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COURSE PROSPECTUS / TERM 3 : JUL – SEP 2018



COURSE PROSPECTUS

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MISSION OF ATC

ATC was established in 1982 with a vision to equip believers who have a call of God on their lives to be effective ministers of the Gospel. ATC seeks to impart vision for missions and evangelism so that its graduates will be prepared either to go forth as missionaries themselves, or to raise missions-giving and missionary-sending churches.

ATC is a learning resource where ministers can develop the leadership gifts of apostle, prophet, evangelist and pastor-teacher to equip "...the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the Body of Christ..." (Ephesians 4:12).

ATC's essential mission therefore is to provide, in a charismatic Christian context, advanced educational opportunity which will enable the students:

- To develop academically through enhanced and deepened biblical and theological understanding.
- To develop personal gifts and ministerial skills in preparation for ministry to the Lord, His Church, and the world.
- To enrich their personal preparation for participation in the fulfillment of the Great Commission, propagating the Christian faith whenever and wherever God may place them.

1.0 UNDERGRADUATE BLOCK COURSES

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GE 325 PRINCIPLES & DYNAMICS OF GROUPS (3 CREDITS) (FOR PLP ONLY)

10 – 20 Jul (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 1.30 pm

Lecturer: Joseph Mohan Sachariah,
MML

Studied in this course are the basic dynamics of group functions including the basic roles usually found operative in groups as well as the various roles individuals may play. The principles of working with people in groups and how these are applicable to the church that are identified. The students are given meaningful opportunity to engage in group dynamic role-playing and to observe others as they do. This course serves as a foundation for further studies in group-ministries in the church.

1.0 UNDERGRADUATE BLOCK COURSES



TH 343 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY III (3 CREDITS)

31 Jul – 10 Aug (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 2.30 pm
Break: 9 Aug

Lecturer: Dr. Steve Stells, D. Min

This course is a systematic study of two major doctrines of the faith:

1. Ecclesiology is the doctrine of the nature and mission of the church.
2. Eschatology is the doctrine of future and final events with special reference to various major theological viewpoints.

1.0 UNDERGRADUATE BLOCK COURSES



TH 350 PURPOSE & FUNDAMENTALS OF THE LOCAL CHURCH (3 CREDITS) (FOR PLP ONLY)

15 – 17 Aug (Wed – Fri)
21 – 24 Aug (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 2.30 pm

Lecturer: Chua Hock Lin, M.P.L

This course seeks to provide a biblical basis and understanding of the New Testament Church – What is it, why it exists and how it expresses itself in its leadership, its essential functions and its activities. In addition, its role and responsibilities of the membership of the church are studied especially in the context of the preparation of the glorious church that will precede Christ's return. VFC Singapore, in its history and development, serves as a model for this study.

1.0 UNDERGRADUATE BLOCK COURSES



BI 225 BOOK OF ACTS (3 CREDITS)

14 – 24 Aug (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 1.30 pm

Lecturer: Joseph Mohan Sachariah, MML

This course is a detailed study of the Book of Acts with emphasis on the work of the Holy Spirit in the New testament Church. It will also examine the major principles and circumstances that contributed to the growth and development of the Early Church, and how these may be applied to the present move of the Holy Spirit.

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MI 202 INTRODUCTION TO WORLD RELIGIONS (3 CREDITS)

28 Aug – 7 Sep (Tues - Fri)
8.00 am – 1.30 pm

Lecturer: Dr. Teresa Chai, Ph.D

An introductory survey of the origin, developments, major beliefs, literature and rituals of the major living religions. Special emphasis will be given to religions and cults in Asia especially as they constitute a challenge to Christian missions. This course will consider the historical development, philosophical system, major tenets, and evaluation in the light of biblical revelation and counsel concerning missionary work among adherents of selected religious systems and cult groups.

1.0 UNDERGRADUATE BLOCK COURSES



GE 225 PRINCIPLES OF EFFECTIVE TEACHING (3 CREDITS) (FOR PLP ONLY)

4 – 14 Sep (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 1.30 pm

Lecturer: Susan Comiskey, M.P.L

This course is a study of basic principles and methods involved in becoming transformational teachers in the body of Christ. Foundational components of the teaching-learning process will be discussed, the various learning domains, learning styles, delivery channels, and the mechanics of lesson plan development. Emphasis will be given to equipping students with the motivation and skills to creatively utilize various teaching methods, with the ultimate goal of producing change in the life of their students. Opportunity will be given to design and deliver an effective lesson through in-class practice teaching.

2.0 WEEKLY COURSES

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CM 446 PASTORAL THEOLOGY (3 CREDITS)

PT 580 PASTORAL MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT (3 CREDITS)

23 Jul – 11 Aug

Mon, Wed & Thurs: 7.00 pm – 10.00 pm

Sat: 8.30 am – 4.30 pm

Breaks: 25 Jul & 9 Aug

Lecturer: Dr. Steve Stells, D. Min

This course examines the biblical nature of pastoral and other ministries. Attention is given to the personal life, ethics, self-discipline, and call to ministry, functions, conduct and responsibilities of the pastoral office. The various relationships of the pastor/leader as well as the principles and practices of his ministry are also considered. Emphasis will be given to the development of the total ministries of the church. During the course the student does an extensive self-appraisal or self-evaluation. The student then designs a personal ministry development plan based on the appraisal that the student intends to follow.

3.0 MASTER BLOCK COURSES

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BTH 543 ECCLESIOLOGY & ESCHATOLOGY (3 CREDITS)

31 Jul – 10 Aug (Tues – Fri)
8.00 am – 2.30 pm
Break: 9 Aug

Lecturer: Dr. Steve Stells, D. Min

This course is an intensive and systematic study of two major doctrines of the Christian faith: ecclesiology and eschatology. Ecclesiology is the doctrine of the church. Eschatology is the doctrine of the end times.



MI 536 WORLD RELIGIONS & THE UNIQUENESS OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH (3 CREDITS)

28 Aug – 7 Sep (Tues - Fri)
8.00 am – 1.30 pm

Lecturer: Dr. Teresa Chai, Ph.D

This is an introductory study of the world's major living religions and cult groups from a missiological perspective. The religions are studied with a view to understanding them historically and theologically. A major emphasis to the course concerns the missiological approach to other religion for effective communication of the gospel and the contextualization of the Christian faith.

4.0 ABOUT THE LECTURERS

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JOSEPH MOHAN SACHARIAH, MML

Joseph Mohan Sachariah was called to full time ministry in 1997 from a background of law and teaching. He has been part of Victory Family Centre for more than 30 years. Over the years, he has served in roles such as Youth Minister, Worship Minister, Regional Pastor, Net Pastor, and General Overseer in VFC. Together with Church planting teams, Joseph has pioneered churches in North Delhi, India and Suva, Fiji. He has a passion to communicate Christ through preaching, teaching and the creative arts. He headed VFC Evangelistic Outreach committees such as “It is Finished” in 1997 and “Good News Singapore” in 2009.

He and his wife, Wee Eng Sachariah have 2 lovely daughters, Angelle and Shai-Ann.

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DR. STEVE STELLS, D. Min

Dr. Steve Stells (B.A. Biblical Studies; M.A. Theology; Doctor of Ministry, Oral Roberts University), served as the Senior Pastor of The House of Prayer from its birth on July 4, 1976 - July 14, 2013, transitioning the church to Jonathan and Amy Stells at that time. Steve continues to serve at The House of Prayer, and is active speaking in churches and conferences in the USA and abroad.

Pastor Steve and his wife Sharon have been engaged as spiritual leaders in their region of the country by initiating prayer for local and national gatherings and promoting unity in the Christian community. Their work includes planting churches, Bible schools, and private schools at home and abroad. They are well known in Richmond, Va., for their work as leaders for racial reconciliation. Steve and Sharon have been members of Minister's Fellowship International since 1988. Steve serves as a member of the Apostolic Leadership Team of Ministers Fellowship International.

Steve and Sharon have 4 children who are active in the work of God.

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CHUA HOCK LIN, MPL

Chua Hock Lin was called to full-time ministry in 1982 from a background in engineering, marketing and management. Since then, he has pioneered and helped oversee the pastoral care of churches in several countries including Singapore, Malaysia, Japan, Uganda and USA. He is part of the ministry team in Victory Family Centre and is involved in Victory International Church reaching out to internationals and expatriates living and working in Singapore. He serves also as the Executive Director of Transformation Alliance, the mission arm of the Love Singapore movement seeking to bring national transformation to East Timor through the "Love East Timor" vision.

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DR. TERESA CHAI, Ph.D

Teresa graduated with a Ph. D. in Intercultural Studies from the School of World Mission at Fuller Theological Seminary in 2003. She was the President of Alpha Omega International College, Malaysia, a multi-denominational college 2003-2013. Presently she is a faculty at Asia Pacific Theological Seminary filling the John Bueno Chair of Intercultural Studies.

Teresa was a missionary to Bangladesh for eight years during which time developed a literacy program using Audio-Scriptures for the Bible Society there. She also headed a development project among Bangladeshi youth working in a Danish Mission called a "School For Life" teaching them life skills as well as vocational training in computers and English. All these programs are open for people from Muslims, Hindu, Tribal, as well as Christian Religions.

She has published articles in the National Evangelical Churches Fellowship's Watchmen series as well as in Kairos Magazine.

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SUSAN COMISKEY, MPL

Susan Comiskey is an enthusiastic speaker and teacher. Together with her husband she has pioneered and led churches literally all over the world. Being involved in world missions is her great passion. As a family they have lived and ministered in Tonga, Uganda, East Timor, United Kingdom and Singapore.

Susan began her work in Singapore in 1996. She has a Master Degree in Pastoral Leadership. A former schoolteacher, she has conducted numerous parenting/ marriage workshops in schools and the private sector here in Singapore.

Workshops, lectures, discussions groups etc. have been a part of her life in Singapore as she interacts with the local grassroots community. Susan is a well-received public speaker.

When she is not speaking or teaching (or simply just talking!), Susan is a busy mother to her young daughter Anna, a miracle of God after 22 years of infertility.

5.0 ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Bachelor (four-year program)

- Bachelor of Theology B.Th
- Bachelor of Ministry Leadership (3 tracks) B.ML
 - Pastoral Leadership
 - Pastoral Care
 - Holistic Child Development
- Bachelor of Missions Studies B.MS

Diploma (three-year program)

- Diploma of Theology Dip.Th
- Diploma of Ministry Leadership (3 tracks) Dip.ML
 - Pastoral Leadership
 - Pastoral Care
 - Holistic Child Development
- Diploma of Missions Studies Dip.MS

Associate (two-year program)

- Associate Degree in Theology Assoc.Th
- Associate Degree in Ministry Leadership Assoc.ML
(with a concentration in one of the following:)
- Pastoral Leadership
- Pastoral Care
- Associate Degree in Missions Studies Assoc.MS

Certificate (one-year program)

- Certificate of Theology Cert.Th
- Certificate of Ministry Leadership (2 Tracks) Cert.ML
 - Pastoral Care in Family Life
 - Holistic Child Development

POST-GRADUATE PROGRAMS

- Post-graduate Diploma of Theological Studies
- Post-graduate Diploma of Theological Education
- Post-graduate Diploma of Ministry Leadership
- Post-graduate Diploma in Missions Studies

GRADUATE PROGRAMS Masters

- Master of Ministry Leadership (2 Tracks) MML
 - Pastoral Leadership
 - Holistic Child Development
- Master of Theological Education MTE
- Master of Theological Studies MTS
- Master of Missions Studies MMS

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TUITION FEES

Undergraduate Courses

- \$30 Admission Fee
(One-time payment)
- \$30 Non Matriculation
(1st two courses only)
- \$50 per credit unit
- \$35 Per audit unit

Post-Graduate Diploma Courses

- \$50 Admission Fee
(One-time payment)
- \$50 Non Matriculation
(1st two courses only)
- \$80 per credit unit
- \$50 Per audit unit

Graduate Courses

- \$50 Admission Fee
(One-time payment)
- \$50 Non Matriculation
(1st two courses only)
- \$80 per credit unit
- \$50 Per audit unit

Other Fees

- \$15 Registration
- \$30 Late Registration
- \$45 "Walk-in* registration
(Students who fail to register the day before the class starts are considered "walk-in" registrants).
- \$25 Program Change
- \$15 Course change
(Adding or dropping a course after registration)
- \$15 Directed study per Credit Unit
(Additional)
- \$45 Directed Study Grading Fee
- Transfer of Credit Fee
(per course)
 - Undergraduate S\$15
 - Master S\$30
- \$50 Undergraduate Graduation Fee
- \$100 Master Graduation Fee

NOTES

All fees, inclusive of 7% Government Service Tax (GST), are payable upon registration. All cheques should be made payable to "**Asia Theological Center**".

TUITION FEE DISCOUNTS

ATC offers tuition fee discounts for VFC members taking classes in ATC (Discount is applicable only to those who enroll for credit.)

CATEGORIES OF STUDENTS ENTITLED TO DISCOUNT	DISCOUNT
Full Time Ministerial Staff & Net Pastors*	50%
Youth Net Coordinators, Regional Ministers, Area Ministers, RMLs, ARMLs & Other Ministry Heads*	40%
Care Groups Leaders, Connect Group Leaders, AMLs & AAMLs*	30%
Members*	20%

*Members must be attending Connect/Care Groups on a regular basis. Verification may be required. **Discount is applicable only to those who enroll for credit.**

Note: Students from VFC should not neglect their progress in the life in the Word program (which is part of VFC's Christian Development Program) while pursuing studies in ATC.

REGISTRATION

HOW TO REGISTER

Registration is open now till **29 June 2018 (Friday)**
A late registration fee will be charged after the closing dates of registration.

Application & Registration

Interested applicants should complete the ATC registration form and mail it to:

The Registrar Office
Asia Theological Center
20 Tampines Street 43
#02-00
Singapore 529151

Academic Advising

Students are encouraged to confer with Kathleen Lee for academic advising.

Orientation

There will be an orientation for new students to ATC on **14 July 2018 (Saturday)** in ATC Room 1, at 10.00am at 20 Tampines Street 43, #02-00, Singapore 529151.

This quarterly brochure and registration forms are also available at **www.atc.org.sg**.
For more information, please call **6260 2030**.
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