

## **School of Divinity**

### **Important Degree Information:**

#### **B.Sc./M.A. Honours**

The general requirements are 480 credits over a period of normally 4 years (and not more than 5 years) or part-time equivalent; the final two years being an approved honours programme of 240 credits, of which 90 credits are at 4000 level and at least a further 120 credits at 3000 and/or 4000 (H) levels. Refer to the appropriate Faculty regulations for lists of subjects recognised as qualifying towards either a B.Sc. or M.A. degree.

#### **B.Sc./M.A. Honours with Integrated Year Abroad**

The general requirements are 540 credits over a period of normally 5 years (and not more than 6 years) or part-time equivalent; the final three years being an approved honours programme of 300 credits, of which 60 credits are gained during the integrated year abroad, 90 credits are at 4000 level and at least a further 120 credits at 3000 and/or 4000 (H) levels. Refer to the appropriate Faculty regulations for lists of subjects recognised as qualifying towards either a B.Sc. or M.A. degree.

#### **B.D. Honours**

The B.D. Honours programme is a fast-track 3-year Honours degree open only to those who are already university graduates in another discipline. B.D. Honours degree students must accumulate a total of 390 credits normally over a period of three years, of which 150 credits will be in Honours modules (also referred to as 3000, 4000 or (H) level modules). Refer to programme specification and degree regulations for details.

#### **M.Theology Honours**

In addition to the specific requirements listed below, the following general conditions must also be met to graduate with an Honours degree. All M.Theol. Honours degree students must accumulate a total of 480 credits over a period of normally four and no more than five years. The Honours Programme will normally involve the study of modules worth at least 240 credits gained during the 3rd and 4th years, of which at least 210 will be in Honours modules (also referred to as 3000, 4000 or (H) level modules) and at least 120 credits of which must be at 4000 or (H) level in Divinity. Refer to Faculty of Divinity regulations for subjects qualifying towards an M.Theol. degree.

#### **M.Theology General**

In addition to the specific requirements listed below, the following general conditions must also be met to graduate with a General M.Theol. degree. General M.Theol. degree students must accumulate a total of 360 credits over a minimum period of three years and no more than four years, or the equivalent period of part-time study, of which at least 80 are in Second Level modules (also referred to as 2000 level) and at least 60 are in Third level modules (also referred to as 3000 level) in Divinity. Refer to programme specifications and degree regulations for further details.

**Other Information:** In the case of students who spend part of the Honours Programme abroad on a recognised Exchange Scheme, the Programme Requirements will be amended to take into account courses taken while abroad.

<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
(M.A. Honours): <b>Biblical Studies</b>	<p><b>Single Honours Biblical Studies Degree:</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1006</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits comprising passes at 11 or better in both DI2001 and DI2003.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 30 credits comprising DI3601</p> <p><b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 180 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502; and (b) 120 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4600 - DI4799, save that with the permission of the Head of School, 30 of the 150 credits may be taken in a 4000-level module or modules offered by another School.</p>

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<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
<p>(M.A. Honours):  <b>Biblical Studies and Ancient History, Art History, Classical Studies, Economics, English, French<sup>^</sup>, German<sup>^</sup>, Greek, Hebrew, Integrated Information Technology, Mathematics, Philosophy.</b>  <sup>^</sup> available also as 'with Integrated Year Abroad Degrees'</p>	<p><b>Biblical Studies element of Joint Honours Degrees:</b>  <b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1006  <b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits comprising passes at 11 or better in both DI2001 and DI2003.  <b>Level 3:</b> 30 credits from DI3601.  <b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 60 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502 unless a 4000-level dissertation is taken in the other Honours subject of the Joint Honours programme; and (b) at least 30 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4600 - DI4799. A total of 120 credits must be taken in 3000-level and 4000-level modules in Divinity. Students must ensure that their Joint Honours programme results in at least 90 credits at 4000-level.</p>
<p>(B.D. Honours):  <b>Divinity</b></p>	<p><b>Single Honours Divinity Degree:</b>  <b>Level 1:</b> 100 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003, DI1006, DI1007.  <b>Level 2:</b> At least 80 credits of which: (a) 60 credits must be from DI2001, DI2003, DI2004, DI2005, DI2006 with a pass at Grade 11 or better in two of these modules; and (b) at least 20 credits must be from either a fourth module listed in (a) above or from one of the following: DI2002, DI2007, MO2001, MP2001, MP2002, or any other 2000-level module in a cognate subject-area chosen with the permission of the Head of School.  <b>Level 3:</b> At least 30 credits chosen from DI3601 and DI3602.  <b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 90 credits in Divinity modules, to include (a) either DI4501 or DI4502, and (b) at least a further 60 credits in 4000-level modules in Divinity.</p>
<p>(M.A. Honours):  <b>Hebrew and Arabic, Art History, Biblical Studies, English, French<sup>^</sup>, Geography, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Middle East Studies, New Testament, Russian<sup>^</sup>.</b>  <sup>^</sup> also available as 'with Integrated Year Abroad Degrees'</p>	<p><b>Hebrew element of Joint Honours Degrees:</b>  <b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1004.  <b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits comprising a pass at Grade 11 or better in DI2001 and DI2002.  <b>Level 3:</b> 30 credits comprising DI3601  <b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 90 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502 unless a 4000-level dissertation is taken in the other Honours subject of the Joint Honours programme; and (b) at least 60 credits must be in modules chosen from modules with Hebrew, Aramaic or Syriac content chosen from DI4700 to 4799  A total of 120 credits must be taken in 3000-level and 4000-level modules in Divinity. Students must ensure that their Joint Honours programme results in at least 90 credits at 4000-level.</p>

<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
<p>(M.A. Honours):  <b>New Testament and Classical Studies, German<sup>^</sup>, Greek, Hebrew, Latin, Modern History</b></p> <p><sup>^</sup> available also as ‘with Integrated Year Abroad Degrees’</p>	<p><b>New Testament element of Joint Honours Degrees:</b>  <b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits comprising DI1006 and a pass at Grade 11 or better in one of DI1005 and GK1001, or a pass in Higher Greek or A level Greek</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 20 credits comprising a pass at Grade 11 or better in DI2003.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 30 credits from DI3601.</p> <p><b>Level 4(H):</b> 90 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502 unless a 4000-level dissertation is taken in the other Honours subject of the Joint Honours programme; and (b) at least 60 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4600 - DI4699 with Greek language content.  A total of 120 credits must be taken in 3000-level and 4000-level modules in Divinity. Students must ensure that their Joint Honours programme results in at least 90 credits at 4000-level.</p>
<p>(M.A. Honours):  <b>Theological Studies</b></p>	<p><b>Single Honours Theological Studies Degree:</b>  <b>Level 1:</b> 40 credits comprising DI1001 and either DI1002 or DI1007.</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits comprising passes at Grade 11 or better in both DI2004 and DI2005.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 60 credits comprising DI3601 and DI3602.</p> <p><b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 180 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502; and (b) 120 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4800 - DI4999, save that with the permission of the Head of School, 30 of the 150 credits may be taken in a 3000-level or 4000-level module or modules offered by another School.</p>
<p>(M.A. Honours):  <b>Theological Studies and Classical Studies, English, French<sup>^</sup>, Geography, German<sup>^</sup>, Integrated Information Technology, International Relations, Mathematics, Mediaeval History, Modern History, Philosophy, Psychology, Social Anthropology, Spanish<sup>^</sup>.</b></p> <p><sup>^</sup> available also as ‘with Integrated Year Abroad Degrees’</p>	<p><b>Theological Studies element of Joint Honours Degrees:</b>  <b>Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1001 and DI1002.</b></p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 40 credits comprising passes at Grade 11 or better in both DI2004 and DI2005.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 30 credits from DI3602.</p> <p><b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 60 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI4502 unless a 4000-level dissertation is taken in the other Honours subject of the Joint Honours programme; and (b) at least 30 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4800 - DI4999. A total of 120 credits must be taken in 3000-level and 4000-level modules in Divinity. Students must ensure that their Joint Honours programme results in at least 90 credits at 4000-level.</p>

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<b>Degree Programmes</b>	<b>Programme Requirements at:</b>
(M.Theology Honours): <b>Master of Theology Honours</b>	<p><b>Single Honours Master of Theology Degree:</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 100 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003, DI1006, DI1007.</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> At least 80 credits of which: (a) 60 credits must be from DI2001, DI2003, DI2004, DI2005, DI2006, with a pass at Grade 11 or better in two of these modules; and (b) at least 20 credits must be from either a fourth module listed in (a) above or from one of the following: DI2002, DI2007, MO2001, MP2001, MP2002, or any other 2000-level module in a cognate subject-area chosen with the permission of the Head of School.</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> 60 credits from DI3601 or DI3602</p> <p><b>Level 4(H):</b> At least 150 credits in 4000-level modules in Divinity, including either DI4501 or DI4502, save that, with the permission of the Head of School, 30 of these 150 credits may be taken in a 3000-level or 4000-level module or modules offered by another School.</p>
(M.Theol. General): <b>Master of Theology General</b>	<p><b>Master of Theology General Degree;</b></p> <p><b>Level 1:</b> 100 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003, DI1006, DI1007</p> <p><b>Level 2:</b> 80 credits comprising DI2001, DI2003, DI2004, DI2005</p> <p><b>Level 3:</b> At least 60 credits from DI3601 and DI3602</p>

## Modules

**Normally the prerequisite for each of the following Honours modules is entry to the Honours Programme(s) for which they are specified, as well as any additional specific prerequisite(s) given.**

**General degree students wishing to enter 3000 modules and non-graduating students wishing to enter 3000 or 4000 level modules must consult with the relevant Honours Adviser within the School before making their selection.**

## Divinity (DI) Modules

### DI3601 Biblical Exegesis

Credits: 30.0

Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisite: DI2001 or DI2003 plus, for those planning to do honours work in Hebrew and/or Greek, 11 or better in DI2002 and/or DI1005 as relevant

Description: This is one of the modules that serves to complete the General Degree (M.Theol.) and to prepare honours students for 4000-level modules in the general area of biblical studies. The content may vary from year to year, but will always include training in biblical interpretation and the exegetical study of specific texts from the Old Testament and the New Testament through lectures, seminars, student presentations, and the writing of a substantial exegesis paper on a biblical passage. Students wishing to pursue honours –level work in a biblical language must engage in exegesis of the passage in the original language in this essay.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one two hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI3602 Theological explorations: texts, issues and applications**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: DI1001, DI1002, and DI2004 or DI2005

Anti-requisite: DI3430

Description: This is one of the modules which serves to complete the General Degree (M.Theol.) and to prepare Honours students for 4000-level modules. It will consider a range of issues fundamental to belief and practice which have been central to and have shaped the Christian theological tradition over the past two millennia. It will do this through the study of texts in seminars, through lectures, and through private study and written assignments. Issues selected for study will be considered both from a historical perspective, and with a view to contemporary criticisms and reformulations of them.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One hour lecture, Two hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4501 Honours Dissertation in Divinity**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: Either

Availability: 2004-05

Anti-requisite: DI4502

Description: This project enables a student to research a special topic of his/her choice (in consultation with staff) and to develop it at length in dissertation form. The length of the dissertation should be approximately 10,000 words, and must not in any case exceed 12,000 words (to include text, footnotes and appendices). It must be submitted by the end of the semester.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Assessment: Dissertation = 100%

**DI4502 Honours Research in Divinity**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: Either

Availability: 2004-05

Anti-requisite: DI4501

Description: The Research in Divinity enables a student to research a special topic of his/her choice (in consultation with staff) and to develop it at length. The Research in Divinity is assessed summatively by an assessed presentation and a three-hour essay written under exam conditions.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: To be arranged.

Assessment: Oral Presentation = 10%, 3 Hour Examination = 90%

**DI4514 Biblical Exegesis and Spirituality in the Pre-Modern Period**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2004-05

Description: This module will examine the extent to which the bible has penetrated the Christian cultures of pre-Enlightenment times. The emphasis will be less on the bible as source and reinforcement for credal doctrines. Understanding of creation, providence and the relation between creation and salvation and the life in God will be considered with particular reference to biblical texts which inspired and guided their faith. 'Spirituality' is understood in its widest sense: belief, prayer, liturgy and lifestyle. The extent to which 'official' church theology grew out of such interpretations will also be considered.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: 24 hours of seminar, 12 hours of lecture

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

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### **DI4604 Johannine Literature and Theology : English Text**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI1006  
Anti-requisite: DI4605

Description: This module will focus on a study of the Gospel of John and the Johannine Letters. Selected texts (in English) will be studied in detail with a view towards developing a more comprehensive understanding of the distinctive character of the Johannine writings, the context(s) that might have encouraged such a presentation, and the main theological themes reflected in the writings. Issues to be considered will typically include: (i) the multifaceted depiction of the "Jews" in the Gospel of John; (ii) the relationship between various groups of Christians portrayed in the Johannine writings; (iii) the importance attached to christology in the Gospel of John and the letters; and (iv) the distinctive characteristics of Johannine ideas about salvation, eschatology, sacraments, ethics and the nature of the Spirit/Paraclete. The correspondence in theological concepts between the Gospel and the Letters will also be explored.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar and one lecture.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4605 Johannine Literature and Theology: Greek Text**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI1006  
Anti-requisite: DI4605

Description: This module will focus on a study of the Gospel of John and the Johannine Letters. Selected texts (in Greek) will be studied in detail with a view towards developing a more comprehensive understanding of the distinctive character of the Johannine writings, the context(s) that might have encouraged such a presentation, and the main theological themes reflected in the writings. Issues to be considered will typically include: (i) the multifaceted depiction of the "Jews" in the Gospel of John; (ii) the relationship between various groups of Christians portrayed in the Johannine writings; (iii) the importance attached to christology in the Gospel of John and the letters; and (iv) the distinctive characteristics of Johannine ideas about salvation, eschatology, sacraments, ethics and the nature of the Spirit/Paraclete. The correspondence in theological concepts between the Gospel and the Letters will also be explored.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar and one lecture.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4614 The Historical Jesus**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI1006  
Anti-requisite: DI3114

Description: In view of recent debate over the historical Jesus, this course seeks to encourage students to determine a viable methodology for historical Jesus research and to develop a defensible, comprehensive hypothesis of the aims and life of this figure. The course will begin with an analysis of the state of the quest(s) for the historical Jesus, including the Cynic hypothesis. It will then examine critically the trial narratives, the Temple incident, the reasons for Jesus' execution, Jesus' attitude to the Jewish law and the preaching of the kingdom of God in an effort to determine the main features of his message. The major roles attributed to Jesus - prophet, teacher, charismatic healer, Messiah, Son of Man, Son of God - will also be considered critically, as well as selected events of Jesus' life.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar and occasional lectures.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4615 New Testament Special Topic**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: Either  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI2003  
Description: This module allows students the possibility of pursuing a special topic in the field of New Testament studies by arrangement with the staff of the subject area and the Head of School. The topic will be chosen from one of the areas of specialisation of teaching staff or of a visiting scholar. A written statement of teaching and assessment will be agreed with the student and lodged with the Dean of Divinity.  
Class Hour: To be arranged.  
Teaching: Two hour seminar.  
Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4624 The Acts of the Apostles: English Texts**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisites: DI3601  
Anti-requisites: DI4625  
Description: This module will study a variety of features of the Acts of the Apostles, the second of two New Testament volumes written by the author traditionally known as 'Luke'. The module will focus on contemporary scholarly interests in the social, historical, structural, literary, rhetorical and theological dimensions of the Acts of the Apostles.  
Class Hour: To be arranged.  
Teaching: One lecture, one 2 hour seminar.  
Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4625 The Acts of the Apostles: Greek Texts**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisites: DI3601  
Anti-requisites: DI4624  
Description: This module will study a variety of features of the Acts of the Apostles, the second of two New Testament volumes written by the author traditionally known as 'Luke'. The module will focus on contemporary scholarly interests in the social, historical, structural, literary, rhetorical and theological dimensions of the Acts of the Apostles.  
Class Hour: To be arranged.  
Teaching: One lecture, one 2 hour seminar, one tutorial.  
Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4700 Hebrew Prose and Poetry**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI1004  
Description: This module aims to extend students' skills in reading the Hebrew Bible and in the techniques of textual criticism and of exegesis. It consists of the reading and studying of a selection of Hebrew biblical texts representative of different literary genres such as prose writing, prophetic literature, psalms and wisdom literature.  
Class Hour: To be arranged.  
Teaching: Two hour seminar.  
Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 3 Hour Examination = 50%

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### **DI4711 Old Testament Special Topic**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: Either

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI2001

Description: This module allows students the possibility of pursuing a special topic in Hebrew Bible Old Testament by arrangement with the staff of the subject area and the Head of School. The topic will be chosen from one of the areas of specialisation of the teaching staff or of a visiting scholar. A written statement of teaching and assessment will be agreed with the student and lodged with the Dean of Faculty.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar.

Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

### **DI4712 The Dead Sea Scrolls : English Texts**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI2001 or DI2003

Anti-requisites: DI3213, DI3212, DI4713

Description: This module is a survey of the Dead Sea Scrolls and related manuscript finds from the Judaeen Desert. The class will read and discuss the major sectarian texts from Qumran with a view toward understanding their place in Second Temple Judaism. Attention will also be given to the archaeological context of the Qumran discoveries, as well as to the revolutionary importance of the scrolls for our understanding of the Hebrew Bible and the New Testament. Related manuscript discoveries will also be studied, including the Samaria Papyri, the scrolls from Masada, and the letters of Bar Kochba. All texts will be read in English translation.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4713 The Dead Sea Scrolls : Hebrew Texts**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisite: 11 or better in DI2002 and either DI2001 or DI2003

Anti-requisite: DI3212, DI3213, DI4712

Description: This module is a survey of the Dead Sea Scrolls and related manuscript finds from the Judaeen Desert. The class will read and discuss the major sectarian texts from Qumran with a view toward understanding their place in Second Temple Judaism. Attention will also be given to the archaeological context of the Qumran discoveries, as well as to the revolutionary importance of the scrolls for our understanding of the Hebrew Bible and the New Testament. Related manuscript discoveries will also be studied, including the Samaria Papyri, the scrolls from Masada, and the letters of Bar Kochba. Key texts will be read in Hebrew, with the rest in English translation.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar and a one hour Hebrew reading session.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%



**DI4718 Second Isaiah (Isaiah 40-66) : Hebrew Exegesis**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: DI2001 and DI2002

Antirequisites: DI3222, DI3218, DI4722

Description: Students will read selected portions of the Hebrew Text of Isaiah 40-66, illustrating important matters of exegesis and interpretation in respect of the given passages. Special attention shall be paid to (a) the place of these chapters within the larger book of Isaiah; (b) the phenomenon of intertextuality and inner-biblical exegesis; (c) the emergence of prophecy as a written phenomenon; (d) the social and historical implications of such a thesis, and its relationship to the question of prophecy's end; (e) reviewing basic exegetical methods (form and redaction criticism); and (f) theological appropriation and reflection on Isaiah as divine speech today.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One 2 hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4722 Second Isaiah (Isaiah 40-66) : English Text**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisite: DI2001

Anti-requisites: DI3218, Di3222, DI4718

Description: Students will read selected portions of the English Text of Isaiah 40-66, chosen to illustrate important matters for interpreting the larger message of the prophet. Special attention will be paid to (a) the place of these chapters within the larger Book of Isaiah; (b) the phenomenon of inner-biblical exegesis; (c) the emergence of prophecy as written rather than oral; (d) the social and historical implications of (c), especially as regards the 'end of prophecy' in Israel; (e) reviewing basic exegetical methods (form, redaction, and rhetorical analysis); and (f) theological appropriation of Isaiah as divine speech today.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4800 Theology and Pastoral Care**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: DI1002 and 11 or better in DI2005

Description: This module is designed to examine theories of development and of care and counselling from the perspective of theology, and to reflect on their application to human crisis, transition and illness. Students will consider current models in pastoral care; responses to crises; death, dying and grief; bereavement, mourning and suicide; mental illness (eg depression); family systems theory; and substance abuse. Students will visit local mental health facilities and hospice/palliative care agencies.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Three lectures.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

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### **DI4805 Practical Theology Special Topic**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: Either  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisites: DI1002 and 11 or better in DI2005

Description: This module allows students the possibility of pursuing a special topic in Practical Theology by arrangement with the staff of the subject area and the Head of School. The topic will be chosen from one of the areas of specialisation of the teaching staff or of a visiting scholar. A written statement of teaching and assessment will be agreed with the student and lodged with the Dean of Faculty.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4809 Christian Ethics : An Historical Approach**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2  
Availability: 2004-05  
Prerequisite: Either DI2004 or DI2005  
Anti-requisite: DI3309

Description: This module will study some of the most important and exciting developments within the history of Christian ethics. It will consider how major thinkers have understood and applied the teaching of Jesus Christ to practical concerns. Students will be introduced to *The Confessions* of St Augustine and will have the opportunity to explore for themselves what he says about marriage, lying, virginity, etc. They will learn about the doomed romance between Abelard and Heloise and its effect upon their understanding of virtue and vice, and will read what Luther and Calvin say, respectively, about Christian social action and ethics as an attitude of gratitude towards God. The module will also study topics from the modern era, notably John Wesley's social ethics and Kierkegaard's treatment of the biblical story of Abraham's near sacrifice of Isaac.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One 2 hour seminar and one lecture.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4818 Theology in Africa and Latin America**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2  
Availability: 2004-05

Description: The first part of the module will locate the development of indigenous theologies within a post-colonial and a post-missionary era. During the second part, relevant concepts will be explored by the reading and discussion of relevant papers. Finally each student will consider a particular theologian in depth, while the lectures will aim at comparison and critical assessment of such non-European contributions to the study and practice of theology in general and for the future.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One 2 hour seminar, plus occasional lectures.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

### **DI4819 Monarchy, Church and State**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1  
Availability: 2004-05

Description: This module explores the relationship between church and state in the United Kingdom. There is a particular emphasis on the spiritual role and ecclesiastical function of the monarch, as understood biblically, historically and in contemporary terms. In the light of current constitutional change and debate about the future role of monarchy, the module looks at various models of church state relations.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One 2 hour seminar.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

**DI4820 The Ethics of Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: DI2004 or DI2005

Description: This module offers an introduction to the life and thinking of Dietrich Bonhoeffer – an important twentieth century martyr whose active opposition to National Socialism resulted in his execution in 1945. We will examine three of Bonhoeffer's most influential and important works: *The Cost of Discipleship* (1939), the *Ethics* (1940-1943) and *Letters and Papers from Prison* alongside reference to other writings by him. Some attention will be paid to how Bonhoeffer's rich legacy continues to influence Christian ethics and moral reasoning today.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: One lecture and one seminar

Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

**DI4916 The Theology of Karl Barth**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 1

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: 11 or better in DI2004, and DI3430

Description: The purposes of this module are: Firstly, to explore the structure of Barth's systematic theology, through the study of key texts. Secondly, to foster critical response to Barth's work, and that of his commentators. Thirdly, to heighten appreciation of Barth's significance in the history of modern theology, and his continuing importance for contemporary theological discussion. This module provides an opportunity for students to undertake a detailed study of aspects of the theology of Karl Barth. Students will be introduced to the development and content of Barth's theology through the study of texts in translation, especially portions of the *Church Dogmatics*. Attention will also be given to key commentators on Barth's work.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar.

Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

**DI4919 Salvation in Christian Reflection**

Credits: 30.0 Semester: 2

Availability: 2004-05

Prerequisites: DI1001 and either DI2004 or DI2005, and DI3430

Anti-requisite: DI3419

Description: This module will explore the understandings of salvation which have shaped the Christian tradition. Consideration will be given to the extent to which western interpretations of the nature of God, law and sin have led to distortive soteriological accounts – interpretations whose impact has not always been constructive either at the individual or social levels. In the light of extensive recent Biblical and theological research, we shall reconsider what theologians are warranted in affirming with respect to this fundamental doctrine which lies at the heart of the Christian faith.

Class Hour: To be arranged.

Teaching: Two hour seminar and one lecture.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 30%, 3 Hour Examination = 70%

