

## The Capstone Curriculum

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### An Overview of the Capstone Curriculum

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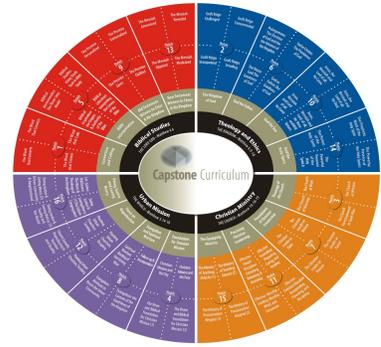
- To ground emerging urban leaders in the Gospel of Christ, enabling them to know the basics of conversion and their own calling to salvation and leadership
- To root our students in the indispensability of the Church to serve as both agent and locus of the Kingdom, and for them to serve the church practically and specifically in the local assembly
- To equip urban leaders with the necessary study skills to study, apply, teach, preach, and minister the Word of God in the urban context, applying their learning in the context of their own personal lives and church ministries
- To challenge urban leaders to regularly memorize select portions of Scripture, and develop the discipline of review to retain and utilize texts both devotionally and in ministry
- To establish urban leaders in a Christ-centered vision of Scripture, and equip them in a Nicene-based, biblical theology that is congruent with the historic orthodox faith of the Great Tradition
- To provide a biblical foundation for both understanding and practicing Christian leadership in the context of the Church, with a special emphasis and appreciation for spiritual formation in urban communities, especially among the poor.
- To train urban leaders to evangelize, disciple, plant, pastor, and minister within evangelical urban churches which will be spiritually vital, culturally conducive, and aggressively reproductive within the various people groups needing Christ in the city
- To encourage urban leaders to find practical, meaningful ways to promote justice and demonstrate mercy with the broken and needy in urban communities, and discover ways to display hospitality, generosity, and compassion in the places where they live and minister

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On our website, [www.tumi.org/Capstone](http://www.tumi.org/Capstone), you will find the following additional resources regarding Capstone:

### **An Overview of the Capstone Curriculum with all of the Module Descriptions and Lesson Objectives**

This is a very helpful document that will give you information on Capstone for your review. This document will help you get a thorough understanding of the overall schema of Capstone as well as each particular module's content and objectives. This is the document that our partners have used to determine their level of accreditation for our resource and their institution of higher education. This is a great resource for your mentors!



### **Capstone Module Descriptions**

This document has all 16 Capstone Module descriptions in one file. This document is a great tool to help you understand what each module is about in relatively few pages.

### **The Capstone Curriculum at-a-glance**

Included in this packet as well, this two-page document provides an at-a-glance look at our entire Capstone Curriculum (including lesson titles), and also defines our terminology in this structure programming, along with breakdown of the modules and the outline of the lessons.

### **Capstone Module Sample**

Are you interested in hearing actual module teaching? Feel free to preview one of the Capstone module's instruction to gain a better understanding of what we've included in each module. Listening to the teaching may convince you that our training may be appropriate and desirable for your church or ministry leadership training!

### **Required Textbooks**

Each Capstone module has assigned textbooks which are read and discussed through the course. We encourage students to read, reflect upon, and respond to these with their professors, mentors, and fellow learners. Because of the fluidity of the texts (i.e., books going out of print), the required textbook list will change and most likely will be different from what is listed in your Capstone Curriculum workbook. This is the OFFICIAL Capstone required textbook list.

### **Module Information for each of the 16 Capstone Modules**

Our site gives links to each Capstone Module's course information, along with its summary and description (included in this packet), and both its required and supplemental textbooks.



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Developing Urban Christian Leaders for the Church and the Kingdom  
Matthew 21:42**

Biblical Studies (God) Matthew 4:4	Theology and Ethics (Kingdom) Matthew 6:9-10	Christian Ministry (Church) Matthew 16:18-19	Urban Mission (World) Matthew 5:14-16
Conversion and Calling	The Kingdom of God	Theology of the Church	Foundations for Christian Mission
Bible Interpretation	God the Father	Foundations of Christian Leadership	Evangelism and Spiritual Warfare
The Old Testament Witness to Christ and His Kingdom	God the Son	Practicing Christian Leadership	Focus on Reproduction
New Testament Witness to Christ and His Kingdom	God the Holy Spirit	The Equipping Ministry	Doing Justice and Loving Mercy: Compassion Ministries

**Terminology**

*The Capstone Curriculum*

The entire four unit, sixteen subject teaching program designed to develop urban Christian leadership for the Church and the Kingdom

*Department Area*

Four subjects organized under the headings of either Biblical Studies, Theology and Ethics, Christian Ministry, or Urban Mission

*Module*

One subject in a unit

*Lesson*

An individual teaching presentation in a module

*Segment*

A twenty-five minute video teaching normally used in a lesson

**A Capstone Module**

- Each module is divided into **four lessons**
- Each module is designed to be taught in **12 classroom** hours surpassing the well-accepted “CEU” (Continuing Education Unit) standards
- Each module features a **Student Workbook, a Mentor’s Guide, and two DVDs (4 hours of video)**

**Sample Lesson Outline** *(Three hour lesson)*

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| Attendance and Quiz        | (20 minutes) |
| Mentor-led Contact section | (10 minutes) |
| First Video Segment        | (25 minutes) |
| Student Question/Response  | (20 minutes) |
| Break                      | (15 minutes) |
| Second Video Segment       | (25 minutes) |
| Student Question/Response  | (20 minutes) |
| Mentor-led Connection:     | (45 minutes) |
- Student Application and Implications Discussion
  - Case Studies and Problems
  - Assignments
  - Ministry Projects
  - Counseling and Prayer

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# The Capstone Curriculum

## Developing Urban Christian Leaders for the Church and the Kingdom – *Matthew 21.42*

<b>Biblical Studies</b> <i>The Lord God</i> Matthew 4.4		<b>Theology and Ethics</b> <i>The Kingdom</i> Matthew 6.9-10		<b>Christian Ministry</b> <i>The Church</i> Matthew 16.18-19		<b>Urban Mission</b> <i>The World</i> Matthew 5.14-16	
Conversion and Calling (Module 1)		The Kingdom of God (Module 2)		Theology of the Church (Module 3)		Foundations for Christian Mission (Module 4)	
1. The Word that Creates	3. The Word that Converts	1. God's Reign Challenged	3. God's Reign Invading	1. The Church Foreshadowed in God's Plan	3. The Church as Witness	1. The Vision and Biblical Foundation for Christian Mission I	3. Christian Mission and the City
2. The Word that Convicts	4. The Word that Calls	2. God's Reign Inaugurated	4. God's Reign Consummated	2. The Church at Worship	4. The Church at Work	2. The Vision and Biblical Foundation for Christian Mission II	4. Christian Mission and the Poor
Bible Interpretation (Module 5)		God the Father (Module 6)		Foundations of Christian Leadership (Module 7)		Evangelism and Spiritual Warfare (Module 8)	
1. Biblical Inspiration: the Origins and Authority of the Bible	3. Biblical Literature: Interpreting the Genres of the Bible	1. Prolegomena: The Doctrine of God and the Advance of the Kingdom	3. The Triune God: the Greatness of God	1. The Christian Leader as Deacon	3. The Christian Leader as Pastor	1. Spiritual Warfare: Binding of the Strong Man	3. Evangelism: Methods to Reach the Urban Community
2. Biblical Hermeneutics: The Three-step Model	4. Biblical Studies: Using Study Tools in Bible Study	2. God as Creator: the Providence of God	4. God as Father: the Goodness of God	2. The Christian Leader as Elder	4. The Christian Leader as Bishop	2. Evangelism: the Content of the Good News of the Kingdom	4. Follow-up and Incorporation
The Old Testament Witness to Christ and His Kingdom (Module 9)		God the Son (Module 10)		Practicing Christian Leadership (Module 11)		Focus on Reproduction (Module 12)	
1. The Promise Given	3. The Promise Personalized	1. Jesus, the Messiah and Lord of All: He Came	3. Jesus, the Messiah and Lord of All: He Died	1. Effective Worship Leading: Worship, Word, and Sacrament	3. Effective Church Discipline: Exhorting, Rebuking, and Restoring	1. Church Growth: Reproducing in Number and Quality	3. Planting Urban Churches: Tending
2. The Promise Clarified	4. The Promise Universalized	2. Jesus, the Messiah and Lord of All: He Lived	4. Jesus, the Messiah and Lord of All: He Rose and Will Return	2. Effective Christian Education: Incorporating, Parenting, and Discipling	4. Effective Counseling: Preparing, Caring, and Healing	2. Planting Urban Churches: Sowing	4. Planting Urban Churches: Reaping
The New Testament Witness to Christ and His Kingdom (Module 13)		God the Holy Spirit (Module 14)		The Equipping Ministry (Module 15)		Doing Justice and Loving Mercy: Compassion Ministries (Module 16)	
1. The Messiah Announced	3. The Messiah Revealed	1. The Person of the Holy Spirit	3. The Powerful Presence of the Holy Spirit I	1. The Ministry of Proclamation: <u>Kerygma</u> I	3. The Ministry of Teaching: <u>Didache</u> I	1. Let Justice Roll Down: the Vision and Theology of the Kingdom	3. Doing Justice and Loving Mercy II: Urban Community and Neighborhood
2. The Messiah Opposed	4. The Messiah Vindicated	2. The Prophetic Work of the Holy Spirit	4. The Powerful Presence of the Holy Spirit II	2. The Ministry of Proclamation: <u>Kerygma</u> II	4. The Ministry of Teaching: <u>Didache</u> II	2. Doing Justice & Loving Mercy I: The Urban Congregation	4. Doing Justice and Loving Mercy III: Society and World