# CHILDREN'S AND FAMILY MINISTRY

# CF 510 · Introduction to Children's, Youth and Family Ministry 4 Credits

Exploration of the biblical foundations of ministry to children, youth, and families will be addressed in this course. Examination of current theories, contemporary models, developmental perspectives, and biblical, practical and ethical considerations of evangelism of children and youth in the local and global context.

# CF 610 • Ministry with Families Throughout the Life Cycle 4 Credits

Exploration of church ministry with families, focused on leadership toward strengthening family life, education in the church, and family nurture in the home. Examination of the family life cycle as a means of assessing educational intervention opportunities. Analysis of family types and relationships, along with potential ministry options and practical models of family ministry.

# CF 620 • The Teaching Learning Process 4 Credits

Explanation of the theological, biblical, and philosophical purposes that undergird Christian teaching. Application of curricular theory as it relates to ministry teaching contexts. Development of original curricula/lessons for children, youth and family ministry. Explanation of awareness of personal learning and teaching styles. Demonstration of skills of evaluation (self and peer review), which can be transferred into teacher training/ leadership. Evaluation of various denominational and independent curriculum publications.

A participation fee is associated with this course.

#### CF 630 • Leadership in Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry 4 Credits

Explanation of the theological foundation for ministry to children, including those at risk. Analysis of the biblical foundations and contemporary practices for leaders. Examination of the character, skills, and strategic emergence of a leader. Detection of culture, climate and other organizational dynamics that influence a ministry. Development of techniques and strategies for team building and staff development. Evaluation of leadership growth strategies. Demonstration of management strategies and personal ministry skills.

#### CF 670 · Directed Study in Children's and Family Ministries 1-9 Credits

Research and study by arrangement with the professor.

Special Notes: Permission is required.

# CF 699PT • Portfolio in Children's and Family Ministry 0.5-6 Credits

Portfolio course of preselected topics within an existing course in the field of Children's and Family Ministry.

Special Notes: Portfolio courses are created upon request with permission by an overseeing Program Director.

# CF 772 • Seminar in Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry 2 Credits

A Master of Divinity or Doctor of Ministry concentration course; an in-depth study of a particular Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry theme.

Special Notes: Fulfills DMin elective requirements.

#### CF 774 · Seminar in Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry 4 Credits

A Master of Divinity or Doctor of Ministry concentration course; an in-depth study of a particular Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry theme.

Special Notes: Fulfills DMin elective requirements.

# CF 899PT • Portfolio in Children's and Family Ministry 0.5-6 Credits

Portfolio course of preselected topics within an existing course in the field of Children's and Family Ministry.

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