

BA401 Learning Theologically Together

This module develops participants' awareness of diverse contexts and the impact of this on the method, content and interpretation of theology in Christian discipleship. Participants will draw on established methods of doing theology, to develop theological reflection individually and collaboratively, taking account of their own and other contexts.

BA402 Introduction to Biblical Studies

This unit provides an introduction to the key skills needed for studying the Bible and interpreting biblical texts for today. A range of methodological approaches is explored focusing on two exemplar texts, one from each Testament – typically, the Book of Genesis and the Gospel of Mark.

BA403 Growing Relationships with God

This module will deepen participants' awareness of the resources available to develop patterns of prayer and public worship necessary for them to sustain themselves and to enable others to grow appropriately in relationship with God.

BA405 Introduction to Mission Studies

This module will introduce participants to some the foundational issues in the study of mission. It will help them to begin to develop their own contextual understanding of mission.

BA406A Reflecting on Liturgy and Worship

This module helps participants explore and develop their understanding, knowledge and practice of designing and leading public Christian worship and preaching in a practical and pastoral context.

BA406B Introduction to Pastoral Care

This module will provide an introduction to the practice of pastoral care from a Christian perspective. It will help to establish core skills and provide an opportunity to reflect on current practice.

BA407 New Testament Greek

Rigorous and critical study and interpretation of sacred texts is helped considerably by the ability to understand the original languages in which the texts were written. In this module participants have the opportunity to gain initial understanding of New Testament Greek. Participants will be provided with an overview of the main features of the language, and with more detailed information about the basic grammatical forms and constructions, and given skills to help them make use of the secondary resources available in the detailed study of scriptural texts.

BA408 Biblical Hebrew for Exegesis

This unit provides an introduction to the basics of Biblical Hebrew for the purposes of enhanced appreciation, understanding and interpretation of biblical texts.

BA410(CW) Introducing Reflective Practice A

This is a guided placement module. The taught sessions of the module will begin by introducing participants to the reasons for, and what is expected from, a placement and how to adequately record the experience. The module will also look at the art of reflection, looking particularly at community and situation analysis and how to relate that analysis to theological reflection.

BA411(CW) Communication in Text and Community A

Using a liberation theology methodology and socio-political readings of the biblical text, this module will use the Book of Acts to explore communication theory. It will reflect on the importance of positive communication skills in both church and community contexts and will provide an inter-disciplinary approach by using the theory of communication found in community work/development; the insights of pastoral theology and liberation theology plus socio-political readings of the biblical text in order to explore different aspects of communication found in the text and contemporary society.

BA412(CW) Enabling Inclusion A

The module will look at different discriminatory issues from the perspective of community work and, by providing an introduction to aspects of liberation theology, demonstrate that an anti-discriminatory philosophy has an interdisciplinary perspective. The module will investigate the development of Anti-Discriminatory Practices in social work and look at specific examples of discrimination, for example, gender, race, disability or age discrimination.

BA413(CW) The Value and Values of Community Work A

The module will explore definitions of community and the history of community work and community development against the context of the church's involvement in communities. The module will examine some of the values which lie behind community work and community development, looking at the work and influence of some key contributors, and exploring the relevance of community work values for the church.

BA414(CW) Transforming our Communities A

This module will introduce students to practical and theoretical insights into community transformation. In order to do this the module will introduce conflict management and also different models of working in both church and community. It is anticipated that there will be recent or current experience of community engagement and that students will either be engaged in a placement or working in a church or community context. The module will also provide a means of fulfilling NOS requirements.

BA415(CW) Theologies for the City A

This module explores the history and development of Urban Theology and its current relevance. It investigates the nature of 'cities' in the Old and New Testament, identifying some of the social issues inherent in biblical urban living. Having identified these issues it will critically apply those insights to contemporary urban issues and do so by critically

employing specific Urban Theology methodologies which relate the Biblical Text to contemporary urban contexts.

BA416(CW) Facilitating Participation A

This module provides an introduction to recent UK Government initiatives and the impact of that legislation on churches and local communities. As a socio political interpretation of the Gospels relates issues of empire, governance and justice in the text to contemporary issues, the module also provides an introduction to Mark's Gospel from a socio-political perspective, looking at the way in which such interpretations may encourage community awareness and political activism.

BA417(CW) Community Engagement through Public Theology A

This module provides an introduction to different perceptions of public theology. It will look at the work of some key proponents and explore the issue of church decline and secularization. The module will also look at issues of globalization and the impact of the economic crisis on local communities. It will look at other issues identified by public theology and ask how this approach could assist the development of community practice.

BA418(CW) Community Work Skills A

This module is placement based and it is anticipated that there will be experience of community work on which to base the assignment. It will critically review the skills necessary for beginning and developing a community work project, including making grant applications, looking at the writing and significance of business plans and developing community projects. Each session will be related to specific aspects of community work and NOS requirements.

BA419 Backgrounds to Christian Theology

This module surveys the development of Christian theology from the Patristic period to the present day, exploring the relationship between theological thinking and its social and historical context. It will examine some of the different sources and influences in the development of theology such as spirituality and philosophy and will engage with extracts from some key theological texts. It will begin to explore the development of key themes within Christian theology such as understandings of God, Trinity and Christology.