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### Studies at the Protestant Theological Faculty of CU:

- » Are open to all those who are interested, regardless of their religious or church background.
- » Offer an open academic environment.
- » Have a clear Protestant profile in the broader context of the other theological and religious traditions of the past and the present.
- » Have available a library with the most extensive collection of theological literature in the Czech Republic.
- » Take place on either a full-time or a part-time basis.



The Protestant Theological Faculty was founded in 1919 as an independent institute of higher education. It was not permitted to be incorporated into Charles University until 1990. Since 1995 it has been based in the Marathon Palace in Černá Street in Prague 1.

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The Protestant Theological Faculty of Charles University (PTF CU) offers studies in Protestant Theology at Bachelor's and Master's level, and also in some of its doctoral programmes. The study programme is open to all who are interested, regardless of their religious background. It is possible to study either full-time or part-time, and some courses are offered in the form of distance studies. In addition to basic programmes taught in Czech, PTF also offers courses and study programmes taught in other languages, especially English.

#### The study programme

The three-year Bachelor's programme followed by the two-year Master's programme aims at a comprehensive interpretation of Christianity from the viewpoint of Protestant theology.

The basic elements of the study programme are:

- » Biblical study of the Old and New Testaments (including biblical Hebrew and Greek)
- » Historical theology (including Latin as the language of European scholarship)
- » Reflection on Christian thought (systematic theology and theological ethics)
- » Reflection on the specific forms of Christian practice in the churches (practical theology)
- » All of this in a broader philosophical and religious context (philosophy and religious studies)



## Fields in which graduates can use their studies

The primary aim of the Bachelor's programme is to prepare students for a Master's study programme in Protestant Theology or a related field. However, graduates can also go on to work, particularly in professions where a basic specialist knowledge of religious and theological issues is a welcome qualification, for example in educational, cultural, or humanitarian fields, in nongovernmental organisations, or in the media. Graduates of the Master's programme are sufficiently qualified and equipped in theology to be a candidate for the ministry in one of the Protestant churches. They can also use their studies in catechetical, educational, and pastoral work (for example in the prison service, the army, or the health service), in the social and cultural sphere (such as the media), in academic work in theological and religious disciplines, and also in public administration or the non-governmental sector in fields focusing on work with people and requiring an education in the humanities.

#### Doctoral studies

PTF offers four fields of postgraduate doctoral studies leading to the title of Ph.D.:

- » Biblical theology
- » Historical and systematic theology
- » Practical and ecumenical theology and theological ethics
- » Philosophy of religion

#### International relations

PTF maintains long-standing contacts with many theological faculties in other countries, mainly in Europe, but also in the USA. It participates in the Erasmus programme. Its students have the opportunity to spend a year or a semester studying abroad, for example in Berlin, Bonn, Heidelberg, Leipzig, Bern, Vienna, Paris, Durham, London, Leeds, Helsinki, Amsterdam, Leuven, Budapest, Bratislava, or Columbia Theological Seminary. Every year a number of international exchange students from different countries also study at PTF.