

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2019

BTh (06130006)

Minimum duration of study 3 years

Total credits 375

Programme information

This programme offers general theological education to students who have passed the National Senior Certificate with admission to degree studies. It also provides a basis for denominational programmes, formation and practical training with a view to the ministry.

A fixed curriculum with very few electives is prescribed. A student who registers for this programme, has to submit his or her curriculum to the Programme Coordinator for approval at the beginning of each academic year.

Admission requirements

- The following persons will be considered for admission: a candidate who is in possession of a certificate that is deemed by the University to be equivalent to the required Grade 12 certificate with university endorsement; a candidate who is a graduate from another tertiary institution or has been granted the status of a graduate of such an institution; and a candidate who is a graduate of another faculty at the University of Pretoria.
- Life Orientation is excluded in the calculation of the APS.

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National Benchmark Test website: [click here](#)

Achievement level

**English Home Language or English
First Additional Language**

APS

NSC/IEB

AS Level

4

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25

(23 - 24 admission based on the NBT)

Other programme-specific information

Notes:

- The modules referred to are offered per semester.
- Academic literacy: The following modules must be completed during the first year of study: ALL 110 (not compulsory if the candidate is exempted on the grounds of the NSC-symbol for English) and ALL 120. All students must pass ALL 120 as part of the prescribed curriculum.
- Computer literacy: The following modules must be completed during the first year of study: AIM 101 or AIM 102 (AIM 111 and AIM 121).

- If this programme is followed at a seminary or college (in terms of an agreement between such institution and the University of Pretoria), the semester modules must be presented according to the registration period.
- Certain modules are prerequisites to later modules.
- If a module does not attract enough student registrations to be presented economically, the Dean may decide to withdraw it. Students will be advised in time of such decisions in order to register for an alternative module.
- The timetable of lectures must be consulted.
- A student may, with the consent of the Dean, exceed the number of modules per study year by two semester modules or one year module.

Examinations and pass requirements

Special examinations

See *General Regulations G.12.4 and G.12.6*.

A student who complies with all the requirements for the degree with the exception of a maximum of two semester modules, in each of which a combined mark of at least 40% has been obtained, may be admitted to a special examination in the same modules at the end of the following semester.

Promotion to next study year

(i) To be admitted to the second year of study, a student must pass at least eight semester modules, unless the Dean decides otherwise.

(ii) To be admitted to the third year of study, a student must pass at least 21 semester modules, unless the Dean decides otherwise.

Academic exclusion

The Dean may on recommendation of the relevant faculty committee, exclude a student academically by the cancellation of the registration for that particular year or for the following year, if he or she does not comply with the minimum requirements. One may appeal against academic exclusion.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who obtains an average of 75% (GPA) in all the prescribed modules of the final year provided that not one of the modules had been failed previously and that the programme was completed within the minimum prescribed period.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 120

Electives

A semester module from any faculty must be included if necessary.

Minimum credits to be completed at this level:120.

The list of electives is an example only, students are not limited to these modules but may select two semester modules from **any** faculty, providing that the requirements for the module are met.

Fundamental modules

[Academic information management 101](#) (AIM 101) - Credits: 6.00

[Academic information management 111](#) (AIM 111) - Credits: 4.00

[Academic information management 121](#) (AIM 121) - Credits: 4.00

[Academic literacy 110](#) (ALL 110) - Credits: 6.00

[Academic literacy for Theology 120](#) (ALL 120) - Credits: 6.00

[Academic orientation 105](#) (UPO 105) - Credits: 0.00

Core modules

[The world of the Old Testament 110](#) (BYA 110) - Credits: 10.00

[The world of the New Testament 120](#) (BYA 120) - Credits: 10.00

[Early church 110](#) (CHS 110) - Credits: 10.00

[Introduction to dogmatics and Christian ethics 120](#) (DCE 120) - Credits: 10.00

[Introduction to science of religion and missiology 120](#) (GSW 120) - Credits: 10.00

[Introduction to the New Testament 120](#) (NTW 120) - Credits: 10.00

[Narratives 110](#) (OTW 110) - Credits: 10.00

[Youth ministry and Christian education 110](#) (PTH 110) - Credits: 10.00

[Theological orientation 101](#) (TEO 101) - Credits: 10.00

[Theological orientation 102](#) (TEO 102) - Credits: 10.00

Elective modules

[English 110](#) (ENG 110) - Credits: 12.00

[English 120](#) (ENG 120) - Credits: 12.00

[Philosophy 110](#) (FIL 110) - Credits: 12.00

[Philosophy 120](#) (FIL 120) - Credits: 12.00

[Sociology 110](#) (SOC 110) - Credits: 12.00

[Sociology 120](#) (SOC 120) - Credits: 12.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 135

Core modules

Reformation and post-reformation 210 (CHS 210) - Credits: 10.00

Modern church history 220 (CHS 220) - Credits: 10.00

Community engagement 210 (CYE 210) - Credits: 15.00

Anthropology, Christology and soteriology 210 (DCE 210) - Credits: 10.00

Scriptural authority and Scriptural use 220 (DCE 220) - Credits: 10.00

Key concepts and topics in Science of religion and missiology 210 (GSW 210) - Credits: 10.00

The Christian religion in the Third World 220 (GSW 220) - Credits: 10.00

Studying John 210 (NTW 210) - Credits: 10.00

Studying Luke-Acts 220 (NTW 220) - Credits: 10.00

Exegetical method and the Early Prophets 210 (OTW 210) - Credits: 10.00

Poets and apocalyptic literature 220 (OTW 220) - Credits: 10.00

Pastoral care in context 210 (PTH 210) - Credits: 10.00

Liturgy, homiletics and hymnology 220 (PTH 220) - Credits: 10.00



Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

- Church history in Africa and South Africa 310 (CHS 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Church polity 320 (CHS 320) - Credits: 10.00
- Social ethics, ecclesiology and eschatology 310 (DCE 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Contemporary trends in Systematic Theology 320 (DCE 320) - Credits: 10.00
- Mission in practice 310 (GSW 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Church planting 320 (GSW 320) - Credits: 10.00
- Studying Paul 310 (NTW 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Studying the Deutero-Pauline letters 320 (NTW 320) - Credits: 10.00
- The Pentateuch 310 (OTW 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Selection from the Prophets 320 (OTW 320) - Credits: 10.00
- Deaconate and community development 310 (PTH 310) - Credits: 10.00
- Pastoral counselling 320 (PTH 320) - Credits: 10.00

The information published here is subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information. The [General Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) apply to all faculties of the University of Pretoria. It is expected of students to familiarise themselves well with these regulations as well as with the information contained in the [General Rules](#) section. Ignorance concerning these regulations and rules will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression.