

#### COURSE PROMOTION (2017-18 T2)

Courses offered by Part-time Lecturers / Adjunct Professors

#### THEO5930 PUBLIC THEOLOGY 公共神學

# DR. XIE ZHIBIN (MON 7:00-9:15PM, HYS 306) [Language of instruction: Putonghua]

基督徒的管家與公共責任的神學意涵與根基如何?基督教神學可以對社會正義與人權議題說些什麼?公共神學與政治神學、公民宗教、公共宗教的區別何在?在基督教的公共參與中如何確立基督教的身份與神學位置?目前華人教會公共性的問題與挑戰如何?漢語學界關於公共神學的研究與爭論如何促使我們深入思考公共神學的議題?本課程將從方法論、描述性、建構性三種方法展現公共神學的基本內涵、代表性公共神學家(尤其是改革宗神學家)的主要思想、神學參與公共議題討論的意義、以及華人處境中教會、學術界關於公共神學的討論與實踐中出現的問題。

## THEO<sub>595</sub>6 SPECIAL TOPICS ON PASTORAL STUDIES AND COUNSELING I: SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES ON PASTORAL MINISTRY

# DR. JAYEEL SERRANO CORNELIO (TUE 7:00-9:15PM, YCT LG201) [Language of instruction: English]

As a discipline, sociology enables its students to recognize the complex relationship between what people think and do and the wider social environment to which they belong. More specifically, sociology allows its learners to situate themselves in the communities, structures, and institutions governing their everyday life. It also helps them become critically aware of what they do in their communities. It is in this light that sociology provides insights to pastoral reflection and the conduct of ministry on the ground. To help students appreciate sociological input to pastoral ministry, a three-pronged approach is offered in this module. First, participants will be exposed to the sociological perspective. It challenges participants to understand and appreciate how individuals shape their world and how the former also shapes the latter. Second, the course presents an overview of the basic concepts and applications of pastoral sociology. These topics will expose allow students to articulate the different ideas, practices, and debates in line with pastoral sociology. Third, the entire module will offer opportunities for analytical reflection on the relevance of sociological insights to their own spirituality and pastoral experience. This course is accessible to students even without any specialist background in sociology.

# THEO<sub>59</sub>62 SPECIAL TOPICS ON WORSHIP AND SACRED MUSIC I: CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER AND BAPTISM

#### DR. YANG MYOUNG HO (MON 7:00-9:15PM, CCT T41)

[Language of instruction: English]

This course explores the practical ways of celebrating of the Lord's Supper and Baptism reflecting biblical, theological, and historical understandings. Special attention will be given to practical issues on planning and celebrating them.

### THEO6941 PASTORAL STUDIES : SEMINAR I: SOCIAL MEDIA AND PASTORAL MINISTRY

# MR. LO CHUNG BIU BILL, MS. TSE HO YI APPLE (TUE 7:00-9:15PM, ELB 306) [Language of instruction: Cantonese and English]

Nowadays, Facebook and other social networking platforms have made it easier for us to connect with one another. Using social media is fun and watching KOL for opinions (or recommendations) has become a trend. As a Christian, the immediate response to this new phenomenon is a cautioned judgment? or a judgment outright? It is definitely a challenge for our Preachers/ Ministers.

Is it time to explore the different possibilities and opportunities of social media in enhancing diversity in Pastoral Ministry? Is it time to explore what the advantages of using social media and how it can be integrated in Pastoral Ministry?

By the end of the course, you can understand people's pattern in social media. It will also explore the different possibilities and opportunities in disseminating the Christian message and the gospel without time and geographical constraints. Eventually, more people will hear and read "the truth of faith" in their social network.