

TH601 Introduction to Theological Study

Instructor	Dr. Brent Laytham
Schedule	Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
Description	An introduction to the study of theology, including what theology is and how theology is done. Students will develop the ability to read, think, speak, and write appreciatively and critically, through a focus on unity and difference in Christian belief and practice.
Requirements	Reading: Students will read about 700 pages of required reading over the semester.
	Writing: Five short papers (length ranges from 2 to 6 pages) for a total of 16-20 pages
	Other Assignments: TBD

Required Texts:

Author and Title (Press, Year)	ISBN	Cost	Pages to be read
Frederick Christian Bauerschmidt, <i>The Love that God Is: An Invitation to Christian Faith</i> (Eerdmans, 2020)	978-0802877956	\$20	140
Edgardo Colón-Emeric and Mark Gorman, <i>The Saving Mysteries of Jesus Christ</i> (Cascade, 2019)	978-1532676062	\$18	85
Arthur Sutherland, <i>I Was a Stranger: A Christian Theology of Hospitality</i> (Abingdon, 2006)	978-0687063246	\$14	104
Rausch, Thomas, S.J. <i>I Believe in God: A Reflection on the Apostles' Creed</i> , (Michael Glazier, 2008)	978-0814652602	\$25	167

For students who want some help with graduate level writing, the following book can be quite useful: Arlene Miller, *The Best Little Grammar Book Ever!* (Petaluma, CA: Bitwords101, 2016, 2nd edition) 978-0991167449. **This is not required, only recommended** for those who want a refresher or a confidence boost.