



ACCS
 ST. ATHANASIUS & ST. CYRIL
 COPTIC ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL SCHOOL

COURSE OFFERINGS
Fall Session 2017 (Aug. 28 – Dec. 15 2017)

1. **ACTS 3060 DOGMATICS 1** with His Eminence Metropolitan Serapion, Bishop Kyrillos, and Father Antony Paul **Thursdays 6-9pm, (LCST/ASL)** This course introduces the dogmatic content of Orthodox theology, with a special focus on Trinitarian Theology and Christology. *This course fulfills a core requirement for the MTS.*
2. **ACTS 3025 NEW TESTAMENT 1** with Fr. Daniel Azer Sous and Deacon Severus, **Tuesdays 6-9pm (except for the first 3 weeks, the class will be held on Wednesday: Aug 30, Sep 6, Sep 13) (LCST/ASL)**. This course introduces the authors, themes, and backgrounds of the books of the New Testament. It also broadly surveys contemporary and patristic interpretations and methodologies. *This course fulfills a core requirement for the MTS.*
3. **ACTS 3015 CHURCH HISTORY 1** with Deacon Severus Mikhail, **Mondays 6-9pm (LCST/ASL)**. This is an in depth survey of the development of early Christianity from the Apostolic Age through the early Arab Conquests of the seventh century. While the emphasis is on the history and historiography of the Coptic Orthodox Church (the Sea of Alexandria), the course discusses all major political and theological developments and personalities of the early Christian era in the east and west. *This course fulfills a core requirement for the MTS.*
4. **ACTS 3020 OLD TESTAMENT 1** with Dr. George Tadros, **Sundays 6-9pm (LCST/ASL)**. This unit offers an introduction to the literature of the Old Testament, and a study of the history and geography of biblical Israel. The topics covered include: manuscripts of the Holy Bible, development of the Old Testament Canon, translation, different Patristic methodologies of interpreting the Old Testament with special emphasis on the School of Alexandria (e.g., Origen) and the School of Antioch (e.g., John Chrysostom). This will be followed by a review of modern Biblical Scholarship and the apologetic challenges to each of the 39 Old Testament books. *This course fulfills a core requirement for the MTS.*
5. **ACTS 3092 MARRIAGE COUNSELING** with Fr. Paul Baky Mikhail, **Sundays 5-8pm (ASL)**. This course explores seven principles for harmonious and long-lasting relationships. It will also debunk a number of myths about marriages and why they fail. *This course fulfills an elective requirement for the MTS.*

SELF-PACED COURSES

6. **ACTS 3030 PATRISTICS 1** with His Grace Bishop Kyrillos, Fr. Kyrillos Ibrahim and Dr. Sarah Morcos (SAL). This course covers the life, writings, and thought of the early Church Fathers. It presents the living story of the Early Church in all its aspects of worship, pastoral and social concepts, preaching and spirituality. The presentation alternatively focuses on various Fathers, east and west, and the discussion of various theological topics among them. *This course fulfills a core requirement for the MTS.*
7. **ACTS 3051 INTRODUCTION TO ORTHODOX SPIRITUALITY** with Fr. Kyrillos Ibrahim.(SAL) This is an introduction to the major liturgical, monastic and patristic texts and practices of worship and veneration that inform and have come to distinguish Orthodox Spirituality. The course explores the various manifestations of Orthodox service and spirituality across the ages from the early centuries to the contemporary setting. *This course fulfills an elective requirement for the MTS.*

LEGEND

LCST: Live instruction available at Claremont School of Theology

ASL: Live instruction courses can additionally be offered in the Asynchronous Learning model which gives students the option (but not the requirement) of attending the course online at the same time of instruction or at anytime during the week such that they meet the weekly requirements in the syllabus. Instructors provide materials, lectures, tests, and assignments throughout the course.

SAL: Self-paced Asynchronous Learning classes are those where instructors provide materials, lectures, tests, and assignments that can be accessed at any time throughout the semester. Students must complete all the requirements in the syllabus at their pace but no later than the end of the semester.