

Course title	Neoplatonism and question of 'Christian Neoplatonism'
Course code	KBP 401
Type of course	Optional
Level of course	Medium
ECTS	3 ECTS credits: 0.5 lectures and tutorials 2.0 individual research 0.5 preparation and examination activities
Name of lecturer	Full tenured professor Ivan Tadić Ph.D.
Learning outcomes and competences	Understanding of Neoplatonistic thought and knowledge of the upgrowth of theological and philosophical thought regarded in its relationship with Neoplatonism.
Prerequisites	Essentials of the ancient and medieval philosophical thought
Course contents	Plotinus and his thought, with special regard to the concept of the One, emanation from the One, ways back to the One, and union with it; Multiple meaning of the concept of 'Christian Neoplatonism'; Adoption and transformation of Neoplatonic thought in early Christian and medieval theology and philosophy; Prominent thinkers: Origen, St. Gregory of Nissa, St. Augustine of Hippo, Pseudo-Dionysius the Areopagite, St. Maximus the Confessor.
Recommended reading	Endre von Ivánka, <i>Plato Christianus. Übernahme und Umgestaltung des Platonismus durch die Väter</i> , Johannes Verlag, Einsiedeln, 1964, pp. 1-495; M. Isnardi Parente, <i>Studi e discussioni recenti su Platone e il neoplatonismo</i> , in: <i>De Homine</i> , 1967, no. 22-23, pp. 217-244.
Supplementary reading	Werner Beierwaltes, <i>Platonismus im Christentum</i> , Frankfurt am Main, 1998, pp. 1. – 222.; Philip Merlan, <i>Dal Platonismo al Neoplatonismo</i> , Milano 1990, pp. 1- 346; Ernst Hoffmann, <i>Platonismus und christliche Philosophie</i> , Zürich 1960, pp. 1- 502.
Teaching methods	Lectures and brief debates
Assessment methods	Individual oral examination or written work
Language of instruction	Croatian
Quality assurance methods	Questionnaire to be completed by students before the end of the course; Written and/or oral comment upon examination;