COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

Religions have always interacted with each other, but in modern times explicit and intentional dialogue has become more widespread and sustained. This course explores some key reasons for, approaches to, issues in and outcomes of Christian dialogue with other neighboring religions; examines fundamental philosophical, theological, ethical issues surrounding the ongoing encounter between Christian and other religious communities; and seeks to engage in a critical consideration of the ethical, geo-political, religious, and theological implications of interreligious encounter today. Throughout the course, we will keep the following questions in mind:

- What constitute religion?
- How might religious neighbors live together?
- Within Christianity, what viable openings exist toward other religions?
- What’s at stake for Christians in working toward “liveability” with our religious neighbors?

**This course fulfills the Contextualization (Religious Plurality) requirement (RECU 60043).**

REQUIREMENT AND GRADING

1. Critical Reading Journals: 30 points
2. Presentation: 20 points
3. Mid-term Reading Paper: 20 points
4. Take-Home Exam Paper 30 points
   - 4,000 words for M.Div/MTS/MACS;
   - 5,000~6,000 words for D.Min/Th.M/ Ph.D,

*This requirement is subject to change depending on the size and pedagogical need of the class.*