



Information on Course Enrolment

for students of the English Protestant Theology Programme, who began their studies in 2025/26

2nd year of study – Academic Year 2026/27

Compulsory courses for the 2nd year will be registered for students by the Study Department; students therefore do not need to arrange registration for these courses themselves.

Students only need to enrol in **elective** and **optional courses** themselves.

The selection of elective courses in the 2nd year includes:

Group 1: Elective language

Students already have **Greek**, so they will continue with it. However, they may also add **Hebrew**, which will then count as an optional course.

Group 2: Elective seminars

Students choose three seminars out of four: Old Testament, New Testament, Church History, and Practical Theology. Since they are taking Greek, it is strongly recommended that they choose the New Testament seminar.

Group 4: Comprehensive examinations

Students may already take comprehensive examinations at the end of the 2nd year.

In total, students must pass **six examinations out of eight disciplines** during the 2nd and 3rd years: Old Testament, New Testament, Church History, Systematic Theology, Theological Ethics, Practical Theology, Philosophy, and Religious Studies.

The **remaining two disciplines** — the discipline of the bachelor's thesis and one other discipline of the student's choice — will then be examined as part of the **final state examination**.

The **prerequisite** for taking a comprehensive examination is the completion of the compulsory courses in the relevant field. Completion of the seminar in the field of the exam is not required, although taking the examination after completing the relevant seminar may be advantageous.

Optional courses

Over the course of their studies, students must earn **20 ECTS credits from optional courses**, which broaden the compulsory theoretical foundation according to the student's interests.

Students may register for any courses taught at the Protestant Theological Faculty, or at other faculties.

If students register for a course from the elective course offer beyond the required number of elective courses, that course will also count as an optional course.

Outlook for the 3rd year of study – Academic Year 2027/28

Compulsory courses for the 3rd year will be registered for students by the Study Department; students therefore do not need to arrange registration for these courses themselves.

Compulsory courses will include two courses: Practical Theology: Liturgy and Preaching; Practical Theology: Pastoral Care and Christian Education.

Students only need to enrol in **elective** and **optional courses** themselves.

If a student enrolled in **Hebrew** as an optional course in addition to Greek in the 2nd year, they may continue with it by enrolling in Biblical Hebrew 3 and Reading in Biblical Hebrew.

The selection of elective courses in the 3rd year includes:

Group 3: Elective seminars

Students choose three seminars out of four: Philosophy, Religious Studies, Systematic Theology, and Theological Ethics.

Group 4: Comprehensive examinations

Students should take the **remaining comprehensive examinations** required to complete the total of six during the 3rd year.

Bachelor's thesis

The bachelor's thesis must be registered no later than the end of November in the year in which students are expected to complete their studies, i.e. **by the end of November 2027**.

Students should first contact the teacher they have chosen with a proposed thesis topic and agree with them on thesis supervision.

The topic must fall within, or be related to, one of the areas covered by the study programme Protestant theology.

Final State Examination

The discipline of the bachelor's thesis and one other discipline of the student's choice will be examined as part of the final state examination.

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