



Institute for Christian Studies

— EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF CENTRAL FLORIDA —

2026-27 Academic Calendar at a Glance

This outline is provided to guide and inform those considering the discernment process, so they can thoughtfully plan and commit to the class schedule.

Date	Year 1	Year 2 Externship	Year 3 Internship
8/22/26	Conference On Ministry		
9/26/26	Y1.1 Orientation <i>Applications Reviewed and due by Oct.</i>	Y2.2 Doctrine of God	Y3.1 Pneumatology
10/03/26	Y1.2 Understanding the Call: Ministers and Their Roles in The Episcopal Church	Y2.1 Biblical Studies Old Testament Narratives	Y3.2 Biblical Ethics
11/7/26	Diocesan Convention: All students are invited to volunteer		
11/14/26	Y1.3 Theological Foundations	Y2.3 Articulating Call to Diaconate, Licensed Lay Ministry and Spiritual Gifts for Ministry	Y3.3 Pastoral Listening and Ethics <i>*Nov. 30, 2025 Internship Begins</i>
1/9/27	Y1.4 Biblical Foundations	Y2.4 Old Testament Prophets	Y3.4 Anthropology & Eschatology
1/30/27	Y1.5 Old Testament Foundations	Y.2.5 Conflict Resolution and Healthy Boundaries	Y3.5 Biblical Studies Interpretation
2/6/27	Y1.6 Evangelism and Sharing the Gospel	Y2.6 Christology	Y3.6 The Catechism and Outline of Our Faith

4/10/27	Y1.7 Understanding the Liturgical Year/ BCP/ Sacraments	Y2.7 New Testament Epistles	Y3.7 Faithful Presence: Spiritual Care for Those in Ministry
5/1/27	Y1.8 New Testament Foundation	Y2.8 Effective Bible Study Preparation and Leadership	Y3.8 Parish Leadership And Ministry Planning for Episcopal Deacons
5/22/27	Y.1.9 Church History Part I	Y2.9 Biblical Studies Pauline Studies	Y3.9 Tools for the Task Tentative
6/12/27	Y1.10 Church History Part II	Y.2.10 The Deacon and Lay Leader in Authorized Worship	Y3.10 DOE EXAM Field Work Notebook Due Canons and Title IV Tentative
8/7/27	Y1.11 Homiletics Externship	Internship	Y3.11 Next Steps Archdeacons Letter or Agreement Annual Report Ordination Planning