

CODE: THO 6333	TITLE: Methods and Approaches in Contemporary Ethics: Charles Taylor and Bernard Lonergan
CREDITS: 3 cr.	
SESSION: Winter 2011	PROFESSOR: Kenneth Melchin

DESCRIPTION	This course will: (1) introduce students to contemporary debates on ethical foundations and the challenge of democratic pluralism; (2) explore the role of theological resources in public ethical discourse; (3) introduce the works of Charles Taylor and Bernard Lonergan; (4) invite student participation in critical dialogue on foundational issues related to theology, ethics, and democratic society.
OBJECTIVES	-to help students understand the challenges to theological ethics that are arising in contemporary debates about democratic pluralism; -to help students understand and appreciate contributions to these debates arising from the works of Bernard Lonergan and Charles Taylor; -to help students develop foundations, tools and skills in theological ethics.
WORKLOAD	-Required readings -Participation in class discussions -Lead class discussions on the required readings -Two papers on the required readings -Final take-home exam
EVALUATION	Two papers (30% and 35%) due 3 rd wk of Feb. and 3 rd wk of Mar. Final exam, take-home 35%
REQUIRED TEXTS	Charles Taylor, <i>The Malaise of Modernity</i> (Toronto: Anansi Press, 1991). OR/OU Charles Taylor, <i>Grandeur et misère de la modernité</i> , trad. C. Melançon, Montréal, Bellarmin, 1992. AND/ET Kenneth Melchin, <i>Living with Other People</i> (Ottawa: Novalis, 1998). OR/OU Kenneth Melchin, <i>L'Art de vivre ensemble</i> , trad. P. Lambert, Ottawa, Novalis, 2006.
RECOMMENDED TEXTS	RAWLS, John, <i>Libéralisme politique</i> , trad., C. Audard, Paris, Presses Universitaires de France/Quadrige, 2006. RAWLS, John. <i>Political Liberalism</i> . New York: Columbia University Press, 1996. HABERMAS, Jürgen, et John RAWLS, <i>Débat sur la justice politique</i> , trad., C. Audard et R. Rochlitz, Paris, Cerf, 1997.

