

CHRISTIAN ETHICS HOLDEN VILLAGE

J-TERM 2025



COURSE OPTION

RELI 226 (RL, VW)

PREREQUISITES

2.0 minimum GPA

CREDIT

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APPLICATION

- Apply online at studyaway.plu.edu
- Application Requirements:
 - \$50 non-refundable application fee
 - Application questions
 - 2 short-answer essays (250 words each)
 - 1 faculty recommendation
- Following the online application process, you may be contacted by the faculty leader(s) for an interview
- April 15th: Application Deadline
- May 3rd: Decision Date

PROGRAM FEE

- Final program fee will be determined April 1, 2024. Check studyaway.plu.edu for pricing and details about inclusions and exclusions.
- Global Scholar Award eligible

COURSE OVERVIEW

In RELI 226, students explore moral arguments in conversation with Christian traditions. This J-Term course will use the distinctive setting of Holden Village to engage three questions: How does a religious community work to develop virtues of diversity and inclusion? How does a human community relate to its non-human environment? How does it engage national and global moral issues? This course will equip students to think deeply and critically about moral issues in personal life, in community, and in politics.

Holden Village is a remote wilderness community in the North Cascade Mountains, above Lake Chelan, Washington. It began as a copper mining town, but in 1962 became a retreat center and intentional community focused on education, programming, and worship. It's a place to unplug (i.e. no cell service) and to form and renew relationships with self, others, the sacred, and the earth. While Holden is rooted in the Lutheran tradition, the community is spiritually diverse, all people are welcome, and the community intentionally works to be inclusive and open.

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