COURSE PURPOSE

ST3511 SURVEY OF SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY
This course is an overview study of the doctrines of Scripture, God, creation, man, sin, Christ, salvation, the church and sacraments and eschatology. This course will focus on the distinctiveness of these doctrines in the Reformed tradition. Emphasis will placed on the Biblical foundation of doctrine and the integral nature of God’s revelation.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. The student will gain an overview of theological development.

2. The student will be able to articulate historic theological systems.

3. The student will gain knowledge of the interrelationship of God’s revelation.

4. The student will develop a deeper understanding of the cardinal doctrines and distinctives of Reformed theology.

COURSE TEXTS

Required Texts:


COURSE REQUIREMENTS

1. Read texts and submit written critiques. Each critique should include the following:
   a. Description of the author’s objective(s) in the work
   b. Assessment of the author’s success in accomplishing objectives of the work (include both strengths and weaknesses)
   c. Interaction with the author in assessing the work

2. Write a theological paper on the inerrancy of Scripture or the doctrine of election. This paper should include the following:
   1. Title page
   2. Table of contents
   3. Introduction
   4. Thesis statement
   5. Body (should include)
      1) Definition of the doctrine
      2) Historical overview of the doctrine
      3) Biblical defense of the doctrine
      4) Application of the doctrine to your discipline of study
   6. Conclusion - giving a summary of the paper's contents
   7. Footnotes
   8. Bibliography with at least 15 references
   9. Paper should be no less than twelve pages and no more than fifteen pages - typed (double spaced; Times New Roman 12 point type)
   10. Papers without footnotes or bibliography will receive a zero.

3. Final Exam

Reading Schedule:

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GRADING

1. Completion of reading and critiques - 15%

2. Theological Paper - 35% - due August 21
   (No papers will be accepted after this date)

3. Final Examination – 50% - August 28

All course materials must be submitted by the last day of class. Thereafter, course materials may be submitted for up to six (6) weeks after the end of the semester directly to the office of the Registrar with the permission of the professor. If a student submits course materials after the end of the semester but within the six (6) weeks grace period, the student’s grade will be lowered by one letter grade. The course materials will not be accepted after the six (6) week grace period and a failing grade will be posted to the student’s transcript.

BTS FORMAT AND STYLE STANDARDS

NOTE: All papers must be formatted in accordance with Turabian Chicago standards including the title page. Any paper not conforming to these standards will automatically be dropped one letter grade.

Course Outline

Start Date: 06/05/2012 Complete Date: 08/28/2012

See printed Systematic Survey instructional syllabus for course outline and development.

Bibliography


