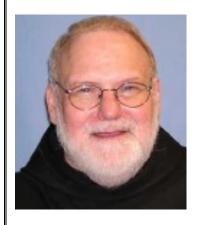
Ecumenical and Inter-religious Courses this Fall!! Washington Theological Consortium



Catholic/Orthodox Dialogue

Catholic University School of Theology TRS-766C, Wednesdays 12:40-3:10 pm Dr. Paul McPartlan

Catholic-Orthodox relations entered a new phase with the lifting in 1965 of the mutual anathemas dating back to 1054. Recent decades have seen a concerted effort at reconciliation by means of a dialogue of charity and a dialogue of truth. This course examines the strategy and major achievements of this dialogue, particularly the agreed statements that have been reached by the international and the north American theological dialogue commissions. It also considers the issues still outstanding on the path towards the restoration of eucharistic communion.



The Easter Face of Christ: Introduction to Eastern Christian Spirituality

Pontifical Faculty at the Dominican House of Studies (meets at Monastery of the Holy Cross,, 1302 Quincy St.) HT-754 Tuesdays 1:00-3:00pm Abbott Joseph Lee

A journey into the meaning of the spiritual life according to the Eastern Christian Fathers and Mothers: deification, the spiritual life as progression into the life of the Holy Trinity, Logos Mysticism, God's Uncreated Energies of Love, the Apophatic Way, Praxis and the Ascetical Life, Mary, the womb of God, Person as Divine Icon.



Mission and Evangelism in a Religiously Plural World

Wesley Theological Seminary WR-204, Tuesdays 6:30-9:30 pm (still open) Dr. J. Dayam

Re-viewing and re-imagining mission and evangelism through the lenses of interreligious hospitality, the way of Jesus Christ, the Gospel of liberation, and the flourishing of God's creation.



Dialogue with Islam in a Christian Society

Howard University School of Divinity HISU-430, Tuesdays 7:10-9:30 pm (still open) Dr. Zainab Alwani

This course provides an internal view of the beliefs, practices, institutions, and history of Islam. It fosters fresh interpretations of Islam and encourages creative and authentic analysis to the economic, political and social challenges involving Muslims. The course also focuses on the contemporary debate on women in Islam, economic-political Islam and Islam in America.

The Quran and Its Place in Modern Life HISU-435, Wednesdays 7:10-9:30pm (still open)

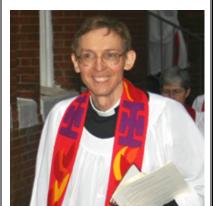
This course seeks to introduce the general history of the Qur'an and familiarize students with the related sources of the Qur'anic sciences and core concepts. The students will be able to develop critical methods that enable them to interact with Qur'an actively. They will be able to derive the critical aspects from different Qur'anic chapters and come up with a unified theme. Students will choose modern topics and form critical questions and uncover their answers directly from the Qur'an.



Religious Fundamentalism in the Modern World

Howard University School of Divinity, SCRL-411, Tuesday 1:40-4:00 pm (still open) Dr. Larry Golemon

Fundamentalism is on the rise, as it combines a seemingly ancient faith with modern organization and militancy. This course explores social, historical and theological characteristics of fundamentalism in Abrhamic and other world religions. Students will learn to identify characteristics of fundamentalist movements, aspects of their theological thought, and their accommodation to modern technology and communication. This course places these movements within the context of modernity and globalization.



Practical Issues Between Muslims and Christians

Virginia Union University, Richmond Samuel Proctor Divinity School

PT-570, Thursdays 6:30-10:30 pm (starts Sept 12) Dr. Richard Jones and Imam A. Amonette

This course will examine three areas of shared concern between Muslim and Christian communities in the United States:_ 1. Spiritual resources in our respective traditions to sustain individual believers during their transitions from birth to maturity to death._2. The responsibility of leaders in relation to the community of believers._3. Relations of the community of believers to society at large, including civic participation and bearing witness.



Introduction to Mission: Practice, Critique and Theology in a Globalized World

Virginia Theological Seminary GCM-504, Mondays/Thursday 9:-10:50 am (starts Sept. 3, 1.5 credits) Dr. Robert Heaney

This short course (to mid October) begins a critical introduction to the thought and practice of contemporary Christian mission. This course begins to identify missiological issues emerging from World Christianity and the critique (e.g. African, Post-colonial, Latino/a, Native American, Asian) that World Christianity brings to so-called Western Christian missionary practice.



Crossroads of Dialogue, Faith and Learning