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Jesus in Film & History

Sheila McGinn, PhD

Summer 1—Online

Just as there are four gospel portrayals of him, Jesus likewise has been the subject of a multitude of film portrayals. This course will provide the opportunity for viewing and discussion of a variety of film portrayals of Jesus (from 1953–present) in comparison with the canonical gospel accounts and current “historical Jesus” research. We will explore the socio-historical context of this “Jesus material” and analyze its message(s) for contemporary U.S. culture.



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Islam & the Environment

Zeki Saritoprak, PhD

Summer 3—Online

This course is an overview of environmental issues and Islamic approaches to these challenges based on the major sources of Islam: the Qur’an and the Hadith (i.e., the sayings and actions of the Prophet). We will also discuss Islamic legal structures to protect the environment. Special emphasis will be given to contemporary Islamic activism for the protection of the natural world. We will elaborate on the beauty and spirituality of nature as laid out in the Islamic sources as well as the legal prohibitions of the destruction of nature.

Teaching Theology

Edward Hahnenberg, PhD

Summer 2—MTW, 3:00-5:40pm, June 21-July 22

Introduction to pedagogy for theological educators. Explores the nature and goals of theological education, the vocation of the theology teacher, the sociological research relevant to religious education, the developmental needs of adolescents and young adults, diversity in the classroom, and concrete pedagogical strategies. The class will give special attention to exploring practical ways to advance the learning goals of the U.S. Catholic Bishops’ High School Curriculum Framework in a pedagogically effective manner.



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