



ID101 Christianity, Culture and Society

Dr Kwa Kiem Kiok | 3CR

Course Purpose

In today's complex and complicated world, Christians need to bring together various disciplines and skills so as to be able to first, understand the challenges, and then secondly to respond with Christian grace and wisdom. With this deeper and fuller understanding then, comes the ability to live well, and to be his witnesses.

To do this, an interdisciplinary approach is needed, which will include the following dimensions:

- a. Contextual: to develop awareness and sensitivity to key issues that concern life in contemporary Singapore by identifying and analysing case studies taken from the local context.
- b. Integrative: to integrate theological studies and vocational life by offering basic frameworks of thought.
- c. Theological: to facilitate socio-cultural analysis that is guided by biblical and theological reflection.

Dates (2022)

Jan 13, 20

Feb 12* (6.00pm-9.30pm)

visit HealthServe at Jalan Papan)

Mar 3, 17

Apr 7, 21

Location

Zoom Classroom

Time

7:15pm – 10:00pm

Credits

3CR

Fees*

S\$450(Credit)

S\$240 (Audit)

Class Format

- Self-Paced+Live (In-Person)
- Self-Paced+Live (Online)**
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Pre-Requisites: HE101

About the Lecturer

Kiem-Kiok is Lecturer in missiology and interdisciplinary studies. She brings her legal and theological training, as well as work experience in marketplace, church and para-church organisations into this role. Previously she was lecturer and registrar at East Asia School of Theology where she taught a variety of courses in intercultural studies. She has published on a diverse range of subjects including a contextual commentary on *Matthew* (ATA, 2017), contributed to the *Dictionary of Christian Spirituality* (Zondervan, 2011) as well as on religious harmony in *Faith in an Age of Terror* (BGST, 2018). She and her husband, a Methodist pastor, enjoy walking in the outdoors.



Academic Information

Course Outcomes

By the end of this course, students would have

1. Grown in skills which enable them to think Christian-ly about aspects of life and culture.
2. Articulate some of those thoughts and convictions to a variety of audiences.
3. Developed a holistic perspective on, and respond in an interdisciplinary way to, issues in culture and society.

Assignments

Word and time limits on assignments should be adhered to. These limits provide the boundaries within which you are to express your thoughts.

1. Complete all assigned readings and watch all videos. Students shall write a statement that they have done so (40 hours, 10%).
2. Conversations (30%)
3. Group Presentations (25%)
4. Essay (35%)

Required Texts

1. Reflection book: Tish Harrison Warren, Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life (Downers Grove: IVP, 2016).
2. Course videos will be available on Moodle and a reader of other articles will be compiled. Students shall submit a statement that they have done all the readings, and watched all the course videos.

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