Theological Education And Mentoring Institute
Tracks and Programs

Short Summary:

Apprenticeships:

Apprenticeship in Diaconate Studies
Apprenticeship in Eldership Studies
Apprenticeship in Church Planting
Apprenticeship in Bible Study
Apprenticeship in Ministry Philosophy
Apprenticeship in Theology

Journeymanships:

Journeymanship in Pastoral Studies
Journeymanship in Theology

Masterships:

Mastership in Theology
Mastership in Divinity

Full Summary:

Apprenticeship in Diaconate Studies

- Orthodoxy Leg:
  - Biblical Theology of Deacons
  - Practical Theology of Deacons
- Orthopathy Leg:
  - FTL: Spiritual Life Journal
  - Deacon Qualification Assessment
  - Current Ministry Assessment
- Orthopraxy Leg:
  - Audit two deacons’ meetings.
Create a job description for a deacon.
Create procedures for how deacons should interact with both the elders and the congregation to effectively fulfill their roles.
Oral examination.

Apprenticeship in Eldership Studies
- Orthodoxy Leg:
  - Biblical Theology of Eldership
  - Pastoral Theology
- Orthopathy Leg:
  - FTL: Spiritual Life Journal
  - Life and Ministry Assessment
  - Becoming Established Assessment
  - Giftedness Assessment
  - Current Ministry Assessment
- Orthopraxy Leg:
  - Audit two elders’ meetings.
  - Write a job description for an elder.
  - Describe a process by which a member of the church can be appointed as an elder, including training, examination of qualifications and giftedness, and the involvement of current elders and the congregation.
  - Oral examination.

Apprenticeship in Church Planting
- Orthodoxy Leg:
  - Acts: Keys to the Establishment and Expansion of the First Century Church
  - Theology of Church Planting
- Orthopathy Leg:
  - FTL: Spiritual Life Journal
  - Life and Ministry Assessment
  - Becoming Established Assessment
  - Giftedness Assessment
  - Current Ministry Assessment
- Orthopraxy Leg:
  - Create a job description for missionaries, elders, mission agencies, and local churches, including how they relate to one another.
  - Create a strategy by which the entire church can be effectively involved in local, regional, cross-cultural, and global missions.
  - Interview a missionary or church planter
  - Visit a church plant.
  - Oral examination.

Apprenticeship in Ministry Philosophy
• Orthodoxy Leg:
  ○ *Acts: Keys to the Establishment and Expansion of the First Century Church*
  ○ Philosophy of Ministry
• Orthopathy Leg:
  ○ *FTL: Spiritual Life Journal*
  ○ Life and Ministry Assessment
  ○ Becoming Established Assessment
  ○ Giftedness Assessment
  ○ Current Ministry Assessment
• Orthopraxy Leg:
  ○ Interview a pastor.
  ○ Write a philosophy of ministry statement.
  ○ Describe how those principles could be effectively implemented in your local church.
  ○ Oral examination.

Apprenticeship in Theology
• Orthodoxy Leg:
  ○ *Understanding the Essentials of Sound Doctrine*
  ○ Survey of Systematic Theology
• Orthopathy Leg:
  ○ *FTL: Spiritual Life Journal*
  ○ Life and Ministry Assessment
  ○ Becoming Established Assessment
  ○ Giftedness Assessment
  ○ Current Ministry Assessment
• Orthopraxy Leg:
  ○ Write a *kerygma/didache* statement which can be used by a church to establish believers in their faith.
  ○ Write and defend a doctrinal statement around the “ten major doctrines”.
  ○ Oral examination.

Journeymanship in Pastoral Studies
• Orthodoxy Leg:
  ○ *Acts: Keys to the Expansion and Establishment of the First Century Church*
  ○ Homiletics
  ○ Survey of Systematic Theology
  ○ Ecclesiology
  ○ Biblical Counseling
  ○ Philosophy of Ministry
• Orthopathy Leg:
  ○ *FTL: Spiritual Life Journal*
  ○ Life and Ministry Assessment
- Becoming Established Assessment
- Giftedness Assessment
- Current Ministry Assessment

- **Orthopraxy Leg**
  - “Ride along” with a pastor.
  - Audit two elders’ meetings.
  - Preach an expository sermon series.
  - Write a mock church constitution.
  - Create a disciple-making strategy for your local church.
  - Oral examination.

**Journeymanship in Theology**

- **Orthodoxy Leg:**
  - *Understanding the Essentials of Sound Doctrine*
  - Biblical Theology
  - Systematic Theology I
  - Systematic Theology II
  - Historical Theology
  - Fundamentalism

- **Orthopathy Leg:**
  - *FTL: Spiritual Life Journal*
  - Life and Ministry Assessment
  - Becoming Established Assessment
  - Giftedness Assessment
  - Current Ministry Assessment

- **Orthopraxy Leg:**
  - Introduction to rhetoric (select units from *Preaching and Teaching*).
  - Teach a topical series.
  - Write a *kerygma/didache* statement which can be used by a church to establish believers in their faith.
  - Write and defend a doctrinal statement around the “ten major doctrines”.
  - Oral examination.

**Mastership in Theology**

- **Orthodoxy Leg:**
  - Select a topical study in biblical, systematic, or historical theology.
  - Create reading list with mentor.
  - Take additional classes as deemed necessary.
  - Research.

- **Orthopathy Leg:**
  - *FTL: Spiritual Life Journal*
  - Life and Ministry Assessment
  - Becoming Established Assessment
Giftedness Assessment
- Current Ministry Assessment

- Orthopraxy Leg:
  - Write magnum opus rough draft
  - Write magnum opus second draft
  - Teach magnum opus

Mastership in Divinity
- Orthodoxy Leg:
  - Select topical study in practical, pastoral, or devotional theology.
  - Take additional classes as deemed necessary.
  - Create reading list with mentor.
  - Research.

- Orthopathy Leg:
  - FTL: Spiritual Life Journal
  - Life and Ministry Assessment
  - Becoming Established Assessment
  - Giftedness Assessment
  - Current Ministry Assessment

- Orthopraxy Leg:
  - Write magnum opus rough draft
  - Write magnum opus second draft
  - Teach magnum opus

Glossary of Terms:

Apprenticeship: An (roughly) eight month program where students learn basic truths about ministry and are exposed to local church service.

Journeymanship: A (roughly) two and half year program where students who have already completed an apprenticeship will learn more in-depths truths and be involved in more extensive local church ministry.

Leg: A section of a program that focuses on developing either correct thinking, correct action, or correct affections in the student.

Magnum opus: A dissertation completed at the end of a mastership program.

Mastership: A (roughly) sixteen month program where students who have already completed an apprenticeship and journeymanship will develop their research, writing, and communication skills in the context of local church ministry.

Orthodoxy: “Correct thinking”; this leg focuses on sound doctrine and Bible knowledge.

Orthopathy: “Correct loves”; this leg focuses on disciplining the student’s heart.

Orthopraxy: “Correct living”; this leg focuses on practical ministry skills.