CHIS 505, Survey of Church History
Fall, 2021

Dr. John W. Reeve, PhD


CLASS & CONTACT INFORMATION

Class location: Remote Teaching via ZOOM
Class meeting times: September 26–30, Sunday 3:00pm–7:00pm (Pacific Time)
Monday–Thursday, 8:00am–12:00pm & 1:30pm–5:30pm (Pacific Time)
Course Website: learninghub.andrews.edu
Instructor Telephone: 269-471-3541 ofc 269-635-3404 cell
Instructor Email: jreeve@andrews.edu

BULLETIN DESCRIPTION OF COURSE

Early Church, Rise of the Papacy, Great Schism, Eastern Orthodoxy, Crusades, Medieval Church, Continental Reformation and Counter Reformation, English Reformation, English Puritanism, Enlightenment, Pietism, Methodism, American denominationalism, and recent developments. Does not apply toward the CHIS requirements for the MDiv program.

PROGRAM & COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Your degree program seeks to help you achieve the Program Learning Outcomes basic to your chosen profession. Your Program Learning Outcome primarily addressed in this course is:

MA in Pastoral Ministry (MAPMin) English & Spanish Program Outcomes

1. Demonstrate proper biblical interpretation skills and application of biblical teachings.
2. Apply ethical principles in the context of the Seventh-day Adventist ministry.
3. Understand the historical-theological development of major SDA doctrines.
4. Prepare and deliver effective expository and prophetic sermons.

(The full set of program learning outcomes for your degree program is listed in Appendix #2.)
The following **Course Learning Outcomes** (CLOs) contribute to the overall Program Learning Outcomes by identifying the key learnings to be achieved by diligent work in this course:

1. **Explain the origins and development of Christianity.**
2. **Become conversant with some major people influencing Christianity.**
3. **Experience some primary and secondary literature on Christian experience and doctrine.**
4. **Learn to appreciate yet critique our Christian forebears.**

### COURSE OVERVIEW

Course topics and assignments have been selected to contribute to learning and evaluating these Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs) as follows:

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<th>Topic</th>
<th>Assignment Due</th>
<th>CLOs Addressed</th>
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<td>Sept. 26</td>
<td>Introduction &amp; Overview; The Beginnings of Christianity; Persecution,</td>
<td>Pre-reading, 75 hours: Do all you can before class, the entire assignment is</td>
<td>1,2,3,4</td>
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<td>3–7:00pm</td>
<td>Asceticism &amp; Scriptural Interpretation</td>
<td>due December 9. <strong>Due:</strong> Hard copy of reading and chapter summaries so far</td>
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<td>“Becket” report <strong>DUE</strong> (form on page 13)</td>
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<td>Sabbath, Rise of the Papacy, Justinian, and Charlemagne</td>
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| Dec. 9     |                                               | Trinity Project Video **DUE**  
Olson, Chapter Summaries **DUE**  
Gonzáles, Chapter Summaries **DUE**  
OR  
Gonzáles, vol. 1 and 2: Chapter Summaries **DUE** | 1,2,3,4         |

**ATTENDANCE**

Regular attendance is required at all classes and other academic appointments. When the total number of absences exceeds 10% of the total course appointments, the teacher may assign a failing grade. Merely being absent from campus does not exempt the student from this policy. Absences recorded because of late registration, suspension, and early/late vacation leaves are not excused. The class work missed may be made up only if the teacher allows. Three tardies are equal to one absence.

**COURSE MATERIALS**

**Required Course Materials**


   OR


For ISBN, availability, and price information, please see the listing at the Bookstore [www.andrews.edu/bookstore](http://www.andrews.edu/bookstore).
US Credit-Hour Regulations

For every semester credit, the Andrews University credit hour definition requires that:

- **Courses for professional masters’ degrees (e.g. MDiv)** include 15 instructor contact hours and 30 hours of independent learning activities.
- **Courses for academic masters’ (e.g. MA [Religion]) and all doctoral degrees** include 15 instructor contact hours, and 45 hours of independent learning activities.

The calculation of hours is based on the study skills of the average well-prepared graduate student. Students weak in these skills: 1) may require more time and should consider taking fewer classes each semester; and 2) can find skill development assistance through the Seminary Study and Research Skills Colloquia, the AU Writing Center, and AU Student Success office.

In order to achieve the outcomes of this course, learning time will be distributed as follows:

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<th>Instructor Contact Hours</th>
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<td>Face to Face Instructional Time</td>
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<td>• “Trinity Project” online report (5 hrs.)</td>
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<td>Reading &amp; Chapter Summaries, Gonzalez, <em>The Story of Christianity</em> vol 1 &amp; 2. OR Reading &amp; Chapter Summaries, Olson, <em>The Story of Christian Thought</em> &amp; Gonzalez, <em>Church History in One Volume.</em></td>
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<td>Augsburg Confession report</td>
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<td>Note organization and test preparation</td>
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<td>Total Hours:</td>
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SDATS GUIDELINES FOR CALCULATING ASSIGNMENT LOADS

Average reading speed:
- 15–20 pages/hour for light reading not to be tested on
- 10–15 pages/hour for heavy reading for exams

Writing time:
- 2.5–3 hours/double spaced page, from start to finished product

Reflective Writing Assignment:
- 0.5 hour per page

An Online Assignment Load Calculator is available at: [www.cte.rice.edu/workload/]

GUIDELINES FOR COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

Grades are based on the independent learning activities below which provide practice toward, and assessment of, the learning outcomes of this course. The grade weighting for each assignment is provided in the right-hand column. Specific due dates are given in the Course Overview above.

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<th>Assignment Description</th>
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<td><strong>BEFORE THE CLASS:</strong></td>
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<td>Pre-read , as much as possible of the 75 hour reading and chapter assignment, Justo L. Gonzales, <em>The Story of Christianity</em>, vol 1 and 2</td>
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<td>Prepare a 100–200 word summary of each chapter of both books and bring a hard copy report of what you have completed so far to class on September 26 at 3:00pm.</td>
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<td>Watch the movie “Becket” (1964 movie starring Richard Burton and Peter O’Toole). It is readily available online.</td>
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<td>Fill out the attached movie report (Appendix 3) and upload in LearningHub by September 26 at 3:00pm</td>
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<td>■ Primary Reading Report: There is a primary source material selection that can be found at bookofconcord.org entitled “Augsburg Confession.” Thoughtfully read it and give a two-page summary and reaction. Plan on spending about 5 hours on this assignment. The reports are to be uploaded in LearningHub by September 26 at 3:00pm.</td>
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**DURING THE CLASS:**

There will be two single-question (1000 word) essay exams that will take one hour each. One on the early church on Tuesday, 4:30–5:30pm and one on the Reformation on Thursday, 4:30–5:30pm.

- Midterm Exam
- Final Exam

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|  | 25%  
|  | 25%  

**AFTER THE CLASS:**

- Watch at least 5 hrs of the “Trinity Project” which can be found online at the SDA Theological Seminary Website. You should probably include the lectures on Trinity and the Early Church by John W. Reeve as part of your watching. Fill out the attached report form (Appendix 3) and upload in LearningHub by December 9

- Finish the rest of the 75 hour reading and chapter summary assignment:
  
  Pre-read, as much as possible of the 75 hour reading and chapter assignment, Justo L. Gonzales, *The Story of Christianity*, vol 1 and 2

  OR


  **Upload the entire assignment by December 9**

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|  | 8%  | 30%  

* For grading rubrics that specify grading criteria in more detail, see Appendices.

In order to make grading fair for everyone, grades will be assigned on the basis of the above requirements alone. No individual arrangements will be made for those requesting last minute grade adjustment or extra credit.

*(The AU Bulletin states that: “An Incomplete (I) indicates that the student’s work is incomplete because of illness or unavoidable circumstances and not because of negligence or inferior performance. Students will be charged an incomplete fee for each incomplete grade issued.” DGs are not an option for most types of courses.)*

**Submission of Assignments**

Assignments are to be turned in on Learning Hub before the beginning of the class period at which they are due (unless otherwise announced).

**Late Submission**

Because student assignments are an essential part of class activities, assignments turned in after the time they are due may be docked up to 50% of possible points. Any requests for extra time on an assignment must be made in advance with the professor. Such requests should be a rarity and should be accompanied by a valid reason why the work could not be done by the date due.
Resubmission of Assignments
In order to facilitate maximum learning, students who receive a poor grade on the final project & presentation may resubmit the assignment one additional time. Resubmissions may be docked 20% of the original total possible score.

ABOUT YOUR INSTRUCTOR

John W. Reeve, PhD is Associate Professor of Church History and Director, PhD (Religion) and ThD Programs at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University. He teaches primarily early church, middle ages and reformation history. John is co-author of a book on The Trinity, and editor of the book Women and Ordination and the book Salvation. John also teaches Research Methods at the Seminary. He is currently the President of the Adventist Theological Society. John’s doctoral dissertation focused on the theological anthropology of Theophilus of Antioch and the shift in the understanding of the human soul and judgment in late second century Christianity. John has worked as youth pastor, camp director, and as a baker. He enjoys backpacking, rock climbing, canoeing, and bird watching. John’s wife, Teresa L. Reeve, PhD, is Associate Dean and Associate Professor of New Testament at the Seminary in Berrien Springs, MI.

OTHER COURSE-RELATED POLICIES

Academic Integrity

The Seminary expects its students to exhibit rigorous moral integrity appropriate to ministry leaders representing Jesus Christ. Complete honesty in academic matters is a vital component of such integrity. Any breach of academic integrity in this class is subject to discipline. Consequences may include receipt of a reduced or failing grade, suspension or dismissal from the course, suspension or dismissal from the program, expulsion from the university, or degree cancellation. Disciplinary action may be retroactive if academic dishonesty becomes apparent after the student leaves the course, program or university. A record of academic integrity violations is maintained by the University Student Academic Integrity Council. Repeated and/or flagrant offenses will be referred to an Academic Integrity Panel for recommendations on further penalties.

Academic Dishonesty includes:

- Plagiarism in which one fails to give credit every time use is made of another person’s ideas or exact words, whether in a formal paper or in submitted notes or assignments. Credit is to be given by use of:
  - Correctly designed and inserted footnotes each time one makes use of another individual’s research and/or ideas; and
Quotation marks placed around any exact phrases or sentences (3 or more words) taken from the text or speech of another individual.

- Presenting another’s work as one’s own (e.g., placement exams, homework assignments);
- Using materials during a quiz or examination other than those explicitly allowed by the teacher or program;
- Stealing, accepting, or studying from stolen quizzes or examination materials;
- Copying from another student during a regular or take-home test or quiz;
- Assisting another in acts of academic dishonesty
- Submitting the same work or major portions thereof, without permission from the instructors, to satisfy the requirements of more than one course.

For additional details see: [https://www.andrews.edu/academics/academic_integrity.html](https://www.andrews.edu/academics/academic_integrity.html)

**Academic Accommodations**

If you qualify for accommodation under the American Disabilities Act, please see contact Student Success in Nethery Hall 100 (disabilities@andrews.edu or 269-471-6096) as soon as possible so that accommodations can be arranged.

**Use of Electronics**

No recording or streaming is permitted in seminary courses.

Courtesy, respect, and professionalism dictate that laptops and cell phones are to be used only for class-related activities during class time.

**Communications and Updates**

Email is the official form of communication at Andrews University. Students are responsible for checking their Andrews University e-mail, Moodle, and iVue alerts regularly.

**LearningHub Access**

Andrews University Learning Hub hosts this course online. Your Learning Hub username and password are the same as your Andrews username and password. Use the following contact information if you need technical assistance at any time during the course, or to report a problem with LearningHub.

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<th>Username and password assistance</th>
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<th>(269) 471-6016</th>
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<td>(269) 471-3960</td>
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<td>Technical assistance with your Andrews account</td>
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Emergency Protocol
Andrews University takes the safety of its student seriously. Signs identifying emergency protocol are posted throughout buildings. Instructors will provide guidance and direction to students in the classroom in the event of an emergency affecting that specific location. It is important that you follow these instructions and stay with your instructor during any evacuation or sheltering emergency.

Please Note: The instructor reserves the right to revise the syllabus, with the consensus of the class, at any time during the semester for the benefit of the learning process. The up-to-date Course Description for this course may be found at www.learninghub.andrews.edu.
APPENDIX 1: INTERPRETING LETTER GRADES

Letter Grades and Percentages

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<td>77-79%</td>
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The B Grade

The B grade is a sign that you have competently fulfilled all of the requirements stipulated for an assessment or competency evaluation. It is a very good grade and demonstrates a high level of the knowledge, insight, critical competence and professional presentation standards essential for an individual wishing to pursue a career as a professional leader in ministry.

The A Grade

An A grade is given only when a student not only fulfills the criteria for a B grade, but in doing so demonstrates an advanced academic aptitude for content knowledge, critique, synthesis and independent insight, while exhibiting highly developed communication skills and professional publication standards that would allow them to pursue a highly competitive academic career.

The C Grade

The C grade differs only from a B grade in that the traits outlined in the B grade above are not consistently applied. However, with diligence and by applying feedback from your lecturer, the academic process can provide opportunity for a student to improve their consistency, and hence, their grade.

The D Grade

The D grade points to a limited level of knowledge, insight, and critique, as well as to inadequate quality of written work. This may be because of a lack of time management on the part of the student, difficulty grasping the concepts being taught, use of English as a second language, or a personal issue that is affecting one’s concentration and motivation levels. Again, with diligence, applying feedback from your lecturer, and seeking services offered by the University like the writing lab or the counseling center, the academic process can provide an opportunity for a student to significantly improve their performance.

The F Grade

A failing grade is given when very limited or no demonstrable competency has been observed.
APPENDIX 2: PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

MASTERS PROGRAMS

1. MA in Pastoral Ministry (MAPM)

   1) Deliver effective biblically-based sermons
   2) Demonstrate proper biblical interpretation skills
   3) Understand the historical-theological development of the Seventh-day Adventist Church
   4) Exhibit capability for training church members for evangelism
   5) Demonstrate an understanding of how to empower church members for leadership
   6) Exhibit capability for reaching specific social groups
APPENDIX 3: ASSIGNMENT COMPLETION FORMS (PRINT AND TURN IN)

Becket Movie Report Form

I, ____________________, have watched the entire “Becket” movie (1964 movie
(print name) starring Richard Burton and Peter O’Toole).

OR

I, ____________________, have read pages 131–151, 162–173 of F. Donald Logan, A History
(print name) of the Church in the Middle Ages, NY: Rutledge.

_____________________________
Signature and Date
Trinity Project Report Form

I, ____________________, have watched at least 5 hours of the “Trinity Project” lectures found on the SDA Theological Seminary website.

(print name)

(Feel free to watch any 5 hours of the video lectures that you wish, but if you want to use this time especially for understanding the Early Church include the lectures by John W. Reeve.)

________________________________________
Signature and Date
APPENDIX 4: BIBLIOGRAPHY OF RECOMMENDED BOOKS & RESOURCES

THE BEST BOOKS ON THE EARLY CHURCH


GENERAL HISTORICAL INTRODUCTIONS


THE BEST INTRODUCTIONS TO EARLY CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY


CLASSIC HISTORIES ON THE EARLY CHURCH


THE BEST BOOKS ON SCRIPTURAL INTERPRETATION IN THE EARLY CHURCH


HOW TO GET AT THE EARLY CHRISTIAN WRITERS


Examples:


For more publications in this project: http://www.newcitypress.com/the-works-of-saint-augustine-1.html


Publications of St. Vladimir’s Seminary Press, Crestwood, N.Y.

THE BEST WORKS ON EARLY CHRISTIAN LITURGY


THE BEST BOOK ON THE FORMATION OF THE CHRISTIAN BIBLICAL CANON


SOCIETY AND LIFE DURING THE TIME OF THE RISE OF CHRISTIANITY


**THE BEST BOOKS ON THE MIDDLE AGES**


**GENERAL HISTORICAL INTRODUCTIONS**


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For additional books and articles, see also the Seminary Library Portal at [http://libguides.andrews.edu/religion](http://libguides.andrews.edu/religion).

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**APPENDIX 5: RUBRIC FOR ESSAY EXAMS**

**RUBRIC FOR ESSAY EXAM QUESTIONS**

With thanks to Dr. Rhonda Dubec, author, found on Teaching Commons: Center for Innovation and Excellence in Learning.

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"Exam Rubric" is a five-criteria, four-standard model with detailed descriptors that assesses essay responses in an exam environment/context by the following criteria (listed descriptors are the "A" category of responses, earning 95-100%):

1. **Content**
• "Addresses each question and all its parts thoroughly; incorporates relevant course content into responses; uses specific information from case in response"

2. Understanding/Application

• "Demonstrates deep understanding of course theories and ideas applied to analysis of the topic"

3. Original Thinking

• "Demonstrates original thinking that adds insight to analysis of the topic; meaningful elaboration beyond text, notes, class discussion in strategy development"

4. Structure

• "Response to each question is well organized and clearly written; there is evidence of planning before writing"

5. Grammar and mechanics

• "Response is virtually free of mechanical, grammatical writing errors"