WARTBURG THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FIRST-YEAR STUDENT REGISTRATION – SPRING 2022

TO: All First-Year Degree Students (MDiv/MA/MADiacMin, and RL/DL/CL)

FROM: Kevin Anderson, Registrar

DUE DATE: Upon Receipt. Preferably by December 10 if possible, and IDEALLY BY NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 17

You will use MyWTS (https://mywts.wartburgseminary.edu) to register for Spring Semester courses based on expectations of your degree program and your respective category of student [Residential Learner (RL), Distributed Learner (DL), or Collaborative Learner (CL)]. Attached as a separate document are instructions on how to use MyWTS and the Drop/Add Courses function under the Students tab to accomplish this registration.

Please note the grading options for each course – all provide the option for credit/no-credit (i.e., pass/fail) grading, while only some provide the option of letter grade – you will need to select the grading option for each course as an additional step in the MyWTS course add process. (You can change the grading option in most cases during the first four weeks of the fall semester; separate instructions will be provided later on how to do that.)

Starting on the next page are what I anticipate for each of you to register for spring semester for your degree based on the new curriculum that is described in the Fall 2020 Catalog Supplement. If you are in a different situation (e.g, part-time, transfer credits), please contact your advisor and/or Registrar (me) directly to get further instructions.

NOTE: When you log into the MyWTS web portal, be sure to check the banner messages on the Home page to see whether you still need to complete either or both the **Personal Information Update** or **sign the Business office form**. If so, please take care of both of those first.

Also, if you have received these instructions from the Registrar, but are a new incoming spring-starting student and still seeing the "New Student" hold on your account preventing registration, please contact the Registrar (Kevin Anderson) about getting that hold removed.

Be sure you select the academic term "2021-2022 Academic Year – Spring Semester" for all course registrations described here.

Master of Arts students (non-MA Diaconal Ministry), totaling a minimum of 14.5 credits

- One 3-credit BI course (or a combination of BI courses totaling 3 credits). Likely options this spring among the three-credit courses include:
 - BI 190W Engaging the New Testament Narratives, either letter or credit/no-credit grading
 - BI 224W Hebrew Bible 2, BUT ONLY IF YOU SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED BI 222W IN THE FALL; either letter or credit/no-credit grading
- One 3-credit HT course (or a combination of HT courses totaling 3 credits). Likely options this spring among the three-credit courses include:
 - HT 140W Systematic Theology, either letter or credit/no-credit grading. **NOTE**: The instructor strongly recommends, for your best learning experience in HT 140, that you complete Systematic Theology as a synchronous student if at all possible. Contact Dr. Winston Persaud if you absolutely cannot.
 - HT 205W The Global Church in Motion 2 (on Reformation-era church history and mission up to the present), either letter or credit/no-credit grading.
- One 3-credit MN or IN course (other than IN 142 or IN 162), or a combination of IN and MN courses totaling 3 credits. Likely options among the three-credit courses this spring include:
 - MN 270W Pastoral Care in Context, 3 credits, credit/no-credit grading only
- IN 347W MA Integrative Capstone Seminar, 3 credits, **credit/no-credit grading only** NOTE: This new course combines together what was previously the separate MN 265W course, the IN 300 MA Research Seminar, and IN 302 capstone project.
- IN 162W-L1 Spiritual Practices 2, 0.5 credits, credit/no-credit grading only
- Two (2) credit (or more) of elective or specialization credit (if needed) beyond the above to make sure you are completing a minimum of 30 credits hours for your degree. This is to make up for the missing credit that comes up due to IN 347 being only 3 credits, whereas the project and named course requirements use to total 5 credits.

NOTE: The above is the new Master of Arts degree program for students who started in Fall 2021 and later, and who were specifically admitted to the revised new MA degree program. The introduction of the IN 347W replace seminar requirement came during the Fall Semester of 2021, and retroactively applies to all new students who started in Fall 2021, plus any Fall 2020-starting students who had not completed their capstone project or the separate MN 265 and IN 300 courses (as the later two-named courses will not be also separately taught). If for some reason you are a previous Fall 2020-entranced students, but are missing something and cannot take IN 347W, then please contact Susan Ebertz, who is the MA Coordinator.