Philosophy 5303.28684: Science & Religion                   Spring, 2018

Syllabus & Daily Schedule

While we will begin with very general considerations of the relationship(s) between science and religion (historically and at present), we will concentrate on Christianity and Evolutionary Theory. We will also focus on two major issues: (a) whether science and religion are even compatible; and (b) whether there are legitimate ways to demarcate science and religion. Readings will be placed on D2L each week for discussion at the next class session.

Requirements:

a) Regular attendance and participation (5% of grade)
b) Midterm examination covering the material discussed up to that point (35% of grade)
c) Final paper on a mutually agreed upon topic relevant to course material (60% of grade)

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|         | 20   | Faith & Reason: Compatible | [D2L] |
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13 Demarcation is Possible & Necessary [D2L]

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April 03 Court Cases [D2L]

10 Demarcation not Necessary (or Possible) [D2L]

17 No such ‘Things’ as Religion or Science (Science as Political) [D2L]

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May 01 Demarcation, despite the Above? [D2L]