



SAS 603 Exploring Evolutionary Spirituality  
3 cr hr/ 4.5 ceu

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Required Texts	Combs, Alan. <i>The Radiance of Being: Understanding the Grand Integral Vision; Living the Integral Life</i> . St Paul MN: Paragon House, 2002.  Fillmore, Charles. <i>Atom Smashing Power of Mind</i> . Lee's Summit MO: Unity School of Christianity, 1949.
Other Required Reading	Editors of WIE. <i>The Real Evolution Debate</i> . What is Enlightenment, 35, (Jan- Mar 2007) 86- 100.  Phenomenon of Man Project, Inc. <i>Survival: A Study Guide Based on Teilhard de Chardin's Masterwork The Phenomenon of Man</i> . (Rev. ed.) Northridge, CA: Author.1972  Beck, Don. <i>The Never-Ending Upward Quest</i> . (Interview by J. Roemischer) What is Enlightenment (Reprint) 22 (Fall/Winter 2002)  Houston, Tom. 2009. <i>A Brief History of Evolutionary Spirituality</i> . <a href="http://www.enlightennext.org/magazine/j35/evo-spirituality.asp">http://www.enlightennext.org/magazine/j35/evo-spirituality.asp</a>
Recommended Reading	Huston, Tom. <i>A Brief History of Evolutionary Spirituality</i> . <i>What is Enlightenment</i> , 35, (Jan- Mar 2007): 76- 84.  Haight, John. <i>A God-Shaped Hole at the Heart of Our Being</i> . (Interview by A. Edelstein) What is Enlightenment, 35, (Jan- Mar 2007): 102-108.  Maday, Michael. "A Play of Light and Shadow: The Evolution of Consciousness and the Psychology of Transformation." Master's thesis, University of Philosophical Research, 2007.

### **Course Description**

In this course we explore a wide range of evolutionary theories derived from a broad spectrum of scientists, philosophers, and visionaries.

The student is encouraged to critically review each of these and to compare and contrast the various theories of evolution. We will explore the relevance of each of these theories to contemporary life and to Unity ministry.

### **Learning Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course students will be able to:

- Compare and contrast various theories of evolution.
- Recognize principles of evolutionary spirituality at work in our world today.
- Integrate knowledge of this topic into their personal credo and vision of ministry.

The above objectives partially fulfill the following outcomes for the Master of Divinity and Certificate programs: Demonstrate appropriate knowledge needed for ministry

### **Class Schedule & Assignments**

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