CO015 Old Testament in the New Testament
The authors of the New Testament drew heavily on their Scripture (what many Christians now call the Old Testament) when writing their stories or correspondence about Jesus and what it meant to follow him. This course explores the various ways that these authors used the Old Testament to make sense of their experiences of Jesus.

CO031 Church History for the Practice of Ministry
This course offers an overview of the history of Christianity from the apostolic age to the twenty-first century. Two central emphases will link the Christian communities surveyed. First, we will discuss and evaluate how churches have responded to broader societal shifts, including responses to different religious traditions, political realities, understandings of gender and sexuality, and globalization. Second, students will be asked to consider what role narratives of the history of Christianity play in contemporary conversations within the church. Students will read, analyze, discuss, and interpret primary readings each week in relation to these two emphases. Recorded lectures, online course modules, and a brief survey of Christian history will provide the overarching narrative. Assignments will include an essay analyzing one or more primary sources, a group project that evaluates the role that narratives of Christianity assume in the church today, and a creative project that presents the history of Christianity to a general audience.

CO042 Heresies Old & New
Through research, reading, thinking, and discussion this course will work on developing our own understanding of some of the major heresies rejected by the Christian Church, from early Gnosticism to contemporary heresies. Part of our analysis will be to discern whether they have been correctly or incorrectly rejected.

CO043 Global Christologies: The Many Faces of Jesus
Courses in Christology often seek to respond to Jesus’ question, “Who do you say that I am?” This course continues to pursue that question, but with a variety of ways in which Jesus is interpreted in different cultural contexts. As we look at the various Christological orientations, we will be mindful of the prophetic ways Jesus has engaged the world. The question of ‘who Jesus is’ goes beyond doctrinal confession, but brings together a lively engagement in our faith and life refreshing Christian discipleship and church practices.

CO044 Karl Barth Without Apology
Recognizing the influence of Karl Barth upon 20th and 21st century theology, this course seeks to articulate the theology of Karl Barth both from the external perspective of the theological atmosphere in which Barth did theology, and from the internal perspective of his theology’s own development. This course will examine such themes as “the subject of theology”, “the possibility of theology”, and the “goal of theology” (among other questions). This course, due to its development of context, will also provide a sketch of the trajectory of 20th c. theology (as so much theology developed in reaction to him). Careful attention will be paid not only to the appropriation of Barth’s theology in recent times, but to the conceptualizing of Barth’s theology for Church practice.

CO090 Stewardship in This New Age of Mission
The complexities of stewardship in this new age of mission require more agility than a simple tweak of the congregation's fall drive. This course embraces those complexities by attending both to the deep theological impulses of the missional conversation in conjunction with this emerging cultural context. Together, we will consider a contextual, integrative approach that welcomes congregational learning immersed in new practices and toward fruitful innovation.