

## **HC3121 - Baptist Belief and History**

2 credit hours

Spring 2012

Dr. Robert Cochran

Thursday, 8:10 – 9:50 pm, Main Campus

This course introduces to and explores with the students the historic Baptist principles held in common by most Baptists worldwide. Lectures will illustrate these principles through tracing the history of the Baptist movement and by examination of the biographies of some prominent Baptists. The students will be expected to write one research paper on a topic of Baptist History, a topic mutually agreed upon with the professor. Grading will come out of the evaluation of this paper, through two tests and through participation in class dialogues. The course is designed to help the students to understand the basis of Baptist beliefs, their sources and their impact on the students' prospective ministries.

### Required Texts:

Durso, Keith E. No Armor for the Back: Baptist Prison Writings, 1600s-1700s. Atlanta, GA: Mercer, 2007.

Leonard, Bill. Baptist Ways: A History. Valley Forge, PA: Judson, 2003.

### Recommended Texts:

Allen, W. Loyd. You Are A Great People: Maryland/Delaware Baptists, 1742-1998. Franklin, TN: Providence, 2000. (purchase upon desire through the professor)

Pleasants, Phyllis Rodgers. Freedom for the Journey. Richmond, VA: Center for Baptist Heritage and Studies, 2002. (purchase upon desire through the professor)

Ryland, Garnett. The Baptists of Virginia: 1699-1926. Richmond, VA: The Virginia Baptist Board of Missions and Education, 1955. (purchase upon desire through the professor, copied by permission)