



2026 SUMMER COURSES

Registration is open from April 6 to May 29

➤➤ **Parables of Jesus (NT-8307) 3 units**

Instructor: [Jeremiah Coogan](#)

June 9 - July 17

T/TH: 9:30am - 12pm (synchronous online format)

This text-centered course investigates the parables of Jesus through a combination of literary, sociohistorical, and theological perspectives. We will read the parables attentively and creatively within their ancient Mediterranean contexts in order to explore the theological and ethical imaginations that they invite. Variegated critical methods will enable us to explore the ministerial and ecclesial possibilities of reading the parables today. Student learning will be assessed on the basis of active preparation and participation, weekly close reading activities, and a final synthesis assignment.

Prerequisites: A graduate-level introduction to Gospel literature (e.g., NT2528) is recommended but not required. The course is designed primarily for MTS, MDiv, and STB students. ThM, STL, STD, and PhD students may upgrade the course to the 4000 level.

➤➤ **Being Moral in the 21st Century (CE-2014) 3 units**

Instructor: [Monica Marcelli-Chu](#)

June 8 -- July 10

M/F 9:30am-12:30pm (Hybrid) with additional asynchronous modules

Location: JST 216

This course surveys the field of theological ethics according to the questions and approaches characteristic of our current moral imagination. We will explore both foundational questions of human agency and applied topics, and the moral and theological sources informing thought-provoking responses. Questions explored may include: What does it mean to be human in light of artificial intelligence? How do social constructs and moral norms inform human identity? How does the ecological crisis influence approaches to ethics, especially as a historically human-centered discipline? The course format includes lecture and discussion as well as asynchronous modules. Evaluation includes participation, individual and group presentations, short papers, and a final paper.



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