

CODE: THO 3155	TITLE: Selected Topics in Ethics II: Jane Jacobs (prerequisite: THO 3166)
CREDITS: 3 cr.	
TERM: Fall 2010	PROFESSOR: Kenneth Melchin

DESCRIPTION	This course introduces students to the work of Jane Jacobs. Students will read a selection of Jacobs's work with a view towards understanding how she grounds an ethics within an understanding of the dynamic structure of social life. Topics include: ethics and social science; ethics and economics; the common good; natural law; ethics and the human person; ethics and spirituality.
OBJECTIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to develop skills for critically reading contemporary literature on ethics and social/economic life; - to better understand ethical methodologies; - to gain foundational insights for social ethics; - to gain insights into Christian faith and ethics.
WORKLOAD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Required readings and participation in class discussions - Research paper on ethics and Jacobs due 3'rd wk of March - Final exam, take-home
EVALUATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Class participation 10% - Research paper 45% - Final exam 45%
REQUIRED TEXTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jane Jacobs, <u>The Death and Life of Great American Cities</u> (New York: Random House/Vintage Books, 1961). - Jane Jacobs, <u>Systems of Survival</u> (New York: Random House/Vintage Books, 1994). - Jane Jacobs, <u>The Nature of Economies</u> (Toronto: Random House/Vintage Canada, 2001).
RECOMMENDED TEXTS	