

WARTBURG THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
Accelerated Ministry Program (AMP) Student Registration – SPRING 2025

FROM: Kevin Anderson, Registrar

DUE DATE: Beginning December 2. Preferably by December 13 if possible, and IDEALLY BY NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 20

You will use MyWTS (<https://mywts.wartburgseminary.edu>) to register for Spring Semester courses based on your respective year in the BA/MDiv Accelerated Ministry Program. Please work with your faculty advisor and the Registrar if your program is different than described in our AMP documents, as some of you may have come in with additional courses already completed at Wartburg College.

Attached as a separate document are instructions on how to use MyWTS and the Drop/Add Courses function under the Student 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.)

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.

IMPORTANT: Any Business Office or Registrar’s HOLD on your account must be taken care of and cleared by the appropriate office in order to pre-register for your spring courses.

Courses to Register for: Students following the prescribed curriculum will register as indicated:

Be sure you select the academic term “2024-2025 Academic Year – Spring Semester” for all course registrations described here.

YEAR 1 AMP Students, totaling normally 12.5 credits:

BI 190W-L1 Engaging in the New Testament Narratives, 3 credits, either letter or credit/no-credit grading

HT 140W-L1 Systematic Theology, 3 credits, either letter or credit/no-credit grading

NOTE: The instructors strongly recommends, for your best learning experience in HT 140, that you complete Systematic Theology as a synchronous student. Contact Dr. Winston Persaud if you absolutely cannot. See the caution below if you did not start with your Wartburg Seminary coursework this past Fall Semester.

MN 230W Preaching, 3 credits, either letter or credit/no-credit grading. **See instructions below on how to select your preaching precept, as you will actually register by precept and the time slot that works best for your schedule. All students will have the plenary session on Mondays automatically part of their schedule.**

IN 142W-L1 Formation for Discipleship: Vocation, Witness, and Ministry, 2 credits, **credit/no-credit grading only**

IN 172W-L1 Fieldwork 2, 1 credit, **credit/no-credit grading only**

IN 162W-L1 Spiritual Practices 2, 0.5 credits, **credit/no-credit grading only**

A note about HT 140W registration: These instructions, and the recommended course listed above, assumes that you are a “returning student” in that you just completed the fall semester this year, particularly the IN 141W Jesus Christ and Plural Worlds course. If you are NOT a returning student, and indeed starting new with Wartburg Seminary with this spring semester, then there are further cautions that need to be discussed first with your faculty advisor (and possibly the instructors of HT 140W) about your preparedness to be in HT 140W Systematic Theology right away this year.

PREACHING REGISTRATION. You will register by the preaching present (S1 through S5 for synchronous options, or AS for asynchronous. Registration in preaching precepts is strictly controlled in order to keep the size of each group consistent across precepts for the particular teaching mode employed. Further, the preaching precepts for Spring 2025 separate the Residential/In-Classroom Students from the Off-campus/Zoom DL/CL students: There is also one Asynchronous precept (Precept AS) for those students who absolutely cannot make any one of the prescribed synchronous Zoom precepts.

There are currently five (5) options scheduled for Synchronous Preaching Precepts (with a placeholder scheduled for a possible sixth precept if enough interested students require such a precept):

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| • Precept 1 (S1) | For In-Classroom (RL) Only | Mondays, 1:15-3:05 pm |
| • Precept 2 (S2) | For In-Classroom (RL) Only | Mondays, 3:20-5:10 pm |
| • Precept 3 (S3) | For Synchronous DL/CL Students | Tuesdays, 1:15-3:05 pm |
| • Precept 4 (S4) | For Synchronous DL/CL Students | Tuesdays, 3:20-5:10 pm |
| • Precept 5 (S5) | For Synchronous DL/CL Students | Fridays., 8:30-10:20 am |

- Precept AS Asynchronous Students Only
- The scheduled placeholder for Precept 6 (S6) – If it becomes necessary, will be Friday afternoons, tentatively 1:15-3:05 pm, for Synchronous Students

The Registrar will have the registration system set up with an enrollment limit set on each option that will start out at initially six (6) students allowed in each, and will only increase a precept to seven students once we have reached the limit of six in all the others precepts of the same teaching mode, and then to eight when we have seven in each precept, and so on – this is so we can try to keep the precepts equal in size.. This is probably the “trickiest” bit about using the MyWTS web portal to complete pre-registration, as you will only be able to select a precept if it is not filled yet. The Registrar will be making periodic adjustments to these enrollment limits as registration proceeds. But the Registrar’s timing will likely not match the time when you are registering, so you may need to notify the registrar as precepts are filled. You may place your name on a “wait list” for a precept, but there is absolutely no guarantee that such a request may be honored, so still please register for a section that could work if necessary.

YEAR 2 AMP Students, totaling normally 9.5 credits (plus 9 additional credits that the Registrar should have already added for a portion of your CL internship, assuming it has already started)

BI 224W-L1 Hebrew Bible II (3 hrs). Credit/no-credit grading or Letter grade.

HT 205W-L1 The Global Church in Motion 2 (3 hrs). Credit/no-credit grading or Letter grade.

MN 255W-L1 Being Body of Christ (2 hrs) Credit/no-credit grading or Letter grade.

IN 162W-L1 Spiritual Practices 2, 0.5 credits, **credit/no-credit grading only**

A minimum of one (1) elective credit in order to remain on track for credits in completing your MDiv degree program.

Plus any of the earlier MDiv requirements still missing (including rural ministry and/or youth/family ministry courses).

YEAR 3 AMP Students, totaling normally 12.5 credits (plus any additional requirements that you may have missed – particularly Rural Ministry or Youth/Family Ministry requirements)

For your Advanced Bible – New Testament requirement, choose one of the two following options (for which we will divide the students half-and-half between the two options in order to keep the two courses even in enrollment size),

Either:

BI 368W The Four-Fold Witness: Text, Theology, and Afterlives, 3 hours, either letter grade or credit/no-credit grading. Giere

Or:

BI 375W Romans, 3 hours, either letter grade or credit/no-credit grading.
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MN 306W Living Liturgies (3 hrs, **Credit/no credit grading only**)

IN 345W Word, Image, Imagination (3 hrs, **Credit/no-credit grading only**)

IN 346W Reading and Leading in Context (3 hrs, **Credit/no-credit grading only**)

IN 362W Spiritual Practices 6 (0.5 credits, **Credit/no-credit grading only**)

Also, check to make sure that you will have a minimum of 116 credits for your MDiv degree, and if not, add elective courses as may be required. Also make sure you have all Spiritual Practices units, plus your Rural Ministry and Youth/Family Ministry requirements.