

## Theology, Philosophy, and Ethics: A Brief Guide

### Everybody takes:

1. TH201 Theology Matters
2. PL201 Introduction to Philosophy

### Then, you get a choice.

In **Pathway A**, you take:

3. A second Philosophy core course, chosen from PL202–PL299; and
4. An Ethics in Theology, chosen from TH300–319

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In **Pathway B**, you take:

3. A second Theology core course, chosen from TH202–TH299; and
4. An Ethics in Philosophy, chosen from PL300–319

In other words, which second core course you take determines which ethics you will take. If you take a Theology second core, you must take an Ethics in Philosophy, and vice versa.

PLEASE NOTE: The numbering can be confusing! Only 200-level courses count as the second core. The ethics courses are 300-level, but **only courses from 300–319 count as Ethics**.

In both PL and TH, 320 and above are *seminar* courses, and **seminar courses (320–399) do not count for either the second core or the ethics requirement**.

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*Some examples of recently offered courses in both departments:*

#### Theology second core courses:

Ignatius & the Jesuits: History and Spirituality  
Introduction to Judaism  
African American Religious Thought  
Forgiveness and Reconciliation  
World Christianity  
Christian Theology and World Religions  
Religion, Poverty, and American Health Care  
American Feminist Theologies  
The Bible in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

#### Philosophy second core courses:

Project of Modernity  
Politics and Society  
Asian Thought  
Environmental Philosophy  
Philosophy and Genocide

Humanity and Divinity  
Gender and Nature  
Philosophy and Science  
Environmental Philosophy

Theology Ethics:

Economics and Ethics: The Catholic Tradition  
Becoming Good: Character Ethics  
Bioethics and Social Justice  
Environmental Ethics  
Theology and Ethics of Hospitality  
Introduction to Christian Ethics

Philosophy Ethics:

Business Ethics  
Bioethics  
Environmental Ethics  
Ethics after Auschwitz  
Humanitarian Ethics  
Ethics of Race and Gender

*If you have a question about whether a particular course might be offered within the next year or two, please contact the department chair.*

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