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Course	SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING THEO 0531
Date and Time	SEPTEMBER 14 – DECEMBER 7, 2021 TUESDAYS, 8:15 – 11:05 AM
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Class Information	The classes will start on Tuesday mornings at 8:15 a.m. and run until 11:05 a.m. Office Hours: Tuesdays: 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. (Please email the professor to sign up for a time slot).
Course Material	Access course material at classes.tyndale.ca or other services at Tyndale One . Course emails will be sent to your @MyTyndale.ca e-mail account only. Learn how to access and forward emails to your personal account.

I. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Equips students to use the tools of systematic theology to understand, proclaim, and live the Christian faith today. We will address such questions as: How can we know God, and how do we adjudicate truth claims about God? How can God be both one and three? How can Jesus be both divine and human? Who is the Holy Spirit and how does the Spirit’s work relate to that of the Father and Son? How does theological knowledge impact our day-to-day lives in the church and in the world?

Prerequisites: HIST 0561 or HIST 0562

II. LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

1. Analyze the interconnection and cohesion of Christian doctrines and apply implications for Christian life, vocation, and mission.
2. Evaluate intelligently, graciously, and critically the theological ideas and writings of others, and articulate your own positions in a manner that is informed, coherent, winsome, and charitable.
3. Distinguish between the essentials and non-essentials of the Christian faith through deeper and broader exposure to the historic Christian Tradition.
4. Effectively identify, assess, and analyze theological sources through electronic library research tools.
5. Express their love for God and their worship of God through deeper and more integrated knowledge of God.

III. COURSE REQUIREMENTS

A. REQUIRED READING

Basil of Caesarea. *On the Holy Spirit*. Popular Patristics. Crestwood, NY: St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, 2011. ISBN 9780881418767.

Kapic, Kelly M. [*A Little Book for New Theologians: Why and How to Study Theology*](#). Downers Grove, IL: IVP Academic, 2012. ISBN: 9780830839759.

McGrath, Alister E. [*Christian Theology: An Introduction*](#). Sixth edition. Chichester, UK: Wiley-Blackwell, 2016. ISBN: 9781118869574 (hereafter *CT*).

Other assigned readings will be available via the course page, as per the schedule below (IV).

B. SUPPLEMENTARY / RECOMMENDED READING AND TOOLS

Tyndale recommends www.stepbible.org – a free and reputable online resource developed by Tyndale House (Cambridge, England) – for word searches of original-language texts, as well as for topical searches, interlinear texts, dictionaries, etc. Refer to the library for other [online resources for Biblical Studies](#).

C. INTERACTIVE LIVESTREAM AND/OR HYBRID COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Livestream attendance at announced times

- Headphones (preferred), built-in microphone, and web-camera
- Well-lit and quiet room
- Stable high-speed internet connection, preferably using an Ethernet cable over Wi-Fi

D. GUIDELINES FOR INTERACTIONS

Tyndale University prides itself in being a trans-denominational community. We anticipate our students to have varied viewpoints which will enrich the discussions in our learning community. Therefore, we ask our students to be charitable and respectful in their interactions with each other, and to remain focused on the topic of discussion, out of respect to others who have committed to being a part of this learning community. Please refer to “Guidelines for Interactions” on your course resource page at classes.tyndale.ca.

E. ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

1. Preliminary Research Assignment (3-4 pages; 15%, Oct. 12 at 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcome #4.

This assignment will prepare students for the final research thesis paper and provide an opportunity for the instructor to give students feedback and direction.

- Find two encyclopedia entries on a major theologian or a major theological issue (lists to be provided)
- If you choose a theologian, identify two or three major issues they addressed. If you choose an issue, identify two or three major thinkers who have addressed the issue
- From the above, choose one issue you would like to address, and one thinker who you would like to read on that topic; then, state your topic in the form of a research question, and provide a tentative answer
- Find and list eight or more good quality academic sources on the proposed topic; sources must include at least three academic journal articles, at least one academic monograph, and relevant sources from the major thinker in question as per the proposed topic

2. Research Thesis Paper (10-12 pages, 40%; due Nov. 30 at 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcomes #1, #3, and #4.

Students will write a 10-12 paged research paper on the topic proposed in assignment 1, above. Students should consult **at least 8** good quality academic sources *beyond the course*

materials (i.e., beyond assigned texts & readings). The research paper should demonstrate thoughtful reflection, critical analysis, and should embody a conceptual argument (a thesis) in which various angles of the topic are explored in fairness. Course lectures and readings will serve as a starting point, but students should engage **at least** 8 other academic sources in writing this paper, including academic journal articles and at least 1 theological monograph (a major work by a theologian). Be sure to consult the detailed *Grading Grid* and the *Research Paper Instructions* documents posted in Moodle. Read and follow these documents carefully at the beginning of your research and again when you begin writing your paper.

3. Short Theological Reflection Papers (3 pp. each x 3; 30%; due Fridays by 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcomes #2 and #3

Of the seven dates listed below, choose three on which to submit a 3-paged (1.5 or double spaced) theological reflection on that date's topic. *Drawing on and interacting with the course content for that day* (readings, lectures, etc.), write your own theological response to the question or issue being addressed. You just have 3 pages, so be very clear and concise, focusing on central concepts, issues, and arguments. Dates and topics include:

- i) Due Sept. 24: What role should Tradition play in theology? Include one paragraph reflecting on the implications of this for your own theological development.
- ii) Due Oct. 1: What important contributions does reason or experience (choose one) make to theological knowledge? What are the limitations of that source for doing theology?
- iii) Due Oct. 15: Write a reflection on either one of God's attributes or about your preferred approach to theodicy (the problem of evil and suffering).
- iv) Due Nov. 5: Of the atonement theologies discussed, which one do you find to be most important and/or helpful and why? Which do you find least helpful and why? [In answering this question, offer theological reflection based on Scripture (interpreted in light of Tradition, reason, and experience), not just personal preference or 'gut' response.]
- v) Due Nov. 19: Write a reflection on one theological issue related to the Person of the Holy Spirit that interests you from the Basil reading (*On the Holy Spirit*).
- vi) Due Nov. 26: How is our salvation (our 'being saved') related to creation and new creation?
- vii) Due Dec. 10: How might a trinitarian, participatory model of ministry, impact your approach to worship, or pastoral ministry, or Christian community, or social justice,

or mission, or vocation (or some other aspect of Christian life and witness)? How might a trinitarian approach correct or affirm your/your church's present practice?

4. Reflection on Kopic (4-5 pages; 15%; due Dec. 7 at 11:59 p.m.)

This assignment is related to Outcomes #1 and #6

Write a reflection paper (4-5 pages) on the practice of theology as it relates to your life as a Christian and to your particular vocation or calling to serve God in the world. Your reflection should interact with Kopic's *A Little Book for New Theologians*. Don't try to say everything that can be said about the topic generally. Limit your discussion to 2-3 key ideas/insights that *you* found to be most important. Reflect on how theology is relevant for *both* Christian life & vocation *and* the importance of our life & vocation being conceived theologically.

F. EQUITY OF ACCESS

Students with permanent or temporary disabilities who need academic accommodations must [contact](#) the [Accessibility Services](#) at the [Centre for Academic Excellence](#) to [register](#) and discuss their specific needs. *New students* must self-identify and register with the Accessibility Office at the beginning of the semester or as early as possible to access appropriate services. *Current students* must renew their plans as early as possible to have active accommodations in place.

G. SUMMARY OF ASSIGNMENTS AND GRADING

Evaluation is based upon the completion of the following assignments:

Assignment	Due	Weight
Preliminary Research Assignment	Oct. 12	15%
Short Theological Papers (3)	See p. 4	30%
Research Thesis Paper	Nov. 30	40%
Reflection Paper on Kopic	Dec. 7	15%
Total Grade		100 %

H. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN WORK

Due dates & times (and late penalties): Assignments are to be uploaded to the assignment submission section of the course page in pdf or Microsoft Word format by 11:59 PM (Eastern Time) on the assigned due date. Papers submitted after 11:59 PM on the due date will receive a 1/3 grade deduction (i.e., B+ to B) per day (or part thereof) following the due date (to a maximum of 1.5 GP deduction per week). This late policy will apply to all assignments for which

no extension has been granted. Extensions will be granted only for serious personal, family, or health situations. The last possible date to submit all assignments is December 14, after which students will need to request an official course extension from the Registrar's Office.

Formatting: Assignments must be double-spaced, typed in 12 pt Times New Roman font (10-pt for footnotes), with 1" margins. The standard citation method for theological papers uses footnotes (not parenthetical citations or endnotes) with a complete bibliography in the Chicago style (not APA style). For proper citation style, consult the [Chicago-Style Quick Guide](#) (Tyndale e-resource) or the full edition of the [Chicago Manual of Style Online](#), especially [ch. 14](#). For citing scripture texts, refer to sections [10.44 to 10.48](#) and [14.238 to 14.241](#).

Academic Integrity

Integrity in academic work is required of all our students. Academic dishonesty is any breach of this integrity, and includes such practices as cheating (the use of unauthorized material on tests and examinations), submitting the same work for different classes without permission of the instructors; using false information (including false references to secondary sources) in an assignment; improper or unacknowledged collaboration with other students, and plagiarism. Tyndale University takes seriously its responsibility to uphold academic integrity, and to penalize academic dishonesty.

Students are encouraged to consult [Writing Services](#). Citation and other [tip sheets](#).

Students should also consult the current [Academic Calendar](#) for academic policies on Academic Honesty, Gender Inclusive Language in Written Assignments, Late Papers and Extensions, Return of Assignments, and Grading System.

Research Ethics

All course-based assignments involving human participants requires ethical review and may require approval by the [Tyndale Research Ethics Board \(REB\)](#). Check with the Seminary Dean's Office (aa@tyndale.ca) before proceeding.

I. COURSE EVALUATION

Tyndale Seminary values quality in the courses it offers its students. End-of-course evaluations provide valuable student feedback and are one of the ways that Tyndale Seminary works towards maintaining and improving the quality of courses and the student's learning experience. Student involvement in this process is critical to enhance the general quality of teaching and learning.

Before the end of the course, students will receive a MyTyndale email with a link to the online course evaluation. The link can also be found in the left column on the course page. The evaluation period is 2 weeks; after the evaluation period has ended, it cannot be reopened.

Course Evaluation results will not be disclosed to the instructor before final grades in the course have been submitted and processed. Student names will be kept confidential and the instructor will only see the aggregated results of the class.

IV. COURSE SCHEDULE, CONTENT AND REQUIRED READINGS

Please complete all readings prior to attending class, so that we can make the most use of class lecture and discussion time. CT = McGrath's [*Christian Theology*](#). CTR = McGrath's [*Christian Theology Reader*](#) (available online as an e-book via Tyndale's Library). All other sources are posted online, in the course page on Moodle.

Week 1 (Sept. 14): Theology is Faith Seeking Understanding

The nature and task of theology; theology as a practice of the church.

CT, Part 1 (chs. 1-4); CT, chapter 5

Week 2 (Sept. 21): Theology's rule is the Bible, interpreted through tradition

Sources of theology I: The doctrine of revelation; Scripture as the un-normed norm of theology; the role of Tradition.

CT, chapter 6

C. S. Lewis, Preface to Athanasius, *On the Incarnation*

Erickson on approaches to biblical inerrancy

Smith on the problems of 'biblicism'

Week 3 (Sept. 28): Theology's rule is the Bible, interpreted through reason and experience

Sources of theology II: the role of reason and experience.

CT chapters 7-8

CTR, excerpts: 1.7 (Anselm), 1.9 (Aquinas), 1.17 (Paschal), 1.27 (Lossky), 1.37 (Polkinghorne), 2.29 (Paley), 2.51 (McGrath)

CTR, excerpts 1.26 (Wittgenstein), 1.31 (McFague), 1.29 (Tillich), 1.34 (Lindbeck), 2.45 (Trible), 9.2 (Feuerbach), 9.3 (Marx), 9.10 (Cobb)

Week 4 (Oct. 5): The Evangelical Character of Theology

What does it mean to be an 'evangelical'? What is evangelical theology?

Larsen on Evangelicalism

Barth on Theology and the Word

Week 5 (Oct. 12): God is One

The God of the Bible and classical theism; divine attributes; theodicy

CT, chapter 9
Webster on God's holiness
Moltmann on theodicy and atheism
Due: Preliminary Research Assignment

Week 6 (Oct. 19): Jesus Christ is God and Human

Who is Jesus? Scriptural foundations; Patristic Christology

CT, chapter 10 (pp. 207-245)
Ezbigio, "Jesus as God's Communicative and Hermeneutical Act"
Tanner, *Christ the Key* (chapter 1: "Human Nature")

October 26: NO CLASS (reading days are Oct. 26-29)

Week 7 (Nov. 2): Jesus Christ Atoned for our Sin

The work of Christ in salvation; atonement and justification

CT, Chapter 11 (pp. 246-279)
McGrath, *Christian Theology Reader* (online, Library): 5.2 (Irenaeus), 5.7 (Rufinus), 5.13 (Anselm), 5.14 (Abelard), 5.19 (Calvin), 5.28 (Aulén), 5.32 (Packer), 5.38 (Weaver).
Wesley, Sermons 44 and 45, "Original Sin" and "The New Birth"
Aldred, "An Indigenous Reinterpretation of Repentance"

Week 8 (Nov. 9): The Holy Spirit is God

Who is the Holy Spirit? Scriptural foundations; Patristic Pneumatology

CT, chapter 12
Basil, *On the Holy Spirit*, 1-8 (pp. 27-52)
Thomas Oden, "The Person of the Holy Spirit," in *Classic Christianity: A Systematic Theology* (San Francisco: HarperOne, 2009), 513-525 [67 pages total]

Week 9 (Nov. 16): The Holy Spirit is Poured Out on All Flesh

The Spirit as pledge of our inheritance; the consummation of God's work of redemption

CT, chapter 18, "The Last Things," 426-447
Basil, *On the Holy Spirit*, 9-20 (pp. 52-89)
Yong, "I Believe in the Holy Spirit: From the Ends of the Earth to the Ends of Time"
Gabriel, "Intensity of the Spirit"

Week 10 (Nov. 23): Creation, Fall, New Creation

The human person, sin and grace, creation and new creation

CT, chapter 14
Bonhoeffer on 'cheap' vs. 'costly' grace
Gunton on the Doctrine of Creation

Middleton, "A New Heaven and a New Earth: The Case for a Holistic Reading of the Biblical Story of Redemption"

Week 11 (Nov. 30): God is Triune

Solidifying the Nicene consensus; Trinity as the "grammar" of the Christian faith

CT, chapter 13

Basil, *On the Holy Spirit*, 21-30 (pp. 89-122)

Due: Research Paper

Week 12 (Dec. 7): The Triune God Invites us to Participate in God's Love, Life, and Mission

The Trinity and the mission of God; human participation; a participatory model of ministry

Torrance, "Worship – Unitarian or Trinitarian?"

Kreider, "'They Alone Know the Right Way to Live': The Early Church and Evangelism"

C. Rosalee Velloso Ewell, "Learning to See Jesus with the Eyes of the Spirit: The Unlikely Prophets of God's Reign"

Due: Reflection Paper on Kopic

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