GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Spring 2014
Instructor: Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski
Course #: THEO 8423
Course Title: Theology in the Twelfth Century

Content:

The course covers theological developments and leading theologians in the period from 1095 to 1200. Authors include Anselm of Canterbury, Rupert of Deutz, Hildegard of Bingen, Heloise and Peter Abelard, Hugh of St. Victor, Bernard of Clairvaux, Peter Lombard, and the masters at Chartres and Laon. Doctrinal developments include two theories of the atonement, and the first major exercises in systematization of theology and church law. Controversial issues include relations between Church and State, relations between Christianity and Judaism, and the Crusades.

Format:

Lecture and seminar presentations

Assignments and/or Examinations:

- Bibliographic and essay assignments, with at least one class presentation.

Language Pre-requisites:

- none; Latin, French, and German (in that order) would be assets.