The Meros Center Theology of Community Health Updated: December 19, 2024

Community Health Ministry 011: Theology of Community Health

Wisconsin Lutheran College

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Catalog Description

CHM--011 Theology of Community Health

This course focuses on the biblical foundation and theology necessary to implement a community health ministry initiative in your church or community. It covers the theology of the cross, anthropology, the two kingdoms, shalom, vocation, ethics, and the role of science in Christian living. The objective is to provide students with a biblical lens through which community health ministry is understood and applied as a service to our neighbors.

Required Texts

A Bible.

Vocation: The Setting for Human Flourishing by Michael Berg An electronic copy of this book is available on Canvas.

Course Content & Requirements

This self-study course consists of six instructional modules. All course content is located in our learning management system Canvas and access to Canvas is required for completion of the course and overall certificate program. Tutorial videos on how to find your way in Canvas are found in the Canvas Community here: https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Video-Guide/tkb-p/videos#student-videos. For additional assistance please email Training@meroscenter.org.

Videos, Readings, Quizzes

Each of the instructional weeks includes two videos, two readings, and a quiz. Please read the assigned readings, watch the videos, and take the quiz to show your mastery of the content. There are also additional videos and readings that are not required but might prove useful to students.

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Overview

Module	Video Lesson Title	Reading
Module 1	Image of God & Original Sin and Grace	Genesis 1-11; Ephesians
Module 2	Two Kinds of Righteousness & Bound Choice	Romans 1-16
Module 3	The Theology of the Cross	Heidelberg Disputation; Mark
Module 4	Two Kingdom Theology & Body and Soul	Excerpt: "Two Kingdoms"
		Excerpt: "Body and Soul"
Module 5	Vocation & Shalom	Vocation Book
Module 6	Vocational Ethics & Spiritual Care	Finish Vocation Book

Extra Materials

- 1. Video on Philosophical Eras and an article from Logia.
- 2. Video on Scientism and Epistemology and a book excerpt on scientism.
- 3. A video on Christian Freedom.
- 4. A video on Critical Theory and Hermeneutics and corresponding book excerpts.

Course Completion

In order to receive acknowledgment of successfully completing the course, you must achieve at least a 70% mark on each of the six module-based assessments as well as at least an 80% mark on the final assessment. You may repeat these assessments as many times as necessary to pass. Students will have access to the course for one year and must complete all course requirements within that timeframe.

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