

University of Pretoria Yearbook 2025

BThHons specialising in Church History and Church Polity (06246022)

Department Systematic and Historical Theology

Minimum duration of study 1 year

Total credits 120

NQF level 08

Programme information

Also refer to General Academic Regulations G16-G29.

The purpose of this programme is to provide qualifying students the opportunity to obtain specialised knowledge, skills and applied competence on a first postgraduate level in a particular field or fields of Theology.

The BAHons is conferred on a student if the student has complied with the following minimum period of study: One academic year after the qualification has been obtained by virtue of which admission to the study has been granted.

Admission requirements

1. Bachelor of Theology (or equivalent) degree
or
Diploma in Theology (completed at UP)
or
Relevant three-year diploma in Theology (not completed at UP)
and
One-year programme with the Centre for Contextual Ministry with a 65% weighted average
2. A weighted average of at least 65% at final-year level

Examinations and pass requirements

Examination regulations applicable to honours degrees in the faculty

A student may not sit for an examination for the honours degree more than twice in the same module, subject to exceptions approved by the Dean, on the recommendation of the relevant head of department. A percentage mark is given provided that the pass mark is at least 50%.

Pass with distinction

The degree is conferred with distinction on a student who obtains a weighted average (GPA) of 75% (not rounded), including a final mark of 75% and higher for the research component, provided not one of the modules had been failed previously and that the programme was completed within the minimum prescribed period.

Curriculum: Final year

Minimum credits: 120

Core modules

Research report: Church history and church polity 710 (KGS 710)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Systematic and Historical Theology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Research module. Fundamental component: orientation, research methodology. Essay.

Church history and church polity 720 (KGS 720)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Systematic and Historical Theology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Core module. Early Church.

Church history and church polity 730 (KGS 730)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Systematic and Historical Theology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Core module. Reformation and Post-Reformation.

Church history and church polity 740 (KGS 740)

Module credits	30.00
NQF Level	08
Prerequisites	No prerequisites.
Contact time	1 lecture per week
Language of tuition	Module is presented in English
Department	Systematic and Historical Theology
Period of presentation	Year

Module content

Core module: specialisation. Selected theme relating to African or South African Church history.

General Academic Regulations and Student Rules

The [General Academic Regulations \(G Regulations\)](#) and [General Student Rules](#) apply to all faculties and registered students of the University, as well as all prospective students who have accepted an offer of a place at the University of Pretoria. On registering for a programme, the student bears the responsibility of ensuring that they familiarise themselves with the General Academic Regulations applicable to their registration, as well as the relevant faculty-specific and programme-specific regulations and information as stipulated in the relevant yearbook. Ignorance concerning these regulations will not be accepted as an excuse for any transgression, or basis for an exception to any of the aforementioned regulations. The G Regulations are updated annually and may be amended after the publication of this information.

Regulations, degree requirements and information

The faculty regulations, information on and requirements for the degrees published here are subject to change and may be amended after the publication of this information.

University of Pretoria Programme Qualification Mix (PQM) verification project

The higher education sector has undergone an extensive alignment to the Higher Education Qualification Sub-Framework (HEQSF) across all institutions in South Africa. In order to comply with the HEQSF, all institutions are legally required to participate in a national initiative led by regulatory bodies such as the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), the Council on Higher Education (CHE), and the South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA). The University of Pretoria is presently engaged in an ongoing effort to align its qualifications and programmes with the HEQSF criteria. Current and prospective students should take note that changes to UP qualification and programme names, may occur as a result of the HEQSF initiative. Students are advised to contact their faculties if they have any questions.