

2026-27 Northwest University Concurrent Credit Course Offerings

ARTE 1343 Introduction to Photography

A course that familiarizes students with the essential elements of digital photography. The digital camera, effects of light and composition, and electronic darkroom possibilities using photo-manipulation software are covered. This course provides opportunities for students to develop their skills by means of classroom instruction and experimentation in real-world contexts. The goal is to assist each student in the creation of compelling images.

BIBL 1053 The Christian Scriptures

This course introduces the content of the Old and New Testaments, focusing on the important events and persons that are central to the biblical narrative and on the topics and themes that are essential to the theological structure of the Christian Scriptures.

BIBL 2213 Jesus of Nazareth

This course offers a detailed introduction to the person and work of Jesus through the lens of the Gospels. Following an overview of the best methods for reading the Gospels, attention is directed to the presentation of important events in the life of Jesus in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

BIBL 2233 The Holy Spirit in the New Testament Church (The Book of Acts)

An analytical study of the book of Acts and the origin, establishment, expansion, and teaching of the early Church. Emphasis is given to the content of the book, the journeys of Paul, and the settings of the New Testament epistles. The course is recommended as background for the Pauline and General Epistles.

BIBL 2553 Biblical Interpretation

This course is an introduction to the theory and practice of responsible biblical interpretation. Students will learn exegetical skills and methods, while also developing their understanding of the discipline of biblical hermeneutics. Attention will be given to critical methodologies, contextual factors, and theological convictions that aid in the wise interpretation and effective communication of the contents of Christian Scripture.

CHIS/HIST 2103 The Story of Christianity

This course provides an introduction and overview of the major eras in the history of the Church from the earliest centuries to the present day. Attention will be given to major developments and individuals in the history of Christianity, as well as the Church's growth and diversity. (Same as HIST 2103)

COMM 1213 Responsible Speech

A basic course in effective public speaking with special emphasis on critical thinking, careful research, and communication strategies that work best in front of an audience.

ENGL 1013 Composition I: Expository Writing

This course develops the written skills and cognitive processes necessary for the production of effective discourse across the academy. Through the study of short stories and poetry, students will develop critical close reading skills and write formal and informal essays in response to their readings using the MLA style guide. This course will also expand the writing process to include meta-writing, multiple drafts, and revision and editing techniques.

ENGL 1023 Composition II: Rhetoric and Reason

A course that enables students to sharpen critical and analytical thinking skills through reading and writing. The course enables students to develop research skills using the Northwest University and other libraries and to develop the ability to analyze and present arguments. Although students compare Modern Language Association (MLA) and American Psychological Association (APA) formats, the writing standard is the APA.

ENGL 2043 Creative Writing

Introduction to the craft of imaginative writing: fiction, poetry, drama, and creative nonfiction.

ENGL 2133 Literature: British Survey

British Literature provides students with a broad survey of the British canon from the Middle Ages through the Twenty-First Century. By semester's end, students will have a working knowledge of the history, aesthetic, and philosophy that inspired the literature of the British Isles.

ENGL 2203 American Literature

American Literature examines works of major American authors from the Colonial period to the Present. Including writers diverse in background, ethnicity, and gender, the course relates historic, religious, philosophic, and artistic movements to the literature studied.

ENGL 3553 C.S. Lewis and the Christian Imagination

C.S. Lewis and the Christian Imagination surveys the literature of one of the most influential Christian thinkers of the twentieth century and situates his work within the larger context of Christian imaginative and theological literature. Students read several major works by C.S. Lewis, assess the viability of his Christian apologetic in the twenty-first century, explore his enduring influence, and cultivate their spiritual imaginations through the achievements of other notable Christian writers.

Meets a Journey Deeper requirement.

HIST 1503 History of World Civilization: to 1500 CE

This course traces the story of civilization from prehistory through the fifteenth century. Through a kaleidoscope of kings and slaves, warriors and philosophers, students will consider how human beings defined themselves through cultural creation, social and political organization, religious development and syncretism, technological innovation, and trade and economic development.

HIST 1513 History of World Civilization: from 1500 CE

This course traces the story of civilization since the rise of the modern state beginning in 1500 CE. Students explore the world and its peoples, politics, religion, warfare, and cultures that shaped our collective pasts and will serve to define the future.

HIST 2403 Survey of US History

This course provides an overview of the history of the American nation, from its founding up to the 21st century. It covers exploration and colonization, the fight for independence, the fight over slavery, the Civil War, industrialization, the Great Depression, World War II, Vietnam, and 9/11. Aside from the usual politics, culture, economics, and wars, this course explores the changing role of religion in the private and public life of the country in light of a growing diversity of practices and a rising tide of secularism.

MATH 1203 Precalculus

A study of linear, quadratic, exponential, polynomial, rational, and logarithmic functions with applications to problems in mathematics, science, and business. This course prepares students for Calculus I. Not available for credit if a higher level or higher numbered math has been taken.

MATH 1243 Calculus I

The first course in the calculus series. Topics covered include: trigonometry, graphing of functions, logarithmic functions and their inverses; limit of functions and derivatives; rules of differentiation and their application; definite and indefinite integrals including Logarithmic, Exponential and other Transcendental Functions.

MATH 1313 Intro to Statistics

An introductory course in descriptive and inferential statistics emphasizing procedures commonly used in measurement, evaluation, and research in the social and behavioral sciences, as well as in business, education, and theology. Includes the basic concepts of sampling distributions, probability, statistical inference, t-tests, ANOVA, Chi-square, correlation, and regression. Use of Microsoft Excel and web-site statistical calculators are integrated throughout the course.

PSCI 2473 American Government

An introduction to American National Government. It includes a study of the three branches of the federal government. Major public policy issues are also examined, including social welfare, civil liberties, civil rights, and foreign affairs. (Same as HIST 2473)

PMIN 2093 Evangelism, Outreach, Mission

This course focuses on the biblical perspective of mission including the understanding of *missio dei* and holistic evangelism strategies for all ages: children, youth, and adult. In addition, students will gain insights on how the local church should be involved in local, regional and international missions.

PMIN 2203 Discipleship and Spiritual Formation

This course provides students with tools to build a philosophy of discipleship, analyze various discipleship methods and systems, and develop familiarity with spiritual growth practices that they can implement in their ministries. Students will be challenged to develop systems for discipleship for all age groups in the local church.

PSYC 1013 General Psychology

An introduction to the basic principles of human behavior and to elementary principles of human development, awareness, learning, motivation, personality, and social influence.

RELG 3503 Intro to World Religions

An introduction to the major living world religions and sects. Such matters as the genesis, historical development, cultural expansion, and salient features of the belief system of each religion are considered. Particular attention is given to the encounter of the Christian faith with these religions, both domestically and abroad. (Same as INCS/SOCI 3503)

SCIE 1103 Principles of Biology

Study of biological principles relating to living organisms. Basic chemical structure, cellular and subcellular morphology, energy utilization, reproduction and development, and ecological interrelationships are examined.

SCIE 1101 Principles of Biology Lab

A laboratory supporting SCIE 1103 Principals of Biology.

SCIE 1153 Human Biology

A survey course on the basic biology of human life. Includes an overview of microscopic and gross anatomy, physiology of major body systems, and familiarization with growth and development, sexuality and genetics, and common illnesses and their courses.

SCIE 1151 Human Biology Lab

A human biology laboratory supporting SCIE 1153 Human Biology.

SCIE 1203 Survey of Chemistry

An introductory inorganic chemistry course available for transfer students only who have shown to take equivalent coursework at another accredited institutions. Topics include elements, atoms, the periodic table, electronic structure of the atom, chemical bonding, molecular structure, the concept of the mole and stoichiometry, principles and types of chemical reactions, and acid-base chemistry.

SCIE 1201 Survey of Chemistry Lab

A laboratory supporting SCIE 1203 Survey of Chemistry.

SCIE 2203 Human Anatomy and Physiology I

Advanced study of the design and functions of the human body beginning with cell biology, tissue, and membrane functions and continuing with the integumentary, skeletal, muscular, and nervous systems.

SCIE 2201 Human Anatomy and Physiology Lab I

An anatomy and physiology laboratory supporting SCIE 2203 Human Anatomy and Physiology I.

SCIE 2213 Human Anatomy and Physiology II

Continues the advanced study of the systems of the human body including the special senses, endocrine, cardiovascular, lymphatic/immune, pulmonary/respiratory, digestive, renal/acid-base, and reproductive systems.

SCIE 2211 Human Anatomy and Physiology Lab II

An anatomy and physiology laboratory supporting SCIE 2213 Human Anatomy and Physiology II.

SCIE 2283 Physics 1

Topics include motion, force, conservation laws, energy and work.

SCIE 2281 Physics 1 Lab

A laboratory supporting SCIE 2283 Physics I.

SCIE 2293 Physics II

Topics include energy and work, waves, optics, electricity and magnetism, current, resistance and circuits.

SCIE 2291 Physics II Lab

A laboratory supporting SCIE 2293 Physics II.

SCIE 2403 Environmental Science

Study of the concepts of Stewardship as it relates to our environment. Understanding of ecological principles is attained as a foundation for the discussion of sustainability and servant hood. Personal and ethical behaviors are examined.

SCIE 2401 Environmental Science Lab

A laboratory supporting SCIE 2403 Environmental Science.

SOCI 1113 Survey of Sociology

An introductory study of the basic concept of societal groups, institutions, and interrelationships. Some consideration is given to problems of contemporary society.

THEO 1093 Foundations of the Christian Faith

A course that focuses on the central aspects of the Christian faith. It begins with the Apostles' Creed as a clear and concise statement of the essentials of Christian faith in light of who God is: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This course will further unpack the meaning of this Trinitarian, gospel-centered early summary of the Christian faith and its implications as a foundation for a life of Christian discipleship in community.

THEO 2063 Gospel and Culture (God and Society)

This course explores the contours of the Christian faith with a particular focus on our Christian witness in the world today. The goal of this course will be to encourage students to articulate a biblical and theological framework for cultural engagement both as individuals and as Christian communities.

THEO 2293 Christian Vocation (Work of God, Work of Humanity)

This course offers an orientation to the topic of Christian vocation by developing a biblical theology of the Imago Dei. Students will learn to situate practical matters of faith and work, as well as personal concerns about calling, within a robust biblical framework that is attentive to the identities and collective vocations of human beings, covenantal communities, and followers of Jesus. Attention will be given to biblical themes and theological vocabulary that clarify connections between the work of human agents and their participation in the redemptive work of God.