

Changes to the Course Catalog
Spring 2024

SPRING SEMESTER

Added courses

TS 382 – Trauma and Grace – Serene Jones – Online – Tuesdays - 6:00pm-8:50pm

This course covers a wide range of literature related to trauma, including fiction, philosophy, theology and popular culture. Students explore the importance of understanding trauma – both personal and collective trauma – from a theological perspective.

(Note: this course replaces TS 319 – Science Fiction and Theology, which has been canceled)

BX 245 – Beyond the Boundaries of the Biblical Canon – Jeremy Hultin – In-Person – Thursdays – 2:00pm-4:50pm

This course explores some of the ancient Jewish and Christian texts that came to be regarded as "non-canonical" or "deutero-canonical," that is, not fully a part of the biblical canon. Our primary focus is the study of this literature itself, for these are rich and rewarding texts, and several of them were very influential, despite their non-canonical status. Special attention is given to three works that are included in the revised common lectionary (Sirach, Wisdom, and Baruch). Our secondary focus is to explore the process of canonization. How and why did Jewish and Christian communities decide to include some books and to reject others? Works studied include: Sirach; the Wisdom of Solomon; Baruch; 1 Enoch; the Gospel of Peter; the Apocalypse of Peter; the Gospel of Mary; the Acts of Paul and Thecla.

Prerequisite: BX 101 or NT 101 or HB 101.

PS 255 – Addiction and Spiritual Care – Myron Krysflorence – In-Person – Wednesdays 9:00am-11:50pm

The phenomenon of substance and process addiction cuts across all communities, impacting the individuals themselves, as well as their families and faith communities. Consequently, all pastoral and community leaders must be informed and prepared to address these concerns. This course explores 1) historical and current understandings of addiction, including the role of stigma and/or oppression (e.g., sexism, racism, homo/transphobia, disability); 2) current information emerging from neuroscience; and 3) the wide-ranging impact of addiction on families and communities. Various approaches to treatment and recovery are reviewed. Specific pastoral and spiritual care strategies are explored, including education, counseling with individuals and families currently affected by addiction, spiritual care to support those in recovery from addiction, and creating communities supportive of those in recovery.

RE 230- Strategic Pedagogies for Teaching Controversial Issues – Mary Boys – Online –
Thursdays 6:00pm-8:50pm

Skillful, creative, and caring pedagogical approaches are requisite for teaching persons about justice issues; understanding and conviction alone do not suffice. Students develop strategies through analysis of relevant literature, collaborative projects, and also design a course on a specific justice issue in which resistance and opposition are likely.

Changes in Instructor

AS 202 – Anglican Missions & Social Justice – Liza Anderson – Online

AS 302 – Anglican Studies Capstone Seminar – William Franklin & Mary Foulke – In-Person

TS 101 – Foundations in Christian Theology – Lea Schweitz - Online

Changes in Format

BX 325 – The Bible Beyond Humans – David Carr – In-Person

Canceled

NT 315B – Intermediate Greek II – Jeremy Hultin - In-Person

TS 319 – Science Fiction and Theology – Serene Jones