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NEW E-TUTORIALS

The Graduate Theological Foundation and its undergraduate division, Cloverdale College, offer students the opportunity to earn Units of Study toward their degrees through E-Tutorials which are courses of six weeks in duration with a writing component and are conducted strictly via email. A description of the process and a list of E-Tutorials, among other relevant information, may be found on the Foundation's website at:

www.gtfeducation.org. Click on *Academics*, then *Foundation Study Options*, and finally on *E-Tutorials*.

New and recently added E-Tutorials:

The Theology of Karl Rahner

Faculty: The Rev. Fr. Dennis J. Billy, C.Ss.R., Th.D., S.T.D.,
D.Min.

Fundamental Christology

The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Theological Anthropology: Creation and Sin

Theology of Grace

Faculty: The Rev. Fr. Jorge R. Colón León, C.Ss.R., ST.L.,
Th.D., Ph.D.

Existentialism and Personal Responsibility

Paleolithic Origins of Religious Consciousness

Psychoanalysis and the Whole Person

The Sacred in Modern Society

Science and Faith in Cosmic Perspective

Faculty: John Morgan, Ph.D., D.Sc., Psy.D.

Ethical Decision Making in the Journalistic Workplace

Faculty: Rev. David Crabtree, B.S., M.Th. (*cand.*)

Creating a Gathering for Peace

Faculty: Vivian Dettbarn, D.S.M.

Espiritualidad Masculina

Faculty: Antonio Ramirez, Ph.D.

Contemporary Trends in Church Music

Hymnology: Past and Present

Faculty: Martha Sobaje, D.S.M.

Sacred Music in the Church: A History and Philosophy

Faculty: Brian Taylor, D.S.M.

Methods of Musical Archaeology: The Origins of the Proper Chants of the Roman Mass

Processional Chants: A Pilgrim People Sings

Faculty: Christoph Tietze, D.S.M.

RESIDENTIAL INSTITUTES AT THE FOUNDATION

Students of the Foundation or College may earn two Units of Study toward their degrees by coming to the Foundation in South Bend, Indiana, to attend a Foundation Institute taught by one of our distinguished faculty members. This year, six specially designed Foundation Institutes will be held throughout the summer and autumn. Institutes consist of a morning seminar and afternoon seminar lasting five days (Monday-Friday), and have both required readings and a writing component.

Registration is required in order to attend an Institute, as well as a deposit of \$300. Each Institute has a cost of \$1,200.00 (one seminar has a cost of \$600.00). Complete information may be found on the website of the Foundation at www.gtfeducation.org.

Click on *Academics*, then *Foundation Study Options*, and finally on *Residential Institutes*.

(Biographies of the tutors are available on the *Faculty* page of the website; click on *Administration*, then *Faculty*.)

The Erosion of Religion in the Age of Biotechnology

June 9-13, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Rev. Paul J. Kirbas, Ph.D.,

Paul Tillich Professor of Theology and Culture

Women as Ministry Professionals

August 25-29, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Rev. Marlene Kropf, D.Min.,

William B. Oglesby, Jr., Professor of Pastoral Theology

Liturgy and Sacraments: East and West

September 8-12, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Rev. Robin Gibbons, Ph.D.,

Dean of Studies of Foundation House/Oxford and

Alexander Schmemmann Professor of Eastern Christianity

Psychology and Spirituality: Post-Freudian Conversation and Convergence

September 22-26, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Donald Schwab, Ph.D.,

Professor of Counseling Psychology

Thomas Merton, Zen Buddhism and Spirituality

September 29-October 3, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Ekman P. C. Tam, Ph.D., Psy.D.,

Professor of Spirituality and Psychotherapy

Director of Tao Fong Shan Christian Centre, Hong Kong

Logotherapy in the Pastoral Setting

October 6-10, 2008

Faculty Tutor: Rev. Henry Chan, D.P.A., D.Min., Psy.D.,
Ph.D.,

President Jimmy Carter Professor of Mediation and
Pastoral Care

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

All current students are asked to keep their files up to date at the Foundation regarding any existing or new professional association memberships which they have initiated since joining the Foundation. We will use this roster of professional associations to strengthen our relationships with these organizations, thereby better serving our students. Students should visit the website link provided here in order to update their file:

www.gtfeducation.org/Resources/Information_change.html

NEW TITLE FROM FACULTY

The Rev. Peter Roussakis, Charles Wesley Professor of Sacred Music, has recently published a book entitled *United In Prayer: Understanding and Praying the Lord's Prayer* through Meetinghouse Press of Burlington, Indiana. The ISBN is 978-0-9759138-4-0 and this title may be ordered by contacting the publisher at Meetinghouse Press, P.O. Box 246, Burlington IN 46915-0246.

2008 PROGRAM BULLETIN RELEASED

As announced in the March 2008 issue of *Tower Notes*, the 2008 *Program Bulletin* has recently been released and is available in both physical format and on the Foundation's website as a PDF document. Click on the link by the logo which reads *Download or Request a Program Bulletin*.

This bulletin contains important information regarding Foundation and College policies for tuition payment, diplomas, transcripts, and more, as well as an expanded section of degrees offered by Cloverdale College. An index has also been included in this year's bulletin for easy reference.

FOUNDATION THEOLOGY 2008 (MAY RELEASE)

For the past 20+ years, the Foundation has been releasing an annual collection of essays produced by faculty (even-numbered years) and students (odd-numbered years). *Foundation Theology 2008: Faculty Essays for Ministry Professionals*, contains work from a distinguished cross-section of the Graduate Theological Foundation's faculty. Find below the titles and authors of the essays in this year's monograph:

- "Islam and the Pope" by Senad Agic
- "Holiness and Monstrosity: The Legend of Christopher, the Dog-Headed Saint" by Dennis J. Billy, C.Ss.R.
- "Liturgical Formation as an Agent of Transformation" by Robin P. P. Gibbons
- "Dying as 'The Journey Home'" by Ann V. Graber
- "The Beloved Community: Martin Luther King, Jr. and Hope for the City" by C. Anthony Hunt
- "The Moral Responsibility of Leadership in Tenuous Times: A Higher Imperative" by Paul J. Kirbas
- "Animal Experiments: Ethics, Theology, and the Possibility of Dialogue" by Andrew Linzey
- "Pope Benedict and the Jews" by James R. Michaels
- "Religion Without God: Exploring the Perimeters of Huxley's Humanism" by John H. Morgan
- "Pope Benedict XVI on Islam: Setting the Stage for a Culture of Dialogue" by Bernard J. O'Connor
- "Espiritualidad Masculina" by Antonio Ramírez
- "The Jewish Setting for the Lord's Prayer" by Peter E. Roussakis
- "Re-imagining the Anglican Communion" by Vincent Strudwick

Foundation Theology 2008 is published in collaboration with The Victoria Press (www.thevictoriapress.com) and may be ordered via the Foundation or The Victoria Press upon its release in May of this year.

PROMOTIONAL BROCHURE OF THE FOUNDATION

The Graduate Theological Foundation has produced a promotional brochure which has recently been sent to all Foundation students, faculty and alumni/ae. This brochure gives an overview of the mission of the Foundation, our major affiliations (Oxford, Rome and others) and memberships, degree programs and more.

Any faculty, student or alumnus/a wishing to place an order for these brochures (free of charge) should contact the Foundation at information@gtfeducation.org with the number of brochures desired along with a correct mailing address.

CALL FOR STUDENT PAPERS (2009)

For over twenty years the Foundation has published an annual collection of distinguished essays by students during odd-numbered years and faculty during even-numbered years. In the past, the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) has collaborated with the Office of the President to select essays written throughout the year by current students. However, that practice has now been altered, allowing students to take the initiative in submitting their own essay to be considered for inclusion in the *Foundation Theology* monograph. Commencing immediately, currently enrolled students are invited to submit a scholarly, research-based article written during their course of study through this website: www.gtfeducation.org/FT2009. The deadline for submission is December 1, 2008.

The editorial review committee, comprised of AAC members in consultation with the Office of the President, will make the final selections based upon quality of work and a diversity of subjects treated in the competing essays. The instructions available on the above website must be strictly followed, and failure to follow the guidelines will result in the disqualification of the submitted paper. The *Foundation Theology* monograph series is generously distributed throughout the theological world in North America, the United Kingdom, and Rome; as such, we are eager to encourage our students to present exemplary works reflective of their study at the Foundation. *Foundation Theology 2009: Student Essays in Ministry Education*, will be available during the Convocation and Graduation festivities at the Foundation on May 7 and 8 of 2009. The *Foundation Theology* monograph series is published in collaboration with The Victoria Press. The Press's website may be visited at www.thevictoriapress.com.

MAYO CLINIC SPIRITUAL CARE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

This conference is sponsored by Mayo Continuing Nursing Education of the Mayo Clinic and will take place on November 6 and 7, 2008, in Rochester, Minnesota. The theme is "Spirituality and the Mind: Investigation and Application." Physicians, nurses, chaplains, social workers and other healthcare providers are encouraged to attend. To submit a poster abstract or for more information, visit www.mayoclinic.org/jobs-nursing-rst/.

The Mayo Clinic is Recognized and Endorsed by the Foundation and students attending the conference may earn credit toward their degree.

A printable brochure about this conference is available at:

www.mayo.edu/pmts/mc2300-mc2399/mc2301-71.pdf