University of Pretoria Yearbook 2020

BDiv (06130005)

Minimum duration of study	4 years
Total credits	480
NQF level	08

Programme information

This programme provides theological training and formation aimed at the needs of churches. It comprises two aspects, namely a general denominational aspect and a specific denominational aspect. The structure of the programme is determined by a balance between the (1) Biblical scientific dimensions, (2) historical and systematic theology and (3) applied dimensions in the field of theology.

The outcome that the programme aims to achieve, is theoretically supported formation aimed at a broad spectrum of ministerial needs. For this purpose certain elements of the programme are presented in partnership with churches that support the programme.

A student who registers for this programme has to submit his or her curriculum to the Dean for approval at the beginning of each 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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Minimum requirements				
Achievement level				
English Home Language or English First Additional Language		**Subjects: 3 additional 20-credit subjects**		**APS**
NSC/IEB	AS Level	NSC/IEB	AS Level	
4	D	4	D	**25**

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 or one year module in each of which a combined mark of at least 40% has been obtained, may be admitted to a special examination in the modules concerned at the end of the following semester.

Promotion to next study year

1. To be admitted to the modules of the second year of study, a student must pass at least seven semester modules unless the Dean decides otherwise.
2. To be admitted to the modules of the third year of study, a student has to pass at least 15 semester modules, including Greek 110 and 120 and Hebrew 110 and 120, unless the Dean decides otherwise.
3. To be admitted to the modules of the fourth year of study, a student has to pass 24 semester modules including Greek 210 and 220 and Hebrew 210 and 220, 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 the next year, if he or she does not comply with the minimum set requirements. You 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 and 75% in the independent study (OST 410), provided that not one of the modules had been failed previously and that the programme was completed within the minimum prescribed period.

General information

Information on 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.

Curriculum: Year 1

Minimum credits: 120

Electives:

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. Credit value may not exceed 24.

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
Greek 110 (GRK 110) - Credits: 12.00
Greek 120 (GRK 120) - Credits: 12.00
Hebrew 110 (HEB 110) - Credits: 12.00
Hebrew 120 (HEB 120) - Credits: 12.00
Theological orientation 101 (TEO 101) - Credits: 10.00
Theological orientation 102 (TEO 102) - Credits: 10.00

Elective modules

Afrikaans 110 (AFR 110) - Credits: 12.00
Afrikaans 120 (AFR 120) - Credits: 12.00
English 110 (ENG 110) - Credits: 12.00
English 120 (ENG 120) - Credits: 12.00
Theory of religion 110 (REL 110) - Credits: 12.00
Kaleidoscope of religions 120 (REL 120) - Credits: 12.00

Curriculum: Year 2

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Early church 110 (CHS 110) - Credits: 10.00
Introduction to dogmatics and Christian ethics 120 (DCE 120) - Credits: 10.00
Greek 210 (GRK 210) - Credits: 16.00
Greek 220 (GRK 220) - Credits: 16.00
Introduction to science of religion and missiology 120 (GSW 120) - Credits: 10.00
Hebrew 210 (HEB 210) - Credits: 16.00
Hebrew 220 (HEB 220) - Credits: 16.00
Introduction to the New Testament 222 (NTW 222) - Credits: 10.00
Narratives 221 (OTW 221) - Credits: 10.00
Youth ministry and Christian education 110 (PTH 110) - Credits: 10.00

Curriculum: Year 3

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Reformation and post-reformation 210 (CHS 210) - Credits: 10.00
Modern church history 220 (CHS 220) - Credits: 10.00
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
Johannine literature 311 (NTW 311) - Credits: 10.00
Lukan literature 321 (NTW 321) - Credits: 10.00
Method of exegesis and the Early Prophets 311 (OTW 311) - Credits: 10.00
Poetical and apocalyptic literature 321 (OTW 321) - Credits: 10.00
Practical formation 310 (PFN 310) - 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

Electives:

Five (5) semester modules from the prescribed list

Core modules

Church history in Africa and South Africa 310 (CHS 310) - Credits: 10.00
Social ethics, ecclesiology and eschatology 310 (DCE 310) - Credits: 10.00
Mission in practice 310 (GSW 310) - Credits: 10.00
Pauline literature 410 (NTW 410) - Credits: 10.00
Independent study 410 (OST 410) - Credits: 30.00
The Pentateuch 410 (OTW 410) - Credits: 10.00
Deaconate and community development 310 (PTH 310) - Credits: 10.00

Elective modules

Church polity 320 (CHS 320) - Credits: 10.00
Contemporary trends in Systematic Theology 320 (DCE 320) - Credits: 10.00
Church planting 320 (GSW 320) - Credits: 10.00
Deutero-Pauline literature 420 (NTW 420) - Credits: 10.00
Prophets 420 (OTW 420) - Credits: 10.00
Pastoral counselling 320 (PTH 320) - Credits: 10.00

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