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To Advance the Kingdom of God**

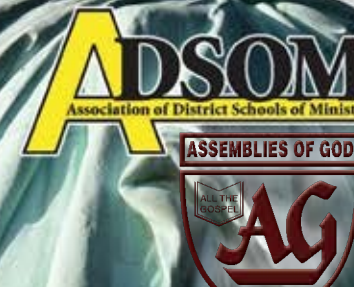


**New York District
School of Ministry**

**2017 ACADEMIC
CATALOG**

*Our job is
not to climb
the ladder of success,
but descend the ladder of servanthood.*

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Be advised, students are required to read this manual thoroughly before enrolling, to insure an understanding of all policies, requirements, and expectations between the student and NYDSOM.

ENDORSEMENTS

The New York District School of Ministry has been recognized and endorsed by the Executive Presbytery of the General Council of the Assemblies of God as a member of the Association of Assemblies of God District Schools of Ministry.

The school has also been endorsed by the Executive Presbytery of the New York Ministry Network as the official ministerial training program for those seeking credentials through the New York Ministry Network.

DISCLAIMERS

Courses completed through the New York District School of Ministry that are required by the Assemblies of God for credentials meet the educational requirements of the General Council for the respective level of credential.

Completion of the courses, however, does not guarantee that a ministry credential will be granted, nor that preferential treatment will be given to those completing the required ministerial training courses through the School of Ministry. The credentialing of ministers is a process separate from completion of the educational requirements.

NYDSOM is a non-accredited Bible institute. While endorsed by the Executive Presbytery of the General Council of the Assemblies of God for ministerial training, courses completed through the school do not automatically qualify for college credit. Please check with the AG College/University of your choice to request their unique requirements for attaining college credits with that institution.

The New York District School of Ministry (NYDSOM) is a vital support to the ministry endeavors of churches and pastors. Knowledge gleaned from the classroom experience becomes a valuable tool that the Holy Spirit can use to further the purposes of God. Clergy and laypersons who understand not only “what to do” but “why to do it” will be far more effective than those who “just do what they are taught.”

NYDSOM integrates spiritual formation, relationship building, and academic achievement to provide a unique learning experience. Students not only acquire knowledge necessary for obtaining ministerial credentials, but also develop character and skills essential for effective ministry.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The New York District School of Ministry exists to provide training for those sensing a call to ministry, whether as credentialed ministers of the Assemblies of God, or as equipped laypersons within the local church. The school seeks to promote a unified purpose for ministry within the Fellowship, providing doctrinal and practical instruction based upon common core values and shared ministry goals.

The New York District School of Ministry subscribes fully to the Statement of Fundamental Truths of the Assemblies of God, and commits itself to proclaim and support the principles and polity of the Assemblies of God. Additionally, the school commits itself to provide training courses that meet district and General Council educational requirements for ministerial credentials.

STRUCTURE

Classes are conducted each month at nine class sites, March through November. A Certified & a Licensed level course is offered each month at all 9 sites, Ordained level is only available at the sites listed on the Registration Form. Students participate in six hours of classroom instruction. Classes are held on Saturday mornings at 8:30am and ending at 3:00pm. A Final Exam is taken and scored at the beginning of the final session, with instruction time following.

Prior to class, each student is required to work through the course textbook and Study Guide. An average of 10 hours of preparatory work is necessary. With the classroom time, students will have invested at least 16 hours per course.

The classroom instruction provides an overview of the material, practical applications, and opportunity for questions and discussion. Instructors use personal experience as well as a variety of teaching methods.

Instructors are volunteer credentialed ministers and college professors. Faculty members become natural mentors as they build relationships and share experiences with their students.

STUDENT POLICIES

- Students are to register no less than three weeks prior to the course they wish to take. Early registration is encouraged.
- Students are required to complete a minimum of 10 hours of preparatory self-study in advance of the class session.
- Students are required to read the course textbook(s) and to complete the Study Guide, or any assignment required for the course, prior to the class session, and are to submit the Study Guide at the registration table on class day before class begins.
- Attendance of classroom instruction time is mandatory.
- If a student registers for a course and misses the class, credit for the paid registration fee must be used towards the next course, or it is void.
- Students may retake a failing grade Final Exam for a fee of \$15.

GRADING

40% of the overall grade is the Student Study Guide
50% of the overall grade is the Final Exam
10% of the overall grade is the mandatory attendance

REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. ONLINE Enrollment and Registration forms found on our NYDSOM page on NYMINISTRYNETWORK.org website, or downloaded, or contact us to request the forms by US Mail or by email. ***You must be enrolled in order to register for a course.*** To enroll, just complete the Enrollment Form Online or mail it to our office with the one-time \$25 enrollment fee.
2. A Registration Form and \$65 tuition payment is required for each course, and must be received three weeks prior to the desired course session, or Two weeks for Online Forms. Upon receipt of the registration form, student will receive the Study Guide for their first course by e-mail or US Mail. **The course Study Guide is sent when payment in full is received.**
3. You must read your textbook(s) and complete the Study Guide prior to the class session (a minimum of 10 hours of preparatory study is required). A basic knowledge of the information covered in the textbook is expected when students arrive on campus.
4. Arrive for class at the appropriate campus by 8:00am, prepared and ready to learn. Submit the completed Study Guide, keep a copy for class-time. Registration for the next course is available at each site.

COST

Enrollment Fee: A one-time \$25.00 fee for NYDSOM enrollment.

Registration Fee: A \$65.00 Registration fee for each course.

Books: Textbooks are available for purchase from our website, or by mail with a shipping cost of \$8.00. Students are not obligated to purchase them through NYDSOM.

MEALS

A continental breakfast and a lunch are provided on class day.

COURSES
(Listed by Credential Levels)

CERTIFICATION (Level 1):

110 - Prison Epistles	102 - Intro to Hermeneutics
103 - Life of Christ	104 - Acts (The Spirit Works)
105 - The Church in Evangelism	106 - Intro Pentecostal Doctrine
107- AG History, Missions & Governance	108 - Ministerial Relationships And Ethics

LICENSE (Level 2):

201 - Old Testament Survey	202 - New Testament Survey
203 – Romans	204 - Eschatology
205 - Intro to Homiletics	206 - Effective Leadership Skills
207 - Conflict Management for Leaders	208 - Intro to AG Missions
209- Intro to Systematic Theology	

ORDINATION (Level 3):

301 – Pentateuch	308 - Church Administration, Finance and Law
303 – Corinthian Correspondence	304 – Theology of Prayer
305 – Theology of Worship	306 – Multicultural Ministry
307 – Pastoral Ministry	302 – Psalms & Proverbs

COURSES
(Listed by Concentration)

ELECTIVE COURSES

(Courses offered as electives are *not* academic requirement for credentials)

152 – Biblical Counseling	153 – History of the Church
155 - Apologetics	159 - Bible History & Geography

Courses Listed by Concentration (cont'd)

INTERCULTURAL STUDIES (5 course Track for a Certificate):

501 - Cross Cultural Leadership	502 - Ministry to Muslims
503 - Multicultural Ministries	504 - 21st Century Missions
505 - Intercultural Ministries Practicum	

BIBLICAL STUDIES (8 of these courses for a Certificate):

104 - Acts	103 - Life of Christ
155 - Apologetics*	202 - New Testament Survey
159 - Bible History & Geography*	201 - Old Testament Survey
303 - Corinthian Correspondence	302 - Psalms & Proverbs
110 - Prison Epistles	301 - Pentateuch
102 - Intro to Hermeneutics	203 - Romans

THEOLOGY:

107 - AG History, Missions & Governance	106 - Intro to Pentecostal Doctrine
209 - Intro. To Systematic Theology	204 - Eschatology
304 - Theology of Prayer	305 - Theology of Worship
153 - History of the Church*	

PRACTICAL MINISTRY:

102 - Intro. Hermeneutics	105 - The Church in Evangelism
108 - Ministerial Relationships & Ethics	206 – Effective Leadership Skills
207 - Conflict Management for Leaders	208 - Introduction to AG Missions
306 - Multicultural Ministry	307 - Pastoral Ministry
308 - Church Adm. Finance and Law	
151 – Church Planting*	152 - Biblical Counseling*

CHAPLAINCY STUDIES TRACK- LEVEL 1 BASIC
(4 course track for a certificate)

207- Conflict Management	601- Chaplaincy Basics*
602- Chaplaincy in Practice*	106- Intro.to Pentecostal Doctrine

* These Courses are offered as electives and are *not* academic requirement.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Certification (Level 1)

Prison Epistles - 110

An exegetical study of Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon, and Philippians, with emphasis placed upon their doctrinal and moral teachings. Also highlighted is the book's theme of the glory of God in Christ and the believer's high calling to life in Christ.

Introduction To Hermeneutics - 102

An introduction to various methods of Bible study, with special attention given to basic principles of scriptural interpretation. Emphasis is placed on devotional aspects of study for personal edification.

Life of Christ - 103

The life of Jesus Christ, the words, the miracles, and overarching message of the Messiah come alive in flowing and detailed chronology, set against the cultural, political, and religious setting of his day. You'll gain new understanding of why Jesus came, how he operated, and what he accomplished. Above all, you'll acquire a deeper appreciation for the love that guided his path.

Acts (The Spirit Works) - 104

A detailed study of the origin and development of the apostolic church. The course emphasizes the Church's mission in its proclamation of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Included is an overview of Paul's missionary journeys.

The Church in Evangelism - 105

A study of the contemporary history and practice of evangelism in the church, with an emphasis on the techniques and methods used in personal witnessing. The course also trains students in the art of lifestyle evangelism.

Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine - 106

An introduction to theology (its meaning and purpose) and historic Christian doctrines. Emphasis will be placed upon the Statement of Fundamental Truths of the Assemblies of God and the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

AG History, Missions and Governance - 107

A study of the historical development and governing policies of the Assemblies of God. The Fellowship's history in America and its worldwide missions program is told through stories of the personalities involved. Includes a study of the ecclesiastical structure of the Assemblies of God, with particular attention to the General Council Constitution and Bylaws in relation to credentialed ministers, local churches, district councils, the General Council, and doctrines and practices that are approved and disapproved.

Ministerial Relationships and Ethics - 108

An examination of the moral principles governing human conduct in light of the teachings of Scripture. Special attention is given to the minister's personal and professional code of ethics, and contemporary personal and social issues.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

License (Level 2)

Introduction to Homiletics - 205

A study dealing with sermon delivery that provides a hands-on approach to developing sermon preparation skills. The course content addresses audience analysis, the speaker's physical appearance, gestures, credibility, voice usage, and personality.

Effective Leadership Skills - 206

Emphasizes the leadership priorities Jesus demonstrated in the gospels, engages the reader with practical applications for all pastors, Based on four leadership "faces" of shepherd, servant, steward, and seer.

Conflict Management - 207

A study devoted to the resolution of conflict in the local church. The reasons for churches becoming unhealthy and how God wants to heal them are examined. The lordship of Jesus Christ and His methodology in resolving conflict form the basis of this study.

Eschatology - 204

An advanced study of the doctrine of last things, including topics such as death, Resurrection and Rapture, views of the Tribulation, millennial views, judgment, and the final state of the righteous and the wicked.

Romans - 203

A practical study of Paul's letter to the Romans. The course deals with the book's background and its relation to the rest of Paul's writings. The book's relevance to every day Christian living is a featured theme

Introduction to Systematic Theology - 209

An introduction to theology and a detailed study of the following theological areas: Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Soteriology. Pneumatology

Old Testament Survey - 201

A study of the books of the Old Testament, acquainting the student with key facts in each book. The development of God's plan of redemption throughout the Old Testament canon is highlighted.

New Testament Survey - 202

An overview of the books of the New Testament, emphasizing the key facts and teachings of each book. Applications to contemporary life and ministry are included.

Introduction to AG Missions - 208

An introductory course in the science of missions, reviewing the theology, history and methods of Christian missions in general and within the Assemblies of God. Practical emphasis will be placed upon the pastoral leadership of Missions conventions, Missions Trips....

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Ordination (Level 3)

Pentateuch - 301

An in-depth study of the first five books of the Old Testament. Highlighting God's personal relationship with His creation and the loving covenants made with His people, the study examines the Pentateuch's revelation of God's character and the requirements for relationship with Him.

Church Administration, Finance and Law - 308

Topics cover these major areas: personal management, transitions, leadership, paid-staff supervision, volunteer-staff supervision, management, and finances. Textbook includes hundreds of articles by a veritable Who's Who of the Christian church.

Corinthian Correspondence - 303

An expository study of First and Second Corinthians. Highlighted are Paul's responses to the problems afflicting the Corinthian church, the appropriate operation of the gifts of the Spirit within the congregation, and Paul's views of Christian character and ministry.

Theology of Prayer - 304

A study of biblical prayer stressing the importance and impact of prayer in contemporary life and ministry.

Theology of Worship - 305

An exploration of the scriptural and theological foundations for individual and corporate praise and worship. Various styles and formats of worship are discussed relative to both historical and contemporary settings.

Multicultural Ministry - 306

Explores the different worldviews and mindset of "being" and "doing" cultures, and how our worldviews allow us to value different things, often causing miscommunication. Author explains how promptness and direct conversation may be seen as commendable or rude depending on which culture you're from. Learn how to navigate the waters of culture.

Pastoral Ministry - 307

A study of the practical aspects of pastoral ministry, including the pastor's call, preaching, teaching, church leadership, family life, and more.

Psalms & Proverbs - 302

A study of the Psalms as the Hebrew-Christian prayer book and hymnal. The course includes a study of selected Psalms, noting the authorship, historical setting, structure, meaning, and spiritual application of each. Also studied are the classification of the Psalms, the Messianic applications and citations of Psalms in the New Testament, and their function in the Early Church.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Elective Courses (these are not academic requirements)

History of the Church – 153

A study of the background, establishment, and development of the Christian Church and its influence in world history. The course includes an overview of major revival and renewal movements and an inquiry into the Church's relevance to and relationship with society.

Biblical Counseling – 152

A study of the biblical basis for pastoral counseling and the basic techniques of pastoral care. The course introduces the way these principles can be applied to help believers in the major areas of pastoral concern, including premarital and marital counseling, and counseling the sick, bereaved, and aged.

Apologetics - 155

A philosophical study and defense of the Christian faith, with emphasis on the deity of Christ, His incarnation, substitutionary death, and resurrection. The course helps students explore the relationship between faith and reason and develop a reasoned defense of the Christian worldview.

Bible History and Geography - 159

A study of the chronological development of Israel and the Church. Includes political and cultural considerations and a review of the physical and historical geography of the Bible lands.

Cross Cultural Leadership - 501

Combines anthropology, leadership theory, and theology to the task of cross-cultural ministry. Helps Christian leaders understand the obstacles and pathways to building cooperation among culturally different team members. Case studies help underscore the issues of biblical values, trust, power sharing, and covenant community

Ministry to Muslims - 502

Course provides a basic introduction to the cultures and beliefs of Muslim people and their various sects. Helps Christian workers better understand the theological problems that exist between Islam and Christianity in order to reach out to Muslims with love and understanding

Multicultural Ministries - 503

Study explores the different worldviews and mindset of "being" and "doing" cultures, and how our worldviews allow us to value different things, often causing miscommunication. Author explains how promptness and direct conversation may be seen as commendable or rude depending on which culture you're from. Learn how to navigate the matters of culture

21st Century Missions - 504

Introduces the idea of mission identity and practice as crossing cultures, reaching new frontiers, planting churches, and building believers to participate in world missions. An array of concepts and precise terminology alert us to many misapplications of mission work. Topics include near neighbor witness, frontier region neglect, people blindness, and unreached people group thinking

Intercultural Ministries Practicum - 505

Independent study intended to engage the student in practical experience in launching new or enhancing existing intercultural ministry programs for the local church. Topics include ESL programs, neighborhood surveys, praying for world religions, ethnic relations, and other missional outreach

Chaplaincy Basics - 601

This course will cover the basics of Chaplaincy including, who is a Chaplain, what a Chaplain does, the purpose of Chaplaincy Ministry, and how the ministry of Chaplaincy complements the local church.

Chaplaincy in Practice - 602

This course will cover additional aspects of Chaplaincy including engagement protocols, Introduction of specialized trainings and types of Chaplaincies, and organization of a Chaplaincy ministry through the local church.

TEXTBOOKS

(Course, Textbook, Author)

Certification (Level 1):

- **Life of Christ**, The Words & Works of Jesus Christ, also The Harmony of the Words & Works of Jesus Christ, by J. Dwight Pentecost
- **Acts(The Spirit Works)**, The Book of Acts, Stanley Horton
- **Prison Epistles**, New International Biblical Commentary, Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon, Arthur G. Patzia
- **Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine**, Bible Doctrines, A Pentecostal Perspective, William Menzies and Stanley Horton
- **AG History**, Missions and Governance, Assemblies of God History, missions, & Governance by McGee, Newberry, an Hedlun
- **Intro. To Hermeneutics**, Hermeneutics by Virkler & Ayayo
- **The Church in Evangelism**, Becoming a Contagious Christian, Bill Hybels and Mark Mittenberg
- **Ministerial Relationships & Ethics**, Ministerial Ethics, A Guide for Spirit-Filled Leaders, T. Burton Pierce

License (Level 2):

- **Old Testament Survey**, They spoke from God: A survey from the Old Testament, William Williams
- **New Testament Survey**, New Testament Survey, Merrill Tenney
- **Romans**, Romans, F.F. Bruce
- **Intro to Systematic Theology**, Systematic Theology, Stanley Horton
- **Eschatology**, Our Destiny: Bible Teaching on the Last Things, Stanley Horton
- **Introduction to Homiletics**, Handbook of Contemporary Preaching, M. Duduit and Spirit Led Preaching by Greg Heisler
- **Effective Leadership Skills**, Four faces of a Leader by Bob Rhoden
- **Introduction to AG Missions**, Missions in the Age of the Spirit, John York
- **Conflict Management for Leaders**; “The Peace Maker” by Ken Sandee

Ordination (Level 3)

- **Pentateuch**, An Introduction to the Old Testament Pentateuch, by Herbert Wolf
- **Psalms and Proverbs**, How to Read the Psalms, also How to Read Proverbs. Both books by Tremper Longman III
- **Corinthian Correspondence**, 1 and 2 Corinthians, Stanley Horton
- **Theology of Prayer**, The Spirit Helps Us Pray, Zenas Bicket and Robert Brandt

Ordination (Level 3) continued

- **Theology of Worship**, The Reward of Worship , Jack Hayford
- **Multicultural Ministry**, A Beginner's Guide to Crossing Cultures: Making Friends in a Multicultural World, by Patty Lane
- **Pastoral Ministry**, Servants of the Servant, Don N. Howell, Jr.
- **Church Administration, Finance, and Law**, Leadership Handbook of Management & Administration, Revised and Expanded, by James D. Berkley.

Elective Courses (Non-Credential)*

- **Bible History and Geography**, Baker's Bible Atlas, Charles Pfeiffer
- **Apologetics**, A Ready Defense, Josh McDowell
- **History of the Church**, The Story of the Christian Church, J. Hurlbut
- **Biblical Counseling**, The New Guide to Crisis and Trauma Counseling, H. Norman Wright
- **Cross Cultural Leadership**, Leading Cross Culturally, By Sherwood Lingenfelter
- **Ministry to Muslims**, Healing The Broken Family Of Abraham, by Don McCurry
- **Multicultural Ministry**, A Beginner's Guide to Crossing Cultures: Making Friends in a Multicultural World, by Patty Lane
- **21st Century Missions**, Apostolic Function In 21st Century Missions, by Alan Johnson
- **Intercultural Ministries Practicum**, *Select readings on various missional topics.*
- **Chaplaincy Basics**, Outside the Gates , *by Robert Crick*
- **Chaplaincy in Practice**, *Material provided in class*

TEXTBOOK POLICY

Textbooks are available for purchase on our website or by mail. Students are not required to purchase their textbooks from NYDSOM, and may use e-books when available.

To Order Textbooks Online: go to nyministrynetwork.org, “Credentials”, “New York District School of Ministry”, “Order Textbook” (*powered by Christian Book Distributor*)

To Order by Mail: register & order textbooks by mail by using a Course Registration form and including the \$8 Shipping and Handling fee with your payment. The textbook and Study Guide will be shipped by Priority Mail.

* Courses offered as electives are *not* academic requirements.

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Site Coordinator: Pastor Steven Milazzo / Marisol Carrero

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Crossroads Assembly of God
7 Dalfonso Rd, Newburgh, NY 12550
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Site Coordinator: Pastor Manuel Montalvo / Alexa Montalvo

Student Code of Ethics, Conduct, and Honor

Students are required to read this Academic Catalog thoroughly to insure an understanding of all policies, requirements, and expectations between the student and the New York District School of Ministry (NYDSOM), and agree to abide by the policies of the school, and will follow the guidelines of said policies and procedures while a student in NYDSOM.

Students are expected to conduct themselves in a Christ-like and biblical manner at all times, in both their personal conduct and pursuit of their studies, striving to maintain the highest of ethical standards, including honesty and integrity. Failure to adhere to such standards may result in the student's dismissal from NYD-SOM, subject to the decision of the school's administration.

Students should be respectful of their peers and instructors in the classroom. Behavior that is disruptive to the learning process and disrespectful to others will not be tolerated and will be addressed, first by the instructor of the class, and if necessary, by the administration. Students refusing to be cooperative may be dismissed from the school.

Students are expected to complete the required course assignments on their own effort. While it is reasonable and beneficial for two or more students from the same family, church or community to study together, it is essential that each student's work be his/her own. No students should combine their study results to make a common line of thought that appears identical on multiple pre-class session text overviews. Situations of this nature will be brought to the attention of the school's administration and will be investigated to determine if discipline is warranted.

Student Internship, Continuing Education & Biblical training for laypersons

The scope of NYDSOM's ministry is not limited to meeting the curriculum requirements for those seeking ministerial credentials. Three programs conducted by the school enhance the learning experience of those completing their education, those already in the field of ministry, and laypersons desiring to know more about the Bible.

Student Internship and Assimilation Program

This program exists to assimilate the student from the learning environment of classroom training to the practical application in the field of ministry. Participants develop ministry skills through interaction with a local mentor and the program director. Participation is required for persons seeking ministerial credentials or advancement. Internships can be done through your local church and Pastor, or arrangements can be made to help you find someone.

Certificate of Biblical Studies Program

This program is designed for persons wanting to learn more about the Bible but do not sense a call to vocational ministry. Successful completion of the required 8 courses, chosen by the student out of 10 biblical courses, earn the Certificate of Biblical Studies.

Certificate of Intercultural Studies 5 Course Elective Track

This elective track will enable you to minister more effectively in multicultural environments! These courses will also combine personal study and classroom setting to equip and strengthen you for ministry. Earn a Certificate of Completion for this track. (See the Intercultural Electives Registration form for locations & schedule)

Certificate of Chaplaincy Basics - Level 1 - 4 Course Tract

New for 2017 In This elective tract you will gain a greater appreciation for Chaplains and begin a path toward Chaplaincy Ministry. (See the Chaplaincy Level 1 Studies Registration Form - Locations & schedule) Note: Recognition as a Chaplain is not guaranteed by taking NYDSOM classes... but is a separate process.