



2024 Master of Theological Studies (first theology award)

Structure for a first theology award, with a missions focus

Unit Selection Guide

16 units = 192 credit points (12cps each)

All units at AQF level 8 and above, including a minimum of 60cps at level 9 and a project or capstone unit.

Allowed time for completion = 2 to 8 years

Graduates of BMin or BTh granted 48cps block credit

Graduates of AQF level 8 or 9 award granted up to 96cps block credit

2024 cost per unit = \$2976

Semester 1 Start date: Monday 5 February

Semester 2 Start date: Monday 15 July

| Unit Code | Unit Title | Sem | Delivery Mode | Delivery Location | Delivery Slot | Pre/corequisites |
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| 6 foundational units | | | | | | |
| OT001-812 | Old Testament Foundations | S1 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Evening | |
| OT002-812 | Old Testament Prophets and Writings | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Evening | |
| NT001-812 | Jesus and the Gospels | S1 S1 | Semester Intensive (Apr 15-19) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| NT002-812 | The Early New Testament Church | S2 S2 | Semester Intensive (Sep 30-Oct 4) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| CH001-812 | Christianity in History to 1550 | S1 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| CH002-812 | Christianity in History from 1550 | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| 2 Theology units | | | | | | |
| TH001-812 w TH206-912 | Knowledge of God | S1 | Semester Intensive (Sep 30-Oct 4) | On-Campus | Day | 24cps OT/NT |
| TH002-812 w TH206-912 | Doctrine of God, Work of Christ | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | 24cps OT/NT |
| TH103-812 w TH205-912 & TH206-912 | Doctrines of Grace and Eschatology | S2 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | 24cps OT/NT |
| TH104-812 w TH205-912 & TH206-912 | The Church and its Ministry | S1 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | 24cps OT/NT |
| 1 Old Testament exegesis units | | | | | | |
| OT008-812 w OT206-912 | The Pentateuch (English) | S1 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | OT001 |
| OT042-8/912 | Interpreting Samuel for Today (English) | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | 24cps OT |
| OT***-812 w OT206-912 | 1 & 2 Chronicles (English) | S1 | Intensive (Apr 15-19) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | OT001 |
| 1 New Testament exegesis units | | | | | | |
| NT008-812 | The Synoptic Gospels (English) | S2 | - | Next available in 2025 | | NT001 |
| NT016-812 | The Fourth Gospel (English) | S1 | - | Next available in 2025 | | NT001 |
| NT018-812 w NT206-912 | Pauline Theology & Romans (English) | S1 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Evening | NT002 |
| NT024-812 w NT206-912 | Other Writings (English) | S2 | Semester | On-Campus, Off-Campus | Day | NT002 |
| 5 elective units - with at least one EM0**-812 unit, including any unit from the list above | | | | | | |
| EM017-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | Spiritual Formation for Cross-Cultural Settings | S1 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |

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| PC076-812 w PC205-912 & PC206-912 | Personal and Spiritual Formation for Christian Ministry | S1 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| BB202-8/912 | Bible in Context - Israel and Jordan | S1 | Intensive (Jun 28-Jul 13) | On-Campus | | 12cps NT/OT/BB |
| DE014-812 w DE206-912 | Chaplaincy in Educational Settings | S1 | Intensive (Jan 8-12) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| EM008-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | Cross-Cultural Communication | S1 | Semester | Off-campus, On-Campus | Evening | |
| EM014-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | Teaching in Intercultural Settings | S2 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| EM021-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | Living Faiths | S2 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| EM025-812 | Applied Evangelism | S1 | - | Next available in 2025 | | |
| EM026-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | Church Planting (Cross-Cultural) | S2 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| EM040-812 w EM206-912 | Cross-Cultural Field Education | S1 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| EM060-812 w EM205-912 & EM206-912 | God's Mission and the Local Church | S2 | Semester | On-Campus, Off-Campus | Day | |
| EM033-8/912 | The Gospel, Cultural Anthropology and Ethnographic Methods | S2 | Distance | Online | Day | |
| EM039-8/912 | Making Disciples Across Cultures | S2 | Distance | Next available in 2025 | Day | |
| EM049-8/912 | Ministry in Culturally Diverse Teams | S1 | Distance | Online | Day | |
| EM052-8/912 | Contextualisation of Theology and Ministry Practice | S1 | Distance | Next available in 2025 | Day | |
| PC003-812 w PC206-912 | Pastoral Skills and Methods | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Evening | |
| PC073-8/912 w PC205-912 & PC206-912 | Self-care and Resilience in Ministry | S2 | Intensive (July 8-12) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| PC126-812 | Expository Preaching: An Introduction | S1 | Semester | On-Campus | Day | |
| PC048-812 w PC206-912 | Preaching II | S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | PC047 |
| PC***-812 w PC206-912 | Evangelistic Preaching | S2 | Intensive (Aug 26-30) | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| PC115-8/12 | Advanced Preaching Workshop A | S1 | Intensive | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| PC116-8/12 | Advanced Preaching Workshop B | S2 | Intensive | Off-Campus, On-Campus | Day | |
| **200-912 | 12cp Project 7000wd (EM, PC, DE) | S1 S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | | AS001-8/912 |
| **200-924 | 24cp Project 12000wd (EM, PC, DE) | S1 S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | | AS001-8/912 |
| **200-936 | 36cp Project 16000wd (EM, PC, DE) | S1 S2 | Semester | Off-Campus, On-Campus | | AS001-8/912 |
| 1 elective unit from below, or a unit that has not been completed from above | | | | | | |
| AS001-8/912 | Introduction to Research Methods | S1 | Semester | Blended | Day | |
| PE001-812 | Christian Ethics | S1 | Semester | On-Campus, Off-Campus | Day | |

Additional unit and mode information can be found here: <https://www.smbc.edu.au/study/units>

Unit times can be found on the timetable. Visit <https://www.smbc.edu.au/resources/timetables>

Existing students can find course progression advice here: <https://w4.smbc.edu.au/course/view.php?id=1520>

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