

RGP 3256-6256HF

SPIRITUALITY AND SEXUALITY (Cross-listed to the Theology Department)

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Description This course explores the nature of sexuality in relation to ideas of love, religious experience, and spiritual transformation. Readings will be drawn mainly from Christian theology, with some reference to Jewish and Hindu sources. Lectures, discussions, critical reflection papers.

Objectives Students will be able to articulate, analyse, and critically evaluate significant themes in the area of spirituality and sexuality: the nature and significance of sexuality, chastity and celibacy, and their relation to ideas of love, culture, religious experience, and spiritual transformation. They will also be able to comprehend and appreciate concepts and practices associated with these themes. For specific details, see the various class handouts, "Possible Discussion Questions", distributed for many of the readings.

Required Books

There are no required books for this course. Reading *selections* are drawn from a variety of sources, which are all available on Reserve Reading in the Regis College library. These readings are listed on the course syllabus on pp. 3-4, below. Some readings will be distributed as handouts in class. See also the Reserve Reading list on pp. 5-6 of this course outline.

Grading A numerical mark will be given for each course requirement. Following the final examination, a letter grade will be assigned on the following number and letter grade scheme:

A+ = 100-90	B = 76-73
A = 89-85	B- = 72-70
A- = 84-80	FZ = 69-0
B+ = 79-77	