

COS 224 Pastoral Leadership and Administration
United Theological Seminary
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Objectives

This course focuses on developing the student's competency as an administrator in a United Methodist congregation.

Students will be able to:

1. Articulate a biblical and theological understanding of polity
2. Understand and explain the polity of The United Methodist Church, including conferencing, oversight, and discipline.
3. Articulate the nature of stewardship biblically and theologically
4. Identify techniques and develop skills as effective administrators of local churches, including financial management.

Required Resources

1. The United Methodist Book of Discipline 2012. (Please bring the Book of Discipline 2012 with you to class.)
2. Leadership in the Wesleyan Spirit, Lovett H. Weems, Jr.
3. The Web of Women's Leadership: Recasting Congregational Ministry by Susan Willhauck and Jacquelyn Thorpe

Course Schedule:

Online Environment: **June 21- August 1, 2015.**

☞ This course begins with work on campus and continues with work online. Typical work online includes reading assigned books or documents, engaging in on-line discussion groups, and writing reflections on case studies. All online engagement will be complete by **August 1, 2015.**

On Campus Weekend: June 19-20, 2015. The On-Campus Weekend will begin at 2:30 on Friday and end by 2:30pm on Saturday. Friday class is 2:30 pm to 8:30 pm, with a dinner break at 5:00 pm; Saturday resumes at 8:30 am, breaks for lunch at noon, and concludes at 2:30 pm. Please bring the Book of Discipline 2012 and Bible with you to class.

Final Semester Project/Paper:

☞ Final Paper (8-10 pages) is due by **11:59 pm EDT August 1, 2015.**