TITLE: Spiritual Formation  TERM: 1  YEAR: 2017-2018
NOTE: This course is required for the MATM Pastoral Care focus.

PROFESSOR: Leanna K. Fuller  CREDIT HOURS: 3
REGISTRATION: LIMITED TO: UNLIMITED  CREDIT HOURS: 3
# AUDITORS: NO AUDITORS

COURSE DESCRIPTION:
Through lectures, assigned readings, class discussions, and spiritual disciplines, students will be introduced to some historical contexts, content, and practices of Christian spirituality. Of special significance will be the work of small groups in which students will be encouraged to explore course readings, spiritual practices, and their relationship to forming pastoral identity, deepening Christian discipleship, and discerning vocation.

CLASS OBJECTIVES:
1. To introduce some historical contexts, content, and practices of Christian spirituality.
2. To encourage students’ engagement in spiritual practices which deepen Christian identity, discipleship, and vocational discernment.
3. To facilitate growth in Christian discipleship and community through shared learning in small groups.

PREREQUISITES: None

READING ASSIGNMENTS/BIBLIOGRAPHY:
  **Please make sure you purchase the 2005 edition of the Foster & Smith book**
  **Please make sure you purchase the 2005 edition of the Holt book**

ASSIGNMENTS & GRADING:
- Reflection papers on assigned topics/readings
- Take-home midterm exam
- Final integrative essay
- Regular maintenance of personal devotional practice
- Small group participation
- Completion of all other class assignments

CLASSROOM PROCEDURES:
- Lecture and small group work
- Experiential work with the spiritual disciplines & discussion of spiritual practices

ATTENDANCE: Required.