



TH516 CHRISTIAN ETHICS

Spring 2023

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COURSE DESCRIPTION (from *Student Handbook*)

COURSE OUTCOMES

REQUIRED COURSE TEXTS (SEE BELOW FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES / BIBLIOGRAPHY)

1. Ken Magnuson, *Invitation to Christian Ethics*. Kregel, 2020.
2. C. Ben Mitchell, *Ethics and Moral Reasoning*. Crossway, 2013.
3. Recommended: C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*. Many editions.
4. Additional reading will be posted on the course site before the beginning of the term.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS (SEE COMPLETE DESCRIPTION BELOW – TO BE DISCUSSED IN CLASS AS WELL)

DETAILED COURSE REQUIREMENTS

GRADING INFORMATION

Letter Grade	Percentage	Grade Points	Grading Scale:
A+	97-100	4.0	Excellent; superior
A	93-96.99	4.0	
A-	90-92.99	3.7	
B+	87-89.99	3.3	Strong work; commendable
B	83-86.99	3.0	
B-	80-82.99	2.7	
C+	77-79.99	2.3	Satisfactory; acceptable
C	73-76.99	2.0	
C-	70-72.99	1.7	
D+	67-69.99	1.3	Below average
D	63-66.99	1.0	
D-	60-62.99	0.7	
F	0-59.99	0	No credit

*Grades will not be rounded up

SEMINARY ACADEMIC POLICIES

All Seminary policies affecting student work, appeals, and grievances, as outlined in the Academic Catalog or Student Handbook will apply, unless otherwise indicated in this syllabus.

WRITING CENTER

The Phoenix Seminary Writing Center exists to help students become better writers who communicate biblical truth with clarity. The Writing Center provides one-on-one consultations with students at any stage in the writing process. In addition to giving feedback on papers, tutors can also help students define a research topic, navigate sources, or learn SBL citation style. Appointments are available in-person or online and can be booked by visiting <https://ps.edu/writing-center/>. If you would like a consultant to review a paper, please send a copy of your draft at least 24 hours in advance to writingcenter@ps.edu with your name and appointment time in the subject line.

ASSIGNMENT POLICIES

LATE PAPERS WILL BE ACCEPTED, WITH PENALTY, WITHIN ONE WEEK OF THE DUE DATE. BEYOND ONE WEEK, PAPERS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN CASES OF UNFORESEEN EMERGENCIES. PLEASE NOTIFY THE PROFESSOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE REASON FOR A LATE ASSIGNMENT.

COURTEOUS USE OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE CLASSROOM (PHONE, TABLET, LAPTOP)

Phoenix Seminary considers a student's character to be evidenced in part by their respect for their classmates, professors, and their valuable time in class. Please consider how not to be rude in the use of your technology by bearing in mind the following:

- Laptops and tablets are welcome in class to take notes and to access readings we're discussing. Using them for anything else (social networking, accessing non-course related websites, checking email) is discourteous and distracting to others.
- Phones must be silenced in class and stowed. That includes turning off the vibrate function. (We can hear it buzzing.) Is texting ok? No. If an emergency situation exists out of which you feel you must use your phone you should quietly step out of class to do so.

COURSE SCHEDULE - *THE COURSE SCHEDULE AND TOPICS MAY BE ADJUSTED AS NECESSARY*

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES / BIBLIOGRAPHY