**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary
Bulletin announcements: Aug. 29 through September 2021**

*Please consider using these AMBS announcements for one or more Sundays in your bulletins, newsletters and/or on social media, as you see fit. Thank you!*

**Aug. 29**

**What’s coming up at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary?** Download our “Coming Up” flyer to see our lifelong learning and academic offerings for the 2021–22 academic year. [ambs.edu/coming-up](https://www.ambs.edu/news-events/coming-up)

**Rooted and Grounded: A Conference on Land and Christian Discipleship: Oct. 14–16**. **Attend in person or virtually!** This conference on “**Land: Loss, Connection and Imagination”** will be offered in a hybrid format, with some elements available only in person at AMBS in Elkhart, Indiana, and some available via livestream. Keynote speakers: Laura Meitzner Yoder, PhD, and Timothy R. Eberhart, MDiv, PhD. [ambs.edu/rootedandgrounded](https://www.ambs.edu/news-events/rooted-and-grounded)

**Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Sept. 15 – Oct. 26.** Join Susannah Larry, PhD, and Drew Strait, PhD, to study pertinent biblical passages and reflect on how these texts form practices of peace and justice today. This online AMBS short course lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Sept. 8! [ambs.edu/shortcourses](http://ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/exploring-peace-justice-bible-short-course)

**AMBS *Spiritual Direction: Wisdom*.** Cultivate your ministry of spiritual direction through this advanced level of our supervised program. This seminar, which focuses primarily on the perceptive insights and concrete skills that spiritual directors bring to their work, begins Oct. 4 and is available fully online or in hybrid format (both online and in-person components). Apply by Sept. 3 to save $100! [ambs.edu/spiritualdirection](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/spiritual-direction-seminars)

**Sept. 5**

***Anabaptist Witness:* Call for submissions.** With awareness of the urgent challenge to diversify theological education and recognize the interconnectedness of formation, discipleship and witness, *Anabaptist Witness* welcomes submissions for its April 2022 issue on **“Formation and Witness”** that critique current patterns of Anabaptist/Mennonite education and formation and offer constructive proposals. Submissions can be fromvarious genres. The deadline is Nov. 1, 2021. View submission guidelines: [anabaptistwitness.org](http://www.anabaptistwitness.org/calls-for-submissions)

**Anabaptist Short Course Bundle.** Deepen your understanding of Anabaptist history, thought and witness through discussion-based online short courses from the AMBS Church Leadership Center! Participate in four online courses in 2021–22 for only $995 total. No grades, no papers! Each course is six weeks long. CEUs available. [ambs.edu/bundle](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/anabaptist-short-course-bundle)

**Fully online seminary Graduate Certificate program.** Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary’s fully online Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies now requires only 21 credit hours! Strengthen the biblical and theological foundation for your work by developing a plan of study that matches your interests. Ideal for church leaders, bivocational pastors and other professionals. [ambs.edu/certificate](http://www.ambs.edu/academics/certificate-theological-studies)

**Sept. 12**

**Knowing Your Narrative: Unpacking Our Stories of Masculinity and Equity: Oct. 26, Nov. 6, Nov. 16.** This series of two webinars and one in-person event (also accessible online) is sponsored by Mennonite Men and Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. It seeks to unpack narratives around masculinity, faith and equity to help participants articulate their own personal narratives, identify how they’ve been shaped by masculine messaging, and reframe their own masculine identity so it is more inclusive and holistic. Register by Oct. 1 to save $25![ambs.edu/narrative](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/knowing-your-narrative)

**Environmental sustainability at AMBS.** AMBS offers an Environmental Sustainability Leadership concentration in its Master of Divinity and Master of Arts: Theology and Peace Studies programs. Students take part in a 15-week residency at Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center to build skills in community development. [ambs.edu/academics/partnership-merry-lea](http://www.ambs.edu/academics/partnership-merry-lea)

**Leadership Integrity Circles.** Explore what it means to practice Christ-centered leadership in your workplace in this AMBS program led by Betty Pries, PhD, and Rick Stiffney, PhD. Open to Christian leaders from any sector —business, industry, education, healthcare, law and beyond — each circle brings together six experienced organizational leaders. You’ll learn through self-reflection, spiritual practices and conversations with peers in a confidential environment. Apply by Oct. 1 to save $500! [ambs.edu/leadership](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/leadership-integrity-circles)

**Sept. 19**

**A Worship Leader’s Introduction to *Voices Together*:** **Oct. 27 – Dec. 14.** Join Katie Graber, PhD, and Anneli Loepp Thiessen, MM, to explore how your worship can grow in vitality through understanding the new *Voices Together* hymnal within the unique culture of your church community. This online AMBS short course lasts six weeks. CEUs available. Sign up by Sept. 29 to save $50. [ambs.edu/worshipleaders](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/worship-leader-introduction-voices-together-short-course)

**Earn a Master of Divinity at a distance!** Develop your leadership abilities from an Anabaptist perspective while staying in your current vocation. AMBS’s MDiv Connect program offers you in-depth biblical and theological study, spiritual formation and vocational internships — right where you live. Generous need-based financial aid, scholarships and matching grants are available. [ambs.edu/mdivconnect](http://www.ambs.edu/academics/mdiv-connect)

**Sept. 26**

**Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology: Oct. 27 – Dec. 14.** In this six-week online AMBS short course, Jamie Pitts, PhD, will lead you in examining theological topics the early Anabaptists held most dear: Jesus, the Holy Spirit and discipleship. No grades, no papers! Sign up by Sept. 29 to save $50. [ambs.edu/shortcourses](https://www.ambs.edu/lifelong-learning/exploring-anabaptist-history-theology-short-course)

**Church matching grants for seminary.** AMBS offers grants of up to $2,000 per academic year to match contributions that congregations, conferences and regional churches make toward a full-time graduate student’s tuition costs. We’re committed to making theological education affordable and accessible for students across the church — tap a shoulder! [ambs.edu/grants](https://www.ambs.edu/admissions/matching-grants)

**[Canadian congregations] Start with a Master of Theological Studies — then add a Master of Divinity!** Through a collaborative arrangement betweenConrad Grebel University College in Ontario andAnabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Indiana, Canadian students can complete an MTS at Grebel and apply eligible credits toward an MDiv at AMBS. Learn more: [ambs.ca/grebel](https://www.ambs.ca/academics/partnership-grebel)

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