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# **Leadership University**

Apologetics 202

Origins and Creation of the Universe, Earth, and Humankind.

## **Mission Statement**

To empower and equip leaders to be sent and positioned for ministry in the inner cities around the world for the cause of the gospel.

# **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

This course will address secular theories on the creation and origins of the universe, Earth & humankind. Students will investigate "Biblical" concepts and doctrines on creation as well as the lack of evidence facing Darwinian theories on the origin of existence outside of God. The course will also discuss biblically parallel arguments such as: Creationism and Intelligent design.

# **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

Upon completion of this course:

- 1. Students will understand what both creationism and Intelligent design are only scientific and possible explanations for existence and origins.
- 2. Students will gather and research biblical concepts and doctrines on creation and origins.
- 3. Students will gain confidence to address secular theories to creation, especially those that claim to be based on science and evidence.
- 4. Students will be able to confront the lack of evidence for origin of existence outside of God, by using concrete evidence and scientific reasoning.

# **REQUIRED TEXTS**

A Defense of Biblical Creation. David Meunier. Copyright 2014, Master Books. (*Textbooks, workbooks, lab fees, etc. are a normal part of the cost of your education.*) Photocopies of the pages will not be accepted for credit. This constitutes a breach of copyright law and drives up the cost of textbooks. You will enter your book assignments into the portal each week for review.

# **REQUIREMENTS**

#### Attendance

You are expected to attend each class. Class attendance ensures your learning of the material in its entirety. Only one excused absence will be allowed, with a prior approval by the professor. Unexcused absences are not acceptable and may result in the loss of points and/or the inability to complete assigned work.

#### Late Work

Late work will only be accepted under special circumstances and only with **prior approval** from the professor (see guidelines for absences). If late work is allowed, a late penalty of 10% will be applied.

Leadership University upholds the highest of standards when it comes to development of classwork and assignments. All work should be your own. Plagiarism is unacceptable and will result in an immediate failure of the course.

- 1. If you did not write the words, they do not belong in your paper. You cannot COPY AND PASTE anything from a book, the internet or any other source and put it in your paper.
- 2. Do NOT include direct quotes unless the quote is cited properly and gives the author credit. Describe the material in your own words. Do not use words you do not understand.
- 3. You are free to consult with classmates about assignments, but please ensure that your work is your own. If your work looks too much like your classmates, plagiarism rules may be enforced.

## **Assignments**

Students are required to complete reading assignments on time and be prepared for class discussions and activities. Students are required to complete all assignments on time, complete assigned reading and be prepared for class discussions and activities. All written assignments must be entered into the portal using the Homework link at the bottom of each corresponding lesson. Grades cannot be given to assignments that are not turned in through the portal.

# **An Overview of the Course Assignments:**

- 1. Homework Assignments
- 2. Weekly Quizzes
- 3. Midterm
- 4. Final Exam

### **Points Possible**

Quizzes (10 x 20)	200 points
Homework (8 x 25)	200 points
Midterm	150 points
Final Exam	200 points

Total points possible = 750

# **Grading Scale**

A = 750 - 680

B = 679 - 555

C = 554 - 480

D = 479 - 405

F = 404 - 0

<sup>\*</sup> The course lecture schedule will be adjusted and developed as the course unfolds. However, the book exercises—and all other assignments—will continue to be due on the dates identified in the schedule below.

# **Course Schedule**

	Dates	Topic	Assigned Reading	Assignment (Questions will be assigned weekly from reading)
Week 1	SEPT. 1	NEW STUDENT PORTAL ORIENTATION	Ch. 5	
Week 2	SEPT. 8	ORIGINS, CREATION, & EXISTENCE	Ch. 9	Questions
Week 3	SEPT. 15	NON-BIBLICAL THEORIES INFILTRATING THE CHURCH (A)	Ch. 11	Questions
Week 4	SEPT. 22	NON-BIBLICAL THEORIES INFILTRATING THE CHURCH (B)	Ch. 8	Questions
Week 5	SEPT. 29	BIBLICAL VS. SECULAR THEORIES OF ORIGINS	Mid-Term	
Week 6	OCT. 6	"BIBLICAL" CONCEPTS & DOCTRINES OF CREATION.	Ch. 6	Questions
Week 7	OCT. 13	THE EVIDENCE DEBATE (A)	Ch. 7	Questions
Week 8	OCT. 20	THE EVIDENCE DEBATE (B)	Ch. 3	Questions
Week 9	OCT. 27	CREATIONISM AND INTELLIGENT DESIGN: EXPLAINED	Ch. 4	Questions
Week 10	NOV. 3	SCIENCE & THEOLOGY	Ch.12	Questions
Week 11	NOV. 10	SPIRITUAL SIGNIFICANCE OF SECULAR & SCIENTIFIC ERRORS ON SOCIETY	Study for final	
Week 12	NOV. 17th	In Class Closed Book Final		