

SP609 Spirituality & Praxis of Resistance and Hope

Instructor	Dr. C. Anthony Hunt
Schedule	Saturdays, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm; 5/20, 6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24, 7/22
Description	An analysis of Christian spirituality from various perspectives through the lenses of resistance and hope for the church and world today. The course will explore historical developments, theological literature, and recent trends in the practice of spirituality, and how resistance and hope are informed through the study and practice of spirituality, and how such spirituality can lead to human liberation and the actualization of hope in the churches and world today.
Requirements	Reading - Students should expect to read, at most, 800 pages of required reading and come prepared to discuss readings in class.
	Writing - Students should expect to write <i>at most</i> 22 double-spaced pages. These will be comprised of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lead a class discussion of one of the assigned readings. A written summary (1-2 pages, not to exceed 400 words) is to be provided for class participants on the night of the presentation. - A personal reflection paper (5-6 pages, not to exceed 1500) words) on the relevance and importance of Christian spirituality, and the implications of liberation and hope to the contemporary church and society. - A research paper (12-14 pages, not to exceed 3500 words) on some aspect of Christian spirituality, liberation and hope.
	Other Assignments – Shorter reflection papers (1-2 pages) on two shorter readings/videos.

Required Texts:

Author and Title (Press, Year, Edition)	Cost	Pages to be read
Baldwin, Lewis V. Jr. <i>Never to Leave Us Alone: The Prayer Life of Martin Luther King, Jr.</i> ISBN: 978-0-8006-9744-0	20.00	176
Bonhoeffer, Dietrich. <i>Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Faith in Community.</i> ISBN: 0-06-060852-8.	10.50	149
Brueggemann, Walter. <i>A Gospel of Hope.</i> ISBN: 978-0-664-26228-0.	20.00	200
Day, Dorothy. <i>The Reckless Way of Love.</i> ISBN: 978-0-8748-6792-3.	12.00	128
Romero, The Scandal of Redemption. ISBN: 0-87486-141-1.	12.00	135