Joseph Lam is author of five books and numerous scholarly articles in international journals. His latest book discusses the influence of Augustine of Hippo on the theology of Joseph Ratzinger.

How will it be done?
This extensive seminar involves...

1) Face to face lectures
2) Reading of original texts
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ISSUES IN THEOLOGY: JOSEPH RATZINGER

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Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger was elected to be the 265th Pope of the Roman Catholic Church on April 19th 2005. The Press media often describes Pope Benedict XVI as the “Theologian Pope”. Indeed, Bishop Ludwig G. Muller of Regensburg, himself distinguished Professor emeritus of the University in Munich, emphasised the impact of Pope Benedict’s work as a professor of theology, saying that he “produced an autonomous theological ‘opus’ which without doubt places him among the most important scholars of the 20th and 21st centuries.” This intensive seminar introduces you to the life and theology of Joseph Ratzinger. It examines Ratzinger’s faith in Jesus Christ, his understanding of the Church, his concept of liturgy and last but not least his view of the relationship between Church and Politics.

Why this topic?

Pope Benedict XVI is not only the supreme leader of the Roman Catholic Church; but Joseph Ratzinger is also one of most important theologians in the 20th and 21st century. His influence goes far beyond the walls of the Church. This unit gives insights to his philosophical and theological thinking which may assist students of theology to understand the papal decisions and teaching better.

What will be done?

During the extensive seminar we will examine...

1) The life and social-cultural context of Joseph Ratzinger
2) His theological principles
3) His understanding of the nature and function of the Church
4) His view on the relationship between Church and State
5) His view on Christ and its relationship to other religions
6) His concept of liturgy and its sacramental implication for Christian life

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