

**ST. MARY'S ECUMENICAL INSTITUTE**  
**Spring 2019**

**Tuesday**

**6:00- 8:30 pm**

**ST745 Perspectives in Black Theology**

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**Prerequisites:** TH601

**Course Description:** This course explores the context and contour of African-American theology so that we may understand its impact on and importance for the church, politics, and society.

**Course Requirements:**

- **Reading:** Students should expect to read at most 700 pages of required reading and should come prepared to discuss readings in class.
- **Writing:** Two short (4-5 pages) papers on an assigned topic (15% each, total of 30%) and a 10-12 page research paper (50%).
- **Other Activities:** Presentation (15%); class participation (5%).

**Required Books:**

- Lee, Jarena: *Religious Experience and Journal of Mrs. Jarena Lee, Giving an Account of Her Call to Preach the Gospel*. CreateSpace, 2017 ISBN 978-1545431535
- Walker, David: *Appeal*. Martino Fine Books, 2015. ISBN 978-1614278184
- Thurman, Howard: *Jesus and the Disinherited*. Beacon Press, 1996. ISBN 978-0807010297.
- King, Jr. Martin Luther: *Why We Can't Wait*. Signet, 2000. ISBN 978-0451527530
- Cone, James: *The Cross and the Lynching Tree*. Orbis, 2013. ISBN 978-1626980051.
- Douglas, Kelly Brown: *Stand Your Ground*. Orbis, 2015. ISBN 978-1626981096
- Raboteau, Albert: *Slave Religion: The "Invisible Institution" in the Antebellum South*. Oxford. ISBN 978-0195174137