# TRINITY WESTERN UNIVERSITY

**TRAVEL STUDY TO** 

# FRANCE & SPAIN WORSHIP ARTS - MAY 2020

## Looking for spiritual renewal? Come along to visit the worshipping community of Taizé in France, and travel the ancient pilgrimage of the Camino de Santiago in Spain.

This trip is a unique opportunity to go on a modern-day pilgrimage in Europe. In the 1940s, Brother Roger began a small monastic community of prayer and hospitality in Taizé, a tiny village in France. Over the years people began to flock to Taizé to reinvigorate their faith. Today thousands of people arrive weekly for instruction, prayer, song, and overall spiritual refreshment. We will be joining this unique international community for a week. Spending a week in community and then walking an ancient pilgrimage route, we will immerse ourselves in spiritual practices and reflective journaling to deepen our own awareness of God at work in the world.



### **ACTIVITIES AND HIGHLIGHTS**

Travelling to Taizé, France, to join others from all over the world in an intentional time of community, worship, song, and engagement with God and one another. Travel to Spain to walk part of the Camino de Santiago (Way of St. James), journeying alongside other believers and seekers from all over the world. Engaging in spiritual practices to deepen our own. Ministering to other travellers along the way.

#### COURSES

### WRSH 490 WORSHIP AND PILGRIMAGE

Throughout Christian history, believers have seen themselves not as settlers in this world, but as pilgrims—those who are living for a greater calling and destination. Our contemporary Western culture is full of noise and competing voices vying for our attention and our hearts. This course allows us time away to join other pilgrims for times of worship, learning, and reflection. We begin with a settled pilgrimage (one week in Taizé, France) and then a walking pilgrimage along the Camino de Santiago in Spain. PREREQUISITES: Upper-level standing or permission of instructor.

#### SECOND COURSE TO BE DETERMINED

#### INSTRUCTOR



#### JOAN DEVRIES, M.Div., Ph.D

Rev. Dr. Joan DeVries teaches Worship Arts at Trinity Western University. She comes to this position after teaching at various other levels of education and serving as a lay worship leader and worship coordinator. After she pursued an M.Div. and was ordained, she led four congregations as senior or interim pastor. This allowed her to experience worship planning from another perspective as the preaching pastor working alongside a team. Joan is curious about creativity in worship and devotion, has spent time at Taizé, and is eager to explore these unique places and experiences with students.

CONTACT