COURSE DETAIL

THEOLOGY AND CONTEMPORARY SCIENCE
Country United Kingdom - Scotland
Host Institution University of Edinburgh
Program(s) University of Edinburgh
UCEAP Course Level Upper Division
UCEAP Subject Area(s) Religious Studies Philosophy
UCEAP Course Number 100
UCEAP Course Suffix
UCEAP Official Title THEOLOGY AND CONTEMPORARY SCIENCE
UCEAP Transcript Title THEOLGY&CONTEMP SCI
UCEAP Quarter Units 8.00
UCEAP Semester Units 5.30

Course Description
This course examines 20th-century developments both in the philosophy of science and in natural science, and how they broaden possibilities for dialogue between modern theology and modern science. The course begins by taking a careful look at the task of science, including some of the contemporary philosophical views that arise from science regarding the nature of "reality." The course proceeds by looking at areas such as theological challenges from quantum mechanics, the cognitive sciences, evolutionary biology and the ongoing Darwin debates, genetic engineering, science and the problem of evil, miracle and the laws of nature, artificial intelligence, and scientific eschatologies. Students gain a good understanding of the main scientific challenges in the contemporary science-religion debate, and the ways in which theologians are responding to them. Students are not expected to have any prior scientific expertise, because the material is presented in accessible ways in order to aid theological interpretation.

Language(s) of Instruction
English

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Host Institution Campus
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Theology and Ethics

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