



# South East Asian Theological Schools, Inc.

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## **Master of Ministry and Graduate Diploma of Ministry in Missional Ecclesiology Program**

### ***What is SEATS?***

SEATS is the South East Asian Theological Schools, Inc. (formerly College of the Shepherds), a pastoral-training school established in 1986 for the purpose of preparing church leaders for effective ministry in the Philippines. It works primarily with churches affiliated with the Baptist Conference of the Philippines, International, but is open to all churches in need of training. SEATS is a member of the International Council for Higher Education.

The College of the Shepherds, begun by Dr. John Fast, has a long history of training pastors and lay-leaders in the Baptist Conference of the Philippines. Pastoral graduates include Edwin Taladro formerly of MMBC, Edith Rinen, former missionary to China, Arthur Tagasa of Pines Bible Community/Crosswalk in Baguio, Cesar Villavicencio, Lino Hermosa of Good Samaritan Fellowship in Caloocan, Cesar Punzalan of Hope Christian Fellowship, Vic Hermosa of The Builder's Church in Toronto, Canada, and others. The college's Intensive Katugunan Training graduates include Darrah Jean Punzalan, Mildred Legaspi, Sharon Taladro, and others.

### ***Where does SEATS conduct classes?***

Pre-COVID-19, SEATS conducted on-site classes in the Philippines (in Ortigas, Pasig City; in Molave, Zamboanga del Sur; and in Burias, Masbate), in Thailand, and in Denver, USA. The new pandemic-related requirements saw SEATS begin classes via Zoom in May 2020. Since then, our course offerings and constituency has been expanded to include Filipinos in the Philippines, Thailand, the USA, and Canada.

### ***What programs does SEATS offer?***

SEATS currently offers programs at three levels:

Graduate Diploma of Ministry in Missional Ecclesiology, Master of Ministry in Missional Ecclesiology, and Doctor of Ministry in Missional Ecclesiology.

SEATS **Master of Ministry** and **Graduate Diploma of Ministry** in Missional Ecclesiology Program is an 18-module class focused on helping ministry leaders integrate their practical and theoretical ministries into a wholistic balance. Emphasis is on developing functional churches whose strengths are proclamation of the good news of Jesus Christ, living out the ethos of heaven on earth, serving both the community of faith and the larger community, and intersecting the truth of the gospel with the truth claims of the public square, the marketplace, the media, the schools, the family and of our churches.

SEATS **Doctor of Ministry** in Missional Ecclesiology program is primarily for the continuing professional theological education of senior ministry leaders in their pursuit of understanding and knowledge, in developing a missional, contextual, biblical, historical, philosophical, hermeneutical, cultural and theological reflection for the next generation of ministry leaders of the church of Jesus Christ in the region.

***What is Missional Ecclesiology?***

***Who can enrol?***

Students with an existing undergraduate degree in any field can enrol in the Master-level program. Those without undergraduate degrees can enrol in the Graduate Diploma-level program.

***How can I register?***

Interested students can complete the registration form found at <https://schoolsofmission.com/registration-form>

***What is the cost?***

Philippine- and Asia-based students: Grad Dip/MMin P1k. DMin P2k.  
North America-based students: Grad Dip/MMin \$100 DMin \$200.

***Who are the Faculty?***

Bishop Cesar P. Punzalan, III D. Min., Ph.D.  
Rev. Michael J. Fast, Ph. D.  
Rev. Jonathan V. Exiomo, Th.D., Ph.D. Adonis Gorospe, Ph.D.  
Rene Chanco, Ph.D.  
Melchor Go, Ph.D.  
Rev. Gustav Andersson, D.Miss.  
Rev. Edgar Ebojo, Ph.D.  
Rev. Gregotimo M. Azares, MA., M.Min.

***Adjunct Faculty:***

Gerry Breshears, Ph.D.  
Ayo Adewya, Ph.D.  
Rev. David Drake, M.Div.  
Rev. Tom Bradley, M.Div.  
Rev. Glenn Abela, M.Min.  
Rev. Roy Go, M.Min.  
Rev. Peter Burgos, M.Min.

**Courses:**

MME 501 Missio Dei Class  
MME 502 Transforming Mission  
MME 503 Mission to Muslim Context Class  
MME 504 Integral Mission  
MME 505 Theology of Disaster Management  
MME 506 Contextual Theology -  
MME 507 Hermeneutics: Text to Sermon—Interpreting and Proclaiming the Good News MME  
508 Biblical Theology of Suffering: A Study of 1Peter – Lecture Series 2  
MME 509 The Culture and The Gospel In Preaching 1  
MME 510 The Culture and The Gospel In Preaching 2  
MME 511 Hermeneutics 1  
MME 512 Hermeneutics 2  
MME 513 Holiness  
MME 514 Pauline Ecclesiology  
MME 515 Preaching to change lives  
MME 516 Basic Skills in Spiritual Companionship Class  
MME 517 Evangelical Theology  
MME 599 Biblical Themes and Senior Theological Integration Project