

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 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 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 or 4000 level modules). Refer to programme specification and degree regulations for details.

M.Theol. Honours

In addition to the specific requirements listed below, the following general conditions must also be met in order 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 or 4000 or level modules) and at least 120 credits of which must be at 4000 level in Divinity. Refer to Faculty of Divinity regulations for subjects qualifying towards an M.Theol. degree.

M.Theol. General

In addition to the specific requirements listed below, the following general conditions must also be met in order 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.

Degree Programmes	Programme Requirements at:
(M.A. Honours): Biblical Studies	<p>Single Honours Biblical Studies Degree:</p> <p>Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1006</p> <p>Level 2: 40 credits comprising passes at 11 or better in both DI2001 and DI2003.</p> <p>Level 3: 30 credits comprising DI3601</p> <p>Level 4: 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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Degree Programmes	Programme Requirements at:
<p>(M.A. Honours): Biblical Studies and Ancient History, Art History, Classical Studies~, Economics, English, Film Studies, French^, German^, Greek, Hebrew, International Relations, Mathematics, Philosophy. ^ available also as 'With Integrated Year Abroad Degrees' ~ Timetable clash exists therefore this combination is subject to arrangement between the two departments</p>	<p>Biblical Studies element of Joint Honours Degrees: Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1006 Level 2: 40 credits comprising passes at 11 or better in both DI2001 and DI2003. Level 3: 30 credits from DI3601. Level 4: 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): Divinity</p>	<p>Single Honours Divinity Degree: Level 1: 80 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003, DI1006. Level 2: 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, PY2003, PY2004, PY2001 plus PY2002, PH2101 plus PH2102 or any other 2000-level module in a cognate subject-area chosen with the permission of the Head of School. Level 3: At least 30 credits comprising DI3601 or DI3602. Level 4: 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): Hebrew and Arabic, Art History, Biblical Studies, English, French^, Geography, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Middle East Studies, New Testament, Russian^. ^ also available as 'With Integrated Year Abroad Degrees'</p>	<p>Hebrew element of Joint Honours Degrees: Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1003 and DI1004 Level 2: 40 credits comprising a pass at Grade 11 or better in both DI2001 and DI2002. Levels 3 and 4: At least 120 credits of which (a) 30 credits may be DE3601; (b) 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 (c) at least 60 credits in modules chosen from modules with Hebrew, Aramaic or Syriac content chosen from DI4700 to DI4799. A total of 120 credits must be taken in 3000-level and 4000-level modules in Divinity. Students must ensure that their Joint Honour programme results in at least 90 credits at 4000-level.</p>

Degree Programmes	Programme Requirements at:
<p>(M.A. Honours): New Testament and Classical Studies, German[^], Greek, Hebrew, Latin, Modern History</p> <p>[^] available also as ‘With Integrated Year Abroad Degrees’</p>	<p>New Testament element of Joint Honours Degrees:</p> <p>Level 1: 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>Level 2: 20 credits comprising a pass at Grade 11 or better in DI2003.</p> <p>Level 3: 30 credits from DI3601.</p> <p>Level 4: 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.</p> <p>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): Theological Studies</p>	<p>Single Honours Theological Studies Degree:</p> <p>Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1001 and DI1002.</p> <p>Level 2: 40 credits comprising passes at Grade 11 or better in both DI2004 and DI2005.</p> <p>Level 3: 30 credits comprising DI3602.</p> <p>Level 4: 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): Theological Studies and Classical Studies, English, Film Studies, French[^], Geography, German[^], International Relations, Mathematics, Mediaeval History, Modern History, Philosophy, Psychology, Social Anthropology, Spanish[^].</p> <p>[^] available also as ‘With Integrated Year Abroad Degrees’</p>	<p>Theological Studies element of Joint Honours Degrees:</p> <p>Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1001 and DI1002.</p> <p>Level 2: 40 credits comprising passes at Grade 11 or better in both DI2004 and DI2005.</p> <p>Level 3: 30 credits from DI3602.</p> <p>Level 4: 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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<p>(M.A. Honours): Theological Studies with Linguistics</p> <p>This programme is only available to those already enrolled in it.</p>	<p>Theological Studies with Linguistics: Level 1: 40 credits comprising DI1001 and DI1002</p> <p>Level 2: 40 credits comprising passes at 11 or better in both DI2004 and DI2005.</p> <p>Level 3: 30 credits from DI3602.</p> <p>Level 4: 150 credits of which (a) 30 credits must be either DI4501 or DI45021 unless a 4000-level dissertation is taken in the other subject of the programme, and (b) at least 120 credits must be in modules chosen from DI4600-DI4799; LI1002/2, LI2001 and a pass at 11 or better in LI2002, LI3001 (or for qualified students, one of FR3053, GM3077, GM3078, IT3009, ML3009, RU3015, RU3107, SP3011) and 45 credits from LI3002, LI4001, LI4002, LI4098.</p>
<p>(M.Theol. Honours): Master of Theology Honours</p>	<p>Single Honours Master of Theology Degree: Level 1: 80 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003 and DI1006.</p> <p>Level 2: 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, PY2003, PY2004, PY2001 plus PY2002, PY2101 plus PY2102, or any other 2000-level module in a cognate subject-area chosen with the permission of the Head of School.</p> <p>Level 3: 60 credits comprising DI3601 and DI3602</p> <p>Level 4: 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>
<p>(M.Theol. General): Master of Theology General</p>	<p>Master of Theology General Degree; Level 1: 80 credits comprising DI1001, DI1002, DI1003 and DI1006.</p> <p>Level 2: At least 80 credits of which: (a) 60 credits must be from DI2001, DI2003, DI2004, DI2005, DI2006; 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, PY2003, PY2004, PY2001 plus PY2002, PY2101 plus PY2102, or any other 2000-level module in a cognate subject-area chosen with the permission of the Head of School.</p> <p>Level 3: At least 60 credits from DI3601 and DI3602</p>

Modules

Interdisciplinary Modules

This School contributes to the following inter-disciplinary modules – **SD1002 Sustainability: ensuring our common future (Section 21)** and **ID2004 Science Ethics (Section 23)**.

Divinity (DI) Modules

DI1001 Theology : Issues and History

Credits: 20 Semester: 1

Description: This module will address a variety of themes within Christian theology. Each theme will be approached with a view to its biblical roots and historical development, its critical reception and restatement in the modern period, and its significance for contemporary theological reflection. Themes covered will include: The problem of 'God' in the modern world; who is Jesus Christ and what difference does it make?; Trinity, Spirit and community; Diagnosis and cure – models for salvation; Beginnings and endings – the origin and destiny of the world. Through consideration of these themes students will also be introduced to several key figures in the history of theology.

Class Hour: 10.00 am

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI1002 The Church, Ritual and Politics

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Description: This module introduces students to the disciplines of church history and practical theology. The first part focuses on the central elements of practical theology – the nature and understanding of the church, mission and evangelism, worship and liturgy, pastoral care and prophetic and political involvement as they were understood and practiced in the British Isles, and especially Scotland, in the early centuries associated with the golden age of Celtic Christianity. The second part explores the history and practice of Christianity in Africa and Latin America with particular reference to inculturation, ritual and political involvement.

Class Hour: 10.00 am

Teaching: Four classes, including one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI1003 The History and Religion of Ancient Israel : An Introduction

Credits: 20 Semester: 1

Description: This module is an introduction to the life, literature and religion of Ancient Israel. It will in particular consider the main literary types of the Old Testament literature, both in order to familiarise students with the traditions used in the Old Testament and to demonstrate how this literature was shaped by religious, social and historical factors. The class will also consider how it came to form the traditional canon of the Hebrew Bible.

Class Hour: 12.00 noon

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI1004 Hebrew 1 : Introduction to Hebrew Language

Credits: 20 Semester: 1

Description: This module aims to give students a sufficient knowledge of the grammar and vocabulary of Old Testament Hebrew to be able to read and analyse prescribed texts. Grammar and vocabulary will be restricted to the texts we will be reading.

Class Hour: 4.00 pm

Teaching: Four lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

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DI1005 New Testament Greek 1

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Anti-requisites: GK1001-GK1004

Description: This module equips students with the vocabulary and grammar to translate and analyse the Greek of one New Testament book. The student will be expected to engage with technical commentaries of the Greek text of one New Testament book. The first six weeks will be spent on the grammar and vocabulary. The second part of the module will be spent studying the New Testament book.

Class Hour: 4.00 pm

Teaching: Four lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI1006 Jesus and the Gospels

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Description: This module aims to introduce students to New Testament studies in general and to Gospel studies in particular. The general introduction will include consideration of the historical contexts of the New Testament texts, including political, socio-economic and religious factors within the Graeco-Roman world and Early Judaism. The Gospels will then be studied with a view to determining the particular interests of their authors, and with a view to assessing their portraits of Jesus in relation to the historical Jesus. Continuous assessment includes the review of a popular 'historical fiction' novel assigned by the module co-ordinator.

Class Hour: 12.00 noon

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2001 Exile and Return in the Old Testament

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Prerequisite: DI1003

Description: This module continues the study of the Old Testament in DI1003. The history of the period from the destruction of Jerusalem and its Temple in 587 till the beginning of Christianity will be covered. The study of the books that emerged in this period will be tied to important life issues, such as identity, hope, home, etc. The following books will be studied within their historical and Biblical context: Chronicles (Kings), Tobit, Judith, Esther, Trito Isaiah, Zach, Haggai, Ezra, Nehemiah, Job, Ecclesiastes, Daniel, Maccabees. In the module the importance of Qumran will be touched upon as well as the concepts of standardization of text and formation of canon.

Class Hour: 11.00 am

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2002 Hebrew 2

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Prerequisite: 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 and psalms.

Class Hour: 3.00 pm

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2003 New Testament History and Theology

Credits: 20 Semester: 1

Prerequisite: DI1006

Description: This module covers: (i) the history of the Church in the New Testament period, setting the Christ-movement in its Jewish and Greco-Roman contexts; (ii) study of a Pauline letter; (iii) the theology of the New Testament, including the issue of unity and diversity, and with special attention to monotheism and Christology.

Class Hour: 11.00 am

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2004 Contemporary Theology and Its Challenges

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Prerequisite: DI1001

Description: This module considers the key affirmations of the Christian faith as formulated in the work of leading modern and contemporary theologians. It also considers the major challenges to Christian belief and the light shed on these by contemporary debates.

Class Hour: 2.00 pm

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2005 Christian Ethics: God, Sex and Money

Credits: 20 Semester: 1

Description: This module invites students to consider the issues which arise when applying theological concepts to practical questions of moral behaviour. You will explore the nature of theological ethics in relation to philosophical categories of ethics and to notions of biblical authority. Selected issues will then be examined in the areas of bioethics, personal relationships, economic justice and political power, and the integrity of creation. The task of the Christian community will be discussed in relation to each of these issues.

Class Hour: 2.00 pm

Teaching: Three lectures and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

DI2006 Church History 2: The Late Mediaeval and Early Modern Church and Its Theology

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Description: This will focus on the theological changes encountered at the time of the late medieval period as it shifted to early modern under the influence of the forces of Renaissance and Reformation. Seminars will read selections from key theological texts of the period. The second half will give more opportunity to work with texts from moments of controversy (disputations, colloquia and councils.) A sharper and more nuanced picture of Christian theology in pre-critical times should emerge, with implications for ecumenism and systematic theology.

Class Hour: 9.00 am Monday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Teaching: Three lectures, and one tutorial.

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

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DI2007 The Anthropology of Religion

Credits: 20 Semester: 2

Availability: not available 2009-10

Description: This module explores theoretical and practical developments within the anthropological methodologies/insights for the study of contemporary religion, including the World Religions and the new-religious movements. It assumes religion as a social phenomenon to be explored and interpreted through the analysis of symbols, ritual performances and social analysis. Lecture themes include theories and controversies; the body as symbol; boundaries; the *emic* and the *etic*; the politics of religious identity; religion and politics; gender and the sacred; religion and environment; ritual theory and rites of passage; spirit possession; witchcraft and sorcery. Materials to be used: videos and slides as well as religious texts. Essays will focus on particular case studies of contemporary religious phenomena.

Class Hour: 12.00 noon.

Teaching: 3 lectures, and fortnightly tutorials

Assessment: Continuous Assessment = 50%, 2 Hour Examination = 50%

Re-Assessment: 3 Hour Examination = 100%

The details of the Honours modules – that is 3000-level and 4000-level modules – which relate to the programmes listed in this section are available in the Honours Course Catalogue.