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THE CHURCH OF TODAY MUST REGARD THIS NEED WITH SPECIAL SERIOUSNESS, FOR RENEWAL DEMANDS THAT EVERY LAYMAN BE PROVIDED THE OPPORTUNITY FOR A THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION. THIS IS POSSIBLE IN OUR TIME ONLY WHEN ACCOMPANIED WITH RE-EDUCATION IN THE MODERN WORLD VIEW.

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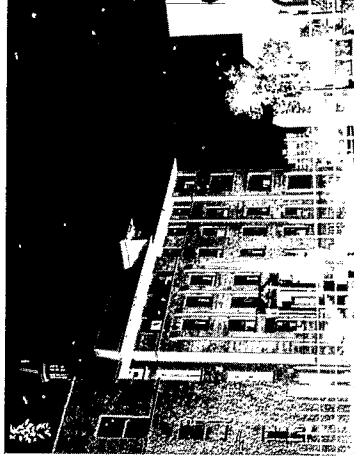
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THE CURRICULUM OF RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL STUDIES	Religious Studies I Introductory Core Course			Cultural Studies I Introductory Core Course		
	RS II Hebrew-Christian Thought			CS II Contemporary Cultural Wisdom		
	A Church History	B New Testament	C Old Testament	A Psychology and Art	B Sociology and History	C Science and Philosophy
	RS III Current Religious Patterns			CS III Modern Social Models		
A Local Congregation	B Ecumenical Movement	C World Religions	A Marriage and Family	B Community and Polis	C Nation and World	
RS IV Advanced Reading Course in Religious Studies			CS IV Advanced Reading Course in Cultural Studies			

THE STUDIES OF THE INSTITUTE are designed to hold together in one master model the disciplines of religion and culture. The curriculum is an effort to bring order into reflection upon images of the self as the self impinges upon the world, and models of the world as it impinges on the self; all in the context of the post-modern age. The curriculum is divided into two major sections: Religious and Cultural Studies. In each there is an introductory core course that deals with either the religious or cultural revolution of the 20th century. Both sections also include a variety of specialized reading courses for advanced participants. The six basic courses in each division are designed to cover both the theoretics and practices in the fields of religion and culture.

THE BASIC COURSES in the series under Religious Studies deal with the Hebrew-Christian self-understanding in its cultural setting, analyzing the history and the classical literature in the context of the origins and development of Western Civilization. A second series examines the contemporary renewal of religious movements manifest in the local congregation, modern ecumenics, and in world religions.

THE CULTURAL STUDIES intend in the basic courses to give an over-all view of the various academic disciplines, both the sciences and the humanities, which comprise the cultural wisdom of the post-modern world. They also deal with the new patterns of social existence on the levels of marriage and the family, the community and the city, the nation and the world.

EXTENSION PROGRAMS FOR METROPOLITAN CHICAGO

Religious and Cultural Studies are held on week nights in various locales throughout Greater Chicago: Fall Quarter—Northern Chicago; Winter Quarter—Western Chicago; Spring Quarter—Southern Chicago. The location and time are announced quarterly.

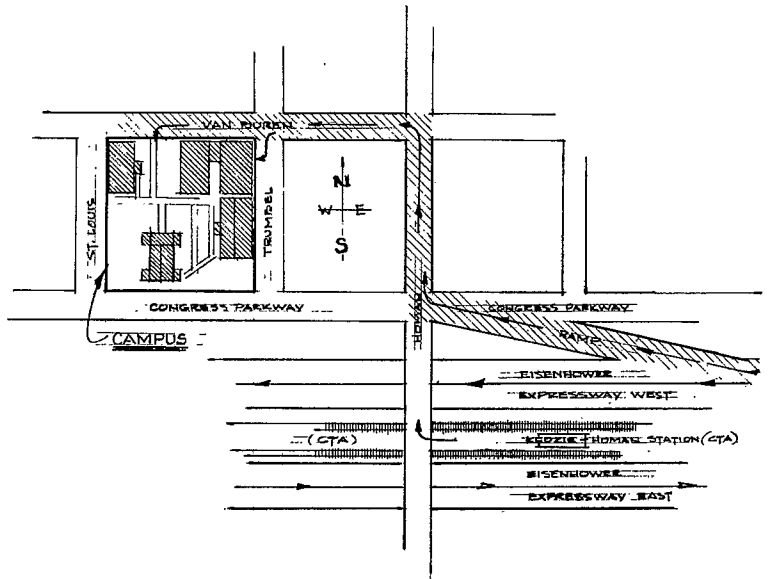
THE ECUMENICAL Institute is a unique center for research in practical training, experimental education and serious communication. It was founded out of a resolution of the Second Assembly of the World Council of Churches held in Greater Chicago in 1954. Its research programs explore new approaches to the unprecedented life issues and social problems arising in today's scientific, secular, urban society. Its experimental programs and projects are conducted among constituencies ranging from professional groups to inner city youth gangs and culturally deprived pre-school children with major emphasis among sentinel adult persons who are concerned for the comprehensive well-being of man.

THE INSTITUTE is an agency for cultural and religious ecumenicity and is informally related to similarly concerned institutions and groups across the nation and world. Its extension programs are conducted in cooperation with councils of churches, secular organizations, corporate ministries, interdenominational centers, local congregations and other groups that are attempting to formulate new structures of human solidarity and to empower individual integrity.

The School for Religious and Cultural Studies

is located on the unusual urban campus of the Ecumenical Institute at the geographical center of Metropolitan Chicago, the socio-economic capital of mid-America. It is set in the midst of Chicago's famous WEST SIDE where the inner-city is being radically reformulated. The five major buildings on the LANDSCAPED QUADRANGLE include a chapel, full gymnasium and classroom buildings. The COST of the school is subsidized by the Institute, making possible the minimal charge of \$10.00 per term to cover the cost of the seven evenings and materials used in the program.

The Institute is EASILY ACCESSIBLE. It is less than ten minutes west on the Eisenhower Expressway from the downtown Loop, one block west of the Homan Street exit. The Rapid Transit station at Homan Street is a Congress A-Train regular stop.



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