



# Distance Education Orientation

Charlotte Christian College & Theological Seminary (CCCTS)

# Getting Started

- The purpose this orientation is to:
  - Familiarize student with learning at CCCTS
  - Understand the mission and goal of CCCTS.
  - Navigate the Populi Learning Management System (LMS).
  - Learn about weekly course expectations.

# Overview of Learning at Charlotte Christian College & Theological Seminary

- CCCTS is committed to training academically, professionally, and spiritually leaders who will be prepared to win the world for Christ. Please do not hesitate to contact a staff member, faculty member, or your advisor if you need assistance. We have individuals here that are prepared to assist you academically and spiritually as needed. You will be tried and tested throughout your time at CCCTS but keep your eyes set on the true reward; Christ

## Mission and Statement of Philosophy at CCCTS

- “CCCTS exists to prepare Christ-centered leaders academically, professionally and spiritually, in order that they may be equipped to address creatively and effectively the needs and challenges of urban communities and society at large.”
- “As a body of believers invested in Christian education, CCCTS acknowledges that we as sinners are redeemed by the grace of God through faith in Jesus Christ; and ☐ that we have submitted ourselves to the Lordship of Jesus Christ and to the authority of Holy Scripture as God’s inerrant, infallible Word; and ☐ that God’s Word declares that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of godly wisdom, knowledge, and understanding; and ☐ that God’s Word commands us to make disciples of all people everywhere, especially our own children, by the training and instruction of the Lord.”

# Navigating Populi Learning Management System

- Populi is the web-based college management software used by Charlotte Christian College and Theological Seminary (CCCTS) for all distance-learning courses. Populi, an advanced, fully hosted, web-based college management system, integrates a college's student and personal records with academic, admissions, and billing functions, in addition to built-in email and scheduling. Populi even has an iPhone app! As a student, you have the ability to check current course information and in-progress grades, view your cumulative credits, GPA, and read course-related attachments like assignments and materials

# Weekly Course Expectations

- Attendance Policies Charlotte Christian online courses are offered by sections (see the catalog for details), each course lasting 8 weeks. Attendance for online courses is presented in weekly lessons tracked electronically by Populi. The weekly attendance period begins Monday at 12:00 am ET and ends on Sunday at 11:59 pm ET. Students taking online classes at Charlotte Christian register attendance by posting in specific areas of the classroom, indicating activity within the Populi platform.
- The key for each assignment in the lesson is to "meet deadlines." Remember to read your course syllabus, especially for details if there is a penalty for "late" assignments.

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- Each lesson has assigned reading from textbooks and articles, links, discussion questions, and additional files to supplement the lesson.
- Lesson assignments posted by the instructor must include specific requirements for students to include: 1) initial response deadlines word count and reference minimums, 2) responses to classmate requirements and time frames, and 3) Other assignments may include exams, projects and individual/group papers.

# Handbooks! Handbooks! Handbooks!

- For more information on your learning at CCCTS, please make sure that you obtain copies of the Student Handbook, Student Distance Education Handbook, Financial Aid and Library Handbook. These handbooks are designed to ensure that you have all the information you need to become a successful student here at CCCTS.