

# Forgiveness

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Fridays, 9:00am-12:30pm

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In the histories of philosophy and religions, 'forgiveness' emerges as a grounding concept for thinking about God, self, and community. In this course, we examine core texts and contexts for a range of religious, philosophical, and theological reflections on forgiveness, 'loving the enemy', and reconciliation.

The course explores both a variety of spaces of forgiveness as well as the possibility that the 'impossibility of forgiveness' must be allowed to emerge as a valued theological, ethical, and civic principle of personal and communal identity.

Bridging textual analysis with questions of application and praxis, the course examines theological and philosophical meanings and limits of forgiveness while exploring implications for public policy and civic engagement in an increasingly complex multicultural public square.

Questions?

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