

Department of Theology

GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: **Spring 2009**
Instructor: Wanda Zemler-Cizewski
Course #: THEO 263
Course Title: Theology in the 12th Century

Content:

The course covers key developments in the early scholastic and the monastic theologies of the twelfth century, a pivotal period in the middle ages that opens with the first crusade in 1095, and ends with the founding of Europe's first universities at Paris and Bologna. Authors to be covered include the Benedictines Rupert of Deutz and Peter Abelard, the Cistercians Bernard of Clairvaux, William of St. Thierry, and others, as well as the cathedral school masters Peter Lombard, Gratian of Bologna, and others.

Format:

The course will begin with lectures, and then open up for seminar presentations by students.

Assignments and/or Examinations:

- Students will be evaluated on classroom presentations and participation in general, as well as one or two written assignments.

Language Pre-requisites:

- Students in the historical area will be expected to show evidence of the use of Latin originals; all are expected to use French and German sources.

Required Texts:

- Smalley, Study of the Bible in the Middle Ages; Fairweather, Scholastic Miscellany; Evans, Language and Logic of the Bible.