

Direzione Innovazione e Internazionalizzazione

> ID VP150_STO

Visiting Professor Program Academic Year 2024/2025

TEACHING COMMITMENT: 12 hours

COURSE TITLE

History of Christianity and of Christian Churches in Modern and Contemporary Age

TEACHING PERIOD 2nd term

SCIENTIFIC AREA History of Christianity and of Christian Churches

LANGUAGE USED TO TEACH

COURSE SUMMARY

The course will present and explore the dynamics of the origin and development of Protestant and Reformed Churches in a long-term perspective (16th - 21st century). We will analyze the geopolitical, socioeconomic, cultural, and philosophical contexts in which the main confessional experiences (Lutheran, Calvinist, Anglican) took place, and their respective ecclesiastical organizations in the early modern and modern ages. Furthermore, we will investigate the relationships between different Protestant and Reformed Churches and their relations with the Roman Catholic Church. Particular attention will be dedicated to discussing the close interconnection between religious and political dimensions. For this reason, special attention will be devoted to the history of the Church of England, analyzing its developments in a diachronic and global perspective.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the course is to provide students in the Master's Degree program with a broad and in-depth overview of the origins and developments of the main Protestant and Reformed Churches. Thanks to the experts and specialists in the field who will teach this class, students will be able to verify the great complexity of a phenomenon that extends both chronologically and geographically. They will also learn the different methodologies of investigation and analysis necessary to interpret it.

VISITING PROFESSOR PROFILE

Expert in religious history and the history of Christian Churches in the early modern and contemporary ages, specializing in the study of the main Reformed denominations and religious movements traceable to the Protestant sphere in European and American regions. Additionally, with a particular focus on the history of the relationships between religion, politics, and society in the aforementioned geographical and cultural contexts.

CONTACT REFERENT

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