

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

Code: 5PST/GNOZE/15

Course title: Gnoseology

## Field of study:

Guarantor: prof. ThDr. Alexander Cap, CSc.

Lectured by: Department of Practical and Systematic Theology

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Semester:

ST

Contact lessons: Lecture, Seminar

Recommended course load (in lessons):

Weekly: 2/2

Per course: 26,26

Number of

ECTS credits: 6

## Prerequisite(s):

Course assessment and completion: Exam

## Continuous assessment:

seminar work, test

## Final assessment:

The subject is finished by the exam. During the semester the student processes and submits the seminar work. At the same time during the semester will absolve written test. During the exam period student will take a verbal exam. To obtain an A (excellent) rating, student must earn at least 95%, evaluation B at least 90%, rating C at least 80%, rating D 75%, rating E at least 70%. A student who earns less than 65% will be rated by FX. The final grade is calculated as the average of the evaluation of the seminar paper and the verbal answer.

## Course objective:

The student will be able to:

- to characterize the content and meaning of Orthodox theology.
- to define and interpret the basic concepts of Orthodox theology;
- to characterize the content of theological terms dogma and heresy and to determine their diversity;
- to describe the theological connection of the dogma and heresy with theologumenom;
- to explain the importance of the Holy Scripture and Holy Tradition;
- to classify God's truth and God's revelation in relation to the experience of God's truth and historical development of theological language;
- to define the council in the Orthodox Church, the types of councils and briefly describe the various councils of the first millennium of Christianity;
- to characterize the theological sense economy of salvation in connection with synergy;
- to describe the contents of the symbol of faith and its historical development;
- to explain and give the historical examples of diversity between the Orthodoxy and heterodoxy and kakodoxy.

## Course content:

General Introduction to the Orthodox theology. Characteristics of theological terminology. Contents of selected theological terms.

Characteristic of expression theology.

Defining of terms dogma and heresy.

Theological relationship of dogma with theologumenom.

The theological meaning of the term Holy Scripture and Holy Tradition.

Holy Fathers view of God's truth, God's revelation.

Historical development of theological language in relation to the experience of God's truth.

Defining and concept of council.

The theological significance of the symbol of faith.

Characteristics of expression economy of salvation.

Defining of terms Orthodoxy, heterodoxy, kakodoxy and their mutual differences.

Orthodox view of synergies.

## Textbooks and references:

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KOCHAN, P. 2009. Božie energie. In: Pravoslávny teologický zborník. Prešov: PBF PU v Prešove, roč. XXXIV (19), s. 110-118. ISBN 978-80-8068-998-8.

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KOCHAN, P. 2012. Analýza gréckeho výrazu "teológia". In: Acta Patristica. Prešov: Pravoslávna bohoslovecká fakulta PU v Prešove, č. 6 (2012), s. 54-66. ISSN 1338-3299.

МЕЙЕНДОРФ, И. 2007. Византийское богословие. Исторические тенденции и доктринальные темы. Минск: Лучи Софии. ISBN 978-985-9171-85-0.

YANNARAS, Ch. 1991. Elements of Faith. An Introduction to Orthodox Theology (prekl. Keith Schram). Edinburg: TaT

Clark. ISBN 0-567-29190-1. ZIZJULAS, J. 2001. Dogmatske teme, Novi Sad. ZOZULAK, J. 2005. Filozofia, teológia, jazyk. Prešov.	
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