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EVANGELISM EXPLOSION INTERNATIONAL

Introducing EE ATS



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A new ministry of EE International for EE staff & leaders worldwide

Advanced Theological Studies (ATS)

Introducing EE International's Advance Theological Studies program, or ATS for short. EE International initiated this FREE educational experience to assist our greatest resource – EE staff and leaders worldwide. We hope you or your friends and associates will decide to take advantage of this opportunity and enroll in this excellent program.

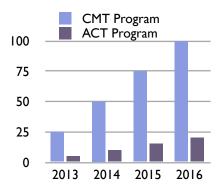
Let me tell you about EE ATS... we developed this program to help you to define your identity in Christ and your role in His great work. The courses you will take will increase your spiritual wisdom in ways that will: launch you into greater & more effective service and empower you to model to others how Christ's lordship governs your life and ministry.

But, we know we live in a world that threatens our spiritual growth and moral integrity. Temptation to compromise with the world, the flesh, and the devil is a constant reality. We also know secularism, materialism, and egoism pose as threats and they must be unmasked as frauds in light of the claims and demands of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, the ATS program will assist you:

• to take the risks necessary to break fresh ground in ministry • and to put your biblical convictions into practice, even when the price is high

ATS offers two study tracks: the first track is CMT or "Certificate of Ministry Track". This track is for those who have limited Bible School or theological training. We expect over 100 participants



will enroll in the CMT program in the next 3 years (see graph above). The second track is ACT or "Accredited Curriculum Track". Upon completion of ACT, participants will continue their studies program in a partner seminary in order to earn a Master of Arts degree. We expect over 20 participants to enroll in ACT in the next 3 years.

All that is taught in the ATS program will be centered in Christ so that God is glorified in you as you equip the church to multiply!

We are confident God will enrich your life and ministry as you participate in EE International's Advanced Theological Studies Program!

REGISTRATION

Fill out ONE SIDE of registration only Fill out ONE SIDE of registration only Registration for Registration for **Accredited Curriculum Track** (ACT) Certificate of Ministry Track (CMT) Upon completion of this track, you will receive: Upon completion of this track, you will receive: Certificate of Ministry Diploma from EE International Master of Arts Degree from EE Int'l & Partner Seminary 32 Credit Hours 37 Credit Hours plus courses required by partner seminary Full Name: Full Name: Name of Continental Vice President: Name of Continental Vice President: Ministry Location & Address: Ministry Location & Address: Country and City or Nearby City: Country and City or Nearby City: Email Address: Email Address: Skype or Phone Number: Skype or Phone Number: Number of years in ministry: Number of years in ministry: Number of years serving with EE: __ Number of years serving with EE: Official role / position with EE: Official role / position with EE: **Educational accomplishments** Educational accomplishments YES Completed Secondary School: NO Completed Secondary School: YES NO Year Completed Year Completed Completed College or Bible School YES NO Completed College or Bible School YES NO Year Completed Year Completed Additional Education Additional Education Type of education/degree & year completed Type of education/degree & year completed One (I) Recommendation is Needed from: One (I) Recommendation is Needed from: National Director, Regional Director or Continental VP National Director, Regional Director or Continental VP



Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

Who may participate in the ATS program? I know it is for EE staff but what if I have a friend who wants to enroll in some of the ATS courses?

Advanced Theological Studies courses are offered FREE of charge to all EE staff world-wide. Therefore, all who want to participate in ATS must be active in EE. If you are active in EE, you may enroll in ATS by sending the registration form and a letter of recommendation from the EE National Director, Regional Director or Continental Vice President to the following email address: eeats@eeworks.org You will then receive a "username" & "password" and you will be enrolled in ATS.

What will be required of me if I enroll in the ATS program?
How much time commitment will this program require of me?

The time commitment will vary depending on how many courses you take at one time. We recommend you take one course at a time which will require 3 to 6 hours of study per week. Each course has 10 sessions. Therefore, if you were to do one session per week, you would complete each course in 10 weeks

Will all ATS courses be taught by EE leaders or will there be others who will teach these courses? And, can I choose which courses to take? Most core curriculum courses are taught by EE leaders such as: Archbishop Harry Goodhew, Dr. Tom Stebbins, Dr. John Sorensen, Rev. Tom Mangham and others. However, a few guest lecturers include: Dr. Archie Parrish (instrumental in assisting Dr. D. James Kennedy in starting EE International); Dr. John Parrish (leader from the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association); Dr. Norm Blackaby & Dr. Calvin Beisner (both renowned for their teaching and authoring numerous published books).

You are required to take EE core courses but if you have completed theological courses similar to Third Millennium courses, you may opt out of these courses.

What is the "CMT" (Certificate of Ministry Track) and what degree will I get when I complete the CMT program?

Those who are unable to meet academic requirements needed for accredited coursework can pursue the "Certificate of Ministry Track" (CMT). CMT participants must complete 17 credit hours earned in EE's 5 core curriculum courses and 15 credit hours earned in the 6 "Third Millennium Courses". Upon completion of the CMT program you will receive: "EE International Certificate of Ministry Diploma".

What is the "ACT" (Accredited Curriculum Track) and what degree will I get when I complete the ACT program?

Those pursuing the Accredited Curriculum Track (ACT) must complete 17 credit hours earned in EE's 5 core curriculum courses and 20 credit hours earned in the 6 "Third Millennium Courses". Upon completion of the ACT course work, students may pursue additional courses required by partner seminaries in order to earn an accredited "Master of Arts Degree" presented by the seminary in partnership with EE.

How do I complete reading assignments in books which are recommended by ATS teachers?

Students who pursue the CMT will be required to do some recommended reading. However, those pursuing the ACT program will be sent recommended books on required reading list and thus they will be able to complete all reading assignments.

How will I be graded or what system of grading will be used to monitor my progress in each ATS course?

Accountability is important to the success of your learning experience. ATS courses are offered on-line but ATS administrators are able to monitor your involvement in each course. Therefore, you will be required to submit all course assignments on or before the end or each week or session (NOTE: a one week grace period will be given to those who experience technical/internet/computer difficulty).

How do I register for ATS courses and do I need to send an application with letter of recommendation in order to become a student in ATS?

It is not necessary to fulfill an application form to participate in ATS. However, you are required to complete the attached "Registration Form" and send it to the following email address: eeats@eeworks.org We also need a recommendation from your National Director, Regional Director or Continental Vice President. When we receive these two items, we will send you a "User Name" and "Password" which will allow you to log-onto the ATS web site and you can begin your studies with ATS.

The Mission of God (a historical view of the outreach of the Church)

Lead Teacher: Archbishop Dr. Harry Goodhew (3 credits for CMT and ACT)

Most Christians would agree that the Bible provides a basis for mission. But Harry Goodhew maintains that the entire Bible is generated by and is all about God's mission.

This course will clearly show that Christian mission is not man's mission but the mission of God, specifically the mission of the triune God. This course will also help students know that in order to understand the Bible, they need to see the "big picture" of God's mission and how the familiar bits and pieces fit into the grand narrative of Scripture.

In summary, students taking this course will learn that God's mission is to reclaim the world and God's people have a designated role to play in that mission.

Spiritual Development (fostering personal Spiritual Formation)

Lead Teacher: Rev. Tom Mangham (3 credits CMT and ACT)
Dr. Harry Goodhew; Dr. John Parrish; Dr. Archie Parrish; Dr. Norm Blackaby

This course introduces you to biblical and spiritual formation principles. Attention is given to the expression and growth of one's personal spiritual life, the nature of holistic integrity, the role of spiritual disciplines, and ways in which ministry personnel can cultivate spiritual growth in other people.

Special emphasis will be devoted to the leader's personal spiritual formation and on God's plan of transforming the leader into Christ's likeness.

Communicating Effectively (teach, preach & speak to bring about change)

Lead Teacher: Dr. John Sorensen (3 credits CMT and ACT) Dr. Tom Stebbins; Ms. Joanna Matasic; Rev. Tom Hendrikse

This course provides an overview of communication as it relates to leadership practices in church and ministry-based contexts. With an emphasis on the critical role of the ministry leader as teacher/preacher, it integrates elements of educational practices in order to cultivate effective biblical teaching in leadership contexts concerned with Christian discipleship. Based on Ephesians 4:11-12, this course emphasizes the equipping/teaching responsibility of leadership and will require the student to learn how to prepare multiple teaching presentations which can be used in a variety of contexts. Students will learn the tools and skills necessary for responsible Bible interpretation and presentation.

Understanding the Cults

Lead Teacher: Dr. Calvin Beisner (3 credits CMT and ACT)

This course emphasizes the importance of developing leaders who are "rightly handling the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15). The focus is on building a defense against all forms of false teaching by becoming acquainted with the truth. The clearer our understanding of truth, the more easily we will be able to spot the lie. This course will study many cults and their deviation from mainstream religious groups. Students will learn the necessary tools to recognize the most common exhibited characteristics of cults in both doctrine and practice. Students will learn to discern these patterns and to identify cult-like tendencies in Christian organizations or churches that should warn us against any form of complacency.

Evangelism Explosion Practicum

Facilitators: Dr. Darrell Farney & Dr. John Sorensen (5 credits for CMT and ACT)

As "trainee" (2 credit) / As "trainer" (2 credit) / As student of "clinic/launch training" (1 credit)

This practicum will assist EE staff review three levels of leadership training as set forth by Evangelism Explosion International. A biblical theology of evangelism will be foundational as students review the following:

- Reviewing key principles of 3 levels of EE training (Trainee, Trainer, Clinic Teacher).
- Reflecting on experience of three levels of training (positives/negatives).
- Reinforce the Biblical mandate of the EE training (Eph 4:11-12; 2 Tim 2:2; Philemon 6).
- To strengthen and clarify understanding of terms such as: "discipleship", "mentoring" and "coaching" (i.e. how do these terms relate to "being good trainer"?)

This course will include the study of principles, practices, and strategy needed in building a ministry of multiplication. Emphasis will be placed upon practical application within the church setting where believers become trainees, trainees become trainers and trainers become multiplying leaders.

Old Testament Survey -

Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

These courses will look at the overarching message of the Old Testament. Students will study the content and message of the covenants & canon as well as learning to apply these to modern life.

Kingdom Covenants & Canon (2 credits for CMT & ACT)

Unfortunately, many Christians lack a firm understanding of the theology and significance of the Old Testament. Yet, Jesus and his apostles taught that the Old Testament is very important for Christians. As a matter of fact, when Paul told Timothy that all Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, he was referring primarily to the Old Testament.

The Pentateuch (1 credit for ACT)

The books of Moses — Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy — are the first five books in the Bible, and are commonly known as "The Pentateuch." These books explain God's covenant with his people, including his Law and its many blessings and curses. They form the foundation of the rest of the Old Testament, and of the New Testament as well.

This course will answer the following questions: How are Christians to interpret and apply these books today? Were they intended to be relevant only to the ancient Israelites? Are they understandable only by modern Christians with the aid of science? Are they primarily historical curiosities, or are modern Christians bound by their requirements?

Father Abraham (1 credit for ACT)

Christians, Muslims and Jews all look to the patriarch Abraham as the father of their faiths, but these religions draw very different conclusions from his biography.

This course explores the account of Abraham's life in Genesis from a distinctly Christian perspective in order to answer questions such as: What did these stories mean for those who first received them? And what do they mean for us today? A summary of the structure, content, original meaning and modern application of Genesis 12-25 will be reviewed in this course.

New Testament Survey

Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

NT Survey - The Gospels (1 credit for CMT & ACT)

The first four books of the New Testament — Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are commonly known as "the Gospels." These books explain the life and ministry of Jesus, and are the basis for most of the distinctive doctrines of Christianity. The aim of this course is to acquaint students with the background, content, message and personal application of the Gospels. And to also summarize the original meaning and modern application of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

NT Survey - Focus on Book of Acts (1 credit for CMT & ACT)

The Book of Acts, also called "The Acts of the Apostles," is the companion volume to the Gospel of Luke. It records the establishment of the early church under the leadership of the Apostles, and the activity and growth of the church during the middle of the first century.

NT Survey - Pauline Theology (1.5 credits for CMT & ACT)

Paul passionately proclaimed the good news of individual salvation in Jesus Christ. But this wasn't the heart of Paul's gospel.

According to Paul, salvation is not primarily about individuals being saved from the wrath of God. Rather, the gospel is about the triumph of Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God. It is about God redeeming and recreating the heavens and the earth through Jesus Christ, and about our participation in that renewed world. The aim of this course will be to summarize the structure, content, original meaning and modern application of Galatians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, and 1 & 2 Corinthians.

Systematic Theology I - Inspiration & Interpretation

Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

These courses introduce you to the principles and processes of biblical interpretation and application. Emphasis will be placed on both theory and practice. Within the framework of an exegetical method, you will learn to apply basic principles to selected missiological passages from the Old and New Testaments. Special attention will be given to the principles used in correctly interpreting parables, poetry, and prophecy.

Building Your Theology (1 credit for CMT & ACT)

Modern evangelical theology is flooded with conflicting viewpoints. Many disagreements arise between denominations, while others arise within individual churches. The apparent hopelessness of reaching theological unity has led some Christians to deny the value of theology.

This course will help students build a foundation for Christian theology by introducing the interconnected disciplines of biblical studies, theology, church history, and practical theology. And by describing a responsible, scriptural method for developing theological convictions.

Building Systematic Theology (2 credits for CMT & ACT)

Throughout the history of the church, faithful Christians have used systematic theology to communicate the teachings of our faith. Systematics has proven to be a helpful tool for expressing ideas clearly, and for organizing them in ways that increase our understanding of Scripture. At times, systematic theology has been misused, but this course will help student see that when employed in submission to Scripture, systematic theology provides Christians with a

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Building Biblical Theology (1 credits for ACT)

Faithful Christians have always recognized the importance of progress in biblical history, especially as it relates to humanity's fall into sin and to God's redemptive work. Biblical theology is a specialized discipline that studies this progress by tracing the development of theological ideas between historical epochs. Used rightly, this tool will enable students to interpret and apply Biblical truth.

Systematic Theology II – Biblical Ethics (related to God's Kingdom & Man's role in the Kingdom of God). Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

Biblical Ethics - Christian morality has always been challenged and rejected by unbelievers. But today even many believers have lost their moral footing. Moreover, believers who want to live ethically are frequently confused by the complexities of ethical decisions. Even so, with proper study of the Bible's system of ethics, Christians can learn how to evaluate problems in ways that lead to biblical solutions. These courses will help students describe the Bible's system of morality in terms of ethical standards, goals and motives. It will also equip Christians to understand the biblical standards that apply to modern dilemmas.

Circumstances of the Kingdom (related to God's Law) (1 credit for CMT & ACT) There are many issues that could be addressed as we think of God himself as the absolute moral law. But purposes of this course will be to touch on two matters: First, we will speak of goodness as a personal attribute of God. And second, we will look at the fact that God's goodness is the ultimate standard for all goodness.

Life in the Kingdom (related to loving God) (1.5 credits for CMT & ACT)

Unlike many other ethical systems, our definition focuses on God and his blessing rather than on terms like good or evil, or right or wrong. Those things that receive Gods blessing are good and right, whereas those things that do not receive his blessing are wrong and evil. This course will help students see two implications of focusing on God and his blessing in this way: First, God's nature is the standard of morality; and second, God's actions demonstrate the standard of morality.

Program of the Kingdom (related to loving our neighbor) (1 credits for ACT)

Christian morality has always been challenged and rejected by unbelievers. But today even many believers have lost their moral footing. Moreover, believers who want to live ethically are frequently confused by the complexities of ethical decisions. Even so, with proper study of the Bible's system of ethics, Christians can learn how to evaluate problems in ways that lead to biblical solutions.

This course will help to describe the Bible's system of morality in terms of ethical standards, goals and motives. The result will be, students will be equipped to understand the biblical standards that apply to modern dilemmas.

Systematic Theology III - Christ & Salvation

Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

Many Christians readily identify with their faith, but don't understand its fundamental doctrines. What is the Trinity? Who was Jesus? What is the gospel? Why do we do the things we do in church? And how do we know which doctrines are fundamental in the first place? These courses are designed to present the most critical Christian doctrines in terms that are easy to understand, and in ways that form a secure foundation for more advanced studies.

Thus, students in these courses will be introduced to the central doctrines of historic Christianity. Special focus will be given to the person and work of Jesus Christ.

We Believe in Jesus (2 credits for CMT & ACT)

An examination of foundational biblical teachings, this course explores the doctrines of God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, humanity, sin and the major facets of redemption and salvation. Jesus Christ is the most important human being that has ever lived. He is God in the flesh, the center of all history, and the only hope for the salvation of humanity and creation.

Special attention will be given to describing the doctrines of the Trinity and incarnation in relation to the person of Jesus Christ. Moreover, this course will provide a timeline of the past, present and future life and ministry of Jesus.

The Apostles Creed (1 credit for CMT & 1.5 credits for ACT)

There are many denominations, divisions and theological disputes in the modern church. But despite these types of disunity, there is a common core of belief that all faithful Christians have affirmed throughout history. And for almost two millennia, this core of belief has been summarized in the Apostles' Creed. This course explains the history and use of the Apostles' Creed, as well as the details and significance of each of its articles of faith. It will also demonstrate the relevance of these doctrines to the modern church.

Systematic Theology IV - Church & Last Things (1 credit for CMT & 1.5 credits for ACT) Lectures provided by Third Millennium Ministries

The Book of Revelation - is course examines the advance of the early church through viewing Acts, the letters, and Revelation as normative missionary documents to guide the contemporary church in fulfilling Christ's commission.

In this course students will also explore the major divisions of theology (Prolegomena), the doctrine of the Bible (Bibliology), the doctrine of God (Theology Proper), the doctrine of Christ (Christology), and the doctrine of last things (Eschatology). Students will gain experience in integrating what they learn into real world situations and in understanding how theological concepts are expressed differently across cultures.

The Book of Revelation can be both exciting and confusing. It's exciting because it records dramatic visions about the role of Jesus and the church in the history of the world. But it's also confusing because its imagery is so foreign to modern readers. Even so, the overall message is clear: King Jesus is returning in victory. This course will provide an overview of the structure, content, original meaning and modern application of the Book of Revelation.