

UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: **Fall 2009**
Instructor: Dr. Constance Nielsen
Course #: THEO 1001
Section: 114
Course Title: Introduction to Theology

Description:

The Introduction to Theology course examines some of the fundamental theological questions about the nature of existence, and the human relationship to God and neighbor. It also offers an introduction to the sources for theological reflection (Scripture, Tradition and Experience) and the methods used to examine those sources. In addition to studying theology as a method, this course will focus on Christianity as a comprehensive worldview in comparison to alternative worldviews. Grades will be based on Mid-Term and Final exams, periodic quizzes, and class participation.

Required texts:

- John Laurance, Introduction to Theology
- Thomas D. McGonigle and James F. Quigley, A History of the Christian Tradition: From its Jewish Origins to the Reformation
- Henry Chadwick, Saint Augustine Confessions
- The Bible
- John Paul II (excerpts provided by Instructor)