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COURSE: CERT1072 ONLINE

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Christian Apologetics

CONTACT INFORMATION: All questions concerning the course should be directed to our office at certificates@sebts.edu.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: An introduction to the apologetic challenges to the Christian faith.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES: This course's SLO's reflect that of the corresponding 3-hour course offered through Southeastern. This course has been designed so that students might be able to achieve the following:

- Identity the major intellectual challenges to Christianity.
- Offer a brief rational response to the challenges to the Christian faith.
- Represent the Christian faith with the proper disposition and character.

SEBTS CORE COMPETENCIES:

Spiritual Formation: Demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to pursue an authentically Christian way of life, manifested by trust in God, obedience to Christ's commands, and love of God and neighbor.

Biblical Exposition: Demonstrate the ability to properly and effectively interpret, apply, and communicate the Scriptures.

Theological Integration: Demonstrate the ability to understand and apply the doctrines of Christianity to life and ministry.

Ministry Preparation: Demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and Christian disposition necessary for ministry and leadership in the church and the world.

Critical Thinking and Communication: Demonstrate the ability to think critically, argue persuasively, and communicate clearly.

REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS:

William Lane Craig, *On Guard* (Colorado Springs: David Cook, 2010).

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

Lecture Viewing – Certificate students are required to watch all 30 of the course's lectures.

Participants will watch 5 online lectures per week. All lectures must be viewed in their entirety.

<i>Week</i>	<i>Video</i>	<i>Reading</i>	<i>Cohort Meeting</i>
<i>1</i>	1. Introduction to Apologetics Part 1 2. Introduction to Apologetics Part 2 3. Introduction to Apologetics Part 3 4. Introduction to Apologetics Part 4 5. Does God Exist? Part 1: Cosmological Arguments	Week 1: Craig, p. 13-66	<i>9.28</i>
<i>2</i>	1. Does God Exist? Part 2: Teleological Arguments 2. Does God Exist? Part 3: The Moral Argument 3. The Resurrection of Jesus: Part 1 4. The Resurrection of Jesus: Part 2 5. The Resurrection of Jesus: Part 3	Week 2: Craig, p. 73-146	<i>10.12</i>
<i>3</i>	1. The Resurrection of Jesus: Part 4 2. The Reliability of the Bible: Part 1 3. The Reliability of the Bible: Part 2 4. The Reliability of the Bible: Part 3 5. Science and Theology: Part 1	Week 3: Craig, p. 183-218	<i>10.26</i>
<i>4</i>	1. Science and Theology: Part 2 2. Miracles: Part 1 3. Miracles: Part 2 4. Worldview 1 5. Worldview 2	Week 4: Craig, p. 219-264	<i>11.9</i>

5	1. Worldview 3 2. The Problem of Evil: Part 1 3. The Problem of Evil: Part 2 4. The Problem of Evil: Part 3 5. Pluralism: Part 1	Week 5: Craig, p. 147-176	<i>11.23</i>
6	1. Pluralism: Part 2 2. Pluralism: Part 3 3. Mistakes to Avoid in Apologetics 4. Personal Tools for Doing Apologetics: Part 1 5. Personal Tools for Doing Apologetics: Part 2	Week 6: Craig, p. 265-283	<i>12.7</i>