

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary
Contemporary Issues in Theology: Atheism and Relativism THEO9414
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Seminary Mission Statement

New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and Leavell College prepare servants to walk with Christ, proclaim His truth, and fulfill His mission.

Course Description

The seminar will address contemporary expressions of atheism and relativism in both the academy and culture, including issues that relate to evangelism, biblical studies, apologetics, philosophy, and ethics. Special attention will be given to historical and intellectual precursors of atheism and relativism, their contemporary expressions, and the methodological presuppositions of those advocating or opposing atheism and relativism. The seminar will emphasize personal reading, research, and writing.

Core Values Addressed

The seminar will address the core values of *Doctrinal Integrity*, *Characteristic Excellence*, and *Mission Focus* most directly. Reflection on a core Christian doctrine—the existence of God—is central to the course. Special attention is given to clear thinking and critical reflection on positions contrary to Christian doctrine—something that is a must for academic *excellence*. Also addressed will be the issue of truth, which is foundational to theological reflection. *Mission Focus* is also addressed in that atheism and relativism are significant challenges to successful Christian mission in today's world.

Objectives

1. The student will demonstrate familiarity with issues relevant to the course subject material by: (1) reading broadly on the historical development of the issue and (2) writing reports on assigned readings in the field.
2. The student will demonstrate familiarity with the theological and philosophical presuppositions and methods used in relation to atheism and relativism by writing reports on assigned readings of relevant sources and methods.
3. The student will demonstrate familiarity with significant personalities advocating or opposing atheism and/or relativism by: (1) writing a research paper summarizing and critiquing the position advocated by a contemporary scholar; and (2) writing formal responses to a paper by another student in the seminar.

4. The student will formalize and express his or her own conclusions on atheism and relativism by writing personal a perspective on both topics—giving special attention to how they relate to one another.
5. Attending lectures on the subject at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford as part of the 2004 Oxford Study Trip OR doing significant extra assigned reading and annotated bibliography.

Methodology

The seminar will utilize reading assignments, written reading reports, interaction with professor and participants of the Oxford Study Trip, a research paper, a formal response to the Oxford lectures, and personal perspectives. The professor will also provide a critique of each paper individually for each student. Students will be expected to revise their papers accordingly. The primary methodology will be individual research and writing, guided by the professor.

Grading

Grades will be assigned on the basis of the NOBTS grading scale.

Evaluation

Reading Reports	30%
Research Paper	40%
Formal Responses	15%
Annotated Bibliography	5%
<u>Personal Perspective</u>	<u>10%</u>
	100%

Texts

Required

- Buckley, Michael. *At the Origins of Modern Atheism*. New Haven and London: Yale University Press, 1990.
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Seminar Schedule		
Week 1 8/17	Intro to Course Introductory Lectures by Professor	RBS
Week 2 8/24	CCA 69-117; CCA 118-165	
Week 3 8/31	CCA 166-98, 199-232; CCA 250-99	
Week 4 9/7	Rosenberg Goetz and Taliaferro	
Week 5 9/14	Schellenberg Moreland and Nielsen	
Week 6 9/21	Oppy Buckley	
Week 7 9/28	Smart & Haldane Craig, Wielenberg, & Johnson	
Week 8 10/5	Discussion on Science and Christianity	
Week 9 10/12	Tutorial/Research and Writing	
10/19-23	FALL BREAK	
Week 10 10/26	Tutorial/Research and Writing	
Week 11 11/2	Tutorial/Research and Writing	
Week 12 11/9	Tutorial/Research and Writing	
Week 13 11/16	Paper 1, Formal Responses	
11/23-27	THANKSGIVING BREAK	
Week 14 11/30	Paper 2, Formal Responses	
Week 15 12/7	Paper 3, Formal Responses	
Week 16 12/14	Personal Perspectives Annotated Bibliographies	

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