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**A Course for
Christian Education
Certification**

**Reformed
Theology**



August 7-11, 2006

Austin Presbyterian
Theological Seminary
Austin, Texas

Future Courses

2006 August 7-11

Reformed Theology*
Dr. Cynthia Rigby, APTS
Location: Austin Seminary

2007 January 8-12

**Religious Education, Theory &
Practice***
Dr. David White, APTS
Location: TBA

August 6-10

Biblical Interpretation*
Dr. Monya Stubbs, APTS
Location: Austin Seminary

2008 January 7-11

Faith & Human Development
Dr. Paul Thompson,
Grace Presbytery

Worship & Sacraments
Dr. Michael Waschberski,
Grace Presbytery
Location: TBA

August 4-8

Polity, Program & Mission
Rev. Betsy Pense, Stated Clerk,
Synod of the Sun
Julia A. Boyce, Grace Presbytery
Location: Austin Seminary

** These courses must be taken a **second time** with the final paper written at the graduate level for Certified Christian Educator certification requirements.*

*** **Only** those pursuing the Certified Christian Educator level are required to take this course and course prerequisites apply. CCE level students will receive priority placement in this class.*

Educator Certification

Because of the importance of Christian Education to the total ministry of the church, the Presbyterian Church (USA) recognizes persons employed as professional Church Educators by certifying them as Christian Educators or as Associates in Christian Education.

Certification requires knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- Biblical Interpretation *
- Reformed Theology *
- Human Development
- Religious Education Theory and Practice *
- Presbyterian Polity
- Presbyterian Program and Mission
- Presbyterian Worship **

** Certified Christian Educator certification require these courses to be taken at the graduate level.
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For information on certification contact:

Associate for Certification & Support
for Educators
100 Witherspoon, Rm. M067
Louisville, KY 40202-1396
888-728-7228 ext. 5751

Or

Contact your presbytery office to find out the name/ names of the Educator Certification Advisors in your presbytery.

Or

SCRAPCE Certification Coordinator:

Julia A. Boyce
Director of Educational Support
Grace Presbytery
6100 Colwell Blvd., Suite 100
Irving, TX 75039-3112
800-678-4502 or 214-630-4502
jboyce@gracepresbytery.com

Name _____ Phone (w) _____ / _____ - _____ (h) _____ / _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Church _____ Position _____

Staying at APTS? _____ Yes _____ No _____ Roommate Preference _____
 Working on: _____ Assoc. Certified Christian Educator _____ Certified Christian Educator _____

Your Email address _____ CEU Certificate _____ Yes _____ No _____
 Enclose Registration Fee: \$75.00 *Registrations cannot be accepted without \$75 fee. Registration Deadline: June 26, 2006
 Make checks payable to SCRAPCE and mail to Valerie at Synod of the Sun, 6100 Colwell Blvd., Suite 200 Irving, TX 75309-3112

Reformed Theology

Course Description

This course is designed to enable Christian educators better to reflect theologically. Participants in this class will consider the relevance of theological doctrine to our lives of faith, making new discoveries about why and how theology *matters*. While the course serves primarily as an opportunity for Christian educators to develop their own skills as theologians, substantial attention will also be given (particularly in the final project) to considering how theological insights can best be communicated to others in the daily work of Christian educators.

Dr. Cynthia Rigby

Dr. Rigby is Professor of Theology at Austin Seminary. She holds a Master of Divinity from Princeton Seminary in Philosophical Theology and a PhD from Princeton in Systematic Theology.



Dr. Rigby is co-editor of *Blessed One: Protestant Perspectives on Mary*

(WJKP, 2002) and editor of *Power, Powerlessness, and the Divine* (Scholars Press, 1997).

She preached and presented a paper for the 2004 Association of Presbyterian Christian Educators (APCE) event of more than 1,000 Christian educators. She led sessions at the World Council of Churches' Consultation with Younger Theologians in Finland in 1995, and for the American Academy of Religion where she chairs the "Christian Women Scholars" group.

IMPORTANT DETAILS:

- Registration deadline is June 26, 2006
- Registration is limited to 30 students and late registrations will be accepted only as space is available
- Housing will primarily be at the McCord Center .
- Class starts Monday, August 7 at 1:00 p.m. and ends Friday, August 11 at noon .
- Meal service begins with **dinner on Monday evening** and ends with **breakfast on Friday**.
- If you plan to arrive at APTS prior to the date of August 7, 2006, please notify Hilda Harnden in the Continuing Education office.

Cost

Registration Fee	\$ 75
(Non-refundable)	
Tuition	125
Room & Meals	145
(Double occupancy only)	
TOTAL	\$ 345
<i>(Total Commuter Rate \$ 255)</i>	

Credit

This course meets requirements for educators seeking certification. It is approved by the Certification Council in advance. Three CEU's will be issued upon request.

Required Texts

- *The Constitution of the Presbyterian Church, Part I: The Book of Confessions*
- *Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion (2-volume McNeill edition by WJKP)* (borrow these, no need to purchase)
- Migliore, Daniel L., *Faith Seeking Understanding* (Eerdman Publishing, 2004)
- A new volume on Reformed Theology and Feminist Theology edited by Serene Jones and Amy Plantinga Pauw (will be out in the spring of 2006 by WJKP) - **Title will be in your registration confirmation.**

Pre-reading Assignment

Prior to our first class , please read Daniel Migliore's "**Faith Seeking Understanding**" in its entirety. Other readings will be assigned during the week of class.

Scholarships are available through SCRAPCE

Contact: Anne Wilson at
anne@northwoods.org or 281-444-8861
Northwoods Presbyterian Church
3320 FM 1960 W.
Houston, TX 77068

SCRAPCE will award \$100 per person per year, to attend a certification course or a SCRAPCE event.
Applicant must be a member of APCE .
Deadline for applications is one month prior to course or continuing education event.
SCRAPCE Scholarships are intended for those with limited continuing education funds.

Questions about registration?

Please contact:
Valerie Knox
Registrar, Synod of the Sun 800-748-6777
vknox@synodsun.com