 518A, 519

*Concurrent requisite(s):* NUR 503, 506, 512, 531

This course is a continuation of NUR 501 and is taken concurrently with NUR 512 which provides a clinical application of the content. The focus of the course is illness intervention and health management with individuals experiencing medical/surgical problems. Current research, standards of care, and clinical pathways are considered when discussing a variety of conditions. Conditions and therapeutic nursing care are discussed within a nursing process framework, emphasizing pathophysiology, theory, evidence-based practice, and interdisciplinary aspects of patient care.

**NUR 512 Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing Clinical with Acutely Ill Clients (4)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 500, 501, 518, 518A, 519

*Concurrent requisite(s):* NUR 511, 503, 506, 531

This course is a co-requisite for NUR 511 and NUR 506 and provides a practical application of its content. The focus of the course is illness intervention and health management with individuals experiencing medical/surgical/mental health problems in the acute care setting. Emphasis is placed on developing assessment skills, making clinical judgments, and implementing safe, effective nursing care. Students use critical thinking and communication skills to implement therapeutic nursing interventions in clients with acute/chronic conditions.

**NUR 514 Primary Hlth Care Clinical Across the Lifespan (4)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 506, 511, 512, 531

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 504,505,631,MOL 600

This course involves clinical experiences in three areas: maternity, pediatric, and medical surgical nursing. The focus of the course is on using clinical reasoning and the nursing process within the primary health care framework to provide nursing care to clients across the life span in a variety of inpatient and outpatient clinical settings. Using communication and critical thinking skills, the student works in partnership with others to provide holistic health care to identified clients from culturally and socio-economically diverse settings.

**NUR 515 Professional Roles & Issues (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 500, 501, 518, 518A, 519

This course introduces the student to the foundations of the art and science of nursing. The evolution of nursing and current trends/issues are explored as the basis for the practice of professional nursing in today's health care arena. Concepts unique to professional nursing and fundamental principles of primary health care are emphasized. The role of the nurse as a professional partnering with culturally and socio-economically diverse client systems and interdisciplinary colleagues, while exercising ethical, legal, and regulatory standards of practice is discussed. Roles, personal qualities, and professional behaviors of the graduate nurse are explored.

**NUR 518 Pathopharmacology I: A Nursing Perspective (4)**

This course is the first of two courses which discuss alterations in biological processes affecting the body's dynamic equilibrium in health and disease. Causes, pathogenesis, compensatory mechanisms and pharmacologic therapies for disease states will be discussed. This course also examines mechanisms of drug action, indications and contraindications of drug therapy, therapeutic effects, adverse effects, and nursing implications. Effects of drug therapy on health promotion, health maintenance, and restoration will be explored. Current nursing and related scientific research in pathopharmacology will be discussed in relation to current practice. Techniques involved in the calculation of drug dosages, regulation and maintenance of controlled substances, I.V. therapy and administration of medications in parenteral and non-parenteral forms are presented and practiced. Professional issues related to the role of the professional nurse in pathopharmacology are explored.

**NUR 518A Pharmacology LAB (0)**

This course is the first of two courses which discuss alterations in biological processes affecting the body's dynamic equilibrium in health and disease. Causes, pathogenesis, compensatory mechanisms and pharma-

colgic therapies for disease states will be discussed. This course also examines mechanisms of drug action, indications and contraindications of drug therapy, therapeutic effects, adverse effects, and nursing implications. Effects of drug therapy on health promotion, health maintenance, and restoration will be explored. Current nursing and related scientific research in pathopharmacology will be discussed in relation to current practice. Techniques involved in the calculation of drug dosages, regulation and maintenance of controlled substances, I.V. therapy and administration of medications in parenteral and non-parenteral forms are presented and practiced. Professional issues related to the role of the professional nurse in pathopharmacology are explored.

**NUR 519 Pathopharmacology II: A Nursing Perspective (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 518/518A

This course is the final course of two which discuss alterations in biological processes affecting the body's dynamic equilibrium in health and disease. Causes, pathogenesis, compensatory mechanisms and pharmacologic therapies for disease states will be discussed. This course also examines mechanisms of drug action, indications and contraindications of drug therapy, therapeutic effects, adverse effects, and nursing implications for drugs used to treat these conditions. Current nursing and related scientific research in pathopharmacology will be discussed in relation to current practice.

**NUR 531 Nursing Science & Theory I (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 500, 501, 515, 518, 518A, 519

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 511, 512, 503, 506

This course is designed to help students explore the development of nursing knowledge through theory and research. An overview of philosophical and historical influences on the development of theory and research in nursing and related fields are explored. Processes to critique, evaluate and utilize theories and research findings are discussed. Students explore the foundational concepts and processes of meaningful, rigorous research within the context of clinical phenomena. Students have the opportunity to apply and practice these processes throughout the course through analytical reviews of relevant research. The role of the nurse researcher in promoting evidence-based practice and making the connection between theory, science and practice is emphasized.

**NUR 533 School Nurse Practicum (1-10)**

Designed for BSN-prepared registered nurses (or nurses with a bachelor's degree and RN licensure) seeking school nurse licensure from the State of Ohio. Through intensive field experiences, registered nurse students, under the supervision of a licensed school nurse, develop the appropriate competencies for effective school nursing practice. Learning outcomes are met through participation in the delivery of school health services and health teaching. Periodic seminars allow students to integrate theory and experience, to explore current issues, and to critique research related to school health nursing. Validation of knowledge and/or experience in school nursing through portfolio development or certification examination may reduce the number of field experience hours required.

**NUR 535 Health Assessment of the Pediatric School-Aged Child (3)**

This course focuses on the comprehensive physical, psychosocial, developmental, and cultural assessment of the child within the context of his/her family and the school community. Determination of the health status of school-aged children through evaluation of a variety of data collection techniques is stressed. Analysis and interpretation of growth and development patterns are discussed as they relate to primary care and school health.

**NUR 536 School Health Nursing (3)**

This distance-learning course explores the art, principles, and strategies of promoting health and health education in the school setting. Emphasis is on developing diagnostic reasoning, process skills, and reflective judgment related to school health and health promotion. Students explore theories and models of school nursing practice. Principles of the role of nurse as educator are further developed.

**NUR 631 Nursing Science & Theory II (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* NUR 531

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 504, 505, 507, MOL 600

This course builds on concepts learned in NUR 531 and emphasizes the critical appraisal and utilization of research findings. Research studies, both qualitative and quantitative, will be critically evaluated for clinical relevance. The application of statistical analysis, data management and reporting of research are discussed. Evidence based practice is explored including identification of a clinical issue, formulation of a researchable question, and performing an effective;/efficient search for sound evidence. Students will comprehensively search for the best evidence on a clinical issue and develop a plan to implement an evidence based practice change.

### **NUR 640 Health Care Policy (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* MOL 600

*Corequisite(s):* NUR 508/508A

The purpose of this course is for the student to gain a historical, political, economic, social, and financial perspective on the health care system in the United States. Delivery of health care, health care policies, financing of health care, and health care reform will be discussed with an emphasis on the leadership role nurses can take in affecting the health care system. Areas of exploration include: cost containment, managed care, social justice issues, legislative and regulatory controls, globalization and ethical/legal issues.

### **PHI 660 Ethical Issues in Organizations (3)**

This course will examine some of the moral issues facing both private and public organizations and those who occupy leadership roles within them. Case studies will focus on timely, contemporary ethical issues in business, society and government.

### **PRL 625 Legal Issues in Organizations (3)**

This course includes a review of various legal issues found in organizations, including employer liability, employment contracts, discrimination, hiring practices, labor relations, and regulation by administrative agencies.

### **PSY 610 People in Organizations (3)**

*Crosslisted MGT 610* This course explores individual, group and organizational processes to increase understanding of self and others in organizations. Emphasizes awareness, self-development, and self-management in the context of organizational issues such as conflict resolution, negotiations, team performance, and leadership opportunities.

### **PSY 635 Social Influence (3)**

This course is an in-depth look at how people influence each others attitudes and behavior, with an emphasis on management applications. A variety of influence methods will be examined.

### **PT 601 Foundational Science (4)**

This course is the first in a series of basic science courses for physical therapists that lay a foundation for the patient management courses. Students will cover the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical manifestations and medical management for selected pathologies. Additional emphasis will be placed on the impact of pharmacology and medical imaging on physical therapy management. Specific course content will include mechanisms of cellular injury and repair, tissue healing, immunology, infection, vascular pathologies and other selected pathologies relevant to the orthopedic and acute care/cardiopulmonary clinical series.

### **PT 605 Exercise Physiology with Lab (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 605A

Principles of exercise physiology are presented as the basis for aerobic exercise prescription, resistance training, and exercise testing appropriate for individuals who are healthy, elderly, or who have a variety of pathologies. Acute and adaptive responses to exercise are examined from the molecular to the systems level with emphasis on the neuromuscular, cardiovascular, pulmonary, and endocrine systems. The student learns assessment techniques and training principles for neuromuscular and cardiopulmonary fitness including consultation for health and wellness populations. At risk populations will be identified and barriers to health, wellness, and exercise will be examined.

**PT 608 Biomechanics and Kinesiology with LAB (4)***Corequisite(s):* PT 608A

A study of the principles of musculoskeletal biomechanics and kinesiology including mechanical behavior and properties of bone, tendon, ligament, joint, cartilage, skeletal muscle, and peripheral nerve as applied to the human body. Analysis of forces, and muscle functions involved in human movement are modeled as a foundation for evaluation and therapeutic intervention. The components of normal posture and gait are included. Students integrate foundational sciences with current scientific literature to substantiate biomechanical principles and reasoning.

**PT 610 Basic Patient Care Skills with LAB(3)***Corequisite(s):* PT 610A

Students will integrate foundational sciences with current literature to begin developing skills in critical thinking based on scientific evidence as they study principles and application of basic patient care, including identification of practice variations based on cultural differences. Skills essential to safe and effective treatment, including infection control, positioning/draping, bed mobility, range of motion (ROM), transfers, gait training, wheelchair measurement and training are learned. This course also includes theory, demonstration and practice in the scientific application of basic massage techniques; and introduction to documentation based on the disablement model.

**PT 611 Therapeutic Modalities with LAB (3)***Corequisite(s):* PT 611A

Principles, theories and evidence for effective use of thermal, electrical, light and mechanical agents as they apply to the clinical practice of physical therapeutic interventions are covered. Skills in safe and effective application of clinical modalities are developed during laboratory sessions followed by clinical experience in a patient-care setting. Leadership roles in delegation/supervision, instruction, and clinical decision-making regarding therapeutic modalities are emphasized.

**PT 612 Basic Examination & Evaluation with LAB (3)***Corequisite(s):* PT 612A

The course introduces the student to the patient/client management concepts from *The Guide to Physical Therapist Practice*, ed. 2. Principles and application of systems review and basic examination techniques that are applicable to a variety of patient populations are learned. Emphasis is placed on differential diagnosis through clinical decision-making by integrating basic sciences of anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, and pathology with analysis and synthesis of subjective and objective patient data. The students learn upper and lower quarter screening examination techniques for musculoskeletal dysfunctions. Students develop examination skills on various patient populations in the classroom and clinic.

**PT 615 Therapeutic Exercise with LAB (3)***Corequisite(s):* PT 615A

Theory and principles of therapeutic exercise and related techniques used in the management of patients/clients with impairments that impede muscle performance and joint and connective tissue mobility are studied. The student learns therapeutic exercise, stretching, myofascial manipulation, aquatic therapy, and manual therapy techniques and their safe application using biomechanical and physiological concepts as they relate to the stages of connective tissue, bone, and joint tissue healing following injury or surgery. Treatment planning and implementation of comprehensive intervention programs, based on current outcomes research that supports functional restoration of the musculoskeletal system are discussed. Students develop therapeutic exercise skills on various patient populations in the classroom and clinic.

**PT 624 Neuroanatomy and Physiology with LAB (3)***Corequisite(s):* PT 624A

This course reviews the functional anatomy and physiology of the human nervous system with lecture, problem-solving cases and laboratory experience. Gross anatomical structures and their function, including motor and sensory systems as well as higher cognitive regions, are discussed and correlated with clinical neurologic dysfunction. Emphasis is placed on those structures/functions of greatest importance to the successful practice of physical therapy.

**PT 650 Professional Socialization I (2)**

This course is the first of a two semester series. The professional socialization series (PT 650 and PT651) introduces students to the profession of physical therapy. The history of the profession is explored and the role, scope and utilization of the physical therapist in today's health care system are investigated. Foundational skills such as communication and cultural competence are introduced. The ethical foundations of the profession are examined and a framework for solving ethical dilemmas presented. This course expands the student's self-awareness in order to develop a foundation for personal and professional growth.

**PT 651 Professional Socialization II (2)**

This course is a continuation of Professional Socialization (PT 650). The professional socialization series (PT 650 and PT651) introduces students to the profession of physical therapy. The history of the profession is explored and the role, scope and utilization of the physical therapist in today's health care system are investigated. Foundational skills such as communication and cultural competence are introduced. The ethical foundations of the profession are examined and a framework for solving ethical dilemmas presented. This course expands the student's self-awareness in order to develop a foundation for personal and professional growth.

**PT 652 Professional Issues in PT I (1)**

This course precedes the first clinical experience. It provides for the introduction and discussion of policies, procedures, expectations, and issues relevant to clinical education and internships. Emphasis is placed on professionalism, the role of the intern in the clinic, feedback, supervision, delegation, and methods of evaluation. Students are introduced to the regulations of state practice acts, and are certified in the regulations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (ASHA).

**PT 661 Foundations of Critical Inquiry in Physical Therapy (2)**

This course is the first in a series of courses designed to foster the utilization of and production of research literature into the practice of physical therapy. The course explores the continuum of research, as well as the categorization of clinical research into levels of evidence. The course introduces the student to evidence based physical therapy practice and the concepts of clinical research methodology and measurement. Concepts of reliability, validity, sampling, and research design are explored. Ability to critically appraise literature relevant to the practice of physical therapy is introduced in this course and fostered throughout the remainder of the professional curriculum.

**PT 700 Introduction to Clinical Experience I (1)**

*New Course*

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised application of basic clinical skills including, but not limited to objective tests and measures, mobility and gait training, therapeutic exercise, modalities, documentation, and professional communication. Students will have direct interaction and practice with patients, healthcare providers, and personnel.

**PT 701 Introduction to Clinical Experience II (1)**

*New Course*

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised application of basic clinical skills including, but not limited to objective tests and measures, mobility and gait training, therapeutic exercise, modalities, documentation, and professional communication. Students will have direct interaction and practice with patients, healthcare providers, and personnel in a different setting from Introduction to Clinical Experience

**PT 702 Foundational Science II (3)**

This course is the second in a series of basic science courses for physical therapists that lay a foundation for the patient management courses. Students will cover the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical manifestations and medical management for selected pathologies. Additional emphasis will be placed on the impact of pharmacology and medical imaging on physical therapy management. Specific course content will include musculoskeletal and orthopedic disorders.

**PT 703 Foundational Science III (3)**

This course is the third in a series of basic science courses for physical therapists that lay a foundation for the patient management courses. Students will cover the etiology, pathogenesis, clinical manifestations and medical management for selected pathologies. Additional emphasis will be placed on the impact of pharmacology and medical imaging on physical therapy management. Specific course content will include various pathologies relevant to the neurologic and acute care/cardiopulmonary clinical courses.

**PT 715 Patient Management: Acute Care & Cardiopulmonary with LAB (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 715A

Examination, evaluation, treatment interventions, and discharge planning for patients treated in the acute care setting, including the intensive care unit. Emphasis is placed upon synthesis, analysis, and integration of subjective and objective patient data, including integration of data from ECG, blood tests, and pulmonary function tests, for scientific clinical decision making. This course covers common patient diagnoses seen in acute care including acute cerebral vascular accidents (CVA), diabetes, general medical, and post surgical conditions with emphasis on the cardiopulmonary, and integumentary (burns and wounds) systems.

**PT 715A Patient Mgmt:Acute Care and Cardiopulmonary (LAB) (0)**

Examination, evaluation, treatment interventions, and discharge planning for patients treated in the acute care setting, including the intensive care unit. Emphasis is placed upon synthesis, analysis, and integration of subjective and objective patient data, including integration of data from ECG, blood tests, and pulmonary function tests, for scientific clinical decision making. This course covers common patient diagnoses seen in acute care including acute cerebral vascular accidents (CVA), diabetes, general medical, and post surgical conditions with emphasis on the cardiopulmonary, and integumentary (burns and wounds) systems

**PT 720 Patient Management: Applied Orthopedics I with LAB (6)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 720A

A regional approach to examination, evaluation, treatment planning, therapeutic exercise, and manual therapy intervention techniques for common musculoskeletal conditions of the cervical spine, TMJ, thoracic spine and the upper extremities is studied. Emphasis is placed on clinical decision-making by integrating basic sciences of anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, and pathology with analysis and synthesis of current outcomes research on effectiveness of therapeutic exercise and manual therapy interventions. Students advance skills in screening, systems review, differential diagnosis, and patient/client management within the scope of physical therapy practice. The course will include application of clinical skills through patient care experiences.

**PT 721 Patient Management: Applied Orthopedics II with LAB (5)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 721A

A regional approach to examination, evaluation, treatment planning, therapeutic exercise, and manual therapy intervention techniques for common musculoskeletal conditions of the lumbar spine, sacroiliac joint and the lower extremities is studied. Emphasis is placed on clinical decision-making by integrating basic sciences of anatomy, physiology, kinesiology, and pathology with analysis and synthesis of current outcomes research on effectiveness of therapeutic exercise and manual therapy interventions. Students advance skills in screening, systems review, differential diagnosis, and patient/client management within the scope of physical therapy practice. The course will include application of clinical skills through patient care experiences.

**PT 731 Patient Management: Neurorehabilitation with Lab (6)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 731A

This course reviews the fundamentals of neuroscience as they relate to neurologic function/dysfunction, examines theories of motor control and motor learning, normal/abnormal control of movement, clinical presentation and medical management of common neurologic diagnoses, as well as evaluation and intervention techniques for patients with neurological dysfunction requiring physical therapy intervention. Emphasis is placed upon the analysis of subjective and objective patient data and current research to evaluate, diagnose, and develop a physical therapy plan of care. Patient demonstrations will be incorporated into this course.

**PT 745 Patient Management: Integrated Rehabilitation with LAB (3)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 745A

This course focuses on both knowledge and related skills needed for working with complex patients. The topical areas include, but are not limited to orthotics and prosthetics, neurological examinations, and functional mobility training.

**PT 746 Patient Management:Lifespan I Pediatric Conditions (3)**

This course introduces student to normal developmental changes that occur from birth to adolescence. Pathological conditions and issues related to pediatric populations are included. Examination and evaluation skills and therapeutic intervention techniques are applied to a pediatric population. Emphasis is placed upon synthesis, analysis, and integration of subjective and objective patient data for effective patient/client management.

**PT 747 Patient Management:Lifespan II Geriatric Conditions with LAB (4)**

*Corequisite(s):* PT 747A

This course reviews the physical therapy management (examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis, intervention and documentation) of older adults. Emphasis is placed upon the integration of subjective and objective patient data with current research and patient preferences for effective clinical decision making in the medically complex patient. In addition to covering new material relevant to the older adult, this course will also review orthopedic, neurologic, and acute care/cardiopulmonary clinical skills and apply them to the geriatric patient population.

**PT 747A Patient Management: Lifespan II - Geriatric Conditions LAB**

*New Course*

*Corequisite(s):* PT 747

This course reviews the physical therapy management (examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis, intervention and documentation) of elderly patients. Emphasis is placed upon the integration of subjective and objective patient data with current research and patient preferences for effective clinical decision making. Clinical experiences are incorporated into this course.

**PT 753 Health Care Policy (3)**

This interdisciplinary course explores health care systems in the United States from a historical, political, economic, social, and financial perspective. Delivery of health care, health care policies, financing of health care, and health care reform will be discussed with an emphasis on the leadership role the health care professional can take in affecting the health care system. Areas of exploration include: cost containment, managed care, social justice issues, quality assurance, legislative and regulatory controls, long-term care, and ethical/legal issues. Service-learning experience will be integrated with this course.

**PT 754 Professional Issues in Physical Therapy II (1)**

This course precedes the second clinical internship. It provides a forum for feedback and processing the first clinical internship, and it serves as a review of policies, procedures, expectations, and issues prior to the second clinical internship. This course is also designed as a seminar for the discussion and application of theories, principles, duties, codes of ethics, laws, and decision-making models impacting various facets and issues in ethical physical therapy practice.

**PT 762 Research in Physical Therapy I (3)**

This course is the second in a series of courses designed to foster the utilization of research literature into the practice of physical therapy. The course will expand upon the concepts of evidenced based physical therapy practice and clinical research methodology and measurement including specific design types, analysis, and reporting.

**PT 770 Administration, Consultation & Management (3)**

Concepts in administration and management as they apply to the delivery of physical therapy services in health care facilities and organizations are explored, including basic administrative concepts of planning and decision making, budgeting, fiscal management and marketing applied to the implementation of clinical services. Essential communication and personnel management skills including assertiveness, negotiation, and conflict management are applied to service line management of PT departments and interaction across

multiple disciplines.

**PT 782 Internship I (5-6)**

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised patient management including examination, evaluation, program planning, discharge planning, and intervention for patients requiring physical therapy in an assigned practice setting. Students experience opportunities for interaction with health-care providers and personnel at all levels of management. Students are expected to meet Advanced Beginner performance standards in the areas of supervision/guidance, quality, complexity, consistency, and efficiency as defined by the APTA Clinical Performance Instrument.

**PT 846 Patient Management:Lifespan II - Pediatric Conditions (3)**

This course introduces student to normal developmental changes that occur from birth to adolescence. Pathological conditions and issues related to pediatric populations are included. Examination and evaluation skills and therapeutic intervention techniques are applied to a pediatric population. Emphasis is placed upon synthesis, analysis, and integration of subjective and objective patient data for effective patient/client management.

**PT 853 Health Care Policy (3)**

This interdisciplinary course explores health care systems in the United States from a historical, political, economic, social, and financial perspective. Delivery of health care, health care policies, financing of health care, and health care reform will be discussed with an emphasis on the leadership role the health care professional can take in affecting the health care system. Areas of exploration include: cost containment, managed care, social justice issues, quality assurance, legislative and regulatory controls, long-term care, and ethical/legal issues. Service-learning experience will be integrated with this course.

**PT 855 Professional Issues In Physical Therapy III (1)**

This course precedes the final clinical internships. It provides a forum for feedback and processing the second clinical internship, and it serves as a review of policies, procedures, expectations, and issues prior to the final clinical internships. It also prepares students for their ensuing practice as entry-level professionals. Topics include the clinical education requirements for the final internships, consulting, political issues, involvement in the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), licensure, resume writing, interviewing skills, and one's role as a clinical educator.

**PT 863 Research in Physical Therapy II (2)**

*Prerequisite(s):* PT 661 and PT 662

This course is the third in a series of courses designed to foster the utilization of research literature into the practice of physical therapy. This course will expand upon the previous courses with emphasis placed on the synthesis of research for clinical decision making, including applying the principles of evidence based practice to a specific clinical question.

**PT 870 Administration, Consultation & Management (3)**

Concepts in administration and management as they apply to the delivery of physical therapy services in health care facilities and organizations are explored, including basic administrative concepts of planning and decision making, budgeting, fiscal management and marketing applied to the implementation of clinical services. Essential communication and personnel management skills including assertiveness, negotiation, and conflict management are applied to service line management of PT departments and interaction across multiple disciplines.

**PT 875 Elective Seminars in PT (1-3)**

Exploration of special topics in Physical Therapy utilizing a seminar, weekend, distance learning, or other non-traditional format. Students, under the direction of the physical therapy faculty choose areas of interest, establish objectives, and agree to a learning contract for credits earned. The seminars may be scheduled any time during the 3rd year, and if conducive to learning, may be scheduled concurrent with internships III or IV.

**PT 876 Independent Studies in PT (1-3)**

This course allows for the exploration of special topics or experiences of interest to individual students to enrich specific courses or expand on experiences requiring in-depth study. Students, under the supervision of the physical therapy faculty identify an area of study, establish objectives, and agree to a learning contract for credits earned. The independent study may be scheduled any time during the 2nd or 3rd year, and if conducive to learning, may be scheduled concurrent with internships III or IV. (Note: A maximum of 3 credit hours may be earned.)

**PT 881 Internship I (5-6)**

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised patient management in examination, evaluation, program planning, discharge planning, and intervention for patients requiring physical therapy in an assigned practice setting. Students experience opportunities for interaction with health-care providers and personnel at all levels of management. Expectation for students' Intermediate performance are incrementally higher than on previous internships in the areas of supervision/guidance, quality, complexity, consistency, and efficiency as defined by the APTA Clinical Performance Instrument.

**PT 882 Internship II (5)**

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised patient management in examination, evaluation, program planning, discharge planning, and intervention of patients requiring physical therapy in an assigned practice setting. Students experience opportunities for interaction with health-care providers and personnel at all levels of management. Expectations for students' Intermediate performance are incrementally higher than on previous internships in the areas of supervision/guidance, quality, complexity, consistency, and efficiency as defined by the APTA Clinical Performance Instrument.

**PT 883 Internship III (5-6)**

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised patient management in examination, evaluation, program planning, discharge planning, and intervention for patients requiring physical therapy in an assigned practice setting. Students experience opportunities for interaction with health-care providers and personnel at all levels of management. Expectation for students' Advanced Intermediate performance are incrementally higher than on previous internships in the areas of supervision/guidance, quality, complexity, consistency, and efficiency as defined by the APTA Clinical Performance Instrument.

**PT 884 Internship IV (6)**

Full-time (37+ hours per week) clinical assignment that provides the intern with opportunities for supervised patient management in examination, evaluation, program planning, discharge planning, and intervention for patients requiring physical therapy in an assigned practice setting. Students experience opportunities for interaction with health-care providers and personnel at all levels of management. Expectation for students' entry-level performance are incrementally higher than on previous internships in the areas of supervision/guidance, quality, complexity, consistency, and efficiency as defined by the APTA Clinical Performance Instrument.

**RDG 504 Children's Literature (3)**

This course is designed for undergraduate and/or graduate students and has a two-fold purpose. As a survey course, it is designed to assist students in becoming acquainted with the many trade books that are available for children today. An equally important purpose is to enable educators to utilize comprehensive, creative, and insightful strategies to incorporate childrens literature into their daily lessons in the classroom. The course will also demonstrate the connectedness of childrens literature and the total language arts program.

**RDG 505 Psychology of Reading (3)**

This course will examine the psychological substructure of reading. Neural, perceptual, cognitive, and linguistic processes involved in reading development and disorders will be addressed. Emphasis is placed on understanding how readers extract information from the printed page and how they comprehend text.

Current research findings are discussed and considered in the context of evidence-based practice in reading instruction.

**RDG 511 Content Area Reading (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Students seeking an initial license must be admitted to the Education Department.

The purpose of this course is to provide methods and strategies for teaching reading skills to be used in the content reading subjects, particularly math, science and social studies. This reading course includes skills and strategies, which can be used to assist students' comprehension in these subjects. Teaching emphasis will be placed on comprehension, readability formulas, vocabulary development, and study strategies. Techniques and curricula for developing the interdisciplinary aspects of these subjects will be included. This course will also include adaptations of strategies to meet the needs of students with special needs. Students seeking an initial license must complete a 20-hour field experience in a local school.

**RDG 530 Phonics/Linguistics (3)**

To teach preprofessional teachers fundamental principles and concepts of the phonological structure of language. Preprofessional teachers will learn the sound-symbol correspondences of language and understand the relationship of phonemic awareness and phonological system of language to the reading process. Preprofessional teachers will also learn about the linguistic and cognitive bases of reading.

**RDG 532 Advanced Phonics and Linguistics (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* RDG 505, 530

This course is designed to build on the content in the Phonics and Linguistics course. It will include a brief review of the fundamental principles and concepts of the phonological structure of language. Instruction in English orthography, morphology and word etymology, prefixes and suffixes, Latin roots and Greek combining forms, syntax (grammar), and semantics will be examined. Students will learn why each of these skills is important to become competent in reading, spelling, and writing.

**RDG 538 Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems (3)**

The purpose of this course is to provide instruction to preservice or inservice teachers concerning the diagnosis of reading difficulties in students. The assessment instruments to use when determining the causes of reading difficulties will be stressed. Specific tests for these purposes will be introduced, explained and later administered to students who have been identified as having reading disabilities. Specific needs of a diverse population and/or cultural needs will be included.

**RDG 540 Fluency and Comprehension Development in Reading (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* RDG 505, 530

This course will examine fluency in reading as both a developmental process and an educational outcome. Scientifically-based reading research will be presented outlining methods for promoting rapid, accurate word identification, prosodic oral reading, and deep understanding. Efficacy of repeated reading, orthographic segmentation, vocabulary elaboration, schema development, and metacognitive techniques will be investigated.

**RDG 591 Practicum in Evidence-Based Instruction I (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* RDG 505, 530, 538

This practicum course will require instruction of an individual child or a small group of children using one scientifically-based reading research (SBRR) model of teaching reading. Assessing the children's strengths and weaknesses, planning an evidence-based program of instruction, and working collaboratively with a reading teacher to successfully implement the program are the learning outcomes for this course. A 150-hour field experience in an approved placement is required.

**RDG 592 Practicum in Evidence-Based Reading Instruction II (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* RDG 591

This practicum course is a sequel to RDG 591 and requires using another SBRR model of teaching reading. Improving a struggling reader's fluency in reading and comprehension development through the use of evidence-based reading instruction is an additional outcome for this course. A 150-hour field experience in

an approved placement is required.

**RDG 610 Literacy Development for Multicultural Special Education (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Admission to the Education Department

This course focuses on the acquisition of literacy at home and at school. The cultural and cognitive aspects of literacy are explored along with the interactions between written and spoken language and between reading and writing. The course addresses current and emerging philosophies and methods on teaching reading to culturally diverse second language learners, including review of materials, strategies for teaching reading and writing skills, and important considerations for transference from first language to second language. A field experience is required with this course.

**RDG 617 Multisensory Approach in Teaching Reading (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Prereq:RDG:530

This course focuses on multisensory strategies to teach reading and writing to school age children who have struggled with acquiring literacy. Emphasis is on phonological training as well as direct, multisensory instruction and the structure of the English language. Graduate students will participate in a structured, directly supervised field experience, which is required with this course.

**REL 519 Religion and Human Development (3)**

This course will help you explore the interaction between religion and personal growth throughout the life cycle. In doing this, psychological and religious/ theological resources will be used. A basic assumption made in this course is that religion and psychology are both disciplines that seek to define and describe aspects and dimensions of fundamental human experience, and, as such, when integrated, can work together in a mutually supportive fashion to enhance our understanding of what it means to be fully human.

**REL 530 Revelation, Doctrine and Creed (3)**

This course exams the development of doctrine in the Roman Catholic Church, and the theological foundations of key doctrines. The course begins with the question of revelation and the manner in which revelation becomes integrated into the community and becomes a creedal confession of faith. The class will then examine how this confession of faith is expounded upon and defined via theological language into doctrine and dogma according to the language and culture of the times from the Patristic period, through to the Scholastic medieval periods, into our own contemporary language, culture, and understanding.

**REL 541 Issue in Pauline Theology (3)**

A study of the content and background of the letters of the Apostle Paul. Emphasis will be placed upon Paul's life, the literary and rhetorical structure of his letters, and the specific theological and pastoral themes addressed in the letters. Particular attention will be given to the social context of Paul's Christian communities, and how it impacts his message to them. We will also explore the impact of these issues in contemporary pastoral ministry contexts.

**REL 544 The Theology of Healing (3)**

An analysis of health which includes the physical, emotional and spiritual perspectives. The role of spirituality in the process of healing.

**REL 549 Roman Christianity (3)**

This 3 credit hour course is designed to provide the student with on-site learning and experience of early Christianity in the city of Rome. This course takes place during Spring Break, and will require both pre and post assignments, meetings prior to the trip to Rome, participation in tours and lectures while in Rome and surrounding areas, and a follow up final paper due at the end of the Spring semester.

**REL 550 Exploring Science and Faith (3)**

*New Course*

In this course, we will examine neuroscience and social science research on beliefs, common elements of faith, and relationships among faith, practice, and organized faith systems. We will examine specific conflicts between and possibilities for reconciling scientific and faith perspectives. This inquiry will include panel

discussions with faculty guests, field experiences, and class discussions. To integrate ideas from across the semester, both students and faculty will write and present belief statements to the class.

**REL 555 Christian Social Justice (3)**

This course will acquaint students with both concrete efforts by Christians in support of social justice and with the Christian premises that underlie these efforts. Topics include economic justice, religious liberty and church-state relations, rights of women and minorities, war and peace, pro-life issues, and environmental ethics. Fulfills Ethics requirement.

**REL 563 Life Through Death (3)**

Students in the graduate program in Spiritual and Pastoral Care are engaged in a three-fold process of increasing their self-understanding, deepening their capacity to minister to families throughout the life-cycle, and developing a theological perspective that is integrated with both personal and professional functioning. The human encounter with death and dying poses a significant challenge to persons as spiritual, psychological and social beings. By focusing in an in-depth manner on this issue, all three processes mentioned above are facilitated, and students are helped to develop increased competency to respond in a meaningful humane and theologically informed manner to these challenges.

**RPS 500 Theology of Ministry and Pastoral Care (3)**

This course will introduce pastoral care and ministry, beginning with an overview of the history of pastoral care in the Christian tradition. Students will begin focusing on the particular kinds of pastoral care and ministry that have effected their own story. Panelists will offer insights about the opportunities, challenges and graces that come with various ministerial commitments. This course will conclude with an inventory of suggestions and services that are available to support you as you move through this program, such as spiritual direction, counseling and ministry involvement.

**RPS 501 Biblical Themes in Spiritual and Pastoral Care (3)**

This course will enable students to explore exegetical methodology and composition of the New Testament. Special focus will be placed upon critical themes in biblical theology and their application to pastoral ministry. Of central concern will be the themes of Discipleship and Christology of each of the Gospel evangelists.

**RPS 502 Family & Community Systems (3)**

An exploration of social and cultural systems, and the place of families, churches and neighborhoods/communities as social and cultural systems.

**RPS 503 Critical Issues in Systematic Theology: God, Jesus, Church, Sacrament (3)**

Much of the challenge of pastoral care is in understanding the varied assumptions or imagery that steer peoples' interpretations of basic mysteries or doctrines of Christian tradition. This course is intended to expose the historical precedent for different theological models or frameworks that Christians - past and present - have used to describe the mysteries of our common faith. It will focus on the core theological themes of God, Jesus, Church and Sacrament.

**RPS 504 Personal Spirituality (3)**

The principles and methods of the development of a personal spirituality using the resources of both the Eastern and Western religious traditions. The incorporation of life experiences and decisions into religious growth.

**RPS 506 Spirituality & Wellness (3)**

Judeo-Christian spirituality is an "incarnational spirituality" at its core. In Genesis, God "walks in the garden" to encounter Adam and Eve. Moses first encounters God in a bush and his people are freed through natural plagues and physical death. The prophets see God's hand in the political-social-economic events of the day, and call people to live justly through it all. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is born as a human being to show us that the kingdom of God is among us in the here and now. In this spirituality, God enters the "natural world" to show us how to live as whole, healthy humans, through the exercising of our freedom of choice, our "Free Will," in accord with the Divine Will. This course will explore the connection

between a deeply incarnational spirituality and "wellness," a state of wholeness mediated through the "divine challenge" of free will exercised "on earth as it is [archetypically] in heaven."

**RPS 507 Suffering & Hope (3)**

The experience of human suffering poses a challenge to the mind, the body, and the soul that invites response and understanding. This interdisciplinary course will help students reflect on the issue of suffering through an examination of their own experience, as well as that of others presented in poetry, essay, short story, novel and film. After exposure to theological, biblical and literary resources, students will develop a position that reflects an integration of their own experience and course material.

**RPS 508 Theology of Community and Leadership (3)**

This course will deal with the theological, personal, interpersonal, organizational, and spiritual skills necessary to be an effective leader and change agent minister in the church today. Students will explore contemporary theologies of church, examining the congregation as a system. Students will explore leadership theory and praxis of forming vibrant communities of faith and wellness.

**RPS 510 Socio-Ecological Dimensions of Pastoral Care (3)**

This course examines the connection between pastoral care, human ecology, religion, and theology. This course will include an overview of contemporary pastoral care methodologies which attempt to embrace the whole person and their environment. Using a systems approach, we will examine pastoral care and spirituality through the lens of human ecology, the study of the interdependence of humans with all of nature. This course will consider pastoral care interventions that promote relationship building the environmental ethics, using the resources of the Christian tradition.

**RPS 511 Feminist Spirituality (3)**

Theologies of liberation are developing throughout the world. The need for feminist theology and spirituality arises from the historical realize of sexism in human societies and religion. This course will explore the roots and manifestations of sexism within the Judeo/Christian tradition. The study will include a look at the global dimension of feminism as it is influencing spiritual and pastoral care practices.

**RPS 512 Pastoral Practicum (3-6)**

The purpose of the Pastoral Practicum course is to enable students to develop theological understanding, professional skills, ministerial and pastoral competence, personal integration through practice in actual ministry and reflection upon that ministry and a depending spirituality of the pastoral caregiver.

**RPS 514 Spirituality of Leadership (3)**

This course explores the relationship between one's personal spirituality and effective leadership. Further, it considers leadership in the workplace as a personal calling. The course will explore one's innate desire for integrity of life, and will examine the common good as both the purpose of business, and as necessary for human development. The good habits of acting, known as virtues, will be considered. The application of virtue to practical situations in the workplace, and in the world at large, will allow the principles of Christian social teaching to be integrated with management theory.

**RPS 524 Liturgy and Sacrament (3)**

*New Course*

This course will study the relationship between sacramental theology and fundamental Christian theology. It will examine the history and development of the liturgy, study the nature, theology and pastoral implications of worship and sacrament. The role of liturgy in the formation of Christian community through its signs, rites and music will be explored. 524 satisfy the systematic theology course requirement.

**RPS 525 Christology (3)**

This course begins with a study of the gospel claims about Jesus as the Christ and follows the historical and theological developments that shape the relationship between the Mystery of Christ and the Christian tradition. The course concludes with a focus on contemporary Christological questions.

**RPS 526 Spirit of Johannine Literature (3)**

This course will examine the major spiritual and theological themes and trends in Johannine study. Students will be introduced to the significant themes and theology of both the Gospel and the Epistles. Various approaches to the New Testament will be presented.

**RPS 527 Faith, Crisis and Adult Development (3)**

This course will look at the experience of crisis as an important time in the development of self, faith and personal spirituality. Students will examine each of these terms in detail - faith, crisis, self, spirit - drawing on both psychological and theological resources. A distinction will be made between crisis, which occur as a normal and predictable part of the human life cycle (midlife, loss, etc.), and extraordinary crisis experience (serious illness, divorce, etc.). The potential impact of crisis on individual faith/spiritual development and "sense of self" - and the way that faith and self may shape the response to crisis - will be explored through reading, writing, video presentations, and class discussions. Emphasis will be placed on understanding this information in such a way that it can be utilized in the practice of ministry.

**RPS 535 Holistic Wellness:Theory, Practice (3)**

This interactive course will introduce participants to a number of simple, effective holistic practices from different countries and cultures. Practices include Tai Chi, meditation and body movement, acupressure for alleviating pain and stress-related problems, visualization and breathing and hand massage. There will also be time for reflection and sharing. The simplicity of the work invites participants to easily share what they learn with others and is especially valuable to those working in education, health ministries, parish nursing, counseling, etc. Much of the content of the workshop is based on the work of Dr. Patricia Cane and Capacitar International, Inc.

**RPS 538 Laity, Spirituality & Ministry (3)***New Course*

This course examines the spiritual care of minister and ministry. How can spirituality of the laity be encouraged and nurtured in a ministerial context? What are the spiritual resources that support discernment of ministerial gifts and talents? What spiritually sustains the lay minister in the ministerial context? Students will be invited to examine the deep roots of, resources for, and influence of spirituality and ministry in contemporary spiritual care of the laity. Practical strategies for developing and sustaining a healthy identity as a spiritually grounding ministerial context will be discussed, including prayer, contemplation, Biblical reflection, holistic self-assessment, and maintaining healthy relationships within the ministerial context.

**RPS 540 Phil & Methods Religious Education (3)**

The learners will investigate various philosophies of religious education. These include their own philosophies, the philosophies of those whom they interview, those proposed through church documents and those evident in textbooks and other resources. The learners will identify the outcome implicit or explicit in these philosophies and the appropriate methodologies to achieve outcomes. The learners will develop their own wisdom of religious education and design the appropriate methodology.

**RPS 541 Spirituality of Aging (3)**

Throughout our lives, we have many opportunities to grow in relation to God, to realize the truth of our spiritual natures. The invitations to growth in later life share many similarities with those we experience in childhood, adolescence, and young and middle adulthood. Yet these last stages of life present particularly powerful opportunities for spiritual living. Elders may suffer many losses - of family, friends, a life's work, health, mobility, mental capacity, to name only a few. Spiritually and emotionally, these losses and many other events may signal that a person has entered a time, which holds the last possibilities for the reconciliation and integration of a lifetime of experiences and relationships. Our focus of concern often shifts from old ways of doing to new ways of being - in relation to self, others, and God. Together we will explore, share, and honor some of the spiritual possibilities of the aging.

**RPS 542 Critical Issues in Ethics (3)**

One of the pastoral minister's many functions is to educate people in their faith, and one of the most challenging times this must be done is when a person is facing an important ethical decision. Poignant

ethical questions face us everyday and for many people they pose significant challenges of faith. In this course, we explore the field of Catholic theological ethics. Students will examine the foundations of the Church's ethical tradition and propose a code of ethics for the pastoral minister. We then explore a number of critical issues from three primary topic areas: social ethics, sexual ethics, and medical ethics. The overall purpose of this course is to offer the pastoral minister 1) knowledge of what the Roman Catholic Church teaches concerning pressing ethical issues, as well as why it teaches what it does; and 2) a foundation upon which to draw when faced with the question "What should I do?" in light of a particular ethical dilemma.

### **RPS 543 Christian Mystical Tradition - Spiritual/Theological Resource for Lay Ministry (3)**

#### *New Course*

This course provides an overview of several Christian mystics (Bernard of Clairvaux, Francis of Assisi, Julian of Norwich, and Teresa of Avila), mining their writings for their theological insights and their contributions to spiritual formation. Class sessions will primarily consist of the discussion of texts, but individual and communal contemplative practices will also be introduced. Students will gain a greater appreciation of the Christian mystical tradition in general as well as developing spiritual practices for their ongoing personal/spiritual development and for their pastoral work.

### **RPS 548 Spirituality of Marriage and Family (3)**

#### *New Course*

The focus of the Spirituality of Marriage and Family course will be to explore ministry to marriage and families within the local church context. This context is viewed as systemic, developmental (encompassing the marital and family life cycle), and theological. Historically, the church has ministered to families either at the moment of crisis, or through the education of the individual. The core concepts of 'family perspective' and 'marriage and family enrichment' will be developed in this course in an effort to broaden our ministry to Christian families as a system. We will explore how the Christianity community, through peer ministry, can empower families "to become who they are" and embrace their vocation as domestic church. (John Paul II *Familiaris Consortio*).

### **RPS 549 Theology of Church (3)**

#### *New Course*

Theological models of the church and the theology of Vatican II will be reviewed. Beginning with the Hebrew notion of "A People Gathered" and ending with an in-depth study of models of church, this course examines the social, religious, and spiritual elements of church.

### **RPS 551 Youth Ministry (3)**

Come wrestle with some of the most current research and thinking on adolescent spirituality. How do Gen X young adults and Millennial youth differ, and what are their unique spiritual needs and challenges? Explore the impact of our postmodern culture on adolescent spirituality, and draw implications for pastoral ministry with youth and young adults. The classroom dynamic will include interaction with panels of youth and young adults.

### **RPS 552 Theology of Healthcare Ethics (3)**

This course is designed to offer students an introduction to Christian health care ethics. We begin by exploring foundational issues such as the nature of morality, the distinction between philosophical and theological ethics, and the importance of rightly formed conscience. We then focus on specific medical issues such as abortion, artificial methods of conception, genetic testing/cloning, stem cell research, and euthanasia. For each of these issues, we will discuss the underlying moral principles and then seek to articulate an appropriate Christian response to them. Students will be challenged to appropriate into their own lives the lessons learned from both the readings and classroom discussions in order to help them formulate appropriate moral responses to these issues.

### **RPS 556 Innovative Models and Methods of Religious Education (3)**

#### *New Course*

The purpose of this course is to introduce the students to a variety of models and methods for facilitating faith formation. The students will examine the rationale for each model in the context of the goal and tasks

of catechesis as outlined in church documents. Students will examine various methodologies to develop the identified models. Each student will design a session using one of the models with appropriate methodology.

### **RPS 557 World Religions (3)**

The core question that people have asked from the beginning of reflective thought can be summed up in one sentence: What is the meaning or purpose of my life? In a world filled with conflict and war, in a country held bound by consumerism and fear, the answers provided by some of the major world religions can show us ways to live a vibrant life. Pre-supposing a basic Christian grounding of the majority of class participants, we will study the age-old wisdom found in Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, Judaism and Islam, with emphasis on how this knowledge can energize us to become peacemakers and healers of our global home.

### **RPS 558 Advanced Catechetical Practicum (3)**

#### *New Course*

The purpose of this course is to provide practical parish catechetical experience with the opportunity to apply catechetical theory and evaluative reflection on the experience. The students will determine the competencies required for a parish catechetical leader in that specific context. The students will also review the dynamics of effecting change. The students will use theological reflection as a method of reflection.

### **RPS 559 Spiritual Care of Women (3)**

#### *New Course*

This course examines the pastoral care of women, specifically, the three crucial dynamics that weave together attending practices in the healing and growth process: context, collaboration and diversity. Spiritual strategies specific to women entering ministry, intergenerational female-to-female mentoring, and complex care issues seekers present in caregiving relationships such as rape, violence, breast cancer, eating disorders, lesbianism, and gender discrimination will be discussed.

### **RPS 560 Pastoral Care & Counseling (3)**

This course helps students develop the skills that will allow them to minister to individuals, couples or family systems in distress. Students will learn how to develop a "helping relationship" that will support efforts at care and counseling, and to use basic helping skills informed by an understanding of personal, marital and family dynamics. The fundamental components of the helping relationship will be defined as active listening, engagement, empathy, and challenging. Students will deepen their ability to practice and apply these skills in a manner that promotes healing and growth within the persons and the systems those persons are involved in. Students taking this course should not expect to emerge from it as marital and family therapists. Rather, they will develop skills that will help them engage others in a manner that promotes spiritual and emotional growth and change, and facilitates and supports people getting whatever further help may be needed. Students in this course will reflect on the "pastoral" nature of what they are doing as helpers, by becoming clearer that the perspectives they bring to the counseling relationship are not derived only from particular psychological points of view, but also from their sense of themselves as pastoral persons engaged in acts of ministry, and therefore, from their theology and spirituality.

### **RPS 564 Mystery, Meaning & Movement Within Spiritual Care Ministry (3)**

#### *New Course*

Within spiritual care ministries, being attentive to one's own spirituality, as well as the spirituality of one's co-workers and one's workplace, are integral to the effectiveness of one's ministry. The course will provide a brief overview of recent writings on "workplace" spirituality within the context of recent developments of spirituality, the spiritual care/chaplaincy ministry, and cultivating the disciplines of noticing, nurturing, and celebrating the "sacred" where one ministers.

### **RPS 575 Integrating Project (3)**

The subject of the integrating project is the research, design, implementation, and evaluation of a pastoral ministry area based on the learning accomplished in the program. This component is designed to be a synthesizing experience, which blends theory with practice and academic studies with work experience. The final project is linked as closely as possible to the student's present or projected ministry. The student will complete the project under the supervision of program faculty. The thesis paper will integrate and reflect

the spiritual and pastoral care and theological learning from the curriculum.

**RPS 590 Appalachian Culture and Spirituality (3)**

This course will be a field experience in the Appalachian Mountains in Kentucky and will focus on understanding Appalachian lifestyle, behavior, and family, social, ecological, and political systems. Students will experience the richness of mountain life through Appalachian educators, artisans, and leaders.

**RPS 591 Cherokee Culture and Spirituality (3)**

This course is about what has gone well for the Native Americans as people of faith, people of hope and people of determination. The Cherokee have dealt with the developing tourism industry that surrounds them in the Smokey Mountains, while stewarding the resources of the area with grace and wisdom. The Cherokee natives share the value of relationship, spiritual and artistic heritage and living with the consequences of the Trail of Tears.

**RPS 592 Honduran Culture & Spirituality (3)**

This course will provide students an immersion experience to study, dialogue and work side by side with Central Americans on the theological cultural, economic, ecological, political and social challenges and solutions that directly affect all our lives in the Americas.

**RPS 593 Lakota Culture & Spirituality (3)**

This course will be a field experience at Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and focus on understanding Lakota Sioux History, Culture and Religion. We will examine how culture affects religion, how religion affects culture, and to explore how the dynamic interplay of these two can affect personal religious development, lifestyle, behavior and family, social, ecological and political systems.

**RPS 594 US/Mexico Border Experience (3)**

This course is a socio-spiritual exploration of and immersion into the US/Mexico Border region. In preparation for this intensive immersion experience, students will be asked to do analysis of the social systems, as each is encountered throughout this study. Students will learn how to use the "Praxis Circle for Social Change" as a tool to examine what they encounter during this Awareness Experience. Topics examined will include the following: farm workers and migrant workers; refugees and those who work with refugees; women who have left prostitution and become active in community building and economic development efforts; justice workers who deal with immigration laws, the judicial system; NAFTA; Environmental issues, industrial pollution and water shortages; Healthcare; Utility costs; the Border Patrol; factory workers from the maquilas in Juarez and those with experience dealing with the economic policies and labor practices on the US and Mexico sides of the border; religious leaders who are engaging Christians in the creation of sustainable communities, and others.

**RPS 595 Pastoral Care & Spirituality in Ireland (3)**

This course will expose students to contextual theology as it has emerged from the seeds of Celtic spirituality, Irish Christian history, and social forces within and beyond Ireland. In Ireland, we will study the intersecting realities of suffering, religious persecution, and identifiable threads of a strong sacramental system underscoring individual and communal models of pastoral care. Students will do a contextual internship during the afternoons, experiencing models of ministry to immigrant children in Dublin, Ireland. Weekend excursions will introduce the students to "pilgrimage" as a pastoral care strategy, visiting places of significance in the contextualizing of spiritual care.

**RPS 599 Special Topics (1-3)**

This course is graduate research study in completion of the Integrating Project.

**RPS 600 Foundations of Spiritual Direction (3)**

*New Course*

This course will allow students to deepen their understanding of a theology for spiritual direction and the essential dispositions needed for effective work in this field. The course will explore models of spiritual direction, the centrality of desire in the spiritual life, and how hospitality aids the directee. Students will

be invited to explore their own spiritual story, their chronology of prayer, and their present personal prayer practice as a means for informing them of what they bring into the direction process. This course will lay the groundwork for a reflective, contemplative approach to the practice of spiritual guidance, including the personal development of attentiveness, listening and noticing of shifts in the directee and director.

### **RPS 601 Basic Skills for Spiritual Direction Practitioners (3)**

#### *New Course*

This course is a structured introduction to the fundamental skills necessary when accompanying another person in spiritual direction. Essential for the work of spiritual direction is skill in attentiveness, listening, and noticing movements in the directee and themselves. A familiarity with scripture and knowledge of human development are also essential. Students are required to keep a journal, reflecting on the movements they notice in class, in themselves, in their personal prayer life, and in those they work with. Topics to be addressed will include approach to initial sessions, prayer, resistance, silence in the session, and recordkeeping. With an emphasis on formative as well as informative participation, students will practice awareness skills of listening, reflecting in dialogue with another, feedback, and receiving observations. Role plays and reflection on case studies will be methodologies used in the course.

### **RPS 602 Advanced Skills for Spiritual Directors (3)**

#### *New Course*

Proficient spiritual directors recognize the complex movements that influence those they accompany. They can identify the roots of issues within a directee as psychological, spiritual, and/or clinical. This course will explore the psychiatric and psychological nuances in a directee, as well as their spiritual movement. Areas of exploration will include discernment and the distinctions between depression, desolation, and darkness in the spiritual life will be outlined as well as discernment skills. Ethical practices and codes for directors will be discussed. Group spiritual direction will be introduced. Supervision will be a major component of this course. Emphasizing both formative and informative learning objectives, students will receive and conduct supervision sessions with professor and peers. Case studies and roleplays will be incorporated.

### **RPS 603 History of Spirituality (3)**

#### *New Course*

This course examines the development of Christian Spirituality from the post-apostolic age to the present through analysis of the key texts and figures in Christian history. The student will be exposed to those texts and authors who were most influential in shaping Christian spirituality and the understanding of the spiritual life throughout Christian history, and will gain an understanding of those texts within their historical and cultural contexts. Emphasis will also be placed on the differences between male and female interpretations of Christian spirituality, as well as the differences between monastic/clerical spirituality and the spirituality of the laity, and how this has shaped Christian self understanding.

### **RPS 604 Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)**

#### *New Course*

This course provides students with opportunities for 30 hours of supervised practice of spiritual direction to individuals and groups. Emphasis is upon the integration of the skills of spiritual direction in various contexts. Five hours will be devoted to planning and leading group prayer in spiritual direction sessions.

### **RPS 605 Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)**

#### *New Course*

This course provides students with opportunities for 30 hours of supervised practice of spiritual direction to individuals and groups. Emphasis is upon the integration of the skills of spiritual direction in various contexts. Ten hours will be devoted to leading group spiritual direction, and ten hours in directing one-on-one spiritual direction sessions.

### **RPS 606 Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)**

#### *New Course*

This course provides students with opportunities for 30 hours of supervised practice of spiritual direction to individuals and groups. Emphasis is upon the integration of the skills of spiritual direction in various

contexts. Twenty hours will be devoted to directing one-on-one spiritual direction sessions.

### **RPS 608 Pathways to Contemplative Living (3)**

#### *New Course*

This three credit practical course is designed to expose students to contemplative practice, which is necessary component for ministerial effectiveness and personal spiritual growth, Healthy Christian maturity incorporates both active and contemplative elements within the spiritual life Dynamic ministry stems from engaged service balanced by a mindfulness that nourishes intimacy with God, with self, with others, and with creation. Designed to be both formative and informative, classes will provide instruction from selected classical spiritual sources with the intent of raising the personal awareness and development of spiritual practices of the class participants. Integration of these insights will be fostered through reflection on the formative and deformative aspects of one's formation history. The methodology for the course will include lectures, dialogue, prayer, and journaling. Written and spoken sharing on one's own salvation history will be a key aspect of the class.

### **SED 515 Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)**

This course is a survey of human exceptionalities, exploring historical and legal aspects in the field of special education, the nature and needs of individuals with special needs, and the roles of schools, parents and society in supporting individuals with special needs. An overview of the federal and state laws governing the education of students with disabilities is presented. Lifelong issues in living with a disability are explored. A 20- hour field component is included.

### **SED 521 Communication Development and Theories for Multicultural Environments (3)**

This course explores theories of first and second language acquisition. Emphasis is on affective, cultural, linguistic, and cognitive factors that influence the language acquisition process with application to classroom practice. An overview of the nature and needs of children with communication disorders will also be included. A clinical experience is required with this course.

### **SED 522 Formal and Informal Assessment for Multicultural Special Education (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* SED 515, EDU 501, SED 521.

This course will analyze the evaluation of students from referral to special education placement. Emphasis will be on understanding the assessment process and challenges for effective evaluation of students from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. The graduate student will analyze formal and informal measures to assist in planning effective instruction for students with special needs. This course will also explore formative and summative assessment measures that emphasize student centered techniques such as long-term team observation, one-on-one interview, dynamic assessment of the zone of proximal development, demonstration and performance, portfolio, peer and self and other specific assessments that measure the learner's goals and objectives as identified on the Individualized Educational Plan (IEP). A field experience is required with this course.

### **SED 531 Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)**

This course provides a study of curriculum programming, instructional environments and strategies, and assessment techniques for use with multicultural students with moderate to intense needs. The areas of social skills, behavior, functional academics, technology, communication, and transition are covered. Curriculum adaptations and support in the general education curriculum are addressed. Best practices in community-based instruction, authentic assessment, and ecological evaluations are emphasized. Students must participate in a practicum along with this course. Failure to complete the practicum will result in failure of the course.

### **SED 532 Nature and Needs of Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)**

*Prerequisite(s):* SED 515, EDU 501, and Admission to TEAM-MSE

This course surveys the areas of moderate to intense disabilities. The course will present an overview of causes, characteristics, and theories of individuals who are served in moderate to intense programs. Emphasis is placed on the educational implications of medical and health issues of multicultural learners. The course

also addresses the topic of quality of life issues for multicultural learners with moderate to intense disabilities. A field experience is required for this course.

### **SED 533 I Multicultural Special Education Practicum - Level I (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* SED 515 and EDU 501

This introductory field experience provides the teacher candidate with the opportunity to connect concepts learned in coursework with practical application in the field. The teacher candidate will have the opportunity to observe programs, IEP Teams, Intervention Teams and other ancillary programs that serve children with mild to moderate needs. An opportunity to provide instruction to a child or a group of children under the direct supervision of a mentor teacher is included in this course.

### **SED 533 II Multicultural Special Education Practicum - Level II (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Admission into TEAM-MSE; SED 515, EDU 500, and SED 533 I or equivalent experience as determined by Coordinator of Program

This apprenticeship provides the TEAM-MSE graduate student the opportunity to connect theory, methods, and strategies learned in methods course with practical application in inclusive environments. Graduate students will observe, manage, plan and execute instruction for children with diverse needs under the guidance of an experienced intervention specialist and the college methods and materials supervisor.

### **SED 533 III Multicultural Special Education Practicum - Level III (1)**

*Prerequisite(s):* Approval by TEAM-MSE Director

This advanced apprenticeship provides the TEAM-MSE graduate student the opportunity to connect theory, methods, and strategies learned in courses with practical application in inclusive environments. The TEAM MSE student will have the opportunity to demonstrate professional competency in assessing, planning and executing appropriate instruction to children with special needs.

### **SED 595 Independent Study (1-3)**

Independent study under the guidance of a faculty member to meet stated objectives. Permission of the department chair and faculty member are required.

### **SED 598 Workshop (1-3)**

The workshop's content will be announced when the course is offered.

### **SED 599 Workshop (1-3)**

The workshop's content will be announced when the course is offered.

### **SED 610 Literature Development in Multicultural Special Ed (3)**

This course focuses on the acquisition of literacy at home and at school. The cultural and cognitive aspects of literacy are explored along with the interactions between written and spoken language and between reading and writing. The course addresses current and emerging philosophies and methods on teaching reading to culturally diverse second language learners, including review of materials, strategies for teaching reading and writing skills, and important considerations for transference from first language to second language. A field experience is required with this course.

### **SED 611 Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Mild to Moderate (3)**

This course provides an in-depth study of curriculum options available for the student who comes from a culturally and linguistically diverse background and who has mild to moderate special education needs. The graduate student will compare and contrast research-based methods and strategies specifically designed for diverse student populations. This course also includes the use of CAT (Computer Assistive Technology) stations as a strategy to meet the common access and academic needs of students with special needs. A clinical experience is required with this course.

### **SED 612 Culturally Appropriate Practices for Managing Classrooms and Behaviors**

This course initially focuses on the physical classroom environment and how to maximize the learning opportunity for all children within the school environment. It then seeks to enhance the teacher's understanding

of successful disciplinary techniques needed to deal with diverse populations. This course includes an intense study of behavior management for students with exceptional learning needs. Emphasis is on applied behavior analysis, record keeping of student performance data, task analysis, writing behavior programs/plans, and ethical issues in behavior modification. A clinical experience is required with this course.

**SED 631 Collaborative Practices for Working with Home, School and Community Agencies (3)**

This course addresses methods of providing parent education and empowerment, advocacy, collaboration, and approaches to breaking the negative cycle which may cause some children who are culturally and linguistically diverse and who have a disability to be at risk of school failure. The course will emphasize the effective communication needed to work with colleagues, administrators, support personnel, community members, parents, and significant others who impact the lives of students with disabilities. A clinical experience is required with this course.

**SED 650 Integrative Project Multicultural Special Education (2)**

*Prerequisite(s):* EDU 500 Statistics and Research and completion of a minimum of 30 hours in major.

The development of the Integrative Project is the culmination of the TEAM-MSE Master's Degree Program. This course affords the graduate student practical experience in the review, critique, and conceptualization of research for multicultural special education. Students critically analyze peer-reviewed literature surrounding a selected special education issue and propose a feasible solution based upon current research. Students also develop a comprehensive program portfolio. SED 650 is a repeatable course.

**SED 665 Medical Issues and the Learning Process (3)**

This course examines the medical aspects of specific health conditions associated with learners with special needs. The integration of health care plans into classroom instruction is covered. Medical emergencies, physical management and training techniques for teaching personal care are covered. Issues in participating on transdisciplinary teams and the roles of community medical personnel are included.

**SOC 640 The Changing Workplace (3)**

*Crosslisted MGT 640* This course will focus on the dynamic nature of organizations and change. Since the organizational environment changes continuously, the course is by nature a topics course. Additionally the course will introduce the student to change at the individual, group and organizational levels so they can function effectively as catalysts for change or as members of a change process.

**SOC 670 Reading and Writing: the Culture of Work (3)**

*Crosslisted HUM 670* This course is an in-depth study of how workers themselves experience their work. It will explore how the lives of workers have been depicted in literature, film, and history. It will involve the close study of a local workplace culture through fieldwork, the method used by cultural anthropologists to understand how people generate and interpret social behavior in a given setting. Students will not only read and interpret texts, but also produce texts that describe the lived experience of actual workers.

**SOC 680 Culture & Technology (3)**

This course addresses how technology drives much of social and cultural change, and these technological innovations and changes often happen first in the world of work. New technology brings new winners and new losers in most social systems. New technology almost always comes with grand promises of its potential but lack of planning for its failures, negative side effects and the losers it often leaves. A better understanding of these technology-caused social forces can help leaders and managers prepare for the impact of technology on their organization, their workers and their communities.

## Degree Programs

Listed are majors and areas of concentration within the graduate degrees awarded through the designated academic departments.

### Education

Master of Arts

Major in Teaching

Concentrations in inclusive early childhood education, middle childhood education, adolescent to young adult education, multicultural special education, multi-age education.

Major in Education Concentrations in art, music, instructional leadership (principal licensure or excellence in teaching), reading science.

(Department of Graduate Education, Division of Education)

### Organizational Leadership

Master of Science in Organizational Leadership

(Department of Organizational Leadership, Division of Business)

### Nursing

Master of Nursing

(Department of Graduate Nursing, Division of Health Sciences)

### Physical Therapy

Doctor of Physical Therapy

(Department of Physical Therapy, Division of Health Sciences)

### Religious Studies

Master of Arts in Religious Studies

Concentration in spiritual and pastoral care

(Department of Religious/Pastoral Studies, Division of Humanities, Arts, Religious Studies and Music)

### Accreditation

The College of Mount St. Joseph was first authorized to grant the Master of Arts in Education degree in 1978. The graduate program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and authorized to operate by the Ohio Board of Regents. The teacher education programs are approved by the Ohio State Department of Education, Center for the Teaching Profession, Room 810, 65 S. Front St., Columbus, OH 45215, (614) 466-3593, and accredited by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council, One Dupont Circle, Suite 320, Washington, DC 20036 (202) 466-7236.

The College of Mount St. Joseph was first authorized to grant the Master of Arts in Religious Studies degree in 1988. The graduate program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and authorized to operate by the Ohio Board of Regents.

The College of Mount St. Joseph was first authorized to grant the Master of Physical Therapy degree in 1995. The Doctor of Physical Therapy degree was authorized in 2005 and began its first class in June, 2006. The Physical Therapy graduate program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and authorized to operate by the Ohio Board of Regents. The Doctor of Physical Therapy program at the College of Mount St. Joseph is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE) of the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA), 1111 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314, (703) 706-3245. Website: [www.apta.org/CAPTE](http://www.apta.org/CAPTE). Faculty and students are members of the American Physical Therapy Association and participate at the national and state levels by attending professional meetings and

presenting research findings.

The College of Mount St. Joseph was first authorized to grant the Master of Science in Organizational Leadership degree in 2001. The graduate program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and authorized to operate by the Ohio Board of Regents.

The College of Mount St. Joseph was first authorized to grant the Master of Nursing degree in 2004. The graduate program is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and authorized to operate by the Ohio Board of Regents. The Master of Nursing program has been approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing and is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530, Washington DC 20036-1120, (202) 887-6791. Faculty are members of various professional organizations and participate at the national and state levels by attending professional meetings and presenting research findings. Students have the opportunity to become a member of Sigma Theta Tau, an international nursing honor society.

### **Graduate Learning Outcomes**

At the conclusion of the graduate program, the graduate student will demonstrate the following learning outcomes:

**Academic Excellence** Mastery of competencies and communication appropriate for their respective disciplines/professions.

**Ethics** Ethical decision-making consistent with one's discipline/profession.

**Leadership** Socially responsible leadership within an organization or other professional environment.

**Service** Culturally responsive interpersonal skills and service delivery.

### **Master of Arts in Education**

*Paul Sallada, M.Ed, Interim Dean of Education*

*Mary West, EdD, Chairperson of Graduate Education*

**Division of Education Vision Statement** The Division of Education will continually transform itself into a regionally acclaimed center for teaching and learning in the Midwest. Rooted in the spiritual tradition of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati and the Catholic intellectual tradition of free and open inquiry in search of truth, the Division will be known for its innovative programs in higher education for preparing highly qualified educators and leaders.

**Education Division Mission Statement** The Division of Education prepares competent, collaborative, caring, and reflective practitioners who uphold the tradition of social responsibility, academic excellence, and personal integrity of the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati.

**Core Values of the Department** The focus of the Division of Education is to produce teachers who know their subject matter well, are skilled in pedagogy, are nurturing and supportive of their students while holding them to high academic standards, and are reflective practitioners engaged in professional growth. In carrying out this charge, the department has committed to the following core values which support both the college's and department's mission statements.

- We promote critical thinking and reflective practices with all students.
- We teach students to have respect for themselves and others through collaboration and service.
- We encourage students to participate in professional development and scholarship.
- We value and model ethical conduct.
- We value a knowledge and appreciation of diversity.

**Candidate Proficiencies** Based on the department mission and core values, the Division of Education claims that its graduates meet the following standards which are derived from the INTASC principles and Pathwise domains and standards:

1. **Content knowledge** - The candidate articulates accurate subject matter and applies that knowledge in planning and presenting lessons aligned with content standards.
2. **Learner characteristics** - The candidate incorporates knowledge of how students learn and how diverse experiences affect learning when planning and presenting lessons aligned with content standards.
3. **Instructional strategies** - The candidate applies a variety of scientifically-based, data-driven instructional strategies based on learning goals, assesses student's progress toward these goals, and differentiates instruction based on student needs and assessment results.
4. **Learning environment** - The candidate creates and manages a learning environment that encourages active, engaged learning and respect for others.
5. **Professional responsibilities** - The candidate engages in reflective practice, promotes collaboration among peers, families and communities, and takes on opportunities for professional development.

## Overview of Graduate Degree & Teacher Licensure Programs

**Master of Arts in Education Degree Programs** The degree programs are offered as two majors: the Teaching major is for those seeking initial teaching licensure and the Education major is for those who already have a teaching license and want to add to their knowledge and skills.

- **Major in Teaching**
  - Inclusive Early Childhood Education
  - Middle Childhood Education
  - Adolescent to Young Adult Education
  - Multicultural Special Education
  - Multi-age Education (Art or Music)
- **Major in Education**
  - Reading

- Instructional Leadership (Principal Licensure or Excellence in Teaching)
- Art
- Music

**Endorsements** Endorsements may be added to a current Ohio teaching license or earned concurrently with an initial license. An endorsement is issued after a student has successfully completed an approved endorsement program, including an examination required by the Ohio Department of Education, and has the recommendation of the Division of Education of an approved institution.

- **Reading Endorsement** - This endorsement is designed to help educators teach reading according to best practice. It provides an in-depth knowledge base related to theories, practice and technology in the field of reading education.
- **Early Childhood Generalist (Grades 4-5) Endorsement** This endorsement, also known as the 4-5 endorsement, will give early childhood teachers (pre-kindergarten through grade 3), who hold an Ohio license to become qualified to teach 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Teacher Education Accelerated Master's (TEAM) Degree Program** The TEAM programs prepare adults to enter the teaching profession through an intense and accelerated learning format. The Mount's TEAM programs can help you reach your goal of becoming a teacher in approximately fifteen to eighteen months. The Mount offers three such accelerated programs for those interested in changing careers to become a teacher.

Alternative Educator Licensure (AEL) - AEL is a “non-traditional method for developing qualified teachers. It permits qualified baccalaureate degree-holders to transition to careers as classroom teachers, thus allowing schools and communities to benefit from their content-related knowledge and their experience in other work settings as well as from their maturity. It also meets many of the urgent and long-term staffing needs of schools in teacher shortage areas.” (Ohio Department of Education).

Programs leading to AEL are available in Special Education through the TEAM-MSE program and through the TEAM-AYA program for teaching math and science in grades 7-12.

- **TEAM-IEC (Inclusive Early Childhood Education)** – A *year-long* master's degree and apprenticeship program in partnership with Cincinnati Public Schools that prepares you with the education and skills needed to become a teacher in preschool through third grade. Successful graduates earn the Master of Arts in Teaching with a concentration in Inclusive Early Childhood and Ohio licensure in Early Childhood Education.
- **TEAM-MSE (Multicultural Special Education)** - An *18-month* master's degree and apprenticeship program in partnership with Cincinnati Public Schools that prepares you with the education and skills needed to become an intervention specialist. Successful graduates earn the Master of Arts in Teaching degree with a concentration in multicultural special education. The MSE program has two tracks: an AEL track for those who have no background in education, and a 2nd license track for licensed educators focusing on mild to moderate and moderate to intense populations, grades K-12 in the state of Ohio. Students may be employed while they earn their degree.
- **TEAM-AYA (Adolescent to Young Adult Education)** - A *15-month* master's degree program that prepares you with the education and skills needed to become a junior high or high school math or science teacher. Successful graduates earn the Master of Arts in Teaching degree and may qualify for an Ohio alternative licensure in Adolescent to Young Adult Education, with a concentration in math or science, for teaching in grades 7 through 12. Students who have an undergraduate degree in mathematics or science or have extensive work experience in a field directly related to mathematics or science (i.e. engineering), may qualify for employment as a teacher while earning this degree.

## Program Requirements for a Major in Teaching

The Teaching major in the Master of Arts degree is a program that is offered to the student who holds a bachelor's degree and is interested in seeking initial teacher licensure and a Master of Arts degree. The concentration allows for five licensure options within the Teaching major:

1. Inclusive Early Childhood (grades pre-K through 3);
2. Adolescent to Young Adults (grades 7-12) with traditional licensure or Adolescent to Young Adult (grades 7-12) with alternative licensure in a content area of science or math;
3. Middle Childhood (grades 4-9) with a focus in two areas choosing from math, science, social studies or language arts;
4. Multi-age (grades K-12) in art or music; and
5. Multicultural Special Education with alternative licensure.

### Inclusive Early Childhood Education Licensure

The Teaching major with a concentration in Inclusive Early Childhood Education is offered to the student who holds a bachelor's degree and is interested in working with young children (3 to 8 years of age, who are developing typically or atypically) and with their families and community agencies. The early childhood professional can obtain licensure and/or a master's degree through the program. Graduates who earn this master's degree are prepared to teach young children in public or private schools as well as in other settings, such as educational assessment and tutoring clinics, residential facilities, camps, or community agencies. Part-time and full-time study are available in the accelerated (TEAM) format only.

**(49 Hours)**

#### PROFESSIONAL CORE – 10 hours

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)

#### CONCENTRATION COURSES — 39 hours

IEC 510	Assessment and Diagnosis of Young Children (3)
IEC 530	Integrating Science and Social Studies through Content Reading (3)
IEC 533	IEC Practicum: Literacy (1)
IEC 534	IEC Practicum: Integrating Curriculum (1)
IEC 535	IEC Practicum: Working with Families (1)
IEC 552	Math Curriculum and Methods for Early Childhood (3)
IEC 610	Critical Issues in Early Childhood and Special Education (3)
IEC 620	Working with Families (3)
IEC 630	Promoting Young Children's Development (3)
RDG 505	Psychology of Reading (3)
RDG 530	Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 538	Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)
EDU 644	Student Teaching (6)

### Middle Childhood Education Licensure

The Teaching major with a Concentration in Middle Childhood Education is offered to students who hold a

baccalaureate degree and are interested in teaching grades 4-9. Students are eligible for a middle childhood education license when they successfully complete the program.

All candidates for MCE licensure must have specialization in 2 subject content areas, as chosen from:

- Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Science
- Social Studies

Required content courses are undergraduate level and may have been taken as part of the candidate's baccalaureate degree or may be taken concurrently while participating in the graduate level licensure program.

(51 Hours)

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501*	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)

\*also required for licensure

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 41 hours**

EDU 502	Measurement & Evaluation (3)
EDU 504	Behavior Management and Classroom Organization (3)
EDU 517	Computers in the Instructional Process (3)
EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 644	Student Teaching (6)
MCE 533	Middle Childhood Education Content Practicum (2)
MCE 540	Introduction to Middle Childhood Education (3)
RDG 505	Psychology of Reading (3)
RDG 511	Content Reading (3)
RDG 530	Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 538	Diagnosis & Remediation of Reading Problems (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)

Choose two courses from the following, according to subject content:

MCE 558	Methods of Teaching Social Studies (3)
MCE 556	Methods of Teaching Language Arts (3)
MCE 559	Methods of Teaching Science (3)
MTH 503	Methods of Teaching Mathematics (3)

**Multi-Age Education in Art or Music**

The Teaching major with a Concentration in Art or Music is offered to the student who holds a bachelor's degree in Art or Music and is interested in teaching grades K-12. Students are eligible for a multi-age education license when they successfully complete the program.

Required content courses are undergraduate level and may have been taken as part of the candidate's baccalaureate degree or may be taken concurrently while participating in the graduate level licensure program.

(43-46 Hours)

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501*	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)

\*also required for licensure

**UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL COURSES REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE**

(7-8 credits plus content requirements in art or music)

AED 290 &	Comprehensive Art Ed I (3)
AED 390	Comprehensive Art Ed II (4)
OR	
MUS 343 &	Methods of Music I (4)
MUS 344	Methods of Music II (4)
Art or Music UG Content Requirements	56-58 credit hours

**GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES REQUIRED FOR LICENSURE & MA DEGREE**

**(33-36 credits)**

AYA 550	Nature & Needs of Adolescents (3)
EDU 502	Measurement & Evaluation (3)
EDU 504	Behavior Management & Classroom Organization (3)
EDU 517	Computers in the Instructional Process (0-3)
	(This licensure requirement may be satisfied by passing the division's technology proficiency assessment; course is not required for MA degree)
EDU 533A or 533M	Practicum (3)
EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 616	Cognition Across Cultures (3)
EDU 644	Student Teaching (6)
EDU 670	Standards-Driven Instruction & Assessment (3)
RDG 511	Content Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)

**To complete Ohio Licensure: UG Content requirements + 7-8 credits undergrad methods coursework +**

**27-30 credits graduate level course work + 6 credits student teaching + passing scores on required PRAXIS II**

**TEAM Adolescent to Young Adult (AYA) Education- (provisional licensure)**

The Teaching major with a Concentration in Adolescent to Young Adult Education is offered to students who hold a bachelor's degree and are interested in teaching in grades 7-12. All candidates for AYA licensure must have a subject area concentration for the subject to be taught. This is usually equivalent to an undergraduate degree with a major in the subject area to be taught. The Mount offers licensure programs in the following subject content areas: Biology, Chemistry, Chemistry/Life Science, Integrated Language Arts, Integrated Mathematics, Integrated Science, and Integrated Social Studies. Students are eligible for an adolescent to young adult education license in their respective subject area when they successfully complete the program.

Required content courses are undergraduate level and may be taken as part of the candidate's baccalaureate degree or may be taken concurrently while participating in the graduate level licensure program.

**(40-46 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501*	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)

\*also required for licensure

**CONCENTRATION COURSES – 30-36 hours**

AYA 533	Practicum (2-3) [for Language Arts and Social Studies content areas] (optional)
AYA 550	Nature and Needs of Adolescents (3)
AYA 644	Student Teaching (6)
AYA 670	AYA Curriculum Methods: Teaching to Standards (3)
EDU 502	Measurement and Evaluation (3)
EDU 504	Behavior and Classroom Organization (3)
EDU 517	Computers in the Instructional Process (0-3) (This licensure requirement may be satisfied by passing the division's technology proficiency assessment; course is not required for MA degree)
EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
RDG 511	Content Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)

**Select the methods course that corresponds to your content area:**

MTH 503	Methods of Teaching Mathematics (3)
AYA 556	Methods of Teaching Language Arts (3)
AYA 558	Methods of Teaching Social Studies (3)
AYA 559	Methods of Teaching Sciences (3)

**TEAM - Adolescent to Young Adult Education (AYA) - Math or Science (alternative licensure)**

The TEAM AYA Program is offered to students who hold a bachelor's degree and are interested in teaching science or mathematics in grades 7-12. The TEAM format is a cohort program, and requires the candidate to follow a structured schedule.

Students who pass the PRAXIS II for their subject area and who have completed six credit hours of graduate course work may be eligible for the alternative educator's license (AEL). The Ohio Department of Education (DOE) awards the AEL.

Those who receive their AEL and elect to continue in the program will be working toward a Master of Arts in Teaching degree with a concentration in adolescent to young adult education.

**(41-43 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 31-33 hours**

AYA 550 Nature and Needs of Adolescents (3)

**Students may select one or both of the following two courses:**

AYA 533 Practicum (2-3)

AYA 533A AYA Field Experience (1)

AYA 644 Student Teaching (6)

AYA 670 Curriculum Methods:Teaching to Standards (3)

EDU 502 Measurement & Evaluation (3)

EDU 504 Behavior Management and Classroom Organization (3)

EDU 601 Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)

RDG 511 Content Reading (3)

SED 515 Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)

**Select one methods course which corresponds to the subject content area:**

AYA 559 Teaching Methods for the Sciences (3)

MTH 503 Methods of Teaching Mathematics (3)

**TEAM - Multicultural Special Education (MSE) - Intervention Specialist****Alternative Licensure Track**

The TEAM-Multicultural Special Education Program offers an accelerated series of courses leading to an alternative special education license which enables them to be employed in Ohio as an Intervention Specialist serving children with mild to moderate or moderate to intensive needs. This unique program allows the teacher candidate to complete the license within seventeen months through a cohort model and leads to a Master's degree.

**(42-44 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 11 hours**

EDU 500 Statistics & Research (3)

EDU 501 Educational Psychology (3)

EDU 602 Ethics for Educators (3)

SED 650 Integrative Project for Multicultural Special Education (2)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 31-33 hours**

EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings Mild to Moderate (3)
EDU 616	Cognition Across Cultures (3)
RDG 610	Literacy Development for Multicultural Special Education (3)
RDG 617	Multisensory Approach in Teaching Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)
SED 521	Communication Development and Theories for Multicultural Environments (3)
SED 522	Formal and Informal Assessment for Multicultural Special Education (3)
SED 533 I, II, III	Multicultural Special Education Practicum (1-3)
SED 611	Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Mild to Moderate (3)
SED 612	Culturally Appropriate Practices for Managing Classroom and Behaviors in Multicultural Special Education (3)
SED 631	Collaborative Practices for Working with Home, School and Community Agencies (3)

**Moderate/Intensive Add-On:**

SED 531	Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)
SED 532	Nature and Needs of Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)

**Additional Reading courses to move from Alternative Licensure to Provisional Licensure:**

RDG 530	Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 538	Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems (3)

**Second Licensure Track**

This track is limited to licensed educators who wish to become intervention specialists. Graduates of this program will be eligible for a two-year provisional or five-year professional license as an intervention specialist depending on their initial teaching license.

**(42 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 11 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)
SED 650	Integrative Project for Multicultural Special Education (2)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 31 hours**

EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings Mild to Moderate (3)
EDU 616	Cognition Across Cultures (3)
RDG 610	Literacy Development for Multicultural Special Education (3)
RDG 617	Multisensory Approach in Teaching Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)
SED 521	Communication Development and Theories for Multicultural Environments (3)
SED 522	Formal and Informal Assessment for Multicultural Special Education (3)
SED 533 III	Multicultural Special Education Practicum (1)
SED 611	Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Mild to Moderate (3)
SED 612	Culturally Appropriate Practices for Managing Classroom and Behaviors in Multicultural Special Education (3)
SED 631	Collaborative Practices for Working with Home, School and Community Agencies (3)

**NOTE: RDG and SED courses above are required for licensure. Completion of the above program will lead to a Master of Arts degree in Teaching, with a concentration in Multicultural Special Education.**

**Moderate/Intensive Add-On:**

SED 531	Curriculum and Methods for Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)
SED 532	Nature and Needs of Multicultural Special Education Moderate to Intense (3)

**Major in Education**

Majors in Education are offered to practicing teachers who wish to enhance their skills in the classroom or advance within the ranks of the school to positions of leadership while obtaining a master of arts in education. The Mount offers four options for those seeking professional advancement: Art, Instructional Leadership, Music, and Reading Science.

**Instructional Leadership - Master of Arts in Education**

Many schools recognize and value the need for leadership in schools. Instructional leaders play a critical role in the standards-driven environment of schools of today. Instructional leaders share a vision for a school culture that is conducive to effective student learning; they collaborate with families and community; they influence the larger political, social, economic, legal, and cultural community; and they conduct themselves with integrity and professionalism.

The Instructional Leadership program has 2 tracks. The *Excellence in Teaching* track is intended for those who wish to improve their skill in the classroom, while becoming a leader among their professional peers. The *School Principal* track will lead to licensure as an elementary or secondary school principal.

**Requirements for the Instructional Leadership focus Excellence in Teaching Track - Master of Arts in Education Degree**

**(31 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE COURSES - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics and Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 21 hours**

EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 670	Standards-Driven Instruction & Assessment (3)
EDU 671	Curriculum Development: Theory and Applications (3)
EDU 672	School Law (3)
EDU 673	National Board Portfolio Development (3)
EDU 674	Instructional Leadership (3)
	Select one three-hour elective (3)

**Requirements for the Instructional Leadership focus School Principal Track - Master of Arts in Education Degree  
(40 Hours)**

**PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 30 hours**

EDU 601	Differentiating Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 616	Cognition Across Cultures (3)
EDU 670	Standards-Driven Instruction & Assessment (3)
EDU 671	Curriculum Development: Theory and Applications (3)
EDU 672	School Law (3)
EDU 674	Instructional Leadership (3)
EDU 675	School Finance (3)
EDU 676	Educational Administration (3)
EDU 677	Principal Internship (6)

**The school principal track has been approved by the Ohio Department of Education for PK-6 or 5-12 school principal licensure. Students in this track must pass PRAXIS #10410 to be eligible for the license.**

**Reading Science - Master of Arts in Education**

A Master of Arts in Education degree with a concentration in reading science is offered to candidates who hold a bachelor's degree and a teaching certificate/license, and wish to specialize in the teaching of reading in grades pre-K through 12. A reading endorsement is embedded in this degree. The reading science concentration features a curriculum based on the recommendations of the National Reading Panel report and uses the scientifically-based reading research model. Graduates of the program will have the skills to implement evidence-based reading instruction and/or intervention.

*Prospective candidates for this program must have a valid Ohio teaching license and at least 12 undergraduate credits in reading courses (or the equivalent state-mandated reading core courses).*

**(34 Hours)****PROFESSIONAL CORE - 10 hours**

EDU 500	Statistics & Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)

**CONCENTRATION COURSES - 24 hours**

RDG 505	Psychology of Reading (3)
RDG 530	Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 532	Advanced Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 538	Assessment and Diagnosis of Reading Difficulties (3)
RDG 540	Fluency and Comprehension Development in Reading (3)
RDG 591	Practicum in Evidence-based Reading Instruction I (3)
RDG 592	Practicum in Evidence-based Reading Instruction II (3)

Select one from the following:

RDG 504	Children and Adolescent Literature (3)
RDG 511	Content Area Reading (3)
	RDG elective

**Reading Endorsement Program**

The Reading Endorsement Program, developed according to the Ohio Department of Education standards provides an in-depth knowledge base related to the theories, practice, pedagogy, and technology in the field of reading education. Completion of the Reading endorsement requires 18 semester hours of reading coursework, in addition to achieving a passing score on the Praxis II reading examination (#10200). Adding the Reading Endorsement to an Ohio teaching license will allow educators to teach reading across the grade levels (K-12) and to teach reading within one's teaching licensure grade bands. This endorsement does not allow educators to teach English Language Arts or English as a Second Language.

Corequisite or Prerequisite: Current Ohio Teacher License

**\*State-mandated Reading Core**

RDG 315	Theoretical Perspectives and Foundations of Literacy (3)
RDG 316	Literacy Practicum (1)
RDG 330	Phonics and Linguistics (3)
RDG 331	Methods for Teaching Reading and Writing (3)
RDG 338	Diagnosis & Remediation of Reading Problems (3)

**Additional Courses Required (Graduate Level)**

RDG 504	Children and Adolescent Literature (3)
RDG 505	Psychology of Reading (3)
RDG 530	Phonics and Linguistics I (3)
RDG 538	Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems (3)
RDG 540	Fluency and Comprehension (3)
RDG 591	Evidence-Based Practicum (3)

\*Completion of the state-mandated reading core will allow the educator to teach reading within one's teaching licensure grade bands.

**School Nurse Licensure Program**

*Donna Glankler, MSN, RN, Program Director*

The School Nurse licensure program at the graduate level is designed for BSN-prepared registered nurses who are currently employed in schools or other health facilities. Nurses with a Bachelor's degree in another field may also enroll in the program, however additional coursework in ethics, theory, research and professional roles may be required if there is no evidence of these topics in the previous nursing program. The program is built on the degree requirements for the baccalaureate nursing curriculum for registered nurses. The program provides graduates with the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and values needed to address the health and welfare of school-age children. In addition to theoretical and clinical courses, a supervised clinical practicum will be completed with a licensed school nurse in a community school.

The admission requirements for the School Nurse Licensure Program are listed below:

1. **Graduate Application** - Submit a completed application along with a non-refundable application fee which does not apply toward tuition.
2. **Academic Transcripts** - Forward official undergraduate transcript indicating an earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and an official transcript from the RN program (if undergraduate degree is non-BSN).
3. **Include the names and contact information for 2 individuals who can be contacted for professional references.**
4. **Current non-restricted Ohio RN license**

#### **Requirements for the School Nurse Licensure Program (14-19 credits)**

##### **Prerequisite Requirement**

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree or Bachelor's Degree and Current Ohio RN licensure

##### **PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS – 3 credits**

SED 515                      Human Exceptionalities Across the Life Span (3)

##### **CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS – 11-16 credits**

NUR 533                      School Nurse Practicum (5-10)

NUR 535                      Health Assessment of the Pediatric School-Aged Child (3)

NUR 536                      School Health Nursing (3)

#### **Master of Arts in Education: Concentration in Art Concentration in Art**

The Master of Arts in Education: Concentration in Art degree is for the student who holds a bachelor's degree and teaching certificate/license and wishes to become a more insightful and effective art educator while engaging in creative problem solving experiences in a supportive environment.

**(34 Hours)**

##### **Professional Core Courses – 13 Hours**

EDU 500                      Statistics and Research (3)

EDU 501                      Educational Psychology (3)

EDU 600                      Integrative Project (1)

EDU 602                      Ethics for Educators (3)

EDU 616                      Cognition Across Cultures (3)

**Art Concentration – 15 Hours**

ART 512	Fabric Design Workshop (3-6)
ART 520	Painting Workshop (3-6)
ART 525	Ceramics Workshop (3-6)
ART 552	Photography Workshop (3-6)
ART 555	Drawing Workshop (3-6)
ART 562	Sculpture Workshop (3-6)
ART 569	Printmaking Workshop (3-6)
ART 671	Adv. Studio Problems (3)
ART 681	Graduate Exhibition (3)

**Art History or Education Electives – 6 Hours**

ART 510	Art History elective (3)
EDU 517	Computers in Instruction (3)
EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 671	Curriculum Development:Theory and Apps (3)
EDU 672	School Law (3)
RDG 504	Children and Adolescent Literature (3)
RDG 505	Psychology of Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities (3)

**Master of Arts in Education - Concentration in Music  
Concentration in Music**

The Master of Arts in Education: Concentration in Music degree is for the student who holds a bachelor's degree and teaching certificate/license and wishes to become a more insightful and effective music educator while engaging in creative problem-solving experiences.

**(36 Hours)**

**Professional Core Courses – 13 Hours**

EDU 500	Statistics and Research (3)
EDU 501	Educational Psychology (3)
EDU 600	Integrative Project (1)
EDU 602	Ethics for Educators (3)
EDU 674	Instructional Leadership (3)

**Music Concentration Courses – 17 Hours**

MUS 510	Applications in Music Theory (3)
MUS 520	Music of the World's People (3)
MUS 530	Music Education Trends – Theory and Applications (3)
MUS 540	Applied Studies (1.5 per semester to total 6)

**Choose one from the following:**

MUS 535	Instrumental Literature (2)
MUS 536	Choral Literature (2)
MUS 537	Orff Method Pedagogy (2)

**Education Concentration Courses – 6 Hours chosen from the following:**

EDU 502	Measurement & Evaluation (3)
EDU 517	Computers in the Instructional Process (3)
EDU 601	Differentiated Instruction for Inclusive Settings (3)
EDU 616	Cognition Across Cultures (3)
EDU 671	Curriculum Development: Theories and Applications (3)
RDG 511	Content Area Reading (3)
SED 515	Human Exceptionalities Across the Lifespan (3)

**Early Childhood Generalist (Grades 4-5) Endorsement Program  
(9 hours)**

The Grades 4-5 Endorsement Program, approved by the Ohio Department of Education for the early childhood generalist endorsement, provides additional training to address pedagogy as it relates to middle childhood development and the Ohio Academic Content Standards for grades 4 and 5. Completion of the endorsement program requires a minimum of 9 hours of graduate coursework and passing the PRAXIS II elementary education content knowledge test. The early childhood generalist endorsement to the early childhood educator license will allow early childhood educators to teach in grades 4 to 5.

**Admission Requirements:**

1. *Graduate application* - Submit a completed application along with a non-refundable application fee which does not apply toward tuition. Include the names and contact information for 2 individuals who can be contacted for professional references.
2. *Academic transcripts* - Forward official undergraduate transcript indicating an earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
3. *Current Ohio teaching license in early childhood education*

**Requirements for the Early Childhood Generalist (Grades 4-5) Endorsement Program**

**Prerequisites**

Current Ohio licensure in early childhood education  
6 semester credits in mathematics  
6 semester credits in science  
3 semester credits in American history

**Professional education coursework – 9 hours**

MCE 540	Introduction to Middle Childhood Education (3)
MCE 540S	Service Learning in Middle Childhood Education (1)
MCE 599	Seminar in Teaching Ohio History, Culture, and Society (2)
MCE 616	Global Connections (3)

**Professional examination**

PRAXIS II Test # 10014 Elementary education: Content Knowledge

**Admission Procedure for Graduate Students in Education**

An admission application is required for all students who intend to pursue a degree, licensure or endorsement program. Applications are accepted year round, and students may begin their program at the start of fall, spring, or summer semester (exception: TEAM applicants should check with the Department for application deadlines).

Graduate work demands a high level of scholarship, emphasizing research and creativity, and requiring student initiative and responsibility. Therefore, an individual applying for admission to the graduate program in education must submit the following materials for review by the Graduate Admission Committee in order to be considered for acceptance:

1. **Graduate Application** - Applicants must complete a graduate admission application and pay a \$50.00 non-refundable processing fee payable to the College of Mount St. Joseph.
2. **Letter of Intent/Statement of Goals** - Applicants must submit a letter of intent, which includes professional goals, relevant experience and reasons for applying to the program. Please include the names and contact information for 2 individuals who can be contacted for professional references.
3. **Official Transcript** - Applicants must submit official transcripts from all previous colleges and universities. An official undergraduate transcript indicating an earned baccalaureate degree in a suitable field from a regionally accredited college or university must be sent by the college or university to the Graduate Admission Office, College of Mount St. Joseph, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233. A maximum of nine (9) credits of graduate level transfer course work may be applied towards the graduate program, providing the transfer courses are equivalent to current program requirements. The department will make the final determination of transferable courses.
4. **Overall GPA of 3.0/Graduate Record Examination (GRE)** - Applicants should demonstrate their ability to do graduate level work by showing evidence of an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 and above, or GRE scores of at least 420 verbal, and 420 quantitative, and 4.0 analytical writing. GRE scores are valid for a five-year period. Official documentation of the above is required. Please note that applicants seeking licensure must meet student teaching requirements as noted in the Graduate Catalog and the Graduate Education Department Handbook.
5. Copy of a valid teaching certification/licensure, if applicable.
6. **Resume** - All applicants should submit a resume showing current and previous work experience.
7. **In addition to requirements 1-5 listed above, applicants for the TEAM program must:**
  - have an admission interview;
  - provide a writing sample on site;
  - pass the appropriate PRAXIS II content test (applies to TEAM-AYA only). AYA applicants who do not pass PRAXIS II will be required to take undergraduate mathematics or science courses in the deficit area before continuing with the program, and then retake and pass PRAXIS II during their first semester of enrollment.
8. **TEAM Admission Deadlines** - Because TEAM is a cohort program which has a specific start date, applicants must meet application deadlines. Contact the department for the specific deadline date for the given program and year. Applications will be reviewed after receipt of all application materials. Qualified applicants will be invited to meet with an advisor for an interview and to complete a brief on-site essay. Late and incomplete TEAM applications will not be considered.

Once the application packet is complete, (i.e. when all documents are received) the Graduate Admission Committee in the Graduate Education Department reviews the materials. The Committee submits its recommendations to the chairperson of the Graduate Education Department who is responsible for the final admission decision. The applicant will receive a letter informing him/her of this decision. All documents received by the College as part of an application for admission become the property of the College of Mount St. Joseph and will not be returned to students or forwarded to any other college or university.

## State Licensure Requirements

Whenever changes in Ohio Standards for Teacher Education and Licensure are recommended by the State Department of Education, the Ohio State Board of Education and passed into law by the Ohio State Legislature, requirements will necessarily be altered to comply with current standards and regulations. The programs listed in this catalog meet the most recent Ohio State Department of Education standards and required updates.

Students who successfully complete the teacher education programs listed in this catalog will be eligible for Ohio teaching licensure. Students are strongly encouraged to work closely with their program advisor to stay abreast of current requirements and updates.

## Field & Clinical Experiences

Prior to receiving licensure, each candidate must satisfactorily participate in a series of carefully planned, supervised and evaluated clinical and field-based experiences for which specific learning objectives have been established. A variety of experiences in diverse settings must be completed prior to student teaching. A minimum of one hundred clock-hours of field experiences prior to student teaching is required.

**Clinical Experience** - A graduate student participating in a clinical experience registers for practicum courses in the designated area of study. Clinical experiences range from 1-3 semester credits; the actual credits taken vary by program. Clinical experiences taken in more than one semester have differing objectives and experiences and are not interchangeable. One semester hour of credit is equivalent to 50 hours of in-school clinical experience. A clinical experience is to be well-defined by the joint efforts of the faculty member coordinating the clinical experience and the graduate student. Objectives will be kept on file in the student's official college file.

## Student Teaching Requirements

Student teaching is a major component in every provisional (traditional) licensure program. To be eligible for a student teaching placement, the candidate must:

1. Be officially admitted to the licensure program.
2. Apply by the posted deadline.
3. Have an overall 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.
4. Earn a grade of "C" or better in all required licensure courses.
5. Verify CPR and first aid certification.
6. Complete all required field clinical experience hours.
7. Obtain advisor's approval.
8. Meet finger-printing/background check requirements.
9. Have documentation of attendance at one local, and one state, regional, or national conference.

Transfer students in graduate licensure programs must complete the residency requirement at the Mount before becoming eligible to student teach. A minimum of twelve weeks of full-time student teaching is required for licensure.

## Praxis II

The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) requires the PRAXIS II examination for teacher licensure. Students must take the Principles of Learning and Teaching at the appropriate age level and the prescribed specialty area test for their concentration. A specialty test is required for each area to be added to a license. Information about the required tests and qualifying scores is available on the ODE Web site<sup>2</sup>.

## Graduate Integrative Project

The graduate integrative project is intended to demonstrate the degree to which master's candidates have achieved the graduate learning outcomes defined by the college.

The Graduate Education integrative project is a critical analysis of educational research to propose a solution to a relevant educational issue.

## Master of Nursing

*Susan Johnson, Ph.D., RN, Dean of Health Sciences*

*Mary Kishman, Ph.D., RN, Chairperson of Graduate Nursing*

The Master of Nursing (MN) is a graduate entry-level degree into the profession of nursing for individuals who already hold a non-nursing baccalaureate degree. The program is designed to prepare the student at a higher level than a traditional BSN program, by offering courses that emphasize research, evidence-based practice, clinical reasoning, and theoretical perspectives in nursing. Students complete the program in 15 months, beginning in May of one year, and graduating in August of the following year. Sixteen credit hours are taken in each of the four semesters, which include classroom and clinical learning activities.

Upon completion of NUR 508/508A, students apply and take the National Council for Licensure Examination (NCLEX) to become licensed to practice as a registered nurse.

The mission of the Master of Nursing program is to prepare women and men as liberally educated professional nurses to use a primary health care model as the basis of evidence-based practice in a variety of community-focused settings. The Nursing program is approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing, and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle NW, Suite 530, Washington DC 20036-1120, (202) 887-6791. The program provides the learning environment for students' development of competencies in assessment, communication, critical thinking, decision-making, problem solving, and therapeutic nursing interventions across the life span. These concepts and principles are integrated throughout the students' educational program and form the basis for a value centered approach to caring for individuals, families, aggregates, populations-at-risk, and communities.

The graduate of the Master of Nursing Program is able to:

- a. Use critical thinking and scholarly inquiry when providing culturally-sensitive professional nursing care to promote health, prevent and treat illness, and maintain function across the life span.
- b. Communicate effectively and professionally with individuals, families, groups, and populations with diverse needs across the lifespan.
- c. Analyze epidemiological, environmental, cultural, and physiological aspects to provide care to diverse populations in an ever-changing world.

<sup>2</sup><http://www.ode.state.oh.us/GD/Templates/Pages/ODE/ODEDetail.aspx?Page=3&TopicRelationID=516&ContentID=12814&Content=43563>

- d. Utilize knowledge of the health care delivery system and effective leadership and management principles to influence the delivery, organization, and financing of health care.
- e. Synthesize theoretical, scientific, legal, ethical, and regulatory information when providing care and advocating for clients with diverse needs across the lifespan.
- f. Utilize information literacy as the foundation for evidence-based practice to enhance knowledge, scholarly inquiry, and client care.

### **School Nurse Licensure**

See the School Nurse Licensure Program on page 72 under Education for more information on the program.

### **Admission Requirements for MN**

To be admitted to the MN program, students must complete a graduate application, submit a one-page typewritten statement of their goals, complete the pre-requisite course table form, complete a successful interview with the department chairperson, and meet the criteria below:

1. A non-nursing baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Send an official transcript verifying the degree directly from the institution attended to the Office of Graduate Admission, College of Mount St. Joseph, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.
2. A cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 or higher, computed on the undergraduate degree courses and additional prerequisite courses taken beyond the undergraduate degree - or an acceptable score on the GRE.
3. Completion of the following prerequisite courses with a “C” or higher prior to the first MN class:
  - Chemistry (inorganic/organic/or biochemistry) with lab
  - One year of Anatomy and Physiology with lab
  - Microbiology with lab
  - Introduction to Psychology
  - Introduction to Sociology
  - Introduction to Statistics
  - Lifespan Development
  - Nutrition

Proficiency tests are available for many of the prerequisite courses.

4. Complete a satisfactory background check.

### **MN Academic Standards**

Students in the MN program:

#### **GRADES:**

- need to earn a “B” or higher in any course that is closely tied to licensure. These are called Category I courses and include the following: 500, 501, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 511, 512, 518, and 519.

- need to earn a “C” or higher in Category II courses: BIO 501, MOL 600, NUR 510, NUR 515, NUR 531, NUR 631, and NUR 640. Although the student can earn a “C” in these courses, his/her cumulative GPA must remain 3.0 or higher.
- will receive an early warning at midterm if he/she is not passing a Category I course with a “B” or higher, or a Category II course with a “C” or higher. The student will receive this warning via college e-mail.

**ACADEMIC PROBATION:**

Students are placed on academic probation if either of the following conditions occur:

- the student earns a “C” or lower in a Category I course
- the student’s cumulative GPA falls below 3.0/4.0.

**PROGRAM DISMISSAL:**

Students may be on probation for one semester; if the student earns a “C” in a Category I course in a subsequent semester or the cumulative GPA remains below a 3.0, the student will be dismissed from the program. A student who fails a Category I or II course will be dismissed from the program.

**READMITTANCE:**

Readmittance to the MN program is not possible if dismissed due to academic issues. If a student has completed both sessions of the first summer semester successfully, and leaves the program in a subsequent semester for non-academic reasons (e.g. health problem, family emergency, etc.), every effort will be made to allow the student to return the following year; however no guarantee can be made. Admittance will depend on the availability of a clinical placement. Please see the *Master of Nursing Program Student Handbook* for additional policies and procedures that apply to MN students.

## Requirements for the Master of Nursing

(64 credit hours)

MOL 600	Exploring Leadership (3)
NUR 500/500A	Health Assessment/Health Assessment Lab (3)
NUR 501/501A/501C	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Chronically Ill Clients/Clinical (3)
NUR 503	Evidence-based Population Focused Primary Health Care Nursing (2)
NUR 504	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Women & Infants (3)
NUR 505	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Children & Families (3)
NUR 506	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with the Mentally Ill (3)
NUR 508/508C	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Critically Ill Clients/Clinical (6)
NUR 509	Primary Health Care Preceptorship (6)
NUR 510	Primary Health Care Graduate Seminar (1)
NUR 511	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing with Acutely Ill Clients(4)
NUR 512	Evidence-based Primary Health Care Nursing Clinical with Acutely Ill Clients (4)
NUR 514	Primary Health Care Clinical Across the Lifespan (4)
NUR 515	Professional Roles & Issues (3)
NUR 518/518A	Pathopharmacology I (4)
NUR 519	Pathopharmacology II (3)
NUR 531	Nursing Science & Theory I (3)
NUR 631	Nursing Science & Theory II (3)
NUR 640	Health Care Policy (3)

## School Nurse Licensure

*Donna Glankler, MSN, RN, Program Director*

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The admission requirements for the School Nurse Licensure Program are listed below:

1. **Graduate Application** - Submit a completed application along with a non-refundable application fee which does not apply toward tuition.
2. **Academic Transcripts** - Forward official undergraduate transcript indicating an earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and an official transcript from the RN program (if undergraduate degree is non-BSN).
3. **Include the names and contact information for 2 individuals who can be contacted for professional references.**
4. **Current non-restricted Ohio RN license**

## Requirements for the School Nurse Licensure Program (14-19 credits)

### Prerequisite Requirement

Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree or Bachelor's Degree and Current Ohio RN licensure

### PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CORE REQUIREMENTS – 3 credits

SED 515 Human Exceptionalities Across the Life Span (3)

### CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS – 11-16 credits

NUR 533 School Nurse Practicum (5-10)

NUR 535 Health Assessment of the Pediatric School-Aged Child (3)

NUR 536 School Health Nursing (3)

## Master of Science in Organizational Leadership

*Charles Kroncke, Dean of Business*

*Daryl R. Smith, Ph.D., Chairperson of Organizational Leadership*

The Master of Science in Organizational Leadership is intended for individuals in a variety of organizations that require executives with well-developed leadership skills. Its curriculum reflects the emerging view that effective leadership depends on personal abilities and knowledge, value-based vision, and modeling socially responsible behavior.

The MSOL program mirrors the Mount's commitment to interdisciplinary education with a focus on career preparation, and emphasis on values, integrity and social responsibility. In the realm of organizational leadership, this involves preparing students to be effective and moral leaders within organizations of all kinds. While its approach is grounded in the spiritual values and vision of the Mount's founders, the Sisters of Charity, the curriculum and approach is nondenominational.

The MSOL program was designed after extensive market research involving both employers and potential students indicating a need for a leadership program that focuses on the development of the skills necessary to be effective leaders. The result is a program that focuses on people in organizations and the development of leaders and leadership behavior. The MSOL program is multidisciplinary with courses and faculty from business, the humanities, religious and pastoral studies, behavioral sciences, economics, management and computer information systems.

The MSOL program is intended to develop leaders who:

- understand how organizations work.
- energize, empower and develop people.
- understand how to harness and use technology effectively.
- embody principles of effective leadership.
- are moral, caring and socially responsible.
- can bring their organizations through difficult changes.
- cope with complexity, ambiguity and conflicting perspectives.
- can communicate effectively through oral and written means.

## Design & Requirements of the MSOL Program

The Master of Science in Organizational Leadership program requires successful completion of 39 hours - 12 three-hour courses and an integrative project. There are 24 hours in required courses. The remaining 15 hours may be chosen from offerings in any area of the MSOL curriculum, subject to distributional requirements as indicated below. MSOL courses and requirements are distributed among the following four areas:

### Leadership Core - 9 hours distributional requirement

MOL 600*	Exploring Leadership (3)
RPS 514*	Spirituality of Leadership (3)
MOL 690*	Integrative Project (3)

### Organizational Decision Making - 9 hours distributional requirement

BUS 600*	Accounting & Financial Decision Making (3)
MOL 605*	Methods in Organizational Research (3)
PHI 660*	Ethical Issues in Organizations (3)
MGT 645	Organization Theory & Design (3)
PRL 625	Legal Issues in Organizations (3)

### People & Organizations - 9 hours distributional requirement

MGT/PSY 610*	People in Organizations (3)
SOC 640	The Changing Workplace (3)
HUM/SOC 670	Reading and Writing the Culture of Work (3)
PSY 635	Social Influence (3)
ECO 655	Global Economic Awareness (3)
COM 675	Organizational Communication (3)

### Technology - 6 hours distributional requirement

CIS 610**	Understanding Technology (3)
CIS 620/MGT 620*	Managing Technology (3)
SOC 680	Culture & Technology (3)

\*Required course

\*\*Prerequisite for CIS 620/MGT 620

## MSOL Academic Policies

A maximum of nine semester hours of graduate-level courses taken previously may transfer to the MSOL program (transferability of courses is determined by the program director). However, all courses in the leadership core must be taken at the Mount. Waivers of specific course requirements for students with extensive undergraduate background or professional training are possible in areas outside the leadership core, allowing them to substitute other elective MSOL courses to complete the 39 hours.

MSOL students must maintain a 3.0 GPA as described in the section on general academic policies for Mount graduate programs. Courses in which grades of "C" are received cannot be repeated and count toward meeting MSOL requirements. However, students receiving such grades need to maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain in good standing.

An MSOL student whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.0 (excluding incomplete grades) will be placed on academic probation. The academic status will be noted on the graduate academic record. Once on probation students will have up to one semester if full-time or nine semester hours if part time to achieve a GPA of at least 3.0 to remove their probationary status. A graduate student on academic probation will

be returned to good standing when at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA is achieved. A student cannot be placed on probationary status more than once. If a student successfully removes him/herself from probationary status and subsequently has a cumulative GPA that falls below a 3.0 on the 4.0 scale that student will be dismissed from the program.

### **Admission Requirements for MSOL**

Applicants must have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university; however it does not have to be a business-related degree. The MSOL program encourages applicants in any career from any kind of organization. Other admission requirements include:

- an undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 ("B").
- at least three years of significant workplace experience showing career growth, increasing responsibility and leadership potential.
- a commitment to values and ethical conduct.
- the ability to succeed in an educational environment that requires independent learning.
- a completed graduate application form.
- a \$50 non-refundable application fee.
- a letter indicating your reasons for applying for admission to the MSOL program.
- a current resume describing your work history.
- three letters of reference from employers or teachers speaking to your character as well as to your abilities. References should be sent directly to the Office of Graduate Admission, College of Mount St. Joseph, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233-1672 or submitted along with your application in envelopes sealed by the reference writers.
- Official transcripts with a baccalaureate degree noted, sent directly from the undergraduate institution(s) attended directly to the College of Mount St. Joseph, Graduate Admission Office, 5701 Delhi Rd. Cincinnati, Oh 45233. Mount graduates need not submit transcripts.
- An essay (300-500 words) about a difficult ethical or moral decision or dilemma experienced or observed at work or in another situation. Applicants should describe their thoughts and feelings about this situation and what was learned.
- An interview with the MSOL chairperson.

Admission with conditional standing is possible at the discretion of the program director if the student does not meet the requirements above but can provide evidence of promise for success in graduate study.

NOTE: Applications will be acted upon in the order in which they are completed (all required material has been received). Applications must be completed at least one month before the next term begins in order to enroll for that term, if space is available.

## Doctor of Physical Therapy

*Susan Johnson, PhD., RN, Dean of Health Sciences*

*Karen Holtgreffe, DHS, PT, OCS, Chairperson of Physical Therapy*

The Doctor of Physical Therapy degree (DPT) is a comprehensive degree program designed to prepare a clinician who can think critically and solve problems; apply scientifically validated therapeutic skills and techniques effectively; respect the uniqueness, dignity and diversity of the individual; and understand the responsibilities of the health care provider in the professional and community life of the next century.

The professional course work of the DPT program encompasses three years including three summers. The full-time clinical internships are completed off-campus and may involve travel and/or relocation. Upon successful completion of the program, a graduate must apply for and successfully pass the licensure examination for physical therapists conducted by the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy and apply for licensure to the physical therapy licensure board in the state where they plan to work.

The College of Mount St. Joseph transitioned to the Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree in 2006. The American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) supports this trend in physical therapy education in order to recognize the level of professional performance standards in the field of physical therapy. The College of Mount St. Joseph was the first private college in the state of Ohio to receive approval to offer the DPT.

Students who attend the College for their undergraduate education and meet all admission requirements will have direct admission into the professional physical therapy program after completing their undergraduate degree:

- Complete an undergraduate degree, complete all program pre-requisites, have an overall GPA of 3.0, a minimum science GPA of 2.75, and submit all admission materials by the deadline (apply in Fall of senior year)
- The science GPA is calculated from the required one year of chemistry with lab, one year of physics with lab, and one year of anatomy and physiology with lab. At the time of application, all the course pre-requisites do not need to be completed, but must be complete prior to starting the program.
- Transfer students must complete a minimum of 60 credit hours of undergraduate coursework at the College, complete an undergraduate degree, complete all program prerequisites, have an overall GPA of 3.0 (ALL undergraduate coursework, from all institutions attended will be considered in this calculation), a minimum science GPA of 2.75, and submit all admission materials by the deadline (apply in fall of senior year).

**NOTE:** if a College of Mount St. Joseph student has an overall GPA of 3.0, but does not meet the minimum science GPA of 2.75, they are not guaranteed admission, but will be considered with all other applicants.

### Admission Requirements

**\*\*The application materials for the DPT program have changed (6/2010). All prospective students for the DPT Class of 2014 should download the new DPT application below (#5) and use it to apply to the program by November 15, 2010.\*\***

1. An earned undergraduate degree with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. *Notes: All undergraduate coursework, from all institutions attended will be considered in this calculation. For those individuals with a graduate degree, only the graduate degree GPA will be used.*
2. Completion of the following prerequisite course work, with a grade of “C” or better (this includes C+, C, and C-), prior to the start of DPT course work in June:

**Sciences** - one (1) year [two (2) semesters or three (3) quarters] of each of the following courses with laboratory:

- Anatomy and Physiology (Human is preferred, although mammalian or vertebrate are also acceptable; courses in exercise physiology do NOT count towards the physiology requirement)
- Physics (algebra/trigonometry based as well as calculus based courses are acceptable)
- Chemistry (general chemistry, organic chemistry and biochemistry are all acceptable)

**Humanities and Social Sciences** - one course in each of the following areas:

- Psychology
- Sociology
- Ethics

**Statistics** - one course

3. Completion of at least 80 hours of clinical observation in at least two distinctly different physical therapy settings (minimum of 20 hours to qualify as a second setting).
4. Completion of the Graduate Application<sup>3</sup>.
5. Completion of the DPT Application<sup>4</sup>.
6. Completion of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). *Notes: Scores, those within the last seven years will be accepted. This requirement is waived for applicants matriculating from the Mount.*

### Additional Requirements

#### *For International Students*

1. Undergraduate transcripts from countries outside the United States will need to be evaluated by World Education Service ([www.wes.org](http://www.wes.org))
2. TOEFL requirements: paper-based - 510 undergraduate, 560 graduate, computer-based - 220, i-TOEFL - 83. ([www.ets.org/toefl](http://www.ets.org/toefl)). Requirements can be waived only if the graduate department requires another standardized test, e.g. GRE.
3. Permanent residents must provide a copy of Alien Registration Card (green card) or a copy of visa documentaion.
4. Declaration of Finances (for F-1 Visa), either I-134 or certified bank statement on letterhead with dollar amount equal to one year's tuition, housing, etc

#### *Technical Standards*

The DPT program has established specific technical standards for admission<sup>5</sup>. These standards reflect the minimum mental and physical requirements necessary to become a physical therapist. Candidates for selection to the College of Mount St. Joseph DPT program should review these before making the decision to apply to the program. However, this form is not a part of the DPT application. After students are enrolled, they will be required to verify they understand and meet these standards or that they believe that, with certain accommodations, they can meet them.

<sup>3</sup>[http://www.msj.edu/view/admissions-apply/graduate-students/apply-now\\_2/download-application\\_2.aspx](http://www.msj.edu/view/admissions-apply/graduate-students/apply-now_2/download-application_2.aspx)

<sup>4</sup>[http://www.msj.edu/CMSFiles/file/DPT\\_Application.pdf](http://www.msj.edu/CMSFiles/file/DPT_Application.pdf)

<sup>5</sup><http://www.msj.edu/UserFiles/DPT%20Technical%20standards%204-08.pdf>

### **Application Deadline**

The deadline for all applications is November 15th.

*Note: If the 15th falls on a weekend day, applications will be accepted until the following Monday.*

**ALL application materials must be complete and on site by the application deadline to be considered for an interview.** Thus, clinical observation hours must be completed and official GRE scores and transcripts must be on site by the application deadline in order to be considered for an interview. The only exception is ongoing prerequisite coursework and transcripts. It is acceptable to be completing your degree and/or some prerequisite courses when you apply. However, all completed coursework must be documented with transcripts by the application deadline.

### **Admission Decision Timeline**

- November 15: Application packet due
- December 15: DPT program offers selected candidates on-campus interviews
- Mid to late January: Candidate interviews to be held at the Mount
- February 15: DPT program mails letters of acceptance to selected candidates
- March 15: Deadline for selected candidates to accept admission with \$1000 deposit
- Mid June: DPT coursework begins

### **Questions? Need more information?**

Please Ask Joe<sup>6</sup> for answers to frequently asked questions.

If you need further information, contact the DPT program.

Donna Panzeca, Administrative Assistant  
DPT program  
5701 Delhi Road  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45233  
(513) 244-4890  
Toll free 1(800) 654-9314  
Fax (513) 451-2547

### **Deferral of Enrollment or Leave of Absence**

In the event of an extraordinary life circumstance, a student selected for admission in the DPT program may request up to a one year deferral of his/her enrollment. This request must be made in writing to the Chairperson of Physical Therapy prior to the start of the intended semester of enrollment and will require the concurrence of the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies to be effected. Approval notification will be in writing.

In the event of an extraordinary life circumstance, a student currently enrolled in the physical therapy program may request a leave of absence limited to one year in duration. This request must be made in writing to the Chairperson of Physical Therapy prior to the start of the intended leave of absence and will require the concurrence of the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies to be effected. Approval notification will be in writing. Reinstatement into the program will be dependent on terms agreed upon at the time of leave.

In accordance with the Graduate Catalog there is a time limit on the degree. All degree requirements must be completed within five years of acceptance into the graduate program. An exception may be made at the discretion of the Chairperson of Physical Therapy and the Dean of Adult and Graduate Studies .

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<sup>6</sup><http://www.msj.edu/view/ask-joe.aspx>

## Academic Standards

Students in the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0/4.0 as required by the College for all graduate programs. Students falling below an overall GPA of 3.0 will be given one semester to raise his/her GPA. If the student fails to increase his/her overall GPA to a 3.0, he/she will be disenrolled from the program.

## Additional DPT Program Standards

DPT students complete Professional Behaviors self assessment one time per year as a means to appraise their professional progress. Faculty set aside time to evaluate and meet with students to discuss the student's Professional Behaviors to facilitate feedback and provide professional mentoring. Students are expected to demonstrate professional growth throughout the DPT program. A student who achieves acceptable academic standing but does not demonstrate acceptable professional behaviors may not be allowed to continue in the program, may not be allowed to participate in clinical internships, and/or may be dismissed from the DPT program. Participation in clinical internships will be at the discretion of the faculty and the program director.

## Integrative Project for the DPT Program

During each clinical internship, students are expected to complete a clinical education project. The purpose of the project is to link didactic curricular themes with clinical education in a way that is relevant to clinical experiences and needs. Specific topics and formats are to be negotiated and decided between students, clinical instructors, and clinics in order to meet the educational needs of the student and clinical/community needs of the facility. The clinical education project during the 3rd internship will be the Integrative Project of the DPT program. This clinical education project will show synthesis of learning from the previous internships and courses to demonstrate integration of program outcomes. Specifics will be found in the student clinical education handbook.

## Physical Therapy Program Graduation Requirement

Graduation requirements follow the College of Mount St. Joseph requirements for graduate students, outlined in the Graduate Catalog. This includes the maintenance of a 3.0/4.0 GPA in all graduate coursework. Additionally, DPT students are required to successfully complete the 114-115 credits identified in the curriculum plan, four clinical internships, and demonstrate appropriate professional behaviors.

## Requirements for DPT Program (115 hours)

### YEAR ONE

BIO 526/526A	Human Gross Anatomy w/Lab (8)
PT 601	Foundational Science I (4)
PT 605/605A	Exercise Physiology w/Lab(3)
PT 608/608A	Biomechanics & Kinesiology w/Lab (4)
PT 610/610A	Basic Patient Care Skills w/Lab (3)
PT 611/611A	Therapeutic Modalities w/Lab (3)
PT 612/612A	Basic Examination and Evaluation w/Lab (3)
PT 615/615A	Therapeutic Exercise w/Lab (3)
PT 624/624A	Neuroanatomy & Physiology w/Lab (3)
PT 650	Professional Socialization I (2)
PT 651	Professional Socialization II (2)
PT 652	Professional Issues I (1)
PT 661	Foundations of Critical Inquiry in Physical Therapy (2)

## **YEAR TWO**

PT 700	Clinical Experience I (1)
PT 701	Clinical Experience II (1)
PT 702	Foundational Science II (3)
PT 703	Foundational Science III (3)
PT 715/715A	Patient Mgt:Acute Care & Cardiopulmonary w/Lab (3)
PT 720/720A	Patient Mgt:Applied Orthopedics I w/Lab (6)
PT 721/721A	Patient Mgt:Applied Orthopedics II w/Lab (5)
PT 731/731A	Patient Mgt:Neurological Rehab w/Lab (6)
PT 745/745A	Patient Mgt:Integrated Rehab w/Lab (3)
PT 746	Patient Mgt:Lifespan I - Pediatrics (3)
PT 747/747A	Patient Mgt:Lifespan II - Geriatric w/Lab(4)
PT 753	Healthcare Policy (3)
PT 754	Professional Issues in Physical Therapy II (1)
PT 762	Research in Physical Therapy I (3)
PT 770	Admin, Mgmt (3)

## **YEAR THREE**

PT 855	Professional Issues in Physical Therapy III (1)
PT 863	Research in Physical Therapy II (2)
PT 875/876	Electives/Independent study in Physical Therapy (1-3)
PT 881	Internship I (5)
PT 882	Internship II (5)
PT 883	Internship III (5)
PT 884	Internship IV (5)

## **Religious Studies**

*Marge Kloos, S.C., D.Min., Dean of Arts & Humanities*  
*John Trokan, D.Min., Chairperson of Religious/Pastoral Studies*

The graduate program in Spiritual and Pastoral Care is built upon 25 years of expertise in pastoral education at the undergraduate and graduate level. Pastoral care is rooted in “caritas” or the charism of charity. This theological virtue is the core of our institutional mission as founded by the Sisters of Charity and the focal point of compassionate ministry in our world of diversity and complex systems interactions.

Catholic in tradition, Christian in environment and ecumenical in composition, the master’s program in Spiritual and Pastoral Care is designed to enhance and integrate the interpersonal, systems and theological skills of health care professionals, educators and ministers who serve within diverse populations and social contexts.

The Department of Religious and Pastoral Studies at the Mount retains nationally recognized experts from a variety of disciplines who bring their knowledge, skills and perspectives to the Spiritual and Pastoral Care program. Small classes, academic advising and personal attention provide an environment conducive to learning, the development of pastoral competence and a true sense of community.

The goals of the curriculum include:

1. Students will increase their knowledge of self and their spirituality and be able to use that knowledge in providing competent pastoral/spiritual care.

2. Students will be able to examine, assess and respond to a pastoral situation in terms of a systems perspective: individual, family, congregation, and community.
3. Students will be able to think theologically about themselves as pastoral care providers and the nature of pastoral care.
4. Students will demonstrate skills in research, expression, and assessment in a supervised pastoral care context and use those skills effectively in the practice of pastoral/spiritual care. Specifically, students will be able to complete a formal needs assessment in a particular context, conduct a professional literature review for a particular issue under investigation, and identify professional groups that focus on these contexts and issues.
5. Students will deepen their understanding of their religious heritage and the Christian tradition and relate that understanding to critical issues in contemporary pastoral care.
6. Students will demonstrate an understanding of the ethical implications of pastoral activity and be familiar with the code of ethics applicable to their ministry.

### **Admission Requirements for MA in Religious Studies**

Individuals applying for admission to the graduate program in religious studies must submit the following:

- A completed application form.
- A non-refundable application fee.
- An official undergraduate transcript with a baccalaureate degree noted from a regionally accredited college or university with an overall GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 sent directly from the undergraduate institution(s) to the Office of Graduate Admission, College of Mount St. Joseph, 5701 Delhi Rd, Cincinnati, Ohio 45233.
- Three letters of recommendation from professional colleagues.
- A short (5-page) essay explaining the purpose for application and goals in pastoral ministry.
- An interview with the Graduate Admission Committee.

### **Design & Requirements of the Graduate Program**

#### **The Design of the Graduate Program**

The Master of Arts in Religious Studies degree with a concentration in spiritual and pastoral care is earned through successful completion of 36 semester hours of graduate credit, and a comprehensive examination. The program is built upon four components:

1. Spiritual and Pastoral Care in Systems (18 credit hours)
2. Theology Core Courses (12 credit hours)
3. Pastoral Praxis Component (3 credit hours)
4. Integrating Project (3 credit hours).

**Requirements for Master of Arts Degree with a Concentration in Spiritual and Pastoral Care (36 hours)**

**Spiritual and Pastoral Care in Systems Core - 18 hours**

RPS 500	Theology of Ministry and Pastoral Care (3)
RPS 502	Family and Community Systems (3)
RPS 508	Theology of Community & Leadership (3)
RPS 510	Socio-Ecological Dimensions of Pastoral Care (3)
RPS 527	Faith, Crisis and Adult Development (3)
RPS 560	Pastoral Care & Counseling (3)

**Theology Core - 12 hours**

RPS 501	Biblical Themes in Spiritual & Pastoral Care (3)
RPS 503	Critical Issues in Systematic Theology: God, Jesus, Church, Sacrament (3)
RPS 506	Spirituality & Wellness (3)
RPS 542	Critical Issues in Ethics (3)

**Pastoral Praxis Component - 3 hours**

RPS 512	Pastoral Practicum (3)
or	
RPS 590-595	Theology & Anthropology Immersion Course (3)

**Integrating Project - 3 hours**

RPS 575	Integrating Project (3) - Fall Semester
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**Program Requirements for a Certificate in Pastoral Administration**

Track A – With Master’s-level Theology Background - 18 hours

**Theological/Spiritual Foundations – 3 hours**

RPS 508	Theology of Community and Leadership (3)
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**Leadership & Organizational Foundations – 12 hours**

RPS 514	Spirituality of Leadership (3)
BUS 600	Accounting and Financial Decision Making (3)
COM 675	Organizational Communications (3)
MGT 610	People in Organizations (3)

**Legal Foundations – 3 hours**

PRL 625	Legal Issues in Organizations (3)
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Track B – With Master’s but Without Theology Background - 18 hours

**Theological Foundations – 6 hours**

RPS 500	Theology of Ministry and Pastoral Care (3)
RPS 508	Theology of Community and Leadership (3)

**Pastoral Foundations – 3 hours**

RPS 514	Spirituality of Leadership (3)
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**Leadership & Organizational Foundations – Choose two from the following three:**

- BUS 600 Accounting and Financial Decision Making (3)
- COM 675 Organizational Communication (3)
- MGT 610 People in Organizations (3)

**Legal Foundations – 3 hours**

- PRL 625 Legal Issues in Organizations (3)

Track C — Degree and Certificate-seeking, concurrent with Master's degree study  
Program Requirements — Degree: 36 hours plus Certificate: 15 hours

**Pastoral Foundations — 3 hours**

- RPS 514 Spirituality of Leadership (3)

**Leadership & Organizational Foundations — 9 hours**

- BUS 600 Accounting and Financial Decision Making (3)
- COM 675 Organizational Communications (3)
- MGT 610 People in Organizations (3)

**Legal Foundations — 3 hours**

- PRL 625 Legal Issues in Organizations

Track D – Certificate-seeking, post baccalaureate degree – 21 hours

**Theological Foundations – 6 hours**

Choose two from the following three:

- RPS 500 Theology of Ministry and Pastoral Care (3)
- RPS 514 Spirituality of Leadership (3)
- RPS 508 Theology of Community and Leadership (3)

**Leadership and Organizational Foundations - 9 hours**

- BUS 600 Accounting and Financial Decision Making (3)
- COM 675 Organizational Communications (3)
- MGT 610 People in Organizations (3)

**Pastoral Foundations – 3 hours**

- RPS 512 Pastoral Practicum (3)

**Legal Foundations – 3 hours**

- PRL 625 Legal Issues in Organizations (3)

### **Program Requirements for a Certificate in Religious Education**

**18 hours**

#### **Foundations of Educational Process - 6 hours**

EDU 616            Cognition Across Cultures (3)

OR

EDU 501            Educational Psychology (3)

EDU 670            Standards-driven Instruction and Assessment (3)

OR

EDU 671            Curriculum Development: Theory and Applications (3)

#### **Foundations for Professional Religious Education - 9 hours**

EDU 602            Ethics for Educators (3)

Choose two from the following four:

RPS 540            Philosophy and Methods of Religious Education (3)

RPS 556            Innovative Models of Religious Education (3)

RPS 551            Youth Ministry (3)

AYA 550            Nature and Needs of Adolescents (3)

#### **Practicum (3 hours)**

RPS 558            Advanced Catechetical Practicum (3)

### **Program Requirements for a Certificate in Spiritual and Pastoral Care**

**18 hours**

#### **Spiritual and Pastoral Care in Systems Core - 18 hours\***

RPS 500            Theology of Ministry and Pastoral Care (3)

RPS 502            Family and Community Systems (3)

RPS 508            Theology of Community & Leadership (3)

RPS 510            Socio-Ecological Dimensions of Pastoral Care (3)

RPS 527            Faith, Crisis and Adult Development (3)

RPS 560            Pastoral Care & Counseling (3)

\*The certificate curriculum is offered over a two year cycle.

### **Program Requirements for a Certificate in Spiritual Direction**

**21 Hours**

#### **Spiritual Direction (Praxis Core) – 9 hours**

RPS 600            Foundations of Spiritual Direction (3)

RPS 601            Basic Skills for Spiritual Direction Practitioners (3)

RPS 602            Advanced Skills for Spiritual Directors (3)

#### **Spirituality (Theoretical Core) – 9 hours**

RPS 603            History of Spirituality (3)

#### **Contemporary Spirituality – 6 hours**

Choose **two** three-hour RPS courses from the following, but not limited to: Christian Spirituality; Jewish and Christian Mysticism; Meditation; Eastern/Western Spirituality; Cosmic Spirituality; Sexuality and Spirituality; Prayer; Life Cycles and Spirituality, all of which are offered in the Spirituality Institute. (3) (3)

**Practicum – (Three one-hour courses, in consecutive years) – 3 hours**

RPS 604            Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)

RPS 605            Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)

RPS 606            Spiritual Direction Practicum (1)

## Graduate Learning Outcomes

1. Academic Excellence:  
Mastery of competencies and communication appropriate for their respective disciplines/professions
2. Ethics:  
Ethical decision-making consistent with one's discipline/profession
3. Leadership:  
Socially responsible leadership within an organization or other professional environment
4. Service:  
Service to others that incorporates professional skills and knowledge

## **Nondiscrimination Policy & Financing the College**

### REVISED AND APPROVED NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

7.22.09

The College of Mount St. Joseph (“the College”) is committed to providing an educational and employment environment free from discrimination or harassment on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, disability, or other minority or protected status. This commitment extends to the College’s administration of its admission, financial aid, employment, and academic policies, as well as the College’s athletic programs and other college-administered programs, services, and activities.

The College has designated the Director of Human Resources, (513) 244-4393, Office of Human Resources, as the individual responsible for responding to inquiries, addressing complaints, and coordinating compliance with its responsibilities under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and other applicable federal and state civil rights laws. The College has designated the Director of Academic Support, (513) 244-4524, the Learning Center, as the individual responsible for responding to inquiries, addressing complaints, and coordinating compliance with its responsibilities under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

#### Financing the College

The College of Mount St. Joseph receives no annual apportionments from the Catholic Church, state or federal governments. Tuition and fees cover approximately 80 percent of the cost of the operation. The remaining amount comes from generous donors including alumni, parents, friends, corporations, foundations, and the Sisters of Charity. These gift investments are made in several ways.

#### **Gifts to the Mount Annual Fund**

Gifts to the Mount Annual Fund enable the College to meet its current expenses. The Annual Fund helps support student scholarships, academic programs, student services and programs, faculty development, and campus maintenance.

#### **Gifts to Endow Scholarships**

A gift of \$300,000 will provide a fully endowed scholarship while a gift of \$25,000 or more will establish a partial scholarship. These gifts may be funded on an outright basis with cash or securities, or on deferred basis through bequests, insurance, trusts, and annuities. Based on the endowment spending rate approved annually by the Board of Trustees, a portion of the investment earnings on these endowments is used to fund scholarship aid to qualifying students.

#### **Gifts to Capital Projects**

The continued maintenance and improvement of its facilities is paramount to the success of the College. Donors may make outright or planned gifts to ensure the Mount’s classrooms, library, science labs, computer labs, and recreational facilities support its students in their academic pursuits. To recognize the generosity of donors, the College has developed several naming opportunities for buildings, laboratories and classrooms.

Information about making an outright or planned gift or information about special giving opportunities is available from the Office of Institutional Advancement at (513) 244-4871. Or write to the Office of Institutional Advancement, College of Mount St. Joseph, 5701 Delhi Road, Cincinnati, OH, 45233-1670.