

## NORTH PARK THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

### HSTY 5201 CHRISTIAN HERITAGE II: THE REFORMATION AND MODERN CHURCH

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This course is designed to give the student a basic introduction to the history and theology of the Christian church from the Reformation to the present. Major emphasis will be placed upon the Protestant tradition in the western church, as well as addressing other traditions. The usual format of the course will be lecture, supplemented by discussion and small group presentations. The lectures will focus on significant issues, persons, and events. The required reading, primary and secondary, is intended to supply the broader overview of the period and supplement the lectures.

#### **Required texts are available at the campus bookstore:**

Justo L. Gonzalez, *The Story of Christianity*, vol. 2, 1984. (SC)

Justo L. Gonzalez, *A History of Christian Thought*, vol. 3, 1987 (CT)

Adrian Hastings, ed., *A World History of Christianity*, 1999

Mark A. Noll, *The Old Religion in a New World*, 2002

Henry Bettenson, ed., *Documents of the Christian Church*, 3rd ed. (1999)

Barbara MacHaffie, *Her Story: Women in Christian Tradition*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. (2006)

Supplementary material will be posted on Blackboard, including a list of Internet resources for the Reformation/Modern period and a set of reading guides (study questions) for general and specific topics in the course.

Barbara MacHaffie's *Her Story* has a superb website, including bibliographies, a reading guide, and a research paper guide. The latter provides helpful advice on writing a research paper of any nature. See [www.augsburgfortress.org/education/academic/herstory/](http://www.augsburgfortress.org/education/academic/herstory/)

#### **Two examinations will be given:**

MIDTERM: Tuesday, **March 17**, covering lectures and reading.

FINAL: Thursday or Friday, **April 6 or 7**, covering lectures and readings from the Midterm to the end of the semester.

### **Additional reading and writing assignments include:**

1. Two critical 4-page essays on approximately 75-100 pages (each) of readings in church history or historical theology from lists of primary sources to be posted on Blackboard. The essays will cover the Reformation and Modern eras, respectively. The first is due **March 3**, and the second **April 19**.
2. A 15-page research paper, fully documented, on some aspect of interest to the student. It is expected that all papers will follow an established style guide (Turabian, *A Manual for Writers*, the *Chicago Manual of Style*, etc.), and will be typed, double-spaced (1" margins, 12 point type, minimum 250 words per page), observing the school's policies on inclusive language and plagiarism. The paper is due **May 3**.

NOTE: LATE PAPERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED  
PLEASE PUT BOX NUMBER ON ALL PAPERS AND EXAMS

### **Group Presentations:**

Each member of the class will be involved in one of six group presentations. All are expected equally to be involved and committed to the time and work necessary to prepare for the presentation. The research paper may grow out of the group topic with a specific focus of interest. The instructor will meet initially with each of the groups, is available as needed, and will receive from each group a planning report one week prior to the presentation.

PLEASE STOP BY OR SET UP AN APPOINTMENT TO DISCUSS ANYTHING PERTAINING TO THE COURSE (OR ANYTHING FOR THAT MATTER!): 773-244-6218; [panderson@northpark.edu](mailto:panderson@northpark.edu)

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### **SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND READINGS**

February 1: A New Era Begins

February 3 Martin Luther: A Wild Boar in the Vineyard

February 8: Theology of Luther

February 10: Ulrich Zwingli and Reform in Zurich

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 6-52  
Gonzalez (CT), 13-85  
Bettenson, 202-235  
Hastings, 238-247  
MacHaffie, 85-95; 98-101; 108-114

February 15: The Radical Reformation

February 17: John Calvin and Reform in Geneva

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 53-69  
Bettenson, 236-281  
Hastings, 248-269

February 22: GROUP PRESENTATION I: The English Reformation

February 24: Puritanism in Old and New England

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 70-85; 149-163  
Gonzalez (CT), 86-102; 133-247  
Hastings, 270-276; 328-342

March 1: Protestant Scholasticism to the Enlightenment

March 3: GROUP PRESENTATION II: Pietism

FIRST CRITICAL ASSAY DUE

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 86-125; 164-184; 205-209  
Gonzalez (CT), 292-299  
Noll, 1-26  
Bettenson, 282-285; 298-344  
Hastings, 172-191; 277-281  
MacHaffie, 96-98; 101-107; 114-123

March 8: NO CLASS—SPRING BREAK

March 15: John Wesley and the Methodists

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 185-216  
Gonzalez (CT), 103-132; 248-292; 300-339  
Bettenson 345-350

Hastings, 296-327

March 17: MIDTERM EXAMINATION

March 22: Introduction to American Religious History

March 24: Religion in the American Colonies

March 29: Awakenings and Revival from George Whitefield to Charles Finney

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 217-246  
Noll, 27-94  
Hastings, 416-435  
MacHaffie, 179-188; 195-202; 212-218

March 31: GROUP PRESENTATION III: Missions to Native Americans

April 5: Slavery and Civil War

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 246-261  
Noll, 95-112  
Hastings, 436-442

April 7: Trajectories of Nineteenth-Century Thought to Kierkegaard

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 262-293  
Gonzalez (CT), 339-386  
Noll, 113-135  
MacHaffie, 169-178; 188-193; 202-211; 218-271

April 12: GROUP PRESENTATION IV: The Social Gospel in Western Christianity

April 14: Fundamentalism and Modernism

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 372-387  
Noll, 136-252  
Hastings, 443-450

April 19: GROUP PRESENTATION V: The German Church Struggle

SECOND CRITICAL ESSAY DUE

April 21: The Ecumenical Revolution

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 294-359  
Gonzalez (CT), 387-427

Noll, 253-281  
Bettenson, 359-368; 379-390; 429-431; 450-451  
Hastings, 451-507  
MacHaffie, 273-304

April 26: GROUP PRESENTATION VI: American Religion and Civil Rights

April 28: Immigration, the Varieties of Faith, and American Identity

Required reading: Gonzalez (SC), 360-397  
Gonzalez (CT), 428-476  
Bettenson, 369-378; 391-428; 432-449  
Hastings, 200-237; 357-368; 373-415; 508-535  
MacHaffie, 305-344

May 3: The Global Faces of Christianity in the New Millennium  
RESEARCH PAPER DUE

May 6 or 7: FINAL EXAMINATION