UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Fall 2016
Instructor: Dr. Julian V. Hills
Course #: THEO 2100
Section: 101
Course Title: New Testament Overview

Description:

From the Undergraduate Bulletin:

THEO 2100 Survey of the contents of the New Testament, its historical contexts and religious ideas. Includes analysis of selected texts from representative sections of the New Testament and discussion of their various theological visions of God, the human person and the people of God in interrelationship.

This course is designed as an exploration of (1) the development of the early Church in the context of the Greco-Roman world, (2) the New Testament (NT) writings as products of and witnesses to specific Christian communities, and (3) the principal scholarly methods of research and interpretation. The goal of the course is that each student acquire the skills and the knowledge necessary for responsible exegesis (interpretation) of the NT. Class time will also be devoted to discussion of the relevance of the NT to Christian life today.

Chief requirements:
- 2 one-hour examinations,
- 2 papers, 1,000 (midterm) and 1,500 (final) words.