

## MODERN CHURCH HISTORY: A THEOLOGICAL SURVEY, MS-322-M

Ministerial Studies [3 credits]

Spring 2022, Christian Life College-Madison

### I. INSTRUCTORS

Although this course will utilize many capable and qualified instructors, the lead instructor for the course will be Lisa Quintana ([lquintana@citychurchonline.org](mailto:lquintana@citychurchonline.org)). Complete information about CLCM is available at: <https://citychurchmadison.org/clc> or by contacting the Academic Dean, Greg Pechacek, at [gpechacek@citychurchonline.org](mailto:gpechacek@citychurchonline.org).

### II. SCHEDULE

Thursday evenings, January 27, 2022 to May 12, 2022, with class times from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.  
CLCM meets at Abundant Life Christian School, 4901 E. Buckeye Rd., Madison.

### III. DESCRIPTION

Modern Church History will introduce students to the thought and life of the Christian church from the dawn of The Reformation to the present day. Special emphasis will be placed on the development of doctrinal, institutional, and ethical patterns including the tracing of core theological issues within the various traditions of the church. *Modern Church History* will provide students with a fascinating and panoramic view of the dramatic events, colorful characters, and revolutionary ideas that shaped the last five centuries of the church.

### IV. OBJECTIVES

1. To provide students with a general survey of the significant individuals and groups which have shaped the direction of church history.
2. To introduce students to the complexities of theological development and doctrinal formulation.
3. To enhance the devotional lives of students by connecting their understanding of Scripture and life experiences with major figures and events in church history.
4. To enable students to converse intelligently about current church issues from an historical perspective.
5. To provide students with resources necessary for conducting further research in church history.
6. To inspire students to continue seeking their personal role in participating in the life of the Church and serving under the Great Commission.

### V. TEXTBOOKS AND ARTICLES

1. Required:
  - a. *The Story of Christian Theology: Twenty Centuries of Tradition and Reform* by Roger Olson (Inter Varsity Press, 1999).
  - b. Additional articles will be made available to students during the course.
2. Recommended:
  - a. *50 People Every Christian Should Know* by Warren Wiersbe (Baker, 2009).
  - b. *The 100 Most Important Events in Christian History* by Curtis, Lang and Peterson (Fleming H. Revell, 1991).
  - c. *Turning Points: Decisive Moments in the History of Christianity* by Mark Noll (Baker, 2012).
  - d. *Church History in Plain Language* by Bruce Shelley (Thomas Nelson, 2013).
  - e. *Pocket Dictionary of Church History* by Nathan Feldmeth (Inter Varsity Press, 2008).

## VI. REQUIREMENTS

1. Quizzes – Students will be quizzed on the additional articles made available during the course.
2. Term Paper - Students will write a 2,000 - 3000-word paper on an important issue, event or character from modern church history. Papers need to reflect historical and theological perspectives. Topics must be approved in advance by the lead instructor. Internet sources should be used cautiously and sparingly. Late papers receive one letter grade reduction for each day they are late. All papers should be written in APA style, double spaced, in 12 point, Times New Roman font. For writing and citing help see the Purdue Owl at: [https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research\\_and\\_citation/apa\\_style/apa\\_formatting\\_and\\_style\\_guide/general\\_format.html](https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/general_format.html)
3. Mid-term and Final Exams – Students will write two examinations based on the lecture material and the main textbook by Roger Olson.
4. Attendance is mandatory - Failure to attend class will result in a reduced grade after 3 excused absences. Excused absences must be arranged with the lead instructor in advance of any absence. A short email description of the nature and extent of the absence will be sufficient to meet this requirement. Unexcused absences will receive a reduction in grade after the first and subsequent unexcused absences.

## VII. GRADING

	Percentage
Midterm Exam	25%
Final Exam	25%
Term paper	25%
Quizzes	25%

<i>Letter Grade</i>	<i>Scores</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>GPA</i>
A	93-100	Excellent	4.00
A-	90-92		3.67
B+	88-89	Very Good	3.33
B	83-87	Good	3.00
B-	80-82	Above Average	2.67
C+	78-79		2.33
C	73-77	Average	2.00
C-	70-72		1.67
D+	68-69	Below Average	1.33
D	63-67	Passing	1.00
D-	60-62		.67
F	0-59	Failure	.00
I		Incomplete	

**VIII. EXTENSIONS:** There will be no extensions in this class except for extenuating family emergencies or medical reasons. Incompletes occur when class work is not completed during the semester. Incompletes automatically become “F” thirty days after the semester ends.

**IX. ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:** Academic dishonesty constitutes a serious violation of scholarship standards at CLCM and can result in denial of credit and possible dismissal from school.

Academic dishonesty includes cheating on assignments or exams, plagiarism, fabrication of research, the facilitation of academic dishonesty, and depriving others of research materials.

**X. CREDIT AND AUDIT**

- A. The current cost of 3 credits is \$385. Fees are due on a schedule of ½ before the first class, and the final ½ before the fourth class. Other arrangements may be made if done with prior approval. Students who pay in full at or before the first class will receive a \$25 discount. Those who pay in full at least two weeks in advance of the first class will receive an additional \$25 discount. Successful completion of this course will result in 3 credits towards an Associate of Arts degree in Biblical Studies from Christian Life College, Mt. Prospect, Illinois.
- B. This course may be audited for a lecture fee of \$150. Students who pay in full at or before the first class will receive a \$25 discount. Those who pay in full at least two weeks in advance of the first class will receive an additional \$25 discount. There are no reading, paper, or exam requirements, but auditing students are urged to do all they can to keep in step with the reading and lecture schedule in order to gain the maximum benefit from the course. Graduates of CLCM may audit courses at the greatly reduced price of \$50 per course.
- C. Application Fee – There is a one-time Registration and Application fee of \$25. This one-time fee must accompany every first-time application for enrollment or audit.

**IX. COURSE SCHEDULE**

Date	Lecture Topic	Assignment	Lecturer
<i>January 27 Week 1</i>	Introduction to the course and Anselm and Abelard Speculate about God's ways	Olson: Part VI Introduction and Chapter 21	Greg Pechacek and Lisa Quintana
<i>February 3 Week 2</i>	Thomas Aquinas Summarizes Christian Truth	Olson Chapter 22 Article: TBA Week 2 Quiz	Isaac Gilmore
<i>February 10 Week 3</i>	Nominalists, Reformers and Humanists and John Wycliffe, the Lollards and Erasmus	Olson Chapter 23 Article: TBA Week 3 Quiz	Paul Allen
<i>February 17 Week 4</i>	Luther Rediscovered the Gospel and Divides the Church	Olson; Part VII Introduction and Chapter 24 Article: TBA Week 4 Quiz	Elliott Pollasch

<i>February 24 Week 5</i>	Zwingli and Calvin Organize Protestant thought	Olsen Chapter 25 Handout: TBA Week 5 Quiz	Elliot Pollasch
<i>March 3 Week 6</i>	Anabaptists Go Back to the Roots of Christianity, Menno Simmons and Balthasar Hubmaier	Olsen Chapter 26 Article: TBA Week 6 Quiz	Craig Lehnherr
<i>March 10 Week 7</i>	Rome and Canterbury go Separate But Parallel Ways, English Reformation, Richard Hooker, and Catholic Reformation	Olsen Chapter 27 Article: TBA Week Seven Quiz	Greg Pechacek
<i>March 17 Week 8</i>	Writer's Workshop	<b>Mid-Term Exam</b>	Greg Pechacek
<i>March 24 Week 9</i>	<b>Spring Break</b>	N/A	N/A
<i>March 31 Week 10</i>	Arminians Attempt to Reform Reformed Theology	Olsen: Part VIII Introduction and Chapter 28 Article: TBA Week 10 Quiz	Craig Lehnherr
<i>April 7 Week 11</i>	Pietists (Arndt, Spener, Francke, Zinzendorf) Seek To Reform Lutheran Theology	Olsen Chapter 29 Article: TBA Week 11 Quiz	Gill Robertson
<i>April 14 Week 12</i>	Puritans (Edwards) and Methodists (Wesley) Struggle to Revive English Theology	Olsen: Chapter 30 Article: TBA Week 12 Quiz <b>Paper Topics Due</b>	Tom Flaherty
<i>April 21 Week 13</i>	Deists (Locke, Toland) Try To Transform Protestant Theology	Olsen: Chapter 31 Article: TBA Week 13 Quiz	Isaac Fleming

<i>April 28 Week 14</i>	Liberal and Conservative Theologies Go Their Ways	Olsen: Part IX Introduction and Chapters 32 and 33 Week 14 Quiz	Nic Gibson
<i>May 5 Week 15</i>	Neo-Orthodoxy and Contemporary Theology Division and Diversity	Olsen: Chapters 34-35 Week 15 Quiz <b>Term Paper Due</b>	Paul Lundgren
<i>May 12 Week 16</i>		Final Exam	Greg Pechacek

\*All dates and assignments are tentative and may be changed at the discretion of the lead instructor according to the development of the course material. Be alert in class for any announcements of changes.