GRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: Spring 2017
Instructor: Dr. Ulrich Lehner
Course #: THEO 8445
Course Title: The Development of Roman Catholic Theology from the Enlightenment to the Present

Content:
This course continues “Discourses on Modernity” and asks what modernity is and means for theology. Is it possible to define it independently from Enlightenment? Can one be modern and anti-Enlightenment, or vice versa?

This course will discuss a variety of philosophical and theological primary sources, heavily on the side of the late 19th and early 20th century – such as Mathias Scheeben, Edith Stein, Jaques Maritain, who famously claimed that Catholic had to be ‘anti-modern’ and ‘ultra-modern’ at the same time [for the answer of how he solved this riddle you have to take the class ;) ], Joseph Marechal (mysticism, etc. What’s the place of Joseph Kleutgen, who wrote the major documents of Vatican I and his version of Thomism?

I think this is going to be very exciting course and I am looking forward to see you in class. Please don’t hesitate to email me with questions.

Format:
Seminar

Assignments and/or Examinations:
- TBA

Language Pre-requisites:
- None (foreign languages will be used according to individual abilities in assignments)