Theology Forum Seminar
PHIL 4600
Spring Semester, 2004
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Tuesdays: 3:30 – 5:30

The topic for this semester will be:
Liberation Theology

During the 20th century Christianity has been a spiritual basis of several social justice movements. A strong Catholic faith inspired Dorothy Day and the Catholic Worker movement. Protestantism was the ground for the Social Gospel movement and the southern Civil Rights movement, in which the Church played a dominant role. In South and Central America the 20th century has been characterized by poverty, war, political instability and ruthless repression. Priests working in the field, in daily contact with the terror and misery of the peasant population, began a movement deeply rooted in their understanding of the Christian message, a movement known as "liberation theology." This semester we will read about and discuss this movement. Most days we will meet just for one hour. However, some days we will have films and use the full two hours. The grade for the course will be based on a 10-page paper on some aspect(s) of liberation theology, due at the time of the final, and on class discussion/attendance.

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