CONCENTRATIONS

A concentration is a cluster of related courses beyond the core and is designed for vocational or disciplinary specialization. For students who choose a concentration in programs that do not require one, the addition of the concentration may require taking independent studies and/or extend the length of time at seminary in order to fulfill the concentration requirements.

Biblical Studies Concentration

· M.Div., M.A. (Theological Studies)

The Biblical Studies concentration deepens students' understanding of the Bible's history and its integrative themes, and equips them with additional skills for responsible interpretation of the biblical message. The concentration is also recommended as preparation for advanced degrees in biblical studies. Concentration requires 10 credits of courses in the Biblical Interpretation, Biblical Theology, Old Testament, and/or New Testament subject areas.

Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry

· M.Div. only

Concentration requires students to complete 10 credits of courses in the Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry subject area. Possible CF courses in this area include CF 510 Introduction to Children's, Youth and Family Ministry; CF 610 Ministry with Families Throughout the Life Cycle; CF 620 The Teaching Learning Process; CF 630 Leadership in Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry; and PC 632 Pastoral Care of Children, Youth and Families.

Theological and Historical Studies Concentration

· M.Div., M.A. (Theological Studies)

This concentration acquaints students more fully with the theological resources of the Christian tradition and the church's experience through the centuries. It provides opportunity to develop theological skills and to selectively appropriate from the Christian heritage what may be usefully applied to contemporary challenges and opportunities. The concentration is also recommended as preparation for advanced degrees in these fields. Concentration requires: 10 credits of courses in the Historical Studies, Theological Studies, and/or Philosophy of Religion subject areas.