

Spring 2005
THEO-1300-C THEO-3300-C
Teach of Catholic Church
Smith, Randall Brian

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STUDENT PERCEPTIONS OF COURSE & TEACHING
COMMENTS

1. List the most valuable learning experiences you have gained from this course and this instructor.

Smith did a good job incorporating many different sources for this class. It really helps you learn to tie things together.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

Sometimes it seems we focused on one point for a little longer than necessary (Infallibility) and rushed through others

3. Other general comments:

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Not all instructors really listen and care to clarify questions.

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Don't ignore [^]students when they have questions because it
Certain will lead ~~to~~ the student to ~~lose~~ lose
motivation.

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DR. SMITH IS VERY NICE & TRULY ENJOYS TEACHING
US. IT WAS A DEFINITE EXPERIENCE IN HIS CLASS.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

ONLY THAT THE DAYS WOULD BE FOLLOWED IN ORDER &
KEEP ONE DAY TO ONE DAY (I.E. NOT TAKE 3 DAYS TO DO #11).

3. Other general comments:

IT'S BEEN INTERESTING TO SAY THE LEAST!

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The syllabus was not particularly clear, and what little of it there was we did not especially stick to. There was also a tendency in the early stages to get off on tangents, but that got better as the semester went along.

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Learned a lot more in-depth than in most other courses

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

There was a lot of reading. Sometimes it was overwhelming.

3. Other general comments:

It was a good course. I found it very interesting

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You made me realize that my knowledge about
Community is limited but you helped to make
my understanding more clear.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

- We need more grades in the class
maybe outside extra credit.
- cut down the reading + it will be
all good. The reading was a bit too much.

3. Other general comments:

I enjoyed the class

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He really has inspired me to learn more about Theology on my own. I enjoyed our readings and the class as a whole. I would recommend this class to others.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

I would want the syllabus to be more strictly followed or at least discussed when changes would occur. And a table of contents would be awesome for the reader! But overall the course was good.

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better grasp of the Catholic Church

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better study guides for tests

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I liked the way this class linked
theology to other topics such as
WWII.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

to focus more on the lectures and
assign less readings

3. Other general comments:

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A better understanding of
catholicism.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

Some of the lengthier text
have them as a single chapter,
there were some chapters with
2 or 3 lengthy texts, with
my ADHD reading such texts are
difficult.

3. Other general comments:

Love the class & the teacher.

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I have learned more about my faith. My understanding of Catholicism is so much more in depth now.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

I would keep on track of the course better to be able to get more in before the end of the course.

3. Other general comments:

The reader is great compared to having to buy an expensive textbook.

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It was really interesting to hear how you apply your teachings to your own life experience - this kept me really interested in what you had to teach vs. being in this class made me become a better catholic

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

earlier review ~~in~~ sessions

3. Other general comments:

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New understanding of Catholic tradition

- 2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?**

- 3. Other general comments:**

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Deep respect for theological pursuits

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

Nothing

3. Other general comments:

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Let the students out on time!!

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Possibly cover more material

3. Other general comments:

I really enjoyed your class

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2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

Make the material to study a bit easier

3. Other general comments:

*The class was interesting, just hard to get don't really know why
maybe because I didn't get too into the class.*

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I learned more than Faith and more than the teachings of the Church - I learned about being a better person.

2. What would you change about this course and/or this instructor to make them more effective?

The work load is a bit much. Though all the info is so good - I see that he wants to include as much as possible.

3. Other general comments:

Many things you said kept me thinking about them outside of class.

Your enthusiasm is contagious.

I hope to become 10% of the teacher you are!

Thank you,