

# ISOM: EQUIPPING AND ENCOURAGING



Fellowship! Relationship Building! Ministry Equipping! Mentoring! Welcome to the Iowa School of Ministry! ISOM participants testify to the quality of instruction, the strength of the relationships that develop and the touch of God in the classroom. The only way to understand what ISOM is all about is to experience it!

ISOM is a great tool for those going into vocational ministry, as well as for those in lay ministry who want to develop and strengthen their ministry skills. ISOM is also a great resource for those who are looking for continuing educational opportunities. The heart and passion of the ISOM team is best captured by I Timothy 2:15:

*“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.”*

We'd love to have you join us in this great adventure!



Date			
Oct. 15-16, 2010	Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine	Introduction to Homiletics	Prayer and Worship
Nov. 5-6, 2010	AG History, Missions & Governance	Eschatology	Cults, World Religions & New Age
Dec. 3-4, 2010	Local Church in Evangelism	Introduction to Missions	Continuing Ed (TBA)
Jan. 7-8, 2011	Introduction to Hermeneutics	Romans	Pastoral Ministry
Feb. 4-5, 2011	Relationships and Ethics	New Testament Survey	Pentateuch
Mar 4-5, 2011	Acts	Introduction to Theology	I & 2 Corinthians
Apr 1-2, 2011	AG History, Missions & Governance	Conflict Management	Church Admin, Law & Finance
Jun 24-25, 2011	Prison Epistles	Old Testament Survey	Poetic Books
Aug 26-27, 2011	Synoptic Gospels	Leadership Skills	Preaching in Cultural Context

## What is the Iowa School of Ministry (ISOM)?

The Iowa School of Ministry is an institute level school dedicated to ministry training with a combination of self-study and live instruction at the Iowa Ministry Network office in Urbandale, Iowa. We are part of the Association of District Schools approved for credential education by the Executive Presbytery of the Assemblies of God.

Prior to coming together for a class session, students will complete 10-15 hours of pre-course work. Classroom instruction is intended to supplement what students have studied prior to their arrival. Our goal is to help every student develop a high level of competence in the material assigned to the class session.

Every class includes a final exam, taken during the classroom session. When the student leaves on Saturday, all of their work will have been completed. There is no post-course work. With some minor variations, the students final grade will be divided between pre-course work (40%), classroom participation (20%) and the final exam (40%).

While the Iowa School of Ministry meets the educational requirements for credentials, it does not grant a credential to anyone. Those desiring to pursue credentials need to request an application packet from the Iowa Ministry Network.

In addition to credential education, ISOM is a great resource for continuing education for those already possessing a credential, as well as equipping lay people for more effective ministry. Added to the life of the local church, ISOM can be a great discipleship tool, as well!

Hundreds of students have already found ISOM to be the answer for fitting quality ministry training into their existing life schedule. Consider the benefits:

- Convenience; affordability; training by educated and experienced church leaders; perspectives and questions shared in a classroom filled with students who have years (often decades) of experience with churches and ministry in the same district; networking opportunities with district leaders and fellow ministers; motivation to complete coursework in time for scheduled dates; transferable class credits across district lines.

**To become an ISOM student, please complete an enrollment form (pastor's signature required), and mail it along with a one time \$25 fee and your first class registration form and fee to the IMN office.**

## Following are the educational requirements for those

### **seeking a credential with the Assemblies of God:**

#### **Certified Minister:**

Intro. to Hermeneutics: How to Interpret the Bible

Introduction to Pentecostal Doctrine

Synoptic Gospels: The Life and Teachings of Christ

Prison Epistles: Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians & Philemon

Acts: The Holy Spirit at Work in Believers

The Local Church in Evangelism

Assemblies of God History, Missions and Governance

Relationships and Ethics in Ministry

Beginning Internship

#### **License:**

Introduction To Theology: A Pentecostal Perspective

New Testament Survey

Old Testament Survey

Romans, Justification by Faith

Introduction to Homiletics

Eschatology: A Study of Things to Come

Leadership Skills

Conflict Management

Introduction to AG Missions

Intermediate Internship

#### **Ordained:**

Prayer and Worship

The Corinthian Correspondence

The Poetic Books

The Pentateuch

Preaching in Cultural Context

Church Administration, Law and Finance

Cults, World Religions and the New Age Movement

Pastoral Ministry

Advanced Internship



## 2010-2011 Class Schedule

ISOM

IOWA MINISTRY NETWORK  
OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Equipping and Encouraging



*Equipping spiritual leaders through  
academic development and  
encouraging relationships.*