Catalog Description

Basic questions of Christian morality. Historical development of specific questions within the Roman Catholic tradition. Exploration of concepts within moral theology with an emphasis on the human person as a moral agent.

Topical Outline

- Historical Development
- Necessity for Renewal
- Conscience
- Role of the Magisterium of the Church
- Human Person as a Basis for Ethical Decisions
- Sin
- Special Questions

Required Textbook

Pope John Paul II. *Veritatis Splendor*.
Pope John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*.
Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, “Declaration on Euthanasia”
*Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, 5th ed., USCCB

Format of Presentation

Lectures, small group discussion of cases, and discussion of assigned readings

Required Workload

- Attendance/preparation for class according to the policies and practices indicated in the University of St. Thomas catalog
- Midterm examination
- Final examination
- Reflection papers, participation in group discussions, and homework assignments
Course Grading

- Midterm examination 45%
- Final examination 45%
- Class participation 10%

Examinations

The mid-term examination will be written. The final examination will be an oral exam. Both exams are cumulative.

Incompletes

Incompletes will not be awarded in the class except for the most serious circumstances.

Calendar

Classes meet from 7 pm – 9:45 pm during the Spring 2018 semester as follows:

Jan. 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, March 7, 14 (No class, spring break), 21 (Midterm), 28 (No class, Easter break), April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2

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