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# MI 745 Seminar In Missiology

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Terry Muck, Facilitator  
Wednesday, 8:15-9:30 - ESJ Forum

Asbury Theological Seminary  
ESJ School of World Mission and Evangelism

Reading:

Paul Knitter. **Introducing Theologies of Religion.**  
Maryknoll, New York: Orbis Books, 2002

The Seminar in Missiology meets each Wednesday morning, 8:15-9:30, with the full ESJ School Faculty and all graduate students enrolled in the Th.M., D.Miss., and Ph.D. programs. This is a required course which students attend throughout the academic years of their residency. In the past D.Miss and Ph.D. students have received three credits for the course in the Spring semester of their first year. New students this year (2003-2004) will receive one credit in each of three semesters—for those semesters students should register for MI745 Seminar in Missiology as a one credit course. For all additional semesters of residency, students should register for MI745b (non-credit). If you have not done this, go to the Registrars Office and sign up for it today. Students who have already received their three credits for the course are nevertheless required to attend the seminar while they are in residence at ATS.

The focus of the seminar is on community building, spiritual formation, development of academic skills such as reading and writing, and integration of the various sub-fields of the discipline of missiology such as theology, mission history, evangelism, anthropology, religious studies, and church growth. The seminar provides a forum for open debate and discussion of contemporary missiological issues.

Seminar Expectations are:

- Attend the seminar faithfully, on time. We will take attendance.
- Complete whatever week-to-week assignments the Seminar leaders may make.
- Submit whatever weekly assignments are made to Professor Muck's ESJ School mail slot **no later than Tuesday at 5:00 p.m., the day prior to the seminar.** You may email comments to Prof. Muck.
- Serve in some capacity each semester by:
  - (1) providing refreshments one week,
  - (2) providing special music,
  - (3) serving on the task force,
  - (4) responding to programmatic requests by the leadership team.

Simple refreshments will be provided each week (and Wednesday morning coffee is free!).

Supplemental Reading: if the topic of the seminar this semester interests you, further reading might include:

- Harold Netland. *Encountering Religious Pluralism: The Challenge to Christian Faith and Mission.* IVP, 2001.
- Amos Yong. *Discerning the Spirits: A Pentecostal-Charismatic Contribution to Christian Theology of Religions.* Sheffield, 2001
- Veli Matti Karkkainen. *An Introduction to the Theology of Religions.* IVP, 2003.
- Mark Heim. *Salvations: Truth and Difference in Religion.* Orbis, 1995.

**FALL 2004 Schedule**

<b>9/8</b>	<b>Introduction</b>
<b>9/15</b>	<b>Jeff Greenway</b>
<b>9/22</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>9/29</b>	<b>Sam Kameleson</b>
<b>10/6</b>	<b>Harold Netland</b>
<b>10/13</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>10/20</b>	<b>Amos Yong</b>
<b>10/27</b>	<b>Veli-Matti Karkkainen</b>
<b>11/3</b>	<b>Paul Knitter</b>
<b>11/10</b>	<b>Christina Accornero</b>
<b>11/17</b>	<b>Carl Starkloff</b>
<b>11/24</b>	<b>READING WEEK</b>
<b>12/1</b>	<b>TBA</b>