

GRADUATE STUDIES

DOCTORATE IN THEOLOGY (ECCLESIASTICAL
PROGRAMS)

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Degree Requirements

Master of Arts with Major Research Paper

A) All concentrations with the exception of Eastern Christian Studies

The MA(Th) degree consists of 27 credits (7 courses and a research paper 6cr.).

Seven courses as follows:

Four Foundation courses:

1 course from the following:

- » THO6310 THEOLOGICAL HERMENEUTICS (3cr.)
- » THO6354 RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE (3cr.)
- » THO6355 THEOLOGY AND CULTURE (3cr.)

1 course from the following:

- » THO6317 THE FORMATION OF THE BIBLICAL TEXT (3cr.)
- » THO6318 THE INTERPRETATION OF BIBLICAL TEXTS (3cr.)

1 course from the following:

- » THO6333 METHODS AND APPROACHES IN CONTEMPORARY ETHICS (3cr.)
- » THO6334 ISSUES AND DEBATES IN CONTEMPORARY ETHICS (3cr.)

1 course from the following:

- » THO6354 RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE (3cr.)
- » THO6358 SPIRITUALITY: METHODS; RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE HUMAN SCIENCES (3cr.)
- » THO6359 COMPARATIVE STUDY OF SPIRITUAL TRADITIONS (3cr.)

One methodology course (THO6399 Methodologies in Theology, 3cr.)

Two courses to be chosen in consultation with the student's research director (who will be from the student's chosen concentration) and with the director of Graduate Studies from:

- » the other THO courses above
- » graduate courses offered by the Faculties of Canon Law, Human Sciences, Philosophy (Saint Paul University)
- » courses offered in the context of the MPTh programme (Faculty of Theology)
- » graduate courses offered in the University of Ottawa.

THO6998 Mémoire / Research Paper (6cr.)

Students are required by the end of the program to demonstrate competency in at least one modern or ancient language as required for research in their field. In the case of modern languages, students will be evaluated for reading and oral comprehension; in the case of ancient languages, students will be evaluated for reading comprehension only. (Anglophone students intending to apply for admission to the PhD program of the Faculty are encouraged to ensure that they have passive competency in French by the end of their MA program.)

B) Eastern Christian Studies

Consists of: 27 credits - 6 courses, synthesis exam (3cr.), research paper (6cr.)

Two foundation courses (6 credits) from:

- » THO6375 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6376 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY (3cr.)
- » THO6377 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN LITURGICAL HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6382 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6388 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN LITURGICAL THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6397 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EAST-WEST ECUMENISM (3cr.)

One methodology course (THO6378 Resources and Methods for the Study of Eastern Christianity, 3cr.)

Two other courses (6 credits) from the following:

- » THO6352 STUDIES IN EASTERN CHRISTIANITY (3cr.)
- » THO6379 ISSUES IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN HERMENEUTICS & EXEGESIS (3cr.)
- » THO6380 PATRISTIC THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6381 CONTEMPORARY EASTERN THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6382 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6387 ISSUES IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN LITURGICAL HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6392 THE HISTORY OF EASTERN CHRISTIAN INSTITUTIONS, MOVEMENTS, PERSONS (3cr.)
- » THO6393 METHODOLOGICAL ISSUES IN EASTERN CHURCH HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6398 INTER-RELIGIOUS ISSUES AND THE CHRISTIAN EAST (3cr.)

Or, from the following Foundational courses that have not been taken under (1) above:

- » THO6375 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN CHURCH HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6376 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY (3cr.)
- » THO6377 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN LITURGICAL HISTORY (3cr.)
- » THO6382 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6388 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EASTERN CHRISTIAN LITURGICAL THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO6397 FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS IN EAST-WEST ECUMENISM (3cr.)

One course from outside the concentration (3cr.)

THO6998 Mémoire / Research Paper (6cr.)

THO6997 Examen de synthèse de M.A. en christianisme oriental / MA Synthesis Examination in Eastern Christian Studies (3cr.)

Master of Arts with Thesis

The MA(Th) degree consists of 5 courses (15 credits) and a thesis.

A) All concentrations with the exception of Eastern Christian Studies

Five courses as follows:

Four Foundation courses:

1 course from the following:

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- » THO6354 RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE (3cr.)
- » THO6355 THEOLOGY AND CULTURE (3cr.)

1 course from the following:

- » THO6317 THE FORMATION OF THE BIBLICAL TEXT (3cr.)
- » THO6318 THE INTERPRETATION OF BIBLICAL TEXTS (3cr.)

1 course from the following:

- » THO6333 METHODS AND APPROACHES IN CONTEMPORARY ETHICS (3cr.)
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1 course from the following:

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- » THO6359 COMPARATIVE STUDY OF SPIRITUAL TRADITIONS (3cr.)

One methodology course (THO6399 Methodologies in Theology, 3cr.)

THO7999 MA Thesis (cr.)

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B) Eastern Christian Studies

The thesis option is not offered in this concentration.

Master of Pastoral Theology

The MPTh is a 30-credit program composed of the following elements:

Six academic courses (18 credits):

three foundational courses (9 credits):

- » THO5301 PASTORAL THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » IPA5321 PASTORAL MINISTRY AND PSYCHOLOGY (3cr.)
- » IPA5322 PASTORAL MINISTRY AND SOCIOLOGY (3cr.)

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two courses (6 credits) to be chosen from:

- » THO5302 CATECHETICAL PASTORAL THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » THO5303 LITURGICAL PASTORAL THEOLOGY (3cr.)
- » DCA5310 CHURCH LAW AND PASTORAL MINISTRY (3cr.)
- » THO5304 CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY IN ITS SOCIAL DIMENSION (3cr.)
- » THO5305 CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY AND ITS DEVELOPMENT (3cr.)

one elective (3 credits) to be chosen from:

- » the previous list
- » THO5307 STUDIES IN PASTORAL PRACTICE I (3cr.) or THO5308 STUDIES IN PASTORAL PRACTICE II (3cr.)
- » any other course which, in the judgment of the Faculty, fulfils the objectives of the program.

Students may propose any course which they consider relevant to their particular future ministry. Given the present context of the Church, the following areas are particularly suggested: spiritual direction, basic counselling skills, ecumenical ministry, mission and new evangelization.

Two practicums (12 crédits):

- » IPA5481 PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY PRACTICUM I (6cr.)
- » IPA5482 PROFESSIONAL MINISTRY PRACTICUM II (6cr.)

Minimum Standards

The passing grade in all courses is C+. Students who fail two courses (equivalent to 6 credits) must withdraw from the program.

Duration of the Program

Students are expected to fulfill all requirements within two years. The maximum time permitted is four years from the date of initial registration in the program.

Fast-track from MA to PhD program

Students enrolled in the MA program may be allowed to transfer to the PhD program without being required to write a master's thesis provided they meet the following conditions:

- » Achievement of an A- average in the last two years of undergraduate studies;
- » Completion of at least four graduate courses (12 credits) with a grade of A- or better in each;
- » Satisfactory progress in the thesis program;
- » Written recommendation by the supervisor;
- » Approval by the graduate studies committee.

The student must request permission to fast-track during the fourth session of registration or earlier and must register in the PhD in the fifth session at the latest. Following the transfer, all of the requirements of the doctoral program must be met.

Transfer from MA with thesis to MA with research paper

Students in either the MA (with thesis) or MA (with research paper) may transfer between the two options and qualify for the MA as long as all degree requirements are completed.

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