# CCS-033 THE PRACTICE OF CATECHESIS

### COURSE OUTLINE

**The Practice of Catechesis - The Church has always considered catechesis one of her primary tasks, for, before Christ ascended to His Father after His resurrection, He gave the apostles a final command - to make disciples of all nations and to teach them to observe all that He had commanded. He thus entrusted them with the mission and power to proclaim to humanity what they had heard, what they had seen with their eyes, what they had looked upon and touched with their hands, concerning the Word of Life. He also entrusted them with the mission and power to explain with authority what He had taught them, His words and actions, His signs and commandments. And He gave them the Spirit to fulfill this mission. Simply, this course considers how Catechesis can be practiced, both in our Catholic schools and in our parishes.**

## General Course Objectives

1. Understand the relationship between evangelization and catechesis.

2. Identify the purpose, goals, tasks and essential content of catechesis.

3. Learn the importance of appropriate methodology for catechesis of various age groups.

4. Understand the role of the catechist and the importance of this vocation.

## Course Structure and Highlights

**Week 1: Gravissimum Educationis**

**Week 2: The Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School**

**Week 3: The Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School**

**Week 4: The Catholic School**

**Week 5: Catechesis Tradendae**
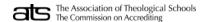
## Resources

*Catechesis Tradendae*

*Gravissimum Educationis*

*Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School*

*The Catholic School*

## References
*Catechism of the Catholic Church.*
*The Holy Bible.*

The Association of Theological Schools
The Commission on Accrediting

## Assessment

The Practice of Catechesis consists of ten lessons and ten assignments, with each assignment weighted at 10% (percent) of the total grade. Completion of the entire course is determined by either a pass or fail.

## Technical Skills and Equipment Requirements

1. You must have Internet access. A high-speed connection, either ADSL or cable, is recommended.

2. You should know how to use a web browser to navigate the web to locate educational resources and download files.

3. You will need the files management skills necessary to create directories, to save files and to retrieve files.