

Are you interested in taking an Immanuel Lutheran College class online?

The reason the following selected classes were put on line is twofold. They are religious studies classes which represent the scriptural teachings of the CLC and are thus, we pray, of general benefit for all Bible students. And they are an avenue to pursue CLC Teacher Certification or entry into ILC's pre-theological training and its seminary. (See #8 below.)

You can see and hear an example of how a couple of such classes function in the following manner. Go to: classes.ilc.edu. Do not login. Scroll down and select "Religion 101 /102 - A Sample - Pentateuch - OT Survey" or "Rel 407 / 408 - Christian Teachings - A Sample." Read the main column and follow the instructions.

The following table is for the school year 2021-22.

Semester Class	Description	Credit	Audit	Group Use	Semester taught on-site
Religion 101	Old Testament	\$750	\$200	\$200	Odd year fall
Religion 102	Old Testament	\$750	\$200	\$200	Even year spring
Religion 305	Symbolics	NA	\$200	\$200	Odd year fall
Religion 306	Symbolics	NA	\$200	\$200	Even year spring
Religion 407	Dogmatics	\$750	\$200	N/A	Even year fall
Religion 408	Dogmatics	\$750	\$200	N/A	Odd year spring
Education 305	Practical Theology for Teachers	\$250	\$67	\$200	Odd year spring
History 251	Church History	NA	\$200	NA	Odd year fall

Note: All costs are for 2022-23; NA – Not Available. Even year fall semester is for example Aug.-Dec. of 2022; odd year spring semester is for example Jan.-May of 2023; odd year fall semester is for example Aug.-Dec. of 2023; and even year spring semester is for example Jan.-May of 2024. More information at classes.ilc.edu and ilc.edu

Here is some information you may wish to consider if you are interested in registering for a [class](#) and also directions on how to register for the class if desired.

1. **Religion 101 / 102:** *Old Testament Survey* is a detailed study of the major events and individuals of the books of Genesis to Malachi and also God's dealings with

Israel, directing all things unto Christ. (Rel 101 - 46 lessons, 45 minutes each)
(Rel 102 - 49 lessons, 45 minutes each) (3 credits each)

2. **Religion 203 / 204** Studies in the Gospel accounts of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, with focus on various topics pertaining to the work of Jesus Christ and the nature of His kingdom. Introduction to Acts and the Epistles with the focus on the study in the growth of the Word of the Lord as detailed in the book of Acts and also a survey of the doctrines presented in the New Testament epistles. (3 credits each)
3. **Religion 305 / 306:** Symbolics is a study of the history, development, and contents of the three universal creeds and of the Lutheran Confessions from 1517-1580. The objectives are to compare these Confessions with Scripture, to grow in faith by the power of the Spirit, to increase our commitment to the Lutheran confessions because they are in agreement with Holy Scripture and to improve our ability to discern error and witness the truth. Subject matter studied in 305 first semester includes the three universal creeds, Luther's Catechisms, the Augsburg Confession and the Apology. (1517-1530) (43 lessons, 45 minutes each) Subject matter studied in 306 second semester includes Completing the Augsburg Confession, the Smalcald Articles, and the Formula of Concord. (1530-1580) (46 lessons, 45 minutes each) (3 credits each)
4. **Religion 407 / 408:** *Dogmatics* is a systematic study of Christian teachings (doctrines), showing their Biblical foundation and their application to the Christian life. Subject matter studied in 407 first semester includes Scripture, God, man, Christ, conversion, and justification (42 lessons, 45 minutes each). Subject matter studied in 408 second semester includes sanctification, the means of grace, Law and Gospel, the sacraments, the church, election, and eschatology (45 lessons, 45 minutes each). (3 credits each)
5. **Education 204: History and Philosophy of Education** (3 credits) A study of educational philosophies and practices from Plato to the present. Focus given to helping the students to formulate their personal educational philosophy. Emphasis placed on the requirements of parochial education. Written assignments include evaluative essays and an articulation of one's philosophy of education. This course will only be taught by means of real time participation. (You must be online at the same time the class is being taught at Immanuel and participate through the audio/video connection. If this is not possible for someone pursuing CLC certification, contact the instructor to see if an accommodation is possible.)
6. **Education 305: Practical Theology for Teachers** (1 credit) Biblical principles pertaining to the personal and professional life of a Christian day school teacher as a called servant of the Word in classroom and congregation. This course also studies all of the confessional documents, which the CLC subscribes to, which are not in *The Book of Concord: The Brief Statement, Concerning Church*

Fellowship, and Concerning Church and Ministry. (18 lessons, 45 minutes each)

7. **History 251: Church History** (3 credits) A survey of the history of Christianity from apostolic times to the twenty-first century, with emphasis on how God has preserved His truth in the midst of a diversity of errors. Written assignments include evaluative essays with practical applications to one's faith and life today. This course will only be taught by means of real time participation. (You must be online at the same time the class is being taught at Immanuel and participate through the audio/video connection. If this is not possible for someone pursuing CLC certification, contact the instructor to see if an accommodation is possible.)
8. **Purpose** - All the online courses are intended to be a detailed study of God's Word according to the content descriptions given in the previous paragraphs. These courses are not intended to be "unique" revelations. That, of course, belongs to God alone and has been recorded for us in His Word. They are intended to be a study of His Word parallel to what your pastor is sharing in Bible Class so that we may grow in faith and love for Him who died for us.

Because the courses have assigned homework (optional for those auditing) and meet three times a week, the courses may, perhaps, be more intensive or comprehensive than a congregational Bible Class. You may wish to take a course to supplement your Bible studies at home and church. You may wish to take those which apply for college credit, perhaps in the interest of pursuing CLC teacher certification, or as a needed step in gaining future entry to Immanuel Lutheran Seminary.

All of these courses are needed for a person with a public college degree in elementary education to become certified in the CLC. They provide an avenue to receive the religious training the church body desires for its Christian Day School teachers. Many of them are needed for a person with a public college degree to complete the pre-theological training required to enter the ILC Seminary. (For more information on this process see CLC Teacher Certification (link not yet established) or contact the ILC Academic Dean whose contact information is at the end of this material.)

9. **Time Frame** - Most of the courses meet three times a week. With most of the courses you can choose your own time period (summer or fall etc.) and set your own schedule, with a few limitations. Most classes can be audited at any time.

If you are taking the class for credit, Professors prefer that you take the class the same semester it is taught. Taking the course at a different time is subject to the approval of the professor involved. If you wish to take a class for credit in the summer, we ask that you take it the summer after it has been taught on-site. This is so the materials have been updated and the professor is not compelled to evaluate student work on too many different classes in the same time period.

For registration purposes, you must register for the class in connection with one semester. Your time frame for participation is not limited by the semester. With each class your participation can extend before or after the class semester. But you need to register for one semester. The videos and quizzes for the classes will be available at the time of your choosing.

If you audit, this is one exception. Some of the courses use online quizzes that have time limits when the course is being taught on-site at ILC. So, if you wish to use the quizzes, (your choice if auditing) you must either be in sync (time wise) with the class or out of sync (ahead or behind) by three weeks.

10. Auditing - Auditing students do not receive any college credit, nor can they expect teacher evaluations.

11. For credit - The online course grade is based on quizzes and the student's written or video presentations etc.

12. How will it work, if you are taking the class the same time it is taught at ILC in an on-site class? The class will vary depending on the professor involved. Here is Prof. Ude's approach as an example: "I will be teaching the on-site class at ILC, say for example, on a Tuesday. Students enrolled will be asked to read the assignment beforehand (those auditing can participate as much as they want). The class will be taught with the assumption that students have read the material. A preview quiz will open before the lesson for which it is due, but it has a time deadline of the beginning of that lesson's on-site class period. So for the Tuesday class, a preview quiz would have opened on the previous Friday and be due by class time on that Tuesday. These quizzes are online and correct themselves, showing the correct answers and some explanations. I will share the videos of class with you. If there is a review quiz on that class, it will be due by the next class. And so on with each class."

13. How will it work, if you are taking the class at a different time than it is taught at ILC in an on-site class? You may proceed at your own pace with no time limits.

14. Registration - Since these are ILC college courses, you must register with Immanuel Lutheran College to take the class. The deadline for registration is the Friday before the semester classes begin. For the quizzes in some classes a login and password will be assigned to access them at classes.ilc.edu.

There is a registration fee of \$25.00 for those who have not been enrolled at ILC in recent history. The course may be taken for credit or audit. There's a limit of 10 online students for credit (no limit for audit). The tuition costs for each class are listed in the graph at the top of this document. A three credit course costs about 25% of the current semester tuition at ILC. The audit price is about 30% of the credit price. These fees are set by the ILC Board of Regents. All payments are

made to ILC through the ILC Business Office and do not go to the professor teaching the course.

15. **A couple or a household** can take the class together with one registration and one login. In such a joint venture only one person can take the course for credit. Clearly we welcome both or all to register.

16. **Distribution** - Since this is a registered ILC college class and some videos contain copyrighted material, online users may not copy and share or distribute the video recordings with others.

17. **A CLC congregation or study group** may use most of the online courses for joint Bible study, with the requirement of one registration (one login) and one payment. The pastor or some other representative of the congregation should register with ILC. Religion 101 /102 is not available for group use due to copyright restrictions.

- The class videos may not be copied and shared or distributed to anyone else.
- The class videos may not be edited. A fair segment may be shown.
- Only one login is provided for such an arrangement.
- The permission to show the class videos, or a portion thereof, extends from the start of the course term until the start of the same term two years later.
- The question has been asked how these might work as a congregational Bible Class. Making them available for this usage has been the recommendation of the Board of Regents. I don't know how useful they will be for a normal Bible Class. The classes are not taught in the manner in which most would teach a congregational Bible Class. The classes expect that everyone listening has read the material ahead of time. Some classes are mainly lecture with minimal class involvement. Some are discussion. There are some samples available as indicated at the beginning of this document. Suggested uses:
 - 1. Show one to your Bible Class as a demonstration of what is available for individuals to pursue in their own individual study.
 - 2. Use them occasionally to fill in a Bible Class session when the Pastor is absent.
 - 3. Go over some of the material in Bible class and then use a segment of the video to highlight the topic and spur discussion.
 - 4. Use them for a small group interested in further religious studies. Perhaps they commit to reading the material in advance, gather to watch the video together, and then discuss it.

18. **To register**, complete [the registration form for online college courses](#). Those registering for any online course do not need to send a pastoral recommendation or a transcript. It should be sent, emailed, or faxed to the ILC office:

Immanuel Lutheran College, 501 Grover Road, Eau Claire, WI 54701.
Email: clcbookhouse@ilc.edu

Fax: 715-836-6634

19. **Contact** - Please feel free to contact the Academic Dean Paul Naumann (paul.naumann@ilc.edu) with any further questions.