COURSE DETAIL

GOD, EVOLUTION, TECHNOLOGY

Country

Germany

Host Institution

Humboldt University Berlin

Program(s)

Humboldt University Berlin

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Religious Studies Philosophy

UCEAP Course Number

107

UCEAP Course Suffix

UCEAP Official Title

GOD, EVOLUTION, TECHNOLOGY

UCEAP Transcript Title

GOD EVOLUTION TECH

UCEAP Quarter Units

4.50

UCEAP Semester Units

3.00

Course Description

This course is a two-part investigation of theology, evolutionary theory, and technology. The first part is an in-depth study of philosopher Alvin Plantinga's WHERE THE CONFLICT REALLY LIES: SCIENCE, RELIGION, AND NATURALISM, among the most rigorous critiques of the idea that evolution can replace God as an explanation for the world. The course investigates and evaluates each step in Plantinga's argument. The second part of the course focuses on the theological, anthropological, and ethical dimension of the issue: How are we as humans to understand ourselves faced with the technology made possible by modern science? Which theological patterns help us to make sense of technological progress? Students read a variety of classical and recently published texts on the relation between theology, science, digital humanities, religion, and technology by Hans Jonas, Karl Barth, and contemporary theologians like Hanna Reichel and Peter Dabrock.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

60406

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Host Institution Campus

THEOLOGISCHE FAKULTÄT

Host Institution Faculty

Host Institution Degree

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Theologie

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