

Joint Program of Study Between The Centre for Christian Studies and The Faculty of Theology, University of Winnipeg

REVISED AGREEMENT – approved by CCS Council March 17, 2007

Overview

This program is designed to enable students who have been granted the “Diploma in Diaconal Ministries: Studies in Transformation and Action” from the Centre for Christian Studies (CCS) to undertake an additional program with the University of Winnipeg Faculty of Theology (F of T) leading to a Master of Arts or Bachelor of Theology.

This agreement replaces the original agreement, signed by CCS and F of T October, 2000. It becomes effective when signed by both parties.

1. The Centre and the Faculty of Theology will collaborate to offer a program of study leading to a Master of Arts (MA) or a Bachelor of Theology (BTh) degree to be conferred by the University of Winnipeg.
2. Outline of the two degree programs

Master of Arts (60 credit hours required)

Credits Earned through the Centre for Christian Studies Diploma Program

Leadership Development Module **6 credit hours** (cross listed with F of T**)

One of three theme years from CCS program:

Social Ministry, Educational Ministry, Pastoral Ministry

15 credit hours (Note: the Theme Year is valued at 18 credit hours but only 15 are required for the degree) (3 credit hours cross listed with F of T**)

Integrating Year (including Global Perspectives Experience)

3 credit hours (Note: the Integrating Year is valued at 21 credit hours but only 3 are required for the degree)

8 courses* (Intro to Christian Scriptures, Intro to Hebrew Scriptures, Intro to Theology, Intro to

Ethics, Intro Church History, Elective in Christian Scripture, Elective in Hebrew Scripture and Elective in Theology) (**24 credit hours**)

15 credit hours (to be taken at a recognized/approved theological school, which could be F of T)

9 credit hours (to be taken at F of T)

* in total 8 courses are to be taken, 3 must be taken from F of T

**additional external courses can be taken at F of T in lieu of cross listed courses

Credits Earned after completion of CCS Diploma (**12 credit hours**)

Thesis Seminar 3 credit hours (to be taken at F of T)

Thesis 9 credit hours (to be taken at F of T)

OR

Courses in Concentration or Specialization 12 credit hours (to be taken at F of T)

Bachelor of Theology (126 credit hours)

Undergraduate Requirements (30 credit hours)

Leadership Development Module 6 credit hours (cross listed with F of T**)

Theme Year One CCS Program 18 credit hours

2 Elective Courses* 6 credit hours

Biblical/Theological/Applied Ministry Requirements (96 credit hours)

Theme Years Two and Three CCS Program 36 credit hours (3 credit hours cross-listed with F of T**)

Integrating Year CCS Program (including Global Perspectives Experience) 21 credit hours

Facilitated Field Education 9 credit hours

6 Elective Courses* 18 credit hours (at least 9 credit hours to be taken at F of T)

Honour's Thesis (and preparatory seminar) OR Courses in Concentration or Specialization 12 credit hours (F of T)

* Courses to be chosen from Intro to Christian Scriptures, Intro to Hebrew Scriptures, Intro to Theology, Intro to Ethics, Intro to Church History, Elective in Christian Scripture, Elective in Hebrew Scripture and Elective in Theology

**additional external courses can be taken at F of T in lieu of cross listed courses

3. CCS will be responsible for the admission of students into its program, for the program design and delivery and for the assessment of the student leading to the conferring of the diploma. CCS approves all the courses taken to earn the CCS diploma. CCS will maintain the student's file, including certified transcripts of all courses taken at other institutions and applied to the CCS diploma.

4. When a student enrolled in the Joint Program completes their diploma, CCS will forward a certified copy of the student's transcript to the Faculty.

5. Students will be encouraged to apply to the Joint Program by the conclusion of their second year in the CCS program. The Registrar at the Faculty will be available to provide academic consultation (not approval) with students regarding F of T course selection after admission to Joint Program.

6. The Faculty will be responsible for the admission of students into the Joint Program, and for the program design and delivery and for the assessment of the student's performance for those aspects of the program earned after the CCS Diploma is complete. The terms and conditions of admission to the CCS/F of T Master of Arts and Bachelor of Theology programs are distinct to this agreement. All CCS diploma students, in good standing, are eligible for the Joint Program. The Faculty will maintain the student's file after the student has completed the diploma.

7. The Faculty will place all the courses cross listed with CCS in their regular calendar and promote the courses among their student body when the courses are offered. On an annual basis CCS will provide the Faculty with updated course descriptions and inform the Faculty of teaching staff. CCS will inform their student body of the courses available through the Faculty.

Each school will include information on the program on their website.

8. Each January CCS administrative staff and Faculty administrative staff will reconcile program enrolment and prepare a statistical report on Joint Program student status.

9. CCS Program Staff will be appointed as adjunct faculty of the Faculty.

10. Any CCS graduate can make an application to the Joint Program. Admission to the program, for applicants who are not concurrently CCS students, or who graduated from CCS prior to 2000, will be assessed on the basis of previous academic work, including the CCS diploma and additional academic courses and professional training. Admission to the program requires the approval of both CCS and F of T. CCS will periodically inform graduates of the Joint Program opportunity.

11. Only those external courses credited in the CCS diploma program, which have not been used toward another degree, can be credited to the Joint Program.

12. In addition to the requirements of the Faculty, students are required to submit one bound copy of their thesis to CCS for its library.

13. CCS will be invited to participate in the University of Winnipeg Convocation when there are graduates of the Joint Program.

14. Termination from the CCS diploma program, will result in automatic termination in the Joint Program. CCS will notify the Faculty when a student withdraws or is terminated from the diploma program. The Faculty will notify CCS when a student or CCS graduate withdraws or is terminated from the Joint Program.

15. This agreement will be reviewed in 5 years (2011) or by mutual agreement of both parties.

Caryn Douglas, Principal, Date
Centre for Christian Studies
James Christie, Dean, Date
University of Winnipeg, Faculty of Theology

Procedural Notes

Transitional arrangements

During the period of transition as the students who began the program under the previous design adapt to the new design, accommodation will be made to enable students to obtain the credits they require.

Cross listed course

Specifically in regard to the change in the program which requires students to obtain 3 credit hours by cross listing a learning circle from one of the CCS theme years, students will be provided with a process to seek Advanced Standing for these credits. Students will be

responsible for paying the fees associated with cross listing. Since the cross listing is not a new requirement, but only a reallocation of the prescribed course to be cross listed, this is not a penalty to students.

Thesis alternative

Students currently in the Joint Program will be appraised of the new option of course work in a specialization or concentration as an alternative to the thesis and may elect that option.

Courses

Cross listed courses

The CCS courses which will be cross listed with F of T, for the purposes of this program are:

Leadership Development Module 6 credits

Pastoral Care Learning Circle 1 6 credits

Pastoral Care Learning Circle 2 6 credits

Educational Ministry Learning Circle 1 6 credits

Educational Ministry Learning Circle 2 6 credits

Social Ministry Learning Circle 1 6 credits

Social Ministry Learning Circle 2 6 credits

This does not preclude other CCS courses from being cross listed with the F of T.

Normally, a CCS student would elect to cross list a Learning Circle in their final theme year.

This would be encouraged so minimize the expense for students who may withdraw from CCS after having registered in the Joint Program. It also allows the maximum time for students to determine if they will be earning other course credit at the F of T that they would using in lieu of the cross listed course.

Credit value

While the cross listed Learning Circle courses (described above) are weighted at 6 credits, CCS students only require 3 credit hours to fulfill their degree requirements. Provision will be made for CCS Joint Program students ONLY, to register for the cross listed courses as a 3 credit course.