Complete Course List for Spring 2024 (*Indicates a recommended/featured course)

What follows is all the courses offered in Spring 2024 that *automatically* count for the minor. To ask about a course that is not on this list, please contact Naomi Fisher, Director of Catholic Studies: nfisher1@luc.edu.

To bring these courses up on LOCUS, do an ‘Undergraduate CORE/Interdisciplinary Search’, select ‘Interdisciplinary’ and under ‘Value’ select ‘Catholic Studies’. This is the master list: if a course is on this list, but for some reason does not come up on the search, it *will* count.

Catholic Studies Core Requirement (CATH 296 or CATH 303):
* CATH 296: All Things Ignatian (Dr. Michael Murphy)
* CATH 303: Catholic Philosophical Tradition: The Metaphysics of Creation (Fr. Matthew Dunch, SJ)

Lower division electives:
* ENVS 298: Eco-Spirituality (Mark Mackey, SJ)
* FNAR 200: Art History: Prehistoric to 600 CE
* HIST 101: Evolution of Western Ideas and Institutions Through the 17th Century
* LITR 204-02W: European Film: The Decalogue
* PHIL 130-03: (ONLY Fr. James Murphy, SJ)
* PHIL 190: Loyola's Mission: The Philosophical Vision
* PHIL 288-01: Culture and Civilization: Catholic Social Teaching (Dr. Jeff Fisher)
* SOCL 145: Religion & Society (Fr. Paddy Gilger, SJ)
* THEO 100: Intro to Christian Theology
* THEO 204: Religious Ethics and the Ecological Crisis
* THEO 232: New Testament
* THEO 265: Sacraments and the Christian Imagination
* THEO 267: Jesus Christ
* THEO 279: Roman Catholicism
* THEO 281: Christianity Through Time
* THEO 293: Christian Marriage (Dr. Michael Murphy)
* UCLR-100M: The Italian-American Experience in Literature (Dr. Carla Simonini)
* UCLR-100M: Writing Faith: The Catholic Imagination

Upper division electives:
(**CATH 296 or CATH 303 can count as an upper-level elective if you take both)
* ENGL 328: Studies in the Renaissance
* FNAR 338: Medieval Art (Dr. Rebecca Ruppar)
* PHIL 330: Christian Moral Epistemology (Fr. James Murphy, SJ)
* PHIL 398: The Grant Seminar (Dr. Joe Vukov)
* HIST 300D: Italian American Culture
* HIST 300E: Jesuits in Africa
* THEO 317: Christian Thought: Ancient-Medieval

Rome Campus classes:

**Lower Division:**
* HIST 101: Evol. of Western Ideas thru 17th Century
* THEO 100: Christian Theology
* THEO 266: The Church and Global Cultures
* THEO 279: Roman Catholicism
* THEO 281: Christianity Through Time

**Upper Division:**
* FNAR 342: Art in Rome
* FNAR 343: Baroque Art
* HIST 300: Emperors, Bishops, and Barbarians
* ROST 382: Human Rights: View from Rome

The Catholic Studies minor comprises six courses and a capstone (8 units must be unique):
- CATH 296 or CATH 303
- Five electives:
  - At least two must be upper division.
  - At least one must be THEO and at least one must be PHIL.
  - No more than two classes from a single academic discipline can count toward the minor.
- A zero-credit capstone, undertaken your final Spring at Loyola.
Featured courses for Spring 2024:

**CATH 296: ALL THINGS IGNATIAN**  
**INSTRUCTOR: MICHAEL MURPHY**  
**MWF 12:35–1:25 PM**  
- Engaged Learning  
- Upper Division THEO elective

The Course will
- Explore the founder of the Jesuits, St. Ignatius Loyola  
- Introduce the Spiritual Exercises, a highly refined and adaptable method of prayer with a focus on contemplation, love for others, and justice in the world.  
- Examine Ignatian Spirituality as a practical resource for addressing critical issues in the Church and the world.  
- Examine a variety of other Ignatian topics such as the importance of theological reflection, scholarship, social justice, the arts, creativity, engagement with cultures, interreligious dialogue, and personal freedom.

**Engaged Learning Opportunity**
- Service Learning with opportunities in the Rogers Park neighborhood.  
- Weekend retreat in the Ignatian Tradition at LUREC.  
- Field-work experience at one of the many colloquia on campus, museum exhibitions, or live performances.

**CATH 303/PHIL 342: THE METAPHYSICS OF CREATION**  
**INSTRUCTOR: FR. MATTHEW DUNCH, SJ**  
**MWF 2:45–3:35**  
- Writing Intensive  
- Upper Division PHIL elective

The course will explore the claim that the universe is created, as opposed to self-creating or eternally existing. The course is divided into four historical units: ancient, medieval, modern, and contemporary. Texts from the various historical periods are accompanied by recent secondary literature. The course begins in antiquity by contrasting the accounts of Genesis and St. Augustine’s *Commentary on Genesis* with the Babylonian *Enuma Elish* and Plato’s *Timaeus*. The next, and longest, unit of the course explores various medieval approaches to creation including selections from Anselm’s *Proslogion*, Hildegard’s *Scivias*, and Thomas Aquinas’s *Summa Theologiae*. The modern unit considers challenges to the medieval creation accounts particularly in the philosophies of Spinoza and Hegel. The contemporary section includes texts by Janet Soskice and Stephen Mulhall but focuses particularly on Rowan Williams’ account of the challenge and generativity of understanding creation.

**Featured Upper-Level Electives:**
- CATH courses (take both! One as core and one as elective)  
  - CATH 296: All Things Ignatian (Dr. Michael Murphy) MWF 12:35–1:25 PM  
  - CATH 303: The Metaphysics of Creation (Fr. Matt Dunch, SJ) MWF 2:45-3:35
- PHIL 330: Christian Moral Epistemology (Fr. James Murphy, SJ) MWF 10:25-11:15
- PHIL 398: The Grant Seminar (Dr. Joe Vukov) TuTh 8:30-9:45
- FNAR 338: Medieval Art (Dr. Rebecca Ruppar) MWF 10:25-11:15

**Featured Lower-Level Electives:**
- PHIL 288: Catholic Social Thought (Dr. Jeffrey Fisher) MWF 9:20-10:10
- SOCL 145: Religion and Society (Fr. Paddy Gilger, SJ) MWF 11:30-12:20
- THEO 293: Christian Marriage (Dr. Michael Murphy) MWF 9:20-10:10
- ENVS 298: Eco-Spirituality (Mark Mackey, SJ) MWF 12:35-1:25
- UCLR 100M: The Italian-American Experience In Literature (Dr. Carla Simonini) TuTh 2:30-3:45