

Curriculum

Studies of the 1st Year

- 111 – The Pastor as Interpreter of the Bible
- 112 – Theology in the Wesleyan Spirit
- 113 – Pastoral Care for Spiritual Formation
- 114 – Pastoral Leadership & Administration

Studies of the 2nd Year

- 211 – Hebrew Bible I
- 212 – Theological Heritage: Early & Medieval
- 213 – Formation for Discipleship
- 214 – Practice of Preaching

Studies of the 3rd Year

- 311 – New Testament I
- 312 – Theological Heritage: Reformation
- 313 – Our Mission: Evangelism
- 314 – Pastoral Care & Counseling

Studies of the 4th Year

- 411 – Hebrew Bible II
- 412 – Wesleyan Movement
- 413 – Worship and Sacraments
- 414 – Personal and Social Ethics

Studies of the 5th Year

- 511 – New Testament II
- 512 – Contemporary Theology
- 513 – Our Mission: Transforming Agent
- 514 – Theology and the Practice of Ministry

The Course of Study is prescribed by the Division of Ordained Ministry of the United Methodist Church to provide for the education of Local Pastors and to equip them to serve local churches as spiritual leaders. Persons who desire to continue as Local Pastors must work toward completing the five-year Course of Study in 12 years. Our school is established as an Extension School of Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary and serves Part-time Local Pastors.

Contacts for registration:

Director – h.sallee@mchsi.com 217-317-2577
Cell: 217-242-6297

You are expected to download registration forms and receive other information at the web site if possible:

www.igrcos.com

or at the director's blog:

www.igrcos.blogspot.com

E-mail or call the director if you experience problems

The Vision and Mission of the Illinois Great Rivers Annual Conference

Our Vision: All the physically and spiritually hungry people of our world feasting at God's table through the inviting, welcoming, and sharing of Christian communities of faith.

Our Mission: The purpose of the annual conference is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by equipping its local churches for ministry and by providing a connection for ministry beyond the local church, all to the glory of God, so that the physically and spiritually hungry may feast at God's table. (The Book of Discipline, 2000, ¶601)

Course of Study School

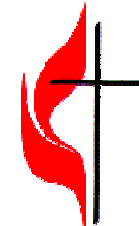
Fall 09

Weekend Courses For Part-time Local Pastors



**Illinois Great Rivers Conference
and
Garrett-Evangelical
Theological Seminary**

Rev. Howard Sallee, Director



Dates for Fall 09

COS 113	Pastoral Care for Spiritual Formation -- Linda Horrell
	or
COS 312	Theological Heritage: Reformation – Dennis Powers
September 11-12, October 2-3, 2009	

COS 313	Our Mission: Evangelism
	Shalom Renner
	or
COS 414	Personal and Social Ethics
	Tom Logsdon
October 23-24, November 20-21, 2009	

You may take one course during each session grouping. Deadline for registration is 8 weeks prior and final payment of tuition is 30 days prior.

All sessions begin on Friday at 6:00 p.m. and end on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. A light lunch is provided on Saturday. A time of fellowship is scheduled from 5:30 PM to 6:00 PM on Fridays.

Registration

For registration deadlines for each course, see above. A \$50.00 non-refundable fee per class is required at time of registration. One is not guaranteed a place in class until registration and tuition are paid.

All registrations and tuition payments should be mailed to the Director of this Extension Course of Study School for Part-time Local Pastors, Rev. Howard Sallee in care of Nancy Patton
United Methodist Center P.O. Box 19207
Springfield, IL 62794-9207

For rulings, transcripts and Board of Ordained Ministry questions, contact the Board of Ordained Ministry registrar, Rev. John Salzman at 3392 Palmtree Dr. Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404
cosexten@hotmail.com

Cancellations later than 30 days prior to class will result in the loss of tuition unless due to illness of self or family. Weddings and Funerals do not qualify. You should have a colleague cover for you.**

Admission Requirements

These courses are offered for Part-time Local Pastors seeking study in ministry and United Methodist heritage. To be admitted to the school, one must have:

- Completed the School for License as a Local Pastor and
- Received a recommendation by District Superintendent

A limited number of other clergy or laity may audit each course for a fee of \$75.00 and receive 2 CEU's for each class.

Fees

The tuition and registration is \$300 per course and must be paid in full at least 30 days prior to the first day of class. Late tuition payments will incur a \$10.00 additional fee. Tuition includes cost of class and lunch on Saturday. Textbooks and lodging are the responsibility of the participant.

For IGRC pastors, the Board of Ordained Ministry provides a \$150 scholarship to those persons who are Certified Candidates or have the License as a Local Pastor. Forms for reimbursement will be made available.

Students from other conferences should check with their conference leadership concerning scholarships and reimbursements.

Other financial support might be possible. Check with your District Superintendent.

Course Requirements

- Read assigned textbooks and write answers to study questions.
- Write short papers or sermon or teaching lesson plan. These assignments must be completed prior to the start of the classes. A self-addressed envelope suitable for return mailing should accompany papers.
- Attend the class sessions on two weekends and actively participate in the group discussions.

Location

**All sessions will take place at:
Illinois Great Rivers Conference Center
5900 South Second Street
Springfield, IL**

Anticipated Courses for Spring 2010

COS 114	Pastoral Leadership and Administration – Terry Harter
	or
COS 314	Pastoral Care and Counseling
	Linda Horrell
February 5-6, March 5-6, 2010	

COS 412	Wesleyan Movement
	Dennis Powers
	or
COS 514	Theology and Practice of Ministry
	Jim Bortell
April 9-10, May 7-8, 2010	

All instructors are fully qualified to teach Course of Study and are members in good standing with the Illinois Great Rivers Conference. Most of these are pastors.