

## ASSUMPTION COLLEGE FOR SISTERS 200A Morris Avenue, Denville, NJ 07834 acs350.org

## Fall 2020-- Theology and Philosophy Courses August 25-December 17

#### Th 101 Sacred Scripture I Sister Theresa Kelly, FMA

This course is a survey of the Sacred Writings shared by the Jewish and Christian communities through an examination of selected books from the Old Testament. It presents an overview of the background, formation, methods of interpretation and message of the various types of Old Testament writings. Using the historical-critical method of biblical interpretation, students are given the tools for unlocking the beauty and depth of God's revelation and what it means for us in our everyday lives.

3 credits

#### Th 202 **Sacramental Theology 3 credits** Sister Theresa Kelly, FMA

This course is an in-depth study of the scriptural, theological, and historical dimensions of the seven sacraments, including the rite and celebration of each sacrament. It draws upon the insights of patristic, medieval, and modern theologians to uncover the fundamental principles of sacramental theology. The nature of the liturgy, sacred time and space, sacramental symbol and sacramental grace are examined in the context of a Trinitarian, Christological, and Ecclesial framework. Particular attention is paid to the renewed understanding of the role of the sacraments in our ongoing spiritual growth.

### Ph 205 Historical Introduction to Philosophy 3 credits **Craig Davis**

This course explores the basic philosophical questions regarding the relationship between the One and the many, the nature of truth and knowledge, the relationship between philosophy and theology, existence and being, the limits of human reason, and the possibility of knowing mystery. It will include major thinkers from ancient,

#### Th 204 **Spiritual Theology 3 credits** Sister Theresa Kelly, FMA

This course is a biblical and theological presentation of the activity of the Holy Spirit in the life of the person striving for holiness and a study of the spiritual life. The course explores such topics as the universal call to holiness, the role of the Spirit in the life of believers, grace, virtue, the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit and the journey of conversion. It also provides a historical survey and study of the various spiritual traditions and schools of spirituality of the past and present that enrich the life of the Church.

## Th 208 A **Contemporary Issues** 3 credits **Invited speakers**

This course focuses on special topics in Theology as they relate to contemporary issues in the Church, the world, and the environment. The Instructors will present current information on evangelization, liturgy, responses to the clergy sex abuse crisis, opioid crisis, suicide and other timely faith based topics. They will explore new approaches to pastoral practices, and the challenges of faith in our personal and interpersonal relationships.

**3 credits** 

#### Th 206 O Christology **Mark Tosso**

This course explores the varied ways the Church has attempted to understand, explain, and respond to the person and mission of Jesus Christ. It will examine the origins of belief in Jesus Christ in the apostolic church, the insights of the New Testament and the early Church Fathers, early creedal formulations about the nature of Jesus, the teachings of the Church Councils of the fourth through sixth centuries, and contemporary approaches to Christology. Through this study, students will encounter the God who entered our humanity to save us and call us to new life as His disciples

## The College also offers a Certificate in Theological Studies (30 credits in theology and philosophy, including 24 credits in theology and 6 in philosophy).

\$258/course for audit **\$516/course for credit** For registration call or e-mail by August 1: 973-957-0188 Ext. 100 academicdean@acs350.org

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# Tuesday 3:00-4;15 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Tuesday 12:30-3:15 pm

Tuesday 9:00-11:45 am

# 12:30-1:45 pm

Wednesday 10:30-11:45 am

Wednesday 6:30-9:15 pm

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