

## UNDERGRADUATE COURSE DESCRIPTION

Term: **Fall 2009**  
Instructor: Dr. Rodrigo Morales  
Course #: THEO 1001  
Sections: 121, 122  
Course Title: **Introduction to Theology**

### Description:

This course is an introduction to the fundamental tenets of Christian theology and the basic shape of the Christian story. The goal of the course is to provide students with a solid foundation in the basics of the Catholic faith that undergirds the university's mission. To that end, the first three weeks of the class will address some of the differences between classical Christianity and certain aspects of modern philosophy and culture. The rest of the class will explore the shape of the Christian story as told in Scripture, reflected upon in the Creed, entered into through the liturgy, and embodied in the Christian life. Assignments include four reflection papers, 3 quizzes, a midterm, and a final.

### Required texts:

- Robert Barron, *The Strangest Way: Walking the Christian Path*
- David Bentley Hart, *Atheist Delusions: The Christian Revolution and its Fashionable Enemies*
- *New American Bible*
- Ben Quash and Michael Ward, *Heresies and How to Avoid Them*
- John D. Laurance, *Introduction to Theology*

### Optional texts:

- *Catechism of the Catholic Church*