

CLASSICAL THEOLOGY CERTIFICATE

Overview

The Classical Theology Certificate introduces students to basic Christian doctrine, to the virtues of classical theological formation, and to the skills of Socratic discussion. Students then sample the Common Places, Master Practitioners, and Sacred Page coursework from Talbot's Master of Arts - Classical Theology program in courses that can later be applied to the full graduate degree, if desired.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Classical Theology Certificate, students will demonstrate an introductory ability to:

1. Analyze and synthesize the works of classical Christian theologians for the sake of retrieval (ULO 1).
2. Analyze and synthesize the doctrines of the Christian faith using key theological convictions, habits, and strategies undergirding classical theology (ULO 1 and ULO 3).
3. Analyze and interpret biblical texts with theological awareness and in conversation with the history of Christian interpretation (ULO 1)
4. Appropriately apply the spiritual/formational insights of classical theology in personal, academic, and social contexts (ULO 2).

Each Program Learning Outcome (PLO) listed above references at least one of the University Learning Outcomes (ULO 1, 2, 3), which may be found in the General Information section (<https://catalog.biola.edu/general-information/#UniversityLearningOutcomes>) of this catalog.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must possess a Bachelor of Arts degree or its academic equivalent from an accredited college with a minimum grade point average of 2.6 (on a 4.0 scale). Applicants who do not possess a Bachelor of Arts degree or its academic equivalent from an accredited institution may still apply and may be provisionally admitted at the discretion of Talbot School of Theology.

Completion Requirements

1. Satisfactorily complete all courses for a total of 18 semester credits as outlined in the curriculum below.
2. Complete the online introduction to theological research and writing by the end of the first semester.
3. Obtain a 2.5 GPA with no grade below a C- in all courses to be credited toward completion.
4. Complete the entire program in no more than five years.

Curriculum Requirements

Each course must be completed with a C- or above.

Code	Title	Credits
Program Courses		
TTCT 505	Introduction to Classical Theology	3
Common Places		
Choose 1 from the following:		3
TTCT 601	Common Places: Scripture	

TTCT 603	Common Places: The Triune God	
TTCT 605	Common Places: Christology	
TTCT 607	Common Places: Atonement	
TTCT 609	Common Places: Anthropology	
TTCT 611	Common Places: Pneumatology	
TTCT 670	Seminar ¹	
Master Practitioners		
Choose 1 from the following:		3
TTCT 621	Master Practitioners: Irenaeus and Athanasius	
TTCT 623	Master Practitioners: Augustine	
TTCT 625	Master Practitioners: Anselm	
TTCT 627	Master Practitioners: Thomas Aquinas	
TTCT 630	Master Practitioners: Martin Luther	
TTCT 631	Master Practitioners: John Calvin	
TTCT 633	Master Practitioners: Jonathan Edwards	
TTCT 637	Master Practitioners: Karl Barth	
TTCT 670	Seminar ¹	
Sacred Page		
Choose 2 from the following:		6
TTCT 641	Sacred Page: Genesis	
TTCT 642	Sacred Page: Deuteronomy	
TTCT 643	Sacred Page: Psalms	
TTCT 644	Sacred Page: Exodus	
TTCT 645	Sacred Page: Isaiah	
TTCT 650	Sacred Page: Matthew	
TTCT 651	Sacred Page: John	
TTCT 652	Sacred Page: Romans	
TTCT 654	Sacred Page: Ephesians	
TTCT 656	Sacred Page: Hebrews	
TTCT 670	Seminar ¹	
Electives		
Choose 3 credits from the following courses:		3
TTCT 570	Colloquium ²	
TTCT 601	Common Places: Scripture	
TTCT 603	Common Places: The Triune God	
TTCT 605	Common Places: Christology	
TTCT 607	Common Places: Atonement	
TTCT 609	Common Places: Anthropology	
TTCT 611	Common Places: Pneumatology	
TTCT 621	Master Practitioners: Irenaeus and Athanasius	
TTCT 623	Master Practitioners: Augustine	
TTCT 625	Master Practitioners: Anselm	
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TTCT 656	Sacred Page: Hebrews
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Total Credits **18**

¹ May be taken multiple times with different content. Must be taken for a combined total of 3 credits.

² May be taken multiple times with different content.