UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Fall 2014
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Course #: THEO 1001
Sections: 124, 701
Course Title: Introduction to Theology

Description:

Everyday we interpret our surroundings and make choices about our identities and our actions in relationship to other individuals according to a personal and communal understanding of the meaning and value of human life. Every field of study that you will engage in at Marquette University will involve some manner of interpretation, a means by which human being and action is comprehended and determined. The academic discipline of Christian theology contemplates the meaning of human life on the basis of humanity’s relationship to the one whom Christians believe to be the source of that life, namely, God. Our task this semester will be to examine the rich intellectual tradition of Christianity through a sampling of its texts, beginning with writings from the Hebrew and Christian scriptures and continuing onward through Christianity’s development all the way to the modern period. We will also be placing Christianity in dialog with other religious traditions, including Judaism and Islam, so that we can see how these religious communities understand the freedom of human persons in terms of their responsibility to others and to the world around them.