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Global Church History

HC 3101

Time: Spring 2012, Mondays 6:15PM-7:55PM

Credit: 2 credit hours

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Prerequisite: TP 2101

A Description and the Goal of the Course:

Global Church History is a survey course about the worldwide spread and development of Christianity. The adjective “global” means that instead of being Eurocentric, the adopted approach is polycentric, that is, it focuses on Christian church on all continents. The course attempts to broaden and deepen the students’ perception of Christianity as such.

Required Texts:

Hastings, A. (ed.), *A World History of Christianity*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1999.
ISBN 0-8028-4875-3

Livingstone, E. A. (ed.), *The Concise Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church*
(Oxford Paperback Reference) 2d ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2000.
ISBN 0-19-280057-4

Recommended Texts (Choose one for book review):

Jenkins, Philip. *The Next Christendom: The Coming of Global Christianity* (Future of Christianity Trilogy) 3rd ed. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011.
ISBN 0199767467

Noll, Mark A. *The Rise of Evangelicalism: The Age of Edwards, Whitefield and the Wesleys*. In *A History of Evangelicalism*, eds. D. W. Bebbington and M. A. Noll. Downers Grove: IVP, 2003. ISBN 978-0-8308-2581-3

Noll, Mark A. *The New Shape of World Christianity: How American Experience Reflects Global Faith*. Downers Grove: IVP, 2009. ISBN 978-0-8308-2847-0

Course Requirements:

1. A Book Review
2. Midterm (multiple choice and an essay)
3. Final Exam (multiple choice and an essay)