

These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's [core regulations for undergraduate programmes](#), and the [marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes](#).

BA THEOLOGY AND RELIGION (V614)

BA THEOLOGY AND RELIGION (With Year Abroad) (V615)

BA THEOLOGY AND RELIGION (With Placement Year) (V620)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in full-time and part-time modes of study.

Level 1 (Certificate)

2. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following modules to the value of 80 credits:

		Credit value
Worldview, Faith and Identity	THEO1131	20
Introduction to the History of Christianity	THEO1171	20
Introduction to Christian Theology	THEO1191	20
Introduction to the Bible: Texts, History and Culture	THEO1931	20

3. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List A:

List A:		Credit value
Biblical Hebrew	THEO1151	20
New Testament Greek	THEO1161	20
God and Evil*	THEO1901	20
God and the Good: Philosophy of Religion and Ethics	THEO1921	20
Islam Observed: Ethnographic Accounts of Muslim Practice	THEO1951	20
Sources of The Self	LIBA1011	20
Level 1 modules offered by other Boards of Studies up to the value of 20 credits (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study).		

Level 2 (Diploma)

4. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List B:

List B:		Credit value
Literature and Theology of the Old Testament	THEO2011	20
New Testament Theology	THEO2051	20
Death, Ritual and Belief	THEO2231	20
Creation and New Creation: Imaging God	THEO2241	20
Atheism, Belief and the Edge of Reason	THEO2361	20
Topics in Christian Ethics	THEO2381	20
Christ and the Human Mystery: Imaging God*	THEO2401	20
Research Project and Colloquium in Theology and Religion	THEO2461	20
The Reformation and its Legacy*	THEO2511	20
Medieval Theology and Spirituality	THEO2521	20
Sects, Prophets and Gurus*	THEO2531	20

5. Candidates shall also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 60 credits from List C:

List C:		Credit value
Syriac	THEO2061	20
Hebrew Prose Texts	THEO2171	20
Reading the New Testament in Greek	THEO2271	20
Science and Theology: Exploring the Interface*	THEO2291	20
Religion in Contemporary Britain*	THEO2321	20
Early Christian Doctrine: Trinity and Christology	THEO2391	20
Myth and Meaning: The Structural Analysis of Mythology*	THEO2451	20

Catholic Theology in the Modern World	THEO2491	20
Sacred India: Land, Politics and Identity*	THEO2501	20
Jewish Religion in Antiquity: Belief Systems, Ethics, Political Conflicts	THEO2541	20
Create, Image, Enact: Christian Theology and the Arts*	THEO2551	20
Augustine of Hippo*	THEO2561	20
Faith, Identity and Power in Latin America*	THEO2571	20
The Thought of St Bonaventure*	THEO2591	20
Emotion, Religion and Identity*	THEO2601	20
Issues in Old Testament Study*	THEO2611	20
Decolonising the Bible	THEO2641	20
Biblical Hebrew*	THEO2651	20
Religious Diversity in European Society	THEO2661	20
The Historical Jesus*	THEO2671	20
Theology and Comedy	THEO2681	20
Geez (Old Ethiopian)*	THEO2691	20
Modules from List B for which candidates have not previously registered		
Modules offered by other Boards of Studies up to the value of 40 credits (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study)		

Year 3 (Year abroad)

6. Students admitted to the BA Theology and Religion (V614) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) programme (V615).
7. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614) and progressed to Level 2 of the programme; and
 - b. during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Theology and Religion to be admitted to the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615) and have their application approved by the Chair of the Board of Studies; and
 - c. secure an international placement abroad/year abroad opportunity, agreed with the Department Exchange Co-ordinator; and
 - d. successfully complete Level 2 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614).
8. Students undertaking the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615) will undertake an approved study placement in an overseas university taking a course of study chosen in consultation with the programme director and the host institution. During this year, at least half of the modules taken at the host university must be in Theology and Religion.
9. During the year abroad students will be assessed at module level by the host University. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615).
10. Students whom the Board of Examiners for the Department of Theology and Religion deem to have made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will continue to Level 3 of the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on the BA Theology and Religion (with Year Abroad) (V615) programme, but must instead proceed to Level 3 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614) programme.

Year 3 (Placement)

11. Students admitted to the BA Theology and Religion (V614) are able to apply to transfer to the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) programme (V620). Students taking the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) (V620) will undertake an approved placement in a UK or overseas organisation consisting of at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience. Following the placement year, students will be required to successfully complete a placement assessment as agreed by the Department, to determine whether the programme learning

outcomes have been met. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) (V620). If a student fails, they will transfer to the BA Theology and Religion (V614) programme.

12. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) (V620) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614) and progressed to Level 2 of the programme; and
 - b. during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of Theology to be admitted to the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement) (V620) and have their application approved by the Chair of the Board of Studies; and
 - c. secure a placement / year abroad opportunity comprising at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience, agreed with the Departmental Placement Year Convenor and Faculty Placement Officer; and
 - d. successfully complete Level 2 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA Theology and Religion (V614).
13. Students whom the Board of Examiners for the Department of Theology deem to have fulfilled the programme learning outcomes and who successfully pass the placement assessment will continue to Level 3 of the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) (V620). Students who fail will not be permitted to continue on the BA Theology and Religion (with Placement Year) (V620) programme, but must instead proceed to the final year of the BA Theology and Religion programme (V614).

Level 3 (Degree)

14. Candidates shall study and be assessed in the following module to the value of 40 credits:

Dissertation	THEO3232	Credit value 40
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15. Candidates shall study and be assessed in modules to the value of 80 credits from List D.

List D :		Credit value
Aramaic*	THEO3031	20
Biblical Theology*	THEO3041	20
Advanced Greek Texts	THEO3051	20
Issues in Old Testament Studies	THEO3291	20
The New Testament and Christian Ethics*	THEO3341	20
The First Urban Churches*	THEO3391	20
Religion and Film	THEO3441	20
Emotion and Identity in Religion*	THEO3461	20
Christian Fundamentalism and the Modern World*	THEO3501	20
The Postmodern God*	THEO3511	20
Christian Tradition and the Practice of Politics*	THEO3581	20
John and the Archheretics: The Gospel of John, the Letters of John and the Origins of Gnosticism (in Greek)*	THEO3591	20
Religious Diversity in African Contexts	THEO3661	20
Thomas Aquinas: Background, Context and Legacy*	THEO3691	20
Religion, Media and Popular Culture*	THEO3701	20
Picturing Biblical Texts*	THEO3711	20
The Globalisation of Christianity*	THEO3721	20
Theology, Nature, Environment	THEO3731	20
Faith and the Experience of War: Byzantium and Eastern Orthodoxy	THEO3741	20
Medieval Theology and Spirituality	THEO3751	20
The Reformation and Its Legacy*	THEO3761	20
Competing Gospels: Jesus inside and outside the Canon	THEO3771	20
Performative Theology	THEO3781	20
The Cross of Christ*	THEO3791	20

The Thought of St Bonaventure*	THEO3801	20
Tractarians and Modernists – Catholic Retrievals*	THEO3811	20
Sacred India*	THEO3821	20
Making Christians in the Early Church	THEO3911	20
Queer Theology	THEO3921	20
Modules offered by other Boards of Studies up to the value of 40 credits (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study)		

Assessment, progression and award

16. Modules marked * are not available in 2023/2024.
17. Students may take up to a maximum of 40 credits from other Boards of Studies over Level 2 and Level 3 together.