



Exchange programme Vrije Universiteit

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Theology and Spirituality of Calvin

Course Code	G_BATRSPC212
Credits	6
Period	P5
Course Level	200
Language Of Tuition	English
Faculty	Faculty of Religion and Theology
Course Coordinator	prof. dr. W. van Vlastuin
Examiner	prof. dr. W. van Vlastuin
Teaching Staff	prof. dr. W. van Vlastuin
Teaching method(s)	Seminar, Lecture

Course Objective

The student

1. Has knowledge of and insight into the theology of Calvin and the specifics of this theology.
2. Is able to apply this analytical insight, so that he is able to relate the specifics of Calvin's theology to (pre)modern and postmodern theological approaches.
3. Has the ability to communicate this knowledge and insight.
4. Is able to do independently research of Calvin's theology.

Course Content

On the basis of the Institution of Calvin, fundamental Reformation theology is discussed. The broad outline of his Institution is discussed, as well as the theological decisions it makes. We talk about characteristic Reformation cores such as the knowledge of God, the relationship between Word and Spirit, the spiritual nature of salvation, faith and justification, and so on. In order to bring out the specifics of the Reformation, lines are drawn to contemporary theological practice.

Teaching Methods

Interactive work lectures, 6 x 2 hours. Because of the interactive form of the lectures, attendance at the college is necessary.

Method of Assessment

written exam, in case of coronavirus-issues, we have a take home exam via Canvas.