

**Metaphysical School - Students Overview**

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**Student Reference Guide**

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### Mission Statement

**Spiritual Metaphysics** is the Sacred Science and Philosophy which systematically investigates the nature of First Cause, the principles of all existence and the nature of the universe. It is the purpose of the Chesterfield Spiritualists Seminary - School of Metaphysics to strengthen and guide students in the development of positive thought and a higher consciousness so that they may discover and live in accordance with their **"GOD Self"**. We seek to find and teach the many sacred pathways to eternal progression and expansion of Peace, Love, Wisdom, Brotherhood, and Unity. Instruction of our students in this knowledge will be provided through classes, lectures, workshops and mentoring programs in all areas of Spiritual Metaphysics.

### Academic Levels of Attainment

**Level I – Aspirant of Spiritual Metaphysics** – Those who have demonstrated through successful completion of the required classes, written and oral examination that they aspire to transform themselves and continue on the path of Sacred Studies to become "Light Bearers".

**Level II – Light Bearer of Spiritual Metaphysics** - Those who have demonstrated through study and dedication a proficiency to be a Light Bearer and the willingness to sacrifice oneself for the greater good of all. One who now possesses a level of metaphysical knowledge that carries the responsibility of **"walking in the light"** and sharing the knowledge with others who show interest for the good of all mankind.

**Level III – Disciple of Spiritual Metaphysics** - Those who have successfully completed the structured course of study, mentoring and have demonstrated their acceptance of the responsibility to live their life following the spiritual path of the Sacred Science and Philosophy of Metaphysics, to pass their knowledge on to others who show interest for the good of all life forms created by GOD, to recognize they will always be a student and dedicate themselves to continued study and spiritual growth.

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## Level 1 – Aspirant of Spiritual Metaphysics

IAOS member in good standing for one (1) year

20 Credits (10 Core classes, 10 Level I credits)

### Level I Metaphysical Development Classes:

Eight (8) Level I Metaphysical Development classes with a certified staff metaphysical development class teacher over a period of two (2) week long seminars. Four (4) classes per seminary with one (1) staff teacher per seminary.

Requirement Alternative: Regularly attended classes with a certified staff metaphysical development class teacher. Signature of teacher will be required.

Student Services: Assist a Staff Metaphysical Minister with Full Moon or Communion Service (*Purpose - Student to demonstrate their ability to invoke and work with spiritual energies.*)

Minimum of Two (2) years study

Written Test and Demonstration of your ability to invoke and work with spiritual energies.

### Level I Required Classes

**Basic Astrology:** The basic meaning of the planets, signs and houses of astrology and how these energies define personality and opportunities in our life.

**Basic Numerology:** The language of numbers and the vibration of letters pertaining to your birthright on the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual levels of life.

**Basic Qabalah:** The Tree of Life with the ten holy emanations of God and 22 paths of return. Using the Tree of Life as a basic framework for understanding our relationship with God.

**Candle Ceremony:** The proper use of candles in public and private work to achieve the desired spiritual energies. Preparation and color selection for affirmations, prayers and other spiritual work.

**Color:** The metaphysical meaning of colors and their rate of vibration. Working with color as a tool in your everyday life and for spiritual growth.

**Full Moon Meditations:** A study of the spiritual energies available during the full moon, their use for spiritual growth and how to use these energies in public and private meditation work.

**Hermetic Tarot:** Teachings from the schools of Ancient Wisdom using Tarot for personal and spiritual growth. Tarot symbols, basic metaphysical teachings and spiritual laws within the 22 Major Arcana.

**Hierarchy and the Plan:** A study of the Planetary Hierarchy under the leadership of the Christ to gain a better understanding of its functions and the spiritual plan including a basic introduction to the seven rays and the teachings of the Tibetan.

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**Practical Metaphysics:** An introduction to the principals of metaphysics and their use in our everyday life, working with the creative spark of God within you in accordance with natural law to improve all areas of life.

**Sacred Calendar:** Defining the Sacred Calendar including the solstice and equinox points, Easter, Wesak, Christ Festival and other high energy times of the year and their spiritual purpose.

### Level II – Light Bearer of Spiritual Metaphysics

IAOS member in good standing for one (1) year

30 Credits (10 Core classes, 10 Level I credits, 10 Level II credits)

Satisfactory completion of Level 1 – Aspirant of Spiritual Metaphysics

#### Level II Metaphysical Development Classes:

Eight (8) Level II Metaphysical Development classes with a certified staff metaphysical development class teacher over a period of two (2) week long seminars. Four (4) classes per seminary with one (1) staff teacher per seminary.

Requirement Alternative: Regularly attended classes with a certified staff metaphysical development class teacher. Signature of teacher will be required.

Select and work with Metaphysical Mentor for a period of at least one (1) year. This will include discussions of your Metaphysical Journal and progress at least quarterly.

Public Services: Full Moon or Communion Service prepared by the student with a Staff Minister, the student will work as the assistant. (Purpose – To demonstrate the students ability to create an original esoteric ceremony, their understanding of the purpose of the service and their ability to work with the spiritual energies required for a successful service.)

At least One (1) full year of study after Completion of Level I

Written Test and Demonstration of your ability to invoke and work with spiritual energies.

Recommendation of your Mentor or the Director of the School of Metaphysics.

### Level II Required Classes

**Astrology II:** A continuation of the metaphysical study of astrology including aspects, planetary orbs and the birth chart as a whole. This class will also investigate transits and progressed charts. *Prerequisite: Astrology I*

**Esoterics of Metaphysical Ceremony:** The proper use of ritual and angelic energies in your work as a metaphysician. Use of natural law as co-creator with God, awakening the God Spark Within, and the increased personal responsibility that is applied to the metaphysician. *Prerequisites: Candle Ceremony, Color, Hermetic Tarot, and Practical Metaphysics*

**Esoteric Psychology:** (10 hour – 2 credit class) A beginning study of the effect of the seven rays on humanity as a whole and the spiritual growth and development of the individual. Study of the Seven Creative Builders and their manifestation through the bodies of man controlling our physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual response to the world. *Prerequisites: Hierarchy and the Plan, Seven Rays; Recommended Reading: Esoteric Psychology I & II by Alice A. Bailey*

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**Metaphysical Journaling:** Keeping a record of insights, experiences, and ceremonies and results is an important part of the work of the metaphysician. This class explores ways of keeping your metaphysical journal.

**Numerology II:** A continuation of the study of numbers that reveals the challenges, tests, karmic lessons, and the nuances that indicate your way of thinking. Learn how you are compatible to others in business and personal relationships. *Prerequisite: Numerology I*

**Qabalistic Pathworking:** (10 hour – 2 credit class) Combining the information from the Tarot and Qabalah class to build and work with your personal Tree of Life for spiritual unfoldment and growth. We will begin “Pathworking” and learning the true meaning of the word Qabalah—“To Receive from Spirit.” *Prerequisites: Hermetic Tarot and Basic Qabalah*

**Seven Rays:** An overview of the Tibetan teachings of Alice Bailey concerning the seven ray energies that are the foundation of our solar system governing the planetary cycles, our lives, and our spiritual progression. *Prerequisite: Hierarchy and the Plan; Recommended Reading: The Seven Rays of Life—compiled writings of Alice A. Bailey, The Seven Rays Made Visible by Helen S. Burmester*

**Ceremony Practicum:** Students will create and present ceremonies assigned by instructor during interview at time of pre-registration. Instructor will mentor the students to improve their ability to invoke the proper spiritual energies for the ceremony. Student will also be required to create additional ceremony during class. *Prerequisites: Esoterics of Metaphysical Ceremony and Interview with Instructor*

### Level III – Disciple of Spiritual Metaphysics

IAOS member in good standing for two (2) years

50 Credits (10 Core classes, 10 Level I credits, 10 Level II credits, 20 Level III credits)

Satisfactory completion of Level II – Light Bearer of Spiritual Metaphysics

Continued work with Metaphysical Mentor for a period two (2) additional years. This will include discussions of your Metaphysical Journal, demonstration of your ability to work metaphysically with energy and general progress at least quarterly.

Public Services: Presentation of Full Moon or Communion Service prepared by the student with oversight by their Metaphysical Mentor and working with a Staff Minister (working as their assistant). (Purpose – To demonstrate the student’s ability to create and present an original esoteric ceremony, their understanding of the purpose of the service and their ability to work with the spiritual energies required for a successful service.)

Written Reports: A 5,000 and a 10,000 word metaphysical research report on a topic approved by Mentor and Director.

At least Two (2) full years of study after Completion of Level II

Written Test and Demonstration of your ability to invoke and work with spiritual energies.

Recommendation of your Mentor or the Director of the School of Metaphysics.

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## Level III Required Classes to be offered in 2009

**Advanced Spiritual Astrology** - Looking at the Astrological Chart as a whole including Planetary Patterns and Focal Points. This class will incorporate the Seven Ray influence into the astrological charts and a more Spiritual Study of Astrology and the Spiritual Influence and Potential indicated by your chart. *Prerequisite: Astrology II*

**Advanced Spiritual Numerology** - A deeper study of numbers and number symbolism as understood by the ancient metaphysicians to more perfectly perceive ourselves and how to live in harmony with Spirit. A look inward towards our own perfection and our individual interaction with the God Spark as indicated by your numbers. *Prerequisite: Numerology II*

**Directed Study I** (3 Credits) – Students will select a specific area of study through discussion with their Mentor and the Director of the School of Metaphysics that will result is the production of a 5,000 word research paper. A monthly progress review will be conducted and the student will have six months to submit the report for approval. *Prerequisites: Metaphysical Research Writing and Approval of Director of the School of Metaphysics*

**Directed Study II** (5 Credits) – Students will select a specific area of study through discussion with their Mentor and the Director of the School of Metaphysics that will result is the production of a 10,000 word research paper. A monthly progress review will be conducted and the student will have one year to submit the report for approval. *Prerequisites: Directed Study I and Approval of Director of the School of Metaphysics*

**Metaphysical Research Writing** - Students will learn the proper methods of researching and writing the research papers required for completion of Level III Directed Study requirements.

**Qabalistic Tarot** - An in depth study of the Minor Arcana, updating their planetary rulership and placement in the modern astrological chart and their place on the Tree of Life. This class will also study the Cube of Space and assignment of the Seven Rays to the Tree of Life. *Prerequisites: Astrology I, Qabalistic Pathworking and Seven Rays*

**Rays and Initiations** - (10 hour – 2 credit class) A study of our Spiritual Development, the path of Initiation and the effect of the Seven Rays on individuals and humanity as we walk the path of Discipleship under the direction of Hierarchy. *Prerequisite: Esoteric Psychology*

**Spiritual Yoga** – (10 hour – 2 credit class) Beginning with Hatha Yoga and Pranayama breathing, move up the Spiritual Path by relaxation and meditation with Yoga Mantras and Chants. Experience visualization and Pratyahara (the senses). Dress in non-binding cloths and bring towel or mat. *Prerequisite: Experience with Hatha Yoga*

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**Additional Classes** – The above classes account for 16 Credits and planning is currently underway to develop additional classes to complete the additional 4 credits required for completion of Level III Requirements. These classes will be announced later in 2009 as there preparation is completed.

### **Metaphysical Electives**

**Alchemy** – Alchemical formulas for self mastery. The highest alchemy is the precipitation of Christ Consciousness. The high road is the way of the Alchemist.

**Finding your Higher Self** - Students will learn techniques of meditation and working properly with chakra energies to remove the physical, emotional and mental blocks to move forward spiritually and contact the Higher Self. Learn proper methods for moving forward on your spiritual path and the steps to becoming a true co-creator with god.

**New Age Disciples** – A study of Discipleship as taught by Alice Bailey and the Tibetan. How we can work with Hierarchy and the Masters to grow spiritually and do our part to manifest the Plan of Love and Light in Earth and develop Right Human Relations.