





Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information below is subject to change, in particular that concerning the teaching mode (presential, distance or in a comodal or hybrid format).

5 credits	30.0 h	Q2
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This biannual learning is being organized in 2020-2021

Teacher(s)	Bourgine Benoît ;
Language :	French
Place of the course	Louvain-la-Neuve
Main themes	The course covers the following: - the main lines of a rational elaboration of the affirmation of God; - the Christian idea of the incomprehensible and ineffable God; - the Protestant criticism of "natural theology"; - the different forms of the negation of God in modern atheism and the different ways in which theology discusses them.
Aims	1 - to enter into the theological questions of existence and the nature of God; ---- 2 - to elucidate the relationship between natural knowledge of God and the Christian belief in God; ---- 3 - to counter the criticisms that modern atheism addresses to the belief in God. ---- <i>The contribution of this Teaching Unit to the development and command of the skills and learning outcomes of the programme(s) can be accessed at the end of this sheet, in the section entitled "Programmes/courses offering this Teaching Unit".</i>
Evaluation methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Continuous assessment The aim is to show the ability to explain the elementary notions of the problem and to appreciate the theological stakes.
Teaching methods	Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the information in this section is particularly likely to change. Lecture and interactivity based on a text, taken from a portfolio of readings, which the students study before each session.
Content	These lessons examine the different types of modern atheism and the various ways of affirming the existence of God through reason. 1. Knowing God Reason and faith, philosophy and theology about the existence and knowledge of God. Evidence of the existence of God, knowledge of God through reason (Thomas Aquinas, Martin Luther), knowledge through faith. Historical perspective of the problem in the modern period: atheisms (typology), secularisms (C. Taylor). 2. Current issues Bibliographical actuality of the problem of the affirmation and negation of God by reason. Can a society remain humanistic outside the affirmation of a transcendent exteriority?
Inline resources	The reading portfolio can be consulted at https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B71ol4F_TTjjUXF0a1RRRjktVUU?usp=sharing
Bibliography	• Syllabus disponible sous forme de « Cours en dépôt » à imprimer à la DUC.
Faculty or entity in charge	TEBI

Programmes containing this learning unit (UE)				
Program title	Acronym	Credits	Prerequisite	Aims
Minor in Christian Theology	MINTHEO	5		
Minor in Sciences of Religions (openness)	MINRELI	5		
Minor in Sciences of Religions (discipline to complement the major)	MINSREL	5		
Additional module in Religious Studies	APPTHEO	5		
Certificat universitaire en théologie (fondements)	TECA9CE	3		