UCLouvain

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Christian Social Ethics : politics and economics questions I

4.00 credits	30.0 h	Q1

This biannual learning unit is not being organized in 2026-2027 !

Teacher(s)	Odak Stipe ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	In order to reach these goals, the course offers an analysis of a specific question, one time in the political field and the next time in the economical field. Important current files will be objects of research that need to use the tools of current ethics in connection with philosophy and social sciences The course will show some specificities of a Christian look aware of the plurality of approach.
Learning outcomes	**At the end of this learning unit, the student is able to :** 1 clarify fundamental categories for ethical thought in the context of important questions about society 2 relate the contributions of Christian traditions to public debates on social bound 3 analyse the issues about the social involvements of Christians in dialogue with other convictions.
Evaluation methods	Continuous assessment includes a group presentation on one of the course themes, as well as the written submission of a reasoning exercise with artificial intelligence. This exercise consists of a dialogue journal with an AI system on a course topic, where students must demonstrate critical thinking by questioning the limitations, biases and blind spots of the AI. This journal is accompanied by a brief personal reflective analysis. The final oral examination covers one or two randomly selected questions. Candidates have 15 minutes of preparation time before a 15-minute interview.
Teaching methods	The course is structured around a series of lectures delivered by the instructor, enriched by active discussions that form an integral part of each session. External speakers may also be invited occasionally.
Content	The course analyzes the principal sources of Christian theological ethics as applied to ethical and societal questions. These include, among others, natural law, the role of tradition and human reason, and the social doctrine of the Church. These theoretical foundations are then applied to a set of contemporary challenges.
Inline resources	A selection of scholarly texts and online resources will be made available on Moodle
Other infos	While the language of instruction for this course is French, accommodations are available for non-native speakers. Students may pose questions, engage in consultations with the instructor, and submit their assignments in English.
Faculty or entity in charge	TEBI

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)

Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Learning outcomes
Master [60] in Theology	THEO2M1	4		
Certificat universitaire en théologie (approfondissement)	TECB9CE	4		
Certificat d'université en éthique et société	ETES9CE	4		
Master [120] in Theology	THEO2M	4		
Master [120] in Political Sciences: International Relations	SPRI2M	4		
Master [120] in History	HIST2M	5		
Master [120] in Ethics	ETHI2M	4		
Master [120] in Political Sciences: General	SPOL2M	4		
Master [120] in Philosophy	FILO2M	4		
Master [120] of Education, Section 4 : Religion	RELI2M4	4		