



**School of Divinity
Handbook**

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1. Certificate, Diploma and Bachelor of Arts in Theology

Validation	University of Wales		
Award	Certificate in Higher Education in Theology	Diploma in Higher Education in Theology	BA(Hons) in Theology
Credits	120 credits at Level 4	120 credits at Level 4 120 credits at Level 5	120 credits at Level 4 120 credits at Level 5 120 credits at Level 6
Duration	Full-time : 1 year Part-time : Up to 3 years	Full-time : 2 years Part-time : Up to 6 years	Full-time : 3 years Part-time : Up to 9 years

One credit is considered the equivalent of 10 hours of notional learning. This includes both contact time as well as self-study.

1.1. General Aims

- Train and equip competent students who will be able to serve effectively in ministry in the modern context, whether as clergy or laity.
- Equip students to have a sound understanding of the Bible and Christian theology.
- Equip students with the skills for sound Bible exposition and the ability to apply Biblical principles to practical living.
- Equip the students with practical skills for the varied forms of Christian ministry and mission.
- Develop a posture of critical reflection in the practice of ministry.
- Provide a foundation for further learning, whether at post-graduate level or in life-long learning.
- Provide a learning environment where students are exposed to various Christian traditions

1.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Be at least 18 years old on the date of admission.
- Have obtained a GCE 'A' level certificate (two 'A' level passes and two 'AO' level passes) or its equivalent.
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent).

- Mature students (above 21 years of age) without the relevant qualifications but with relevant experience may be considered for provisional entry into the Certificate program.

1.3. Curriculum

1.3.1. Core Modules

	Year 1 (Level 4)	Year 2 (Level 5)	Year 3 (Level 6)
Gen	Research and Report Writing	Church History	
Bible	OT Survey NT Survey Hermeneutics	Choose 4 electives	Choose 4 electives
Theo	Pentecostal Foundations Theology 1	Theology 2 Theology 3	Christian Ethics (20cr) Choose 1 elective
Min	Pastoral Ministries Choose 5 electives	Homiletics Choose 4 electives	 Choose 2 electives

Each module is worth 10 credits unless otherwise stated.

Students may choose to take Greek 1, 2 & 3 or Hebrew 1, 2 & 3 in lieu of any 3 electives at Level 4 or 5.

1.3.2. Electives

Students may select from the Electives listed below as and when they are offered

	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6
Bible		Choose 4 at Level 5 and 4 at Level 6	
		1 & 2 Corinthians Acts Exegesis and the Preacher Hebrews Life of Christ Revelation Romans The Books of Wisdom and Poetry	The Gospel of John The Historical Books The Major Prophets The Minor Prophets The Pastoral Epistles The Pentateuch The Synoptic Gospels OT Exegesis NT Exegesis
Theology			Choose 1
			Apologetics (20cr) Historical Theology (20cr) Pentecostal Theology (20cr)
Ministry	Choose 5 at Level 4 and 4 at Level 5		Choose 2
	Field Placement (Level 4) Field Placement (Level 5) Introduction to Philosophy Introduction to Psychology Introduction to Sociology Cell Church Paradigm (L4) Evangelism Principles of Missions Principles of Teaching Spiritual Formation and Christian Character Understanding World Religions Biblical Worship Christian Worship Worship Leading Counselling Models and Approaches Pastoral Counselling Understanding Human Development		Asian Church History & Missions (20cr) Church Educational Ministries (20cr) Principles of Leadership (20cr) The Christian Family (20cr)

2. Post-graduate Diploma and Master of Theology

Validation	University of Wales	
Award	Post-graduate Diploma in Theology	MTh in Applied Theology (Ministry) MTh in Theology
Credits	120 credits at Level 7	180 credits at Level 7
Duration	Full-time : 1 year Part-time : Up to 3 years	Full-time : 1.5 years Part-time : Up to 4.5 years

One credit is considered the equivalent of 10 hours of notional learning. This includes both contact time as well as self-study.

2.1. General Aims

- Provide students with an opportunity for specialization in the fields of theology and applied theology.
- Develop students who are able to think independently and reflect critically, biblically and theologically in the practice of ministry.
- Train and equip ministry practitioners and theologians to serve effectively in churches and Christian organizations in the modern context, whether as clergy or laity.
- Train and equip research-minded theologians and practitioners who can advance the study of theology.
- Provide a foundation for continued education at Doctoral level or in life-long learning.
- Provide a stimulating and creative learning environment where students are encouraged to integrate theology, ministry and practical Christian living.

2.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Have obtained a bachelor degree in theology or religious studies
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent)

2.3. Curriculum

There are two pathways from which students may elect to follow. These pathways are :

- MTh in Applied Theology (Ministry)

- MTh in Theology

The Post-graduate Diploma in Theology requires the successful completion of Part One. The MTh requires the successful completion of Part One and Part Two. Students must pass Part One successfully before being permitted to proceed to Part Two.

2.3.1. Part One

Part One consists of 6 taught modules.

	Applied Theology Pathway	Theology Pathway
Theology	<i>Choose 1 Elective</i>	<i>Choose 5 Electives</i>
Ministry	<i>Choose 5 Electives</i>	<i>Choose 1 Elective</i>

Each module is worth 20 credits. One credit is considered the equivalent of 10 hours of notional learning. This includes both contact time and self-study.

Electives available are subject to scheduling. Some possible electives are listed below.

Ministry Electives	Theology Electives
Research Methods and Critical Thinking Asian Religions Cell-Based Ministries Church Growth & Renewal Current Issues in Missiology Issues in Pastoral Counselling Leadership Development Leadership Strategy Organizational Leadership Pastoral Theology and Leadership Servant Leadership Spiritual Gifts and Ministries	Research Methods and Critical Thinking Apologetics Christian Ethics Christology Historical Theology Pentecostal Theology Pneumatology Theology and the Post-Modern Condition Theology of the Spirit World Trends in Modern Theology

2.3.2. Part Two

Part Two comprises a 20,000 word thesis on a subject area relevant to their pathway. The student will first submit a working thesis proposal to the College for approval. Upon approval, the College will then appoint a supervisor to the student. The student then proceeds with research and writing of the thesis. Regular meetings should be planned and arranged with the supervisor. The finished thesis must be submitted to the College for examination within the agreed timeline.

3. Graduate Diploma in Christian Studies

Accreditation	Asia Theological Association
Award	Graduate Diploma in Christian Studies
Credits	33 credits for non-theological Bachelor degree holders
Duration	Full-time : 1 year Part-time : Up to 3 years

3 credits is considered the equivalent of 100 hours of notional learning. This includes both contact time as well as self-study.

3.1. General Aims

Upon successful completion of the programme, students should demonstrate:-

- Knowledge and understanding of Scripture and Christian doctrine
- Understanding of the nature of the church, its ministry and mission
- Love for the church and its mission in fulfilling the Great Commission
- Desire to adequately fill their roles in church and its mission
- Skill in the interpretation and application of Scripture to practical life situations

3.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Have obtained a Bachelor degree from a recognized institution.
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent).

3.3. Curriculum

General & Theology	Research and Report Writing Church History Systematic Theology 1 Systematic Theology 2 Systematic Theology 3
Bible	OT Foundations NT Foundations Hermeneutics
Electives	<i>Choose any 3 modules</i>

4. Master of Arts in Ministry

Accreditation	Asia Theological Association
Award	Master of Arts in Ministry
Credits	30 credits for theological Bachelor degree holders 60 credits for non-theological Bachelor degree holders
Duration	Full-time : 1 year (30 credits) 2 years (60 credits) Part-time : Up to 3 years (30 credits) Up to 6 years (60 credits)

3 credits is considered the equivalent of 100 hours of notional learning. This includes both contact time as well as self-study.

4.1. General Aims

Upon successful completion of the programme, students should demonstrate:-

- Knowledge and understanding of Scripture and Christian doctrine
- Understanding of the nature of the church, its ministry and mission
- Discernment of the various trends in contemporary ministry
- Capacity to reflect theologically on contemporary issues in the Christian community and make independently formed judgments
- Love for the church and its mission in fulfilling the Great Commission
- Desire to adequately fill their roles in church and its mission
- Commitment to developing spiritual maturity in themselves and others
- Skill in the interpretation and application of Scripture to practical life situations
- Ability to communicate biblical truth with clarity and conviction
- Professional skill competencies in the ministries of the church

4.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Have obtained a Bachelor degree from a recognized university with a minimum GPA of 2.7.
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent).

4.3. Curriculum

	Core	Electives
General & Theology	Research and Report Writing* Church History* Systematic Theology 1* Systematic Theology 2* Systematic Theology 3* Pentecostal Studies	1
Bible	OT Foundations* NT Foundations* Hermeneutics*	2
Ministry	Homiletics* Principles and Practices of Teaching* Pastoral Theology and Leadership Biblical Theology of Missions	4

Theological Bachelor degree holders are expected to have completed subjects marked with an * in their Bachelor degrees. Otherwise, these subjects may be required as deficiencies in the course of study.

5. Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies

Accreditation	Asia Theological Association
Award	Master of Arts in Intercultural Studies
Credits	30 credits for theological Bachelor degree holders 60 credits for non-theological Bachelor degree holders
Duration	Full-time : 1 year (30 credits) 2 years (60 credits) Part-time : Up to 3 years (30 credits) Up to 6 years (60 credits)

5.1. General Aims

Upon successful completion of the programme, students should demonstrate:-

- Knowledge and understanding of Scripture and Christian doctrine
- Understanding of the nature of the church, its ministry and mission
- Discernment of various trends in world missions and its implications for the local church and church growth
- Capacity to reflect theologically on contemporary issues in the world missions and make independently formed judgments
- Compassion for the lost and commitment to world-wide evangelism
- Commitment to developing spiritual maturity in themselves and others
- Skill in the interpretation and application of Scripture to practical life situations
- Ability to communicate biblical truth with clarity and conviction
- Skills in living, working and ministering cross-culturally
- Professional skill competencies in missions work

5.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Have obtained a Bachelor degree from a recognized university with a minimum GPA of 2.7.
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent).

5.3. Curriculum

	Core	Electives
General & Theology	Research and Report Writing* Church History* Systematic Theology 1* Systematic Theology 2* Systematic Theology 3* Pentecostal Studies	1
Bible	OT Foundations* NT Foundations* Hermeneutics*	2
Ministry	Homiletics* Principles of Missions* Biblical Theology of Missions Cultural Anthropology	4

Theological Bachelor degree holders are expected to have completed subjects marked with an * in their Bachelor degrees. Otherwise, these subjects may be required as deficiencies in the course of study.

6. Master of Divinity

Accreditation	Asia Theological Association
Award	Master of Divinity
Credits	60 credits for theological Bachelor degree holders 99 credits for non-theological Bachelor degree holders
Duration	Full-time : 2 years (60 credits) 3 years (99 credits) Part-time : Up to 6 years (60 credits) Up to 9 years (99 credits)

6.1. General Aims

Upon successful completion of the programme, students should demonstrate:-

- Knowledge and understanding of Scripture and Christian doctrine
- Competence in Biblical Hebrew or Greek so as to interpret and communicate biblical truth
- Understanding of the nature of the church, its ministry and mission
- Discernment of the various trends in contemporary ministry
- Capacity to reflect theologically on contemporary issues in the Christian community and make independently formed judgments
- Love for the church and its mission in fulfilling the Great Commission
- Sanctified aspirations in professional ministry
- Commitment to developing spiritual maturity in themselves and others
- Skill in the interpretation and application of Scripture to practical life situations
- Ability to communicate biblical truth with clarity and conviction
- Competence in working with biblical, theological, historical and sociological perspectives of ministry
- Professional skill competencies in the ministries of the church

6.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should fulfil the following requirements

- Be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.
- Have obtained a Bachelor degree from a recognized university with a minimum GPA of 2.7.
- Have obtained a TOEFL score of 560 or an IELTS score of 6.0 (or the equivalent).

6.3. Curriculum

	Core	Electives
General & Theology	Research and Report Writing* Church History* Systematic Theology 1* Systematic Theology 2* Systematic Theology 3* Pentecostal Studies Christian Ethics	3
Bible	OT Foundations* NT Foundations* Hermeneutics* Hebrew 1 / Greek 1* Hebrew 2 / Greek 2* Hebrew 3 / Greek 3* OT / NT Exegesis	3
Ministry	Homiletics* Principles and Practices of Teaching* Pastoral Theology and Leadership Discipling and Mentoring Church Educational Ministries Pastoral Counselling Biblical Theology of Missions Cultural Anthropology	5

Theological Bachelor degree holders are expected to have completed subjects marked with an * in their Bachelor degrees. Otherwise, these subjects may be required as deficiencies in the course of study.

7. Continuous Learning Programme

The Continuous Learning Programme provides an opportunity for students to audit modules offered at TCA College.

7.1. General Aims

- Provide a platform for gaining a sound foundation in Bible, Christian theology and Ministry skills
- Provide a learning environment where students are exposed to various Christian traditions

7.2. Admission Requirements

The Candidate should be a born-again believer with a genuine desire for Christian service.

7.3. Curriculum

- Students are permitted to take any module within the College that is available for audit.
- Students in CLP will not be permitted to take modules for credit.
- Students wanting to transfer from CLP to another programme in TCA will be required to reapply for admission and meet all relevant admission requirements.