

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Study program	Basic		
Module	Practical theology		
Type and level of studies	<i>Basic academic studies</i>		
Course name	General History of the Church		
Teacher (lectures)	Popovic Radomir		
Teacher/Associate (exercises)			
Teacher/Associate (additional forms of)			
ECTS	10	Course status (obligatory/elective)	
Attendance			
Course objectives	The objective of the course is to familiarize the students with the main course of the development and expansion of the Church, first of all with the European and then other peoples (church-historical geography); acquaintance with controversies and disputes that led to the formulation of the Church's faith and the construction of the Church order and organization (the individual national Churches), as well as the historical circumstances and environment in which it lived and contributed to the spiritual and civilizational development of certain peoples and tribes. In doing so, we start from sources, encyclopedic syntheses, textbooks, studies, discussions, articles, reviews, critiques, popular methodological content adapted to different levels and ages.		
Learning outcomes	Students will be acquainted with the most important directions in the development and expansion of the Church, in Europe and then with other nations, then with disputes that led to the formulation of the Church's faith and influenced the construction of the church order and organization, as well as the historical circumstances in which the Church lived and contributed to the spiritual and civilizational development of individual nations.		
Course content			
Lectures	<p>1. The concept of the Church and the concept of history; Christian understanding of history 2. Sources of church history; Christian and non-Christian written sources 3. Christian writers historians; Christian early, middle, new century 4. Continuity-Old Testament New Testament Church; historical conditions at the occurrence of Christianity 5. Apostolic and post-apostolic age; the expansion of Christianity in the 1st century 6. Roman state power towards Christians; Persecution in the Roman Empire: Causes, Consequences, Martyrs 7. Heresies and schisms in the pre-Nicean period; The Edict of Milan-freedom of Christianity 8. Church councils in history; the term of the Ecumenical Councils 9. Aryan Heresy and the First Ecumenical Council; Nicean faith in the 4th century 10. Pneumatomachi and the Second Ecumenical Council; the spread of Christianity outside the Roman Empire 11. Nestorianism and the Third Ecumenical Council; early monasticism in the East 12. Early monasticism in the West; the beginnings of the Holy Mountain of Atos 13. Monophysites and the Fourth Ecumenical Council; the significance of the Chalcedonian Definition 14. The Monophysitic Church in the East; the attempt of the Union-Fifth Ecumenical Assembly 15. Church circumstances in the 7th century-monotheletes; The Sixth Ecumenical Council 16. Iconoclastic controversy; Seventh Ecumenical Council, ending the crisis in the 9th century 17. Baptism of the Slovene peoples, Serbs, Bulgarians, Russians ...; relations with the Church in the West in the 9th century 18. The genesis of dogmatic and liturgical differences between the East and the West; The Great Schism in the 11th century, the causes and consequences 19. Western Church in the 11th and 12th centuries (Pope Hildebrant and Innocent); Crusades on the East from the 11th to the 13th century 20. The attempt to unite the churches in Lyon in 1274; an attempt to unite the churches in Ferrara and Florence 1438-9. 21. Church and state in Byzantium; Byzantine Spiritual Commonwealth 22. Monasticism (hesychasm) in the 14th century; the crisis of papacy in the 14th century 23. The fall of Constantinople to the Turks-Christians under Muhammadanism; Church in the West in the 15th century (Reform Councils, Jan Hus), monastic orders 24. Russian Church in Mongolian Slavery, Russian Monasticism, Russian Church in the 16th Century 25. Reformation in the West (M. Luter, U. Zwingli, J. Calvin); the consequences of the reformation 26. Russian Church in the 17th Century-Patriarch Nikon; Old Believers in Russia 27. The mission of the Jesuits in the West; religious wars in the West 28. The genesis of the Anglican Church in England; mission of Western Christians in America, Africa, Asia 29. Orthodox Church in the 18th and 19th Century - Autocephalies; Pope Pius 9th and the First Vatican Assembly (Old Catholics) 30. Orthodox Patriarchies today; inter-Church relations, the Orthodox-the heterodox.</p>		

Practical classes (exercises, additional forms of classes, research work)	
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Literature	
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1	П. Малички Историја хришћанске Цркве 1 Књижарница Радомира Д. Ђуковића, Београд 1933
2	Р. Поповић Извори за црквену историју Центар за хришћанске студије, Београд 2006
3	Р. Поповић Васељенски сабори - одабрана документа Хиландарски фонд, Београд; Издање аутора 2007
4	А. Шмеман Историјски пут православља Атос, Подгорица 1994
5	Ј. Кесаријски Црквена историја Шибеник 2002
6	С. Схоластик Црквена историја Шибеник 2001
7	--- Древни монашки устави Православна епархија далматинска, Шибеник 2001
8	Г. Острогорски Историја Византије Просвета, Београд 1980
9	Ј. Мајендорф Империјално јединство и хришћанске деобе Каленић, Крагујевац 1997
10	П. Диневков Кирило-методијевска енциклопедија Софија 1985

Number of hours per week				
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Lectures	Exercises	forms of	Research work	Other classes
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Coursework methods	Lectures, exercises, seminar papers, consultation.
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Knowledge evaluation (maximum number of points 100)			
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Pre-exam requirements	Points	Final exam	Points
Class activity	10	Written exam	
Practical classes		Oral exam	70
Colloquia			
Seminars	20		