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# Doctoral studies

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## Postgraduate doctoral studies in Czech or English

Postgraduate doctoral studies at the Protestant Theological Faculty are offered in one of the following four fields: Biblical Theology; Historical and Systematic Theology; Practical and Ecumenical Theology and Theological Ethics; and Philosophy of Religion. Doctoral programmes can be studied in either Czech or English.

The programme is open to those who have graduated from a university or other institute of higher education with a master's degree in Protestant Theology (or a related discipline) and have given proof of their academic abilities. Applicants also need to have passed examinations in at least one of the languages important for European theology, other than their mother tongue (i. e. German, English, French, Italian, or Spanish).

Postgraduate doctoral studies consist of research activity leading towards a written dissertation, broadening and deepening the student's knowledge in the field of study, and mastering the techniques of academic work. Students are also required to attend certain lectures, seminars or convocations, pass an examination in a second language, write various papers, reviews, or literature searches, pass three examinations in theological disciplines, and publish articles in specialist journals. The individual study plan is worked out together with the student's supervisor. Students who fulfil these requirements, and successfully submit and defend their dissertation, are awarded the title of Ph.D. by Charles University.

The normal length of postgraduate doctoral studies is four years. The maximum duration of the studies is nine years. There are no tuition fees for students who are studying in Czech. Tuition fees for students studying in other languages are currently 25 000 (Czech crowns) per academic year - please note that these tuition fees are valid for the academic year 2020/2021.

From the academic year 2021/2022 tuition fees for students studying in other languages will be 500 EUR per academic year.

## Application procedure

Potential applicants should first contact the appropriate [Head of Department](#) for the field in which they wish to write their dissertation, giving details of the topic for the dissertation and the language they will study in. The Department will then consider if there is an appropriate person available to act as a supervisor. If so, and if possible in consultation with the prospective supervisor, the applicant should submit a written application including the following:

- [on-line APPLICATION](#)
- curriculum vitae including a detailed description of theological studies undertaken so far
- certified copy of Master's degree
- if possible recommendation from a previous academic supervisor or teacher
- an outline of the proposed dissertation project, including the topic, field, methods and aim of the research (2-3 pages)

Please read full details of [the APPLICATION procedure HERE](#)

There are two intakes of doctoral students each year, in October and in March.

For doctoral students starting their studies on **1 October**, deadlines for submitting applications are **30 April or 31 July** (for supplementary admissions procedure) each year. Entrance examinations then take place **in June or in September**, consisting of an interview with members of the Faculty's Inter-Disciplinary Council for Postgraduate Studies, in which the applicant defends the outline of his or her proposed dissertation project. Tuition fees valid for the academic year 2020/2021 are 25 000 CZK (Czech crowns) per academic year.

From the academic year 2021/2022 tuition fees will be 500 EUR per academic year.

For doctoral students starting their studies on **1 March**, the deadline for submitting applications is **31 December** of the previous year, with entrance examinations taking place **in January**. Tuition fees for students studying in other languages and starting to study on 1 March are currently 12 500 CZK (Czech crowns) for the first semester of their studies, then tuition fees are 25 000 CZK (Czech crowns) per academic year - please note that these tuition fees are valid for the academic year 2020/2021!

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## **PhD Scholarship in Hebrew Bible 2020--2022**

In the framework of the project: 'Textuality in the Second Temple Judaism: Composition, Function, and Transmission of Texts' a PhD scholarship is offered for 2 academic years (October 2020 -- September 2022).

### **Further information**

If you have further question about doctoral studies or the admissions procedure, please contact the Vice-Dean for Research and Doctoral Studies at [this address](#) or the Administrative Officer for Doctoral Students at [this address](#)

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