



Alternative Lab Requirement Log Sheet for Completion of the Applied Theology Degree

The standard lab requirements are given in the student 200-Level log sheet. However, this "Alternative Lab Work" sheet is made available through the seminary for students who are already involved in fulltime or near fulltime ministries. On an individual bases (*with the Academic Dean's permission and calculation/determination of equivalent lab work for credit hours*), other service may be deemed acceptable for fulfilling credit-hour requirements. Students in fulltime ministry positions are encouraged to contact the seminary regarding acceptable alternative lab work. For information, contact the seminary at (541) 714-3626.



Special Consideration: For those to whom it applies (i.e., those with special permission from the seminary's Academic Dean regarding acceptable alternative requirements [i.e., ministry service lab hours, both study and service]) to some of the standard lab credit-hours listed above), this box is to be checked when lab-hours are completed.

Equivalency for Lab-Credit Hour Assessment: _____

- *Lecture (development, delivery, classroom time, eval. reports): 162 hours*
- *Required & Addit. Reading ⊂ Req. lectures, textbooks, articles ⊃: 76 hours*
- *Christian Min. (evangelistic ⊂ evan. preaching ⊃, on call S. services): 151 hours*
- *S. Service req. ⊂ On-Call Service Req's. ⊃: 163 hours*
- *Devotional study & Prayer Lab Req's.: 157 hours*
- *Additional Reading & online resources: 116 hours*

Total credit hours, estimated classroom and lab work 825 hours

Academic Dean's Signature for Approval: _____

Final step:

When checklist is completed, sign and give to instructor.

Student Signs: _____ Date _____

Print Name: _____

Instructions for Ministers Fulfilling the 200-Level Courses Requirements for Credit

The assessment of credit hours (including *lab* hours) are determined by the Academic Dean of School of the Called Seminary in order to be in compliance with H.E.C.C. of the State of Oregon for a religious degree granting institution. Credit hour equivalency to the traditional credit hour is an *estimated load* rather than an exact measurement of time.

The Academic Dean has offered qualifying students the following accelerated track which condenses and incorporates the lab requirements for the 200-Level course of study into 6 categories. The time to fulfill all 200-Level lab requirements @ the rate of 39.25 hours per week will take 21 weeks.

Estimated load (*spread over a 21 week period*) per week:

- 1.) Lecture (development, delivery, classroom time, eval. reports) @ 7.7 hrs. per week.
- 2.) Required & Prep. Reading \subset *Req. lectures, textbooks, articles* \supset @ 3.6 hrs. per week.
- 3.) Christian Min. (evangelistic \subset *evan. preaching* \supset , on call S. servies) @ 7.2 hrs. per week.
- 4.) S. Service req. \subset On-Call [WKLY] Service Req's. \supset @ 7.75 hrs. per week.
- 5.) Devotional study & Prayer Lab Req's @ 7.5 hrs. per week.
- 6.) Additional Reading & online resources @ 5.5 hrs. per week.

These 6 categories combine to produce roughly an estimated 40 hours per week. For questions, call (541) 714-3626—ask for the Academic Dean.

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To state this as simply as possible: Concerning a senior pastor (i.e., you as the instructor in your local congregation), fulfilling the lab requires for credit amounts to 21 weeks of pastoring. Besides teaching the 12 courses to those you are discipling, just your typical ministry-week as a senior pastor has been estimated to fulfill the roughly 40 hrs. a week lab requirements for the 200-Level courses—for *pastoring (including the teaching of the 12 courses) should naturally include all the above 6 categories required*.

Therefore, from the first lesson you prepare for and teach, keep track of the next 21 weeks of pastoring (it must be 21 new weeks in order to earn lab credit, not 21 past weeks of pastoring). At the conclusion of 21 weeks (in which you have also taught all twelve courses to those you are discipling), you will have fulfilled all your lab requirements to obtain the 22 credits which can be applied towards the A. A. in Theology Degree (*as well as earning the in-house Applied Theology Degree from the seminary*).

To apply for/receive the 22 credits, email a brief evaluation for each of the 12 courses to schoolofthecalledseminary@outlook.com, including your name, church and phone number. The seminary will add the credits to your transcript and prepare the appropriate diploma for the in-house credits and degree towards an A.A. in Theology Degree. Regarding the evaluations you write: The seminary is not asking you to write a deep evaluation for the courses, but only a sentence or two stating your approval of, or your suggestion for, improving the seminary's supplied outlines for each course. The two examples given below demonstrate the briefness desired regarding your evaluations for each of the ten courses:

Example 1: "Course DC209: I appreciate the solid Scriptural foundation and the clear setting forth of the Infinite Sacrifice for sin. I believe the outline is extremely useful."

Example 2: "Course DC217: I greatly appreciated the sound and solid Scriptural foundation, and found the examples used and the practical insight helpful. However, I think the course could be improved through more lectures addressing situational encounters."