

Brief Course Outline

Course Title: **Systematic Theology**

Course Number and Section

SYSTHEO

5103A 550

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Disclaimer: Information in the brief course outline is subject to change. The syllabus posted on OWL Brightspace is the official and authoritative source of information for the course.

Course Description:

This course is an introduction to systematic theology in the Christian tradition. We will study historical and contemporary approaches to central questions about God, creation, humanity, and redemption, paying close attention to the philosophical and cultural contexts in which these ideas have developed.

Learning Outcomes: one outcome per entry

- Demonstrate a deeper understanding of the theological foundations of the Christian tradition, as mediated through a range of global, historical, and contemporary voices;
- Become familiar with the discipline of systematic theology as a distinct tradition of inquiry;
- Engage Christian theological topoi in constructive, creative, and critical ways through research and writing;
- Express connections between theological studies and contemporary social issues, particularly those related to justice, human flourishing, and integrative ecology.

Textbooks and Course Materials:

A required textbook for this class is available as a free electronic resource from the Huron library:

Daniel F. Migliore, Faith Seeking Understanding: An Introduction to Christian Theology. Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2014.

Library Permalink:

https://ocul-uwo.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01OCUL_UWO/r0c2m8/alma991044576867305163

Other assigned readings will be available via the library Course Readings application in OWL.

Methods of Evaluation: one assignment per entry

Assignment	Due Date mm/dd/yy	Weight - %
Weekly Participation/Attendance	12/8/2026	10
Reflection Paper	10/03/26	15
Creative Text Response 1	10/20/26	15
Creative Text Response 2	11/03/26	15
Creative Text Response 3	11/17/26	15
Final Project	12/08/26	30

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In-course Costs \$000.00

For Textbooks and Course Materials (below), you are required to include the cost of each textbook or other learning material.

Note whether there are any restrictions that would prevent a student from using a second-hand copy. Here is some suggested text:

- Required textbook: [author, title, edition, publisher, date]. Cost: [insert amount].
 - Or include the weblink of the textbook’s publisher site that includes the cost information.
- Students need to purchase this edition. Second-hand or older editions will not be sufficient.
- OR Students are welcome to purchase second-hand or earlier editions of this textbook.
- This course has an optional field trip that costs [insert amount].
- This course has a required field component that costs [insert amount].

In solidarity with the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lūnaapéewak, and Chonnonton peoples on whose traditional treaty and unceded territories this course is shared.