

University of Malta

Faculty of Theology

**Bachelor of Sacred Theology (S.Th.B.)
Programme of Study**

(for courses commencing October 2008 and later)

YEAR ONE

Year (These units start in Semester I and continue in Semester II)

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI1102	Ethics I & II	4 credits
PHI1003	Philosophical Anthropology	6 credits
PHI1014	Political Philosophy	4 credits
PSY1354	Foundations in General Psychology	6 credits

Semester 1

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI 1001	History of Philosophy (a) Ancient Philosophy (b) Medieval Philosophy	4 credits
SOC1001	Understanding Sociology	4 credits
CLA1001	Basic Notions of Latin I	2 credits
SHG1000	Foundations of Theology	6 credits
FDT1010	Christian Thought and Practice	4 credits
HPA1000	Research Tools in Theology: Methodology	2 credits
THL1560	Introduction to Judaism	2 credits

Semester 2

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI1006	History of Philosophy (a) Modern Philosophy (b) Contemporary Philosophy	4 credits
CLA1002	Basic Notions of Latin II	2 credits
SHG1010	Biblical Inspiration and Interpretation	2 credits
FDT1050	Theology of Salvation	4 credits
MRT1020	Catholic Social Teaching	2 credits

Elective Units (All students must register for one of the following study-units to the value of 2 credits)

PHI1009	Augustine of Hippo's Philosophy	2 credits
PHI1070	Plotinus	2 credits
PHI1080	Marsilio Ficino	2 credits

Requirement for regular progression to Year II:	22 credits in Theology
	24 credits in Philosophy
	14 credits in related areas
	(of which 4 credits in Latin)
Total this year:	60 credits

YEAR TWO

Year (These units start in Semester I and continue in Semester II)

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI2003	Metaphysics	6 credits
SHG3110	Biblical Hebrew	4 credits
FDT3160	Christian Anthropology	6 credits

Semester 1

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI2001	Logic	6 credits
PHI2002	Philosophy of Mind	4 credits
SHG2260	Prophetic, Apocalyptic and Wisdom Literature	4 credits
FDT3670	The Sacraments: Theological and Pastoral Aspects	4 credits
MRT3300	Politics, Economics and Theology	4 credits

Optional Study Units

Students are required to register for a total value of 4 ECTS credits which may be taken from the pool of elective study units offered by the Faculty of Theology or from the list of optional study-units offered by other faculties.

Semester 2

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI2011	Philosophy of Communication	2 credits
PHI2009	Contemporary Continental Philosophy	4 credits
PHI2107	Aesthetics	2 credits
PHI2207	Principles and Perspectives of Science	2 credits
SHG2760	Pauline Writings and Acts of the Apostles	4 credits
MRT3340	Bioethics	4 credits

Requirement for regular progression to Year III:	26 credits in Theology
	26 credits in Philosophy
	4 credits in related areas (Biblical Hebrew)
	4 credits in Optional units
Total this year:	60 credits

YEAR THREE

Year (These units start in Semester I and continue in Semester II)

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI2005	Philosophy of Religion	4 credits
SHG3120	Biblical Greek	4 credits
MRT2010	Principles of Moral Theology	4 credits

Semester 1

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

SHG2160	Pentateuch and Historical Books	4 credits
HPA2500	Ancient Church History	4 credits
FDT3000	Reason, Faith and Revelation	4 credits
FDT2312	A Christian understanding of God	4 credits

Elective Units (all Students must register for any 4 credits from the following)

PHI3001	German Philosophy A – (Kant and Hegel)	4 credits
PHI3002	German Philosophy B - (Nietzsche and Heidegger)	4 credits
PHI3003	Selected Texts V (Ancient)	2 credits
PHI3007	Wittgenstein's Philosophical Investigations	2 credits
PHI3008	Philosophy of Rhetoric	2 credits
PHI3009	Philosophy of Culture	2 credits
PHI3017	The Philosophy of J. Derrida	2 credits
PHI3018	The Philosophy of H.G. Gadamer	2 credits
PHI3034	The Philosophy of R. Barthes	2 credits
PHI3120	Far Eastern Religious and Philosophy I: India and Tibet	4 credits

Optional Study Units

Students are required to register for a total value of 4 ECTS credits which may be taken from the pool of elective study units offered by the Faculty of Theology or from the list of optional study-units offered by other faculties.

Semester 2

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

PHI3010	Synoptic Study unit I: Philosophy	6 credits
PHI3011	Synoptic Study unit II: Philosophy	6 credits
SHG2650	The Gospels	4 credits
MRT3330	Sexuality, Marriage and Theology	4 credits
PLC 3611	The Christian in the Audio-Visual Civilization	4 credits

Students are required to successfully complete the following study-units as part of the requirements for the award of the B.A. Theology and Human Studies

FDT3010 Synoptic Study Unit – Paper I
MRT3000 Synoptic Study Unit – Paper II

Requirement for regular progression to Year IV: 60 credits of which:
32 in Theology
20 in Philosophy
4 in related areas (Biblical Greek)
4 in optional study units

Requirement for award of B.A. in Theology & Human Studies: 180 credits, of which:
80 in Theology
70 in Philosophy (of which 12 credits are the Synoptic Examinations)
22 in Related areas (of which 12 credits are Languages)
8 in Optional study units

YEAR FOUR

Year (This unit starts in Semester I and continues in Semester II)

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

FDT 4641	The Sacraments of Initiation: Theological and Canonical	7 credits
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Semester 1

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

HPA 4510	Medieval Church History	4 credits
HPA 4000	Palaeochristian Archaeology	4 credits
FDT 4170	Christian Anthropology: Select Issues	4 credits
MRT 4660	Spiritual Theology	4 credits
PLC 4240	Rights in the Church	4 credits
PLC 4230	Church legislation on Marriage	4 credits
PLC 4110	The Language of the Liturgy	4 credits

Semester 2

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

SHG 4161	Old Testament Exegesis	4 credits
SHG 4761	New Testament Exegesis	4 credits
HPA 4220	Patristic Themes II: Christ and Church	4 credits
FDT 4471	Ecclesiology and Ecumenical Theology	5 credits
MRT 4040	Reconciliation: Theological and Ethical Aspects	4 credits
FDT 2820	Theology of the Icon	2 credits
FDT 3810	Spirituality of the Icon	2 credits

Requirement for regular progression to Year V:	60 credits in Theology
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YEAR FIVE

Year (This units starts in Semester I and continues in Semester II)

Compulsory Units (all students *must* register for these units)

MRT 4010 Principles of Moral Theology: Select Issues 4 credits

Semester 1

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

SHG 4200	Sacred Scripture Seminar	4 credits
HPA 4210	Patristic Themes I: God and Man	4 credits
FDT 4650	Holy Orders: Theological and Canonical	2 credits
FDT 4400	Faith and Revelation: Select Issues	4 credits
MRT 4200	Culture, Religion and Theology	4 credits
PLC 4210	Introduction to Church Legislation	4 credits
PLC 4110	The Language of the Liturgy	4 credits

Optional Study Units

Students are required to register for a total value of 4 ECTS credits which may be taken from the pool of elective study units offered by the Faculty of Theology or from the list of optional study-units offered by other faculties.

Semester 2

Compulsory Study Units (all students *must* register for these units)

HPA 2520	Modern and Contemporary Church History	4 credits
FDT 4710	Christology and Mariology	6 credits
PLC 4120	Liturgy and Time	4 credits
SHG 4900	Synoptic Study Unit I: Scripture	4 credits
FDT 4900	Synoptic Study Unit II: Dogma	4 credits
MRT 4900	Synoptic Study Unit III: Moral Theology	4 credits

Requirement for successful completion of Year V: 60 credits in Theology

Requirement for award of S.Th.B. degree: 300 credits of which 196 in Theology, 70 in Philosophy, 22 in related areas, and 12 in optional study-units.

Note: This course of study is governed by “The General Regulations for University Undergraduate Awards, 2004” and by the Bye-Laws for the award of the Bachelor of Sacred Theology under the auspices of the Faculty of Theology.