

RS 498 – Reading Course - Spring 2018

Title: Sacred Schizophrenia

This reading/writing course explored the intersections between theology and schizophrenia.

Course understandings and assignments:

Outline – May 25 (20%)

Chapter drafts – June 8, June 22, July 6

Annotated bibliography - June 17 (20%)

Meetings scheduled May 10, May 18, May 25, May 31, June 14, June 28, July 12, July 19/20

Final paper (30-50 pages, Chicago style) will be submitted by August 11 (60%)

Research text to be used for reference: *The Craft of Research*, 4th ed. (Booth et. al., 2016)

Core readings/resources, supplemented by others found through research:

Hessamfar, Elahe. *In the Fellowship of His Suffering: A Theological Interpretation of Mental Illness—A Focus on “Schizophrenia”*. Eugene: Cascade Books, 2014. Kindle Edition.

Longden, Eleanor. *Learning from the Voices in my Head*. TED Conferences LLC. 2013.

Penner, Carol. “I had a hammer: reflections on ministry in an acute schizophrenia ward.” *The Journal of Pastoral Care and Counseling* 60, no. 3 (Fall, 2006): 241-245.

Ruether, Rosemary Radford and Reuther, David. *Many Forms of Madness: A Family’s Struggle with Mental Illness and the Mental Health System*. Minneapolis: Fortress Press, 2010.

Saks, Elyn R.. *The Center Cannot Hold: My Journey Through Madness*. Hyperion Ebooks. 2007.

Stanford, Matthew S. *Grace for the Afflicted: A Clinical and Biblical Perspective on Mental Illness*. Colorado Springs: Paternoster Publishing, 2008.

Swinton, John. *From Bedlam to Shalom: Towards a Practical Theology of Human Nature, Interpersonal Relationships and Mental Health Care*. New York: Peter Lang Publishing Inc., 2000.

Williams, Paris. *Rethinking Madness: Towards a Paradigm Shift in our Understanding and Treatment of Psychosis*. San Francisco: Sky's Edge, 2012.