Course Profile

Course # and Title  RHTH/CC 605 Theology and Postcolonial Theory (GTS)
Instructor: José David Rodríguez  Semester/Year: Spring 2020

Course Rationale and Description
(Why do we offer this course? Which of LSTC’s degree program learning outcomes does it address?):

This is a course to provide participants an introduction of Postcolonial theory, and ways it has being incorporated into theological reflection. The formation of religious leaders for the public arena today include the understanding of the struggles of colonized people and their strategies of resistance to restore their dignity and human rights.

Course Learning Outcomes (Learners will be able to):
(What difference will this course make to students’ knowledge, skills, attitudes, and practices?)

Participants will be able to explore the written works of Postcolonial writers, as well as the effort of Christian religious leaders who are incorporating Postcolonial theory in their writings. They will also reflect on ways Postcolonial theory may become a valuable instrument of analysis in their own theological understanding of faith and its practice.

Strategies for Learning):
(How shall we go about achieving these outcomes?)

The course is designed to follow the seminar model. Participants will be required to make assigned readings for class discussion. They will also be required to write reflection essays exploring the readings and produce a final research paper in which they will integrate the learnings presented in the course with their own approach to theological reflection.

Assessment :
(How shall we know if we—students and instructors—have been successful in achieving the outcomes?)

Participants will be required to write two short essays, a book review, and a research paper on the subjects discussed in class. Class active participation will be also expected. Participants will also be required to make presentations in class on assigned readings.
Bibliography:

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