

Theology (THEO)

ABP - Satisfies EMU Core Anabaptist Biblical Perspectives requirement.

CIW - Satisfies EMU Core Christian Identity and Witness requirement.

201 Introduction to Theology **3**

An overview of the role that theological reflection plays in the life of the believer and the church. Students will be exposed to different methods and understandings of theology, major issues in the history of theology, and key contemporary theological issues and debates. (CIW)

***312 Topics in Christian Theology** **3**

A study of key thinkers and topics in theology in order to more fully develop skills of theological analysis, discussion and presentation. Students gain an appreciation of the role of theology within the life of the church to become better prepared for a role in the church's theological task. Provides an intensive setting for reflection on theological understandings. (CIW) (Spring 2011)

323 Biblical Theology of Peace and Justice **3**

In this course, students study biblical materials relating to peace and justice. Aspects of the study are: the Old Testament's vision of creation, fall, deliverance, covenant, law, and prophetic critique; the New Testament's portrayal of Jesus, the One who fulfills the Old Testament prophetic vision—bringing salvation and establishing a community of justice and peace; the early church's interpretation of Jesus; and consideration of how the biblical vision of peace and justice applies to our modern world. (ABP)

***412 Contemporary Theology** **3**

This course introduces students to the theological environment of the 21st century. Key theological thinkers, enduring problems and issues of this period are surveyed in order to develop an understanding of the distinctive theological challenges facing the church in the post-modern world. The course aims to develop a deeper understanding of the complex interaction between culture and theology and to help students appreciate and knowingly criticize various recent theological developments. (CIW) (Fall 2011)

***423 Philosophical Theology** **3**

Students investigate important philosophical texts and their impact on significant theological writings. Representative philosophers and theologians from each era (medieval, modern and contemporary) are read and explored. The use of philosophical method in theology and the relationship between philosophy and theology are discussed.

499 Independent Study **1-3**

**Indicates courses offered in alternate years.*