UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Fall 2015
Instructor: Joseph G. Mueller, S.J.
Course #: THEO 1001
Section: 118
Course Title: Introduction to Theology
Topic: Love, Sin, Life, and Death

Description: Christian theology is faith seeking understanding. Those who already believe seek to understand their faith better in order to believe and live it better. Living it better includes being better able to help others to faith. Theology has as one of its tasks, then, to help those who do not believe to understand the Christian faith so that they might come to believe it. This course will be attentive to the desire of the believer for understanding, as well as to the path of the unbeliever toward faith. Both this desire and this path seek a basic knowledge of what Christians believe. It is from this basic knowledge that one can arrive at a deeper understanding and a deeper faith. The course aims at firming up this basic knowledge in a way that will help deepen the students' understanding of it, whether or not they are believers. This semester we will emphasize the notions of love, sin, life, and death in our investigation of Christian belief.