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Advancing God's Kingdom by Preparing Competent Christian Leaders for Spirit-Empowered Life and Ministry

G208 DE English Christian Literature Survey

3 credits. Prerequisites: Worldviews and Contemporary Culture.

Directed Study

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Please note: This course includes six in-person/live-stream meetings with the Instructor.



The Evangelium has not abrogated legends; it has hallowed them, especially the 'happy ending'.

-J.R. Tolkien

Course Goals

Course Description

Christianity is a literary faith, and Christians have a unique understanding of the power of images and stories to communicate God's vision for his people. This course surveys the imaginative writing of English Christians from the seventh to the twenty-first century AD and explores the continuing value of Christian literature for faith and practice. Students examine the form and content of a diverse selection of narratives, dramas, and poems that have been shaped by a Christian worldview. In addition, students practice the arts of persuasive and creative writing.

Relationship to Horizon's Mission

Throughout their history, Christians have used literary forms to embody, interpret, and share the experience of Christian discipleship. In so doing, they have produced some of the most beautiful and profound examples of literary art in the world, a heritage worthy of recognition, celebration, and serious study. This course prepares students for Christian leadership by equipping them to understand and delight in that creative heritage and to evaluate the purpose and value of literary art in the life of the church.

Core Competencies and Learning Outcomes



To demonstrate competency in *Contextual Awareness*, students will

- 1. Articulate a Christian theory of literature that defines literary form and explains the value and purpose of literature for Christian faith and practice.
 - Preparation: Lesson Discussions; Reading Meetings
 - Assessment: Statement of Christian Poetics
- 2. Identify and describe a range of imaginative texts from the English Christian literary tradition.
 - Preparation: Lesson Discussions; Reading Meetings
 - Assessment: Statement of Christian Poetics
- To demonstrate competency in *Skilled Communication*, students will
 - 3. Use close reading and critical literary terms to interpret literary texts.
 - Preparation: Lesson Discussions; Reading Meetings
 - Assessment: Literary Essay; Poetry Explication OR Artist's Statement (poems will not be assessed for this outcome)
 - 4. Compose written work using HCS Level 2 Canadian Standard English (grammar, punctuation, mechanics, syntax, organization, and style).
 - Assessment: Literary Essay; Poetry Explication OR Artist's Statement (poems will not be assessed for this outcome); Statement of Christian Poetics
 - 5. Compose written work using the appropriate essay or creative genre for the given context, purpose, and audience.
 - Assessment: Literary Essay; Poetry Explication OR Poem and Artist's Statement
 - 6. Convey a clear purpose or message that is integrated with the broader theme(s) of the composition and supported by reason, evidence and illustration, style, and structural design.
 - Assessment: Literary Essay; Poetry Explication OR Poem and Artist's Statement; Statement of Christian Poetics

Course Work

Required Readings

** Please purchase novels in hardcopy. Novels create detailed imaginative worlds that require a reader to focus deeply for extended periods of time. Research has repeatedly shown that, as readers, we are able to focus longer and engage detail better when we read text in print rather

than digital formats.¹ Therefore, in order that you might experience the novels to their full extent, we will read, study, and discuss the novels using print copies. Please make sure you **have copies** of the novels available to work with during discussions with the instructor.

- Bellamy, Leanne, ed. *Christian Literature and Essays: Reading Package*. Saskatoon: Horizon College and Seminary, 2021. (Available on Populi)
- Lewis, C.S. *The Great Divorce*. New York: HarperCollins, 2015. ISBN: 978-0060652951. (Purchase in hardcopy); 148 pages, light reading. **Not available on the DTL.
- McGrath, Alister E, ed. *Christian Literature: An Anthology*. Oxford: Blackwell, 2001. ISBN: 13: 978-0631216063.

 Approximately 130 pages, medium textbook reading.
- Ryken, Leland, ed. *The Christian Imagination: The Practice of Faith in Literature and writing.*Colorado: WaterBrook, 2002. ISBN: 978-0877881230.
 Approximately 100 pages, medium textbook reading.
- Taylor, Daniel. *Death Comes for the Deconstructionist*. London: Marylebone House, 2016. ISBN: 9781910674444. **Not available on the DTL. (Purchase in hardcopy); 195 pages, light reading.
- Veith, Gene Edward Jr. *Reading Between the Lines: A Christian Guide to Literature*. Redesign Edition. Wheaton: Crossway Books, 2013. ISBN: 978-1433529740. 200 pages, medium textbook reading.

Recommended

Carty, Austin. *The Pastor's Bookshelf: Why Reading Matters for Ministry*. Grand Rapids: William B. Eerdmans, 2022. ISBN: 978-0-8028-7910-3

Rooke, Constance. *The Clear Path: A Guide to Writing English Essays*. 3rd ed. Toronto: Nelson, 2004. ISBN: 13: 978-0176415617.

**While students have the benefit of accessing many of their textbooks online through the Digital Theological Library, they will not have access to the Digital Theological Library upon graduation. Therefore, we encourage students to purchase select textbooks to build their personal library. For your convenience, Horizon has partnered with Kennedy's Parable to provide textbooks.

¹ Alexandra, Patricia and Singer, Laura M, "Reading on Paper and Digitally: What the Past Decades of Empirical Research Reveal," *Review of Educational Research*, 87, no.6 (2017): 1007-1041, https://doi.org/10.3102%2F0034654317722961.

Course Assignments and Activities

1. Lesson Interaction and Reading – 15%

In order to pass this course, you must **complete weekly lessons on Populi**. Each lesson will include assigned readings, guided reading questions to help you navigate the readings, and discussion board responses.

You must take your reading seriously if you wish to succeed in this course. **Assigned readings** for each lesson will include the primary texts we are studying that week as well as supplemental readings, including chapters from your textbooks, essays from your Reading Package, and lesson notes. Textbook chapters, Reading Package essays, and lesson notes will provide you with important contextual and technical information to help you understand what the primary texts are and to think about their value, so make sure to complete all readings from each lesson during the week in which they are assigned.

Download the **Guided Reading Questions** file in each lesson to help you "crack" the primary texts, which is to say, to read and understand the stories and poems we study that week. You do not need to submit your answers to these questions.

Each lesson also includes **discussion board questions** that will focus on important themes in your supplemental readings and ask you to consider how the primary texts relate to those big themes. Each week, you will **answer two questions** and **respond to one** classmate's answer on the discussion board. If you are the only student in the course, provide at least one response to your instructor's comments.

The weekly discussion board is a formative assignment designed to help you prepare for your Statement of Christian Poetics, and you should approach each question with that final assignment in mind. Discussions are graded, and you must participate in ALL weekly discussions to complete the course.

- To complete this assignment, students will follow these guidelines:
 - Complete all assigned readings, videos, and discussions assigned in the weekly lesson on Populi.
 - Answer two discussion board questions and post one discussion board response each week.
- Related learning outcome(s): #1, 2, and 3.
- **Assignment Length:** 500 words per lesson.
- **Due date:** September 16, 23, 30, October 7, 14, 21, November 11, 18, 25, December 2, 7.
- 2. Reading Meetings with the Class and Instructor (x6) Formative

We will meet six times throughout the semester to develop interpretive skills and deepen your engagement with primary texts. You may attend the meetings in person or via Zoom, but you must have a copy of the primary text available during the meeting.

To prepare for meetings, **review the primary text before you attend** and bring any questions you have about the text or lesson notes so we can discuss them in the meeting. **You must participate in all meetings to complete the course.**

Reading Meeting 1: "The Dream of the Rood" (see lesson 1)

Reading Meeting 2: "The Nun's Priest's Tale" (see lesson 3)

Reading Meeting 3: Reading Poetry: Traditional (see lessons 4& 5)

Reading Meeting 4: Reading Poetry: Free Verse (see lesson 6)

Reading Meeting 5: The Great Divorce (see lessons 7&8)

Reading Meeting 6: Death Comes for the Deconstructionist (see lesson 10)

- To complete this assignment, students will follow these guidelines:
 - o Attend all meeting readings live (dates/times to be determined with instructor).
 - Complete all readings ahead of reading meetings and come prepared to discuss the texts.
- Related learning outcome(s): #1, 2, and 3.
- **Assignment Length:** 1 hour x 6.
- **Due date:** September 22; October 6, 13, 20; November 17, December 1.
 - Meeting times will be determined via email during the first week of the course.
- 3. Poetry Explication OR Poem & Artist Statement 30%

Throughout this course, you will compose three written pieces. For your first written piece, you may choose to write a poetry explication essay OR a poem of one of the forms we cover during the course. You may not write about or in the same genre as the text you will discuss in your literary analysis essay.

A **Poetry Explication** is a detailed analysis that identifies each of a poem's linguistic and poetic elements and explains how those elements work together to create the poem's meaning. Although an explication will include an understanding of the poem's meaning (interpretation), the emphasis is on explaining how the poem works. A poetry explication requires a **thesis statement** that is supported by argument and evidence from the text, but it does not use secondary sources. Do **cite poetic lines** appropriately (see the *Horizon Format Guide*, 5-6).

A **Poem** must reflect an earnest attempt to communicate using one of the poetic forms we cover in the course. For example, you may choose to write a sonnet, a thematic verse lyric, or a free verse poem. Poems should be recognizable as belonging to your chosen form and should be as long as is appropriate for the form (e.g., a sonnet is 14 lines). Poems must include an identifiable subject, unifying themes, and be written with a consistent style and voice. You must also accompany your poem with an **artist's statement**, a one-page introduction that describes the main ideas you have tried to communicate and explains your reasons for choosing the form, mode, and techniques you have used.

- To complete this assignment, students will follow these guidelines:
 - o Poem and Artist's Statement
 - The poem appears to be of sufficient length to treat its subject with depth, complexity, and coherence.

- A 1-page artist's statement is included.
- Poetry Explication
 - Length: 6-7 pages.
 - Poem has been selected from the course reading list.
 - Paper and citation formatting closely follow the Horizon Format Guide.
 Please refer to page 5 for specific instructions on formatting and citing poetry.
 - Appears to include citations in footnotes when paraphrasing, summarizing, or quoting from other sources. Includes a bibliography.
- Related learning outcomes: #3, 4, 5, and 6
- **Assignment Length**: 6 pages OR a length appropriate for the form and 1 page artist's statement.
- **Due Date**: November 6, 2023
- 4. Literary Analysis Essay 30%

For your second written piece, you will compose a literary analysis essay.

For this assignment, you may choose any text we have covered in the class (unless you worked with that text or genre for assignment #3) and use *close reading* to examine its genre, subject, form, word choices, and themes. You will then present your analysis and interpretation of the text in your essay, making sure to include a thesis statement that is supported by reasoned arguments and textual evidence. Research is not a requirement for this assignment, but you may also include scholarly secondary source material if you choose. Any secondary sources must be peer-reviewed and cited appropriately. Use parenthetical references to cite your primary text, as you do for poetry, drama, and biblical quotations (see the *Horizon Format Guide*).

A list of possible topics is available in Populi. You may choose a topic from this list or you may propose a topic of your own. Please **confirm your topic choice with the instructor** no later than **November 24, 2023.**

- To complete this assignment, students will follow these guidelines:
 - Paper and citation formatting closely follow the Horizon Format Guide. Please refer to page 5 for specific instructions on formatting and citing poetry.
 - o Appears to include citations in footnotes when paraphrasing, summarizing, or quoting from other sources. **Includes a bibliography**.
- **Related learning outcomes**: #3, 4, 5, and 6.
- **Assignment Length**: 6-8 pages.
- **Due Date**: December 1, 2023.
- 5. Statement of Christian Poetics 25%

For the third written piece, you will compose a personal statement of Christian poetics that outlines your view of the nature, effect, purpose, and value of Christian literature in the lives of individual Christians and in the church, and as a tool with which Christians can communicate the meaning of the gospel to the world. In short, what *is* Christian literature and what does it do?

Your statement should reference or quote directly from

- Class textbooks (*Reading Between the Lines* and *The Christian Imagination*) and the essays from your Reading Package.
- Lesson notes.
- A minimum of three imaginative texts from the course that illustrate your ideas.

In general, your statement should indicate your awareness of

- Historicity: how do your beliefs reflect your current time, place, culture and how is that the same or different from the ways Christians have viewed and used literature in the past?
- Worldview: how are your beliefs about literature consistent with or in conflict with an orthodox Christian worldview?
- Imaginative discourse: how does Christian literature engage the imagination to communicate meaning?

In particular, your statement should use paragraph format and address the questions listed below. You do not have to address the questions individually or in the order listed; instead, seek to develop a statement that integrates your ideas about the following topics:

- 1. How is a Christian poetic rooted in the doctrines of creation, and especially the *imago Dei*, and reconciliation?
- 2. How is Christian literature both in the world and not of the world?
- 3. How might Christian literature "baptize the imagination," and what role does this baptism play in the development of faith?
- 4. What does Christian literature teach?
- 5. Why does Christian literature delight?
- 6. How might Christian literature demonstrate both the truth and the desirability of Christianity, both inside and outside the church?
- 7. How does Christian literature train us to communicate the beauty, goodness, and truth of the gospel?
- 8. How does Christian literature help a reader to have contact with Christian disciples who have lived in other times and places? Why is that important for discipleship?
- 9. How can reading literature help Christians appreciate and understand their own worldview as well as the worldviews of others?
- 10. How do you respond to concerns that literature is at best frivolous and at worst dangerous and open to abuse?
 - To complete this assignment, students will follow these guidelines:
 - Paper and citation formatting closely follow the Horizon Format Guide.
 Please refer to page 5 for specific instructions on formatting and citing poetry.
 - o Appears to include citations in footnotes when paraphrasing, summarizing, or quoting from other sources. Includes a bibliography.
 - Related learning outcomes: #1, 2, 4, and 6.
 - **Assignment Length:** 2-3 pages.
 - **Due Date:** December 8, 2023

Estimate of Time Investment (individual time investments may vary)

				Assignment Weighting
1.	Lessons Interaction and Reading	70 hrs	Weekly	15 %
2.	Reading Meetings	6 hrs	Sept.22, Oct.6, 13,	N/A
			20, Nov.17, Dec.1	
3.	Poetry Explication OR Poem	10hrs	November 6	30%
4.	Literary Analysis Essay	10hrs		
	Topic Proposal Due		November 24	N/A
	Essay Due		December 1	30%
5.	Statement of Christian Poetics	5hrs	December 8	25%
	Total =	101 hrs		

Assessment Rubrics

Assignment rubrics can be found on Populi. Click on the name of the assignment to access each rubric.

Course Schedule

Date	Topic	Reading and Assignments *Discussions must be completed by the end of each week.
Week 1 (September 11-17)	*Christian Poetics *Anglo-Saxon England and Old English Literature	Week 1 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi)
,	Key Terms : Form, genre, epic, heroic, symbol, dream vision, kenning, riddle.	Primary text: "The Dream of the Rood"
Week 2 September 18-24)	*Literature and Worldview *English and the church *English and the Norman Conquest	Week 2 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi) Primary texts:
	*Literary Form Key Terms : Mode, allusion, parable, dialect, hagiography, devotional literature.	 "The Life of Cuthbert" Revelations of Divine Love: Chapter 51
September 22	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled for a different day within the same week, as agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Reading Meeting 1: "Dream of the Rood"
Week 3 (September 25 -	*Literature and Discipleship *Middle English and Early Modern English *Literary Form and Literary Mode	Week 3 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi)
October 1)	Key Terms : Allegory, fable, bestiary, beast epic, Romance, satire, parody, frame narrative, irony, theme.	Primary Text: "The Nun's Priest's Tale"

Week 4	*Literature and Discipleship	Week 4 Lesson & Discussion
(October	*Early Modern English	(see Populi)
2-8)	*Literary Mode	Drimany Toyta
	*Introduction to Poetry	Primary Texts:
	Var Tanna Poster varsification stress mater	• "The Tyger"
	Key Terms: Poetry, versification, stress, meter,	• "Split the Lark"
	foot, scansion, iambic, trochaic, stanza, lyric,	• "The Raven"
	speaker, full rhyme, partial rhyme, enjambment,	
October 6	anaphora, personae, tone, voice, mood.	Danding Masting 2: "The
October 0	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled for a different day within the same week, as	Reading Meeting 2: "The Nun's Priest's Tale"
	_	Null's Fliest's Tale
Week 5	agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Week 5 Lesson & Discussion
	*Imagination and Embodiment	
(October 9-15)	*Literary Tradition: Pre-Modern and Early Modern	(see Populi)
9-13)		Primary Texts:
	*Poetry: Traditional	• "Holy Sonnet XIV"
	Key Terms: Sonnet, caesura, turn, sestet,	• "The Windows"
	octave, couplet, elision, metaphysical, conceit,	• "God's Grandeur"
	inscape, instress, metaphor.	• "Sonnet 116"
October 13	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled	Reading Meeting 3: Reading
October 13	for a different day within the same week, as	Sonnets Sonnets
	agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Somets
Week 6	*Imagination and Embodiment	Week 6 Lesson & Discussion
(October	*Late Modern English and Standardization	(see Populi)
16-22)	*Literary Tradition: Modern and Postmodern	Primary Texts
10 22)	*Poetry: Modern and Postmodern	• "Journey of the Magi"
	1 0001/1 1/10 00111 0110 1 0001110 00111	"Prepositional
	Key Terms: Free verse, imagism, internal	Theology"
	rhyme, parallelism, cadence, repletion.	• TBD (Luci Shaw)
October 20	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled	Reading Meeting 4: Reading
October 20	for a different day within the same week, as	Free Verse
	agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Tree verse
Week 7	*Literature and Apologetics	Week 7 Lesson & Discussion
(November	* English as a Global Language	(See Populi)
6-12)	*History of the Novel	(See Fopuli)
		Primary Text: The Great
	Key Terms: Novel, free indirect style, realism,	Divorce
	romantic, gothic, sentimental.	
November		Poetry Explication OR
6		Poem and Artist's
		Statement DUE
Week 8	*Literature and Apologetics	Week 8 Lesson & Discussion
(November	*Literature in Conversation	(See Populi)
13-19)		

	Key Terms: Fantasy, vision, escape, recovery, consolation, eucatastrophe, watchful dragons, Faerie, sub-creation.	Primary Text: The Great Divorce
November 17	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled for a different day within the same week, as agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Reading Meeting 5: <i>The Great Divorce</i>
Week 9 (November 20-26)	*Longing and Desire *Modern Fiction Key Terms: short story, image, detail, plot, story, setting, atmosphere, point of view, grotesque, detective fiction, American Southern Gothic.	Week 7 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi) Primary Texts: • "The Secret of Father Brown" • "The Mirror and the Magistrate" • "The Jude" • "A Good Man is Hard to Find"
November 24		Literary Analysis Essay Topic DUE
Week 10 (November 27 – December 3)	*Longing and Desire *Postmodern Fiction Key Terms: Deconstruction, tradition, character, aporia, metanarrative, true, good, beautiful.	Week 8 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi) Primary Text: Death Comes for the Deconstructionist
December 2	*NOTE: Reading meetings may be scheduled for a different day within the same week, as agreed on by the students and the instructor.	Reading Meeting 6: Death Comes for the Deconstructionist
December 1		Literary Analysis Essay DUE
Week 11 (December 4-8)	Conclusion	Week 9 Lesson & Discussion (see Populi)
December 8		Statement of Christian Poetics DUE

• First submissions of assignments will not be accepted after December 8, 2023.

Revisions

- Since this is a DE course, revisions will be requested throughout the semester. Watch your rubrics for due dates for revisions.
- No resubmission of assignments will be accepted after December 15, 2023.

Late Assignments and Extensions

Students are expected to submit work by the assigned due dates, as part of their development of the Leadership and Administration competency. To submit extension requests, students must submit the <u>Assignment Extension Request Form on Populi</u> and <u>before the due date</u>. Professors

may grant extensions in the case of extenuating circumstances, such as significant illness or a family emergency. Furthermore, no extensions will be granted beyond the final day of a term or semester unless approval is granted by the Dean of the College.

Unexcused late submissions will be tracked across each student's program. If one assignment is submitted more than five days late or if a student incurs multiple instances of unexcused late submissions, it will result in academic discipline, such as required tutoring, academic probation, failure of the course, or failure to qualify for graduation. Similar to standard human resource employment practices, students will receive warnings and conditions with increasing severity of academic discipline.

*Note: For this class, if you want to request an extension, please talk to the professor before submitting an <u>Assignment Extension Request Form on Populi</u>. After you and the professor have agreed on an extension due date, you must then fill out the <u>Assignment Extension Request Form on Populi</u> and indicate on the form that you have already spoken with the professor.

Assignment Completion

Professors usually will not accept assignments that have not been completed according to the instructions given in the syllabus. If a professor informs a student that a submitted assignment is incomplete, the student will be given the opportunity to complete and resubmit the assignment quickly. If this is not possible, the assignment will be regarded as submitted late.

Assignment Revisions

Students can generally submit up to two revisions for each assignment, although a professor may accept more revisions if the professor determines the student is addressing all of the professor's instructions and making significant progress toward achieving competency.

Horizon College Assessment of Student Work

The goal of courses is to help students develop their competency, not earn letter grades. Assignments are the means by which instructors evaluate development of competency by assessing learning outcomes as outlined in the syllabus and each assignment rubric. Once a student's assignment has met all competency requirements, the professor will assign a grade for that assignment. Likewise, a final course grade is not calculated until the end of the course. Students pass a course (with a B- or higher) only after they have demonstrated that they have *met or exceeded all competency requirements* for that course and, therefore, only after they have passed all assignments.

Horizon CBE Scale		Descriptor	Letter Grade	Grade Point	U of S Equivalency
	Exceeding expectations	Student demonstrated exceptional achievement of the learning outcomes.	A+	4.0	90-100
E		Student demonstrated excellent achievement of the learning outcomes.	A	4.0	85-89
			A-	3.7	80-84
	Meeting expectations	Student demonstrated good achievement of the learning outcomes.	B+	3.3	77-79
M			В	3.0	73-76
			B-	2.7	70-72

If the student does not meet all competency requirements in a course and, therefore, does not pass all the assignments in a course, the course will not be sufficient to fulfill their program requirements at Horizon. Nevertheless, for transferability purposes, the student will receive a letter grade of C+ or below according to the scale below.

ВТМ	Beginning to meet expectations	Student was beginning to meet learning outcomes.	C+	2.3	67-69
			C	2.0	63-66
			C-	1.7	60-62
	Not yet meeting expectations	Student made insufficient progress toward meeting learning outcomes.	D+	1.3	57-59
NYM			D	1.0	53-56
IN I IVI			D-	0.7	50-52
			F	0.0	0-49

Academic Honesty

Students learn best when practicing academic integrity. A lack of integrity is displayed in acts such as deception, abuse of confidentiality, cheating, inappropriate collaboration, or plagiarism. Plagiarism occurs when a student presents the words or ideas of another person or an artificial intelligence (AI) tool in such a way as to give others the impression that it is their own words or ideas. In academic writing, there should be no doubt which words or ideas are the student's and which are drawn from other sources or AI. Students are expected to submit their own original work and give due recognition to sources from which all substantial phrases, sentences or even ideas are drawn. Note also that you may not submit work done in one course to satisfy the requirements of another course (unless both instructors agree beforehand to accept such work). See here for examples of plagiarism and further guidelines in the <a href="https://examples.org/student-studen

Accessible Learning Services Information

Horizon aims to provide an accessible learning environment for all our students. If you would benefit from learning accommodations due to temporary or ongoing physical or mental health conditions or learning disabilities, please contact us as soon as possible to schedule a conversation. In all cases we ask that you provide current <u>documentation</u> of the disability or condition you wish to disclose. Horizon takes appropriate care to ensure confidentiality about any such disclosures. For more information, contact Richelle Bekkattla, Horizon's Library Technician, at <u>library@horizon.edu</u>.

Class Attendance

Students should attend all classes in order to facilitate competency development. Students are expected to be present through the delivery method that they registered for, either on campus or through live-streaming with their camera on. A student must be present for the full duration of a class period in order to be registered as present for the class. In the case of illness or other unforeseen circumstances, students may miss one day of a module course or three days of class in a term or semester course without academic penalty. Students who are absent for more than the number of classes stated above will automatically fail the course. Students wishing to be exempted from this policy due to extenuating circumstances may make an academic appeal, where they will need to document and verify those circumstances. Students who miss a class are responsible to get missed notes or handouts from another student, rather than from the professor.

Live-Streaming Etiquette

Students taking the course through live-streaming are required to indicate this during their course registration. While live-streaming access is available for on-campus students who are unable to attend class due to illness, on-campus students are expected to attend class in person following the class attendance policy.

If attending class online via live-stream, in order to be marked present for class, you must keep your camera on and stay present and attentive throughout the class session, extending the gift of engagement. Access your class with a computer (preferably) or tablet, not a cell phone. Arrive to class on time, and dress as you would if you were attending class on campus. Join the class from a quiet space with minimal background noise, and mute your microphone until you wish to speak to the class.

Use of Technology

Horizon encourages the use of electronic devices in the classroom to enhance learning. Careful consideration must be given to privacy issues, copyrighted materials, and the general care and concern for others. Please respect the following classroom policies:

- Please use online access for course learning only. This is a matter of respect for the instructor's teaching, your own learning, and fellow students who may be distracted by other uses.
- Students should secure permission from the instructor to record any teaching material.
 This includes PowerPoint slides, white board illustrations, notes, and any form of audio or video.
- Student feedback is a valuable input for course improvements. Please resolve any classroom grievance about the instructor or course with the instructor personally, through the Horizon College and Seminary grievance procedures, or the Populi-based course evaluations. It is inappropriate to air classroom grievances on a social media platform.
- When instructors use recording mechanisms in the classroom, recorded materials will be used for the sole purpose of instruction and cannot be released to any social media outlet without the written consent of the students whose images have been recorded.
- In general, it is not acceptable to share photographs or videos of students in the classroom setting without permission from those whose images appear in such media.

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