I. **Course Description**

This is the first course in the Christian Catechesis program. It will introduce both certificate and degree students to the history and theology of classic Christian formation – its biblical and Christ-centered foundation; its doctrinal, spiritual, and moral orientation; and its place within the worshiping and missional life of the church. Students will examine the biblical roots of catechesis; key texts of ancient, medieval, and reformation catechesis; and contemporary theologians and educators committed to the renewal of catechesis.

II. **Required Course Texts**

ALL:
- Select Primary Readings (via Google Classroom)

DEGREE STUDENTS (Optional for Certificate Students):
- Select Secondary Readings (via Google Classroom)

III. **Course Design**

This course will explore the key biblical and theological principles that have shaped the historic practice of Christian catechesis through a combination of lectures and discussion of key texts from the history of Christian catechesis. Course sessions will include both recorded lectures and online discussion.

IV. **Course Grading**

Certificate students will take the course pass/fail, but must participate in class and complete all assigned work in order to pass. For degree students, a combination of classroom participation, reading assignments, and written assignments will serve as the requirements and grade basis for the course.