UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term:       Spring 2014
Instructor:  Dr. Deirdre Dempsey
Course #:    THEO 1001
Section:     903 (This section restricted to Honors Program students)
Course Title: Introduction to Theology

Description:

This Honors Program class is paired with an Honors Program English Literature class. This English class will focus on Romanticism and Victorian Literature; our Theology class will, among other things, give the student the background to understand the literature they are working with in their English class. We will examine foundational documents of the Christian tradition -- Old Testament, New Testament, Patristic writings -- as well as work on understanding how historical events shaped the rise of Christianity, and the rise of Christianity shaped historical events. The student should be able, at the end of the class, to: 1. read theological texts in their historical context; 2. understand the differences between different Christian traditions, as well as some of the differences among Christianity, Islam, and Judaism.