

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for professional doctorates](#).

DOCTOR OF THEOLOGY AND MINISTRY (V6A282)

1. Location: Durham City.
2. Duration: full-time (36 months), part-time (72 months).

Admissions

3. Admissions criteria:
 - a. Candidates proceeding by full-time study must normally have at least two years of recent Christian ministerial experience.
 - b. Candidates must normally have successfully completed a master's degree in Theology and Religious Studies or a related subject.

Programme Structure: Year 1 (full-time); Years 1-2 year (part-time)

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

List A:		Credit value
Practical Theology: Engagement and Evaluation #	THEO42530	30
Social Scientific Methods in the Study of Religion #	THEO41330	30
Practical Theology: Advanced Research Methods	THEO50190	90
Practical Theology: Context, Practice and Methodology # \$	THEO42330	30

Programme Structure: Years 2-3 (full-time); Years 3-6 year (part-time)

5. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules:

List B:	Credit value
Doctoral Thesis (70,000 words)	360

Assessment, progression and award

6. Modules marked with # must be passed with a mark of 50% or greater. These modules cannot be compensated. Students who have previously studied any module marked with \$, or M401/[THMN40130](#) from the MA in Theology and Ministry Programme validated by the University, or an equivalent module, must take either Practical Theology: Supervised Independent Study ([THEO42230](#)) or modules to the value of 30 credits from the [MA in Theology and Ministry](#) instead.
7. Before proceeding to the doctoral thesis stage, candidates are required to have passed all taught modules in the taught phase. At the end of the taught phase candidates will have preliminary registration on the Thesis while awaiting confirmation of results by the Board of Examiners. Only on the successful completion of all 4 taught modules will the registration be confirmed.
8. If the Level 5 taught module [THEO50190](#) is failed or if the candidate chooses not to proceed to the doctoral thesis stage, the candidate may be re-registered for the module at Level 4 ([THEO40190](#)) and the work assessed against the outcomes for this module and awarded a mark in accordance with the Core Regulations for Professional Doctorates. In cases where the Board of Examiners deems the module to have been passed at Level 4, the candidate will be allowed to exit the programme with an award, as described in paragraph 12.
9. Candidates who have completed at least 30 months of full-time study or 60 months of part-time study) may, with the support of their supervisory team and the Director of Postgraduates, seek a concession to submit early from the relevant Chair of Faculty Education Committee.
10. Candidates may leave the programme with a named lower award subject to the following restrictions:

- a. MA in Practical Theology (V6K207): candidates must obtain a mark of 50% or more in 180 credits;
- b. Postgraduate Diploma in Practical Theology (V6K212): candidates must obtain a mark of 50% or more in at least 120 credits
- c. Postgraduate Certificate in Practical Theology (V6K214): candidates must obtain a mark of 50% or more in at least 60 credits.