

PHILOSOPHY

Programme of Studies

The course lasts for three years and it offers a basic philosophical formation for students preparing for priesthood. A successful completion of Plus-Two course (or the equivalent) and a pass mark in the entrance examination conducted by this seminary are the minimum academic requirements for admission. The medium of instruction is English. The first year is a preparatory year and it purports to provide the students with a thorough training in English and an initiation into Philosophical thinking. During this year emphasis is also laid on priestly motivation, spiritual formation and methodological skills required for seminary studies.

During the second and the third years philosophical subjects are given prominence. In the second year, the students are introduced to the vast history of philosophy, both Indian and Western. In the third year the emphasis is on systematic reflections on the world, man and God so as to enable the students to develop a well balanced and coherent vision of reality. Besides, a few additional courses are offered with a view to help the students to appear for their B.A. examinations in the University of Kerala.

The language courses offered during the preparatory year are not included in the eighty-credit programme as given below. The study programme includes the following courses (cr = credit; 1 cr = 15 periods).

1. Introductory Courses (26 crs.)

A. Introduction to Priestly Life (6 crs)

Priestly Formation in the Malankara Seminary (2 crs); Spiritual Life (2 crs); Mystery of Christ (2 crs).

B. Introduction to Philosophy (10 crs)

Introduction to Philosophy and Philosophical Words (3 crs); Methodology(2 crs); Logic (3 crs); Symbolic Logic (1 cr); Scientific Cosmology (1 cr).

C. General (10 crs)

Sanskrit (2 crs); General Psychology (2 crs); Sociology (2 crs); Economics (2 crs); Fundamentals of Mass Media (2 crs).

2. History of Philosophy (20 crs)

A. Indian (11 crs.): The Vedic and Epic Periods - Vedas, Upanisads, Puranas and the Gita (2 crs); The Heterodox Darsanas - Buddhism, Jainism and Carvaka (2 crs); Orthodox Hindu Darsanas (4 crs); Contemporary Indian Philosophy (3 crs).

B. Western (9 crs.): Ancient Greek Philosophy (2 crs); Medieval Western Philosophy (2 crs); Modern Western Philosophy (2 crs); Contemporary Trends in Western Philosophy (3 crs).

3. Systematic Philosophy (20 crs)

Philosophy of Knowledge (2 crs); Philosophy of Being (3 crs); Philosophy of God (3 crs); Philosophy of the World (3 crs); Philosophy of Man (3 crs); Moral Philosophy (3 crs); Philosophy of Religion (3 crs).

4. Seminar (2 crs)

The students can choose any one of the seminars offered.

5. Optional Courses (12 crs)

Optional courses equivalent of twelve credits are to be taken by every student during the course of the second and third years. The students are not allowed to take more than seven credits of optional courses in any year. The list of the optional courses offered this year is given in the scheme of studies.

Total Credits 80

6. Dissertation

7. Additional Courses

Syriac, Malayalam, Tamil, English, Life Science, Liturgical Practices, Spirituality and human growth Toni, Music, Good Manners.

Scheme of Studies First Year Philosophy

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Priestly Formation	: Chorbishop T. Thannickakuzhy	30
Spiritual Life	: M. Pallathumuriyil	45
Mystery of Christ	: V. Kunnumpurath	30
Methodology	: G. T. Kochuvilayil	15
English I- Language & Literature	: M. Arackal	75
Communicative English	: G. T. Kochuvilayil	60
New Words	: M. Pallathumuriyil	30
Phonetics	: Wilson, SJ	30

Additional Courses

Liturgical Practices	: K. Thadathil	15
Toni	: G. T. Kochuvilayil	15

Total Periods 345

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Introduction to Philosophy &		
Philosophical Words	: D. Mangalath	45
Logic: Deduction and Induction	: D. Mangalath	45
Symbolic Logic	: Z. Kariyilakulam OCD	15
Methodology	: G. T. Kochuvilayil	15
Syriac I & II	: G. Valiachangeveettil	60
English II- Language & Literature	: M.Arackal	45
Novel	: M. Pallathumuriyil	15
Phonetics	: Wilson SJ	15

Additional Courses

Malayalam I / Tamil	: Placid OIC & A.O. Roy / D. Mano	30
Liturgical Practices	: K. Thadathil	30
Toni	: G. T. Kochuvilayil	15

Total Periods 330

Second Year Philosophy

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Vedas, Upanisads	: C. Mariadasan	30
Buddhism, Jainism, etc.	: D. Elias	30
Ancient Greek Philosophy	: J. Thalodil	30
Medieval Western Philosophy	: J. Thalodil	30
Philosophy of Knowledge	: T. Naickamparambil	30
Sociology	: Manoj	30
Fundamentals of Mass Media	: D. Narakathinal	30
Additional Courses		
Spirituality and Human Growth	: V. Kunnumpurath	30
Sanskrit	: Placid OIC	30
Malayalam II	: Placid OIC	30
Syriac III	: G. Valiachangeveettil	30
Toni	: M. Pallathumuriyil	15
		Total Periods 345

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Orthodox Darsanas	: Placid OIC	60
Philosophy of Being	: Z. Kariyilakulam	45
Modern Western Philosophy	: D. Elias	30
Contemporary West. Philosophy	: G. Antony OFM Cap.	45
Economics	: T. Panachackal	30
Life Science	: P. V. George	30
Additional Courses		
English III	: M. Arackal	30
Malayalam III / Tamil	: A. O. Roy / D. Mano	30
Toni	: M. Pallathumuriyil	15
		Total Periods 315

Third Year Philosophy

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Philosophy of God	: G. Antony O. F. M. Cap.	45
Philosophy of Man	: D. Mangalath	45
Moral Philosophy	: D. Elias	45
Scientific Cosmology	: Antony Eapen	15
Philosophy of Religion	: T. Naickamparambil	45
Contemporary Indian Philosophy	: C. Mariadasan	45
Contemporary Western Philosophy	: J. Mariadas OIC	15
Additional Course		
Malayalam (Special)	: Placid OIC	15
Tamil	: K. M. Vincent	
Toni	: Placid OIC	15
		Total Periods 285

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Philosophy of the World	: D. Mangalath	45
Psychology	: J. Parackal	45
		Total Periods 90

Seminars

1. Gandhi's Philosophy of Man and Life	: D. Mangalath	30
2. Astanga Yoga	: Placid OIC	30

Optional Courses

Subject	Professor	Periods
Spiritual Values of Eastern/ Western Tradition	: C. Kanichayi CMI	30
Political Philosophy/ Monadology	: Omana S.	30
Bhagavad Gita	: Placid OIC	30
Value Centered Leadership	: S. Thottathil	15
Marxism	: J. Mariadas OIC	15

THEOLOGY

**Affiliated to the Faculty of Theology of the
*Pontificia Universitas Urbaniana, Rome***

Programme of Studies

It is a four-year course and is open to students who have a recognised Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy. At the end of the course the Degree of B.Th is awarded to the students who fulfill all the requirements. Marks are awarded according to the pattern of the Pontifical Urbanian University and hence 60% is considered as Passmark. Only those who have secured an overall 70% marks at the end of Third Year will be considered for the Degree Examination. Others who successfully complete the course may receive a Diploma in Theological Studies. The medium of instruction is English. The Theology Course is a 170 credit system of which the details are as follows. One credit consists classes of 15 periods of 45 minutes.

1. Sacred Scripture (44 crs)

General Introduction to Biblical Studies	3 crs
Pentateuch	4 crs
Former Prophets & Historical Books	5 crs
Literary Prophets	2 crs
Wisdom Literature & Psalms	5 crs
Synoptic Gospels & Acts	8 crs
Johannine Corpus	5 crs
Proto & Deutero - Pauline Writings	6 crs
Letter to the Hebrews & Catholic Epistles	2 crs
Biblical Hebrew	2 crs
Biblical Greek	2 crs

2. Systematic Theology (36 crs)

Introduction to Theology	2 crs
Introduction to Vat II	1 cr
Revelation and Faith	3 crs
Triune God	4 crs

Christology	5 crs
Pneumatology and Grace	2 crs
Ecclesiology	3 crs
Mariology	2 crs
Theological Anthropology	2 crs
Theology of Sacraments	2 crs
Baptism and Confirmation	2 crs
Eucharist	3 crs
Priesthood	2 crs
Anointing of the Sick	1 cr
Eschatology	2 crs
3. Moral Theology (20 crs)	
Fundamentals of Moral Theology	3 crs
Prime commitments - Commandments	3 crs
Reconciliation	4 crs
Bio-ethics	2 crs
Marriage & Sexual Ethics	4 crs
Social Ethics	2 crs
Social Teachings of the Church	2 crs
4. Liturgy and Spirituality (15 crs)	
Introduction to Liturgy	2 crs
Oriental Liturgies	1 cr
Liturgy and Time	2 crs
Liturgical Celebrations - Rubrics (Liturgy of the Eucharist & other Sacraments)	4 crs
Liturgical Hymns	4 crs
Spiritual Theology	2 crs
Syriac Spirituality, Fenqitho	2 crs

5. Canon Law (11 crs)

Introduction to Canon Law & General Norms	3 crs
People of God & Hierarchy	2 crs
Marriage Laws	2 crs
Temporal Goods & Sanctions in the Church	2 crs
Religious Life	2 crs

6. Church History & Patristics (14 crs)

Ancient and Medieval Church History	3 crs
Modern and Contemporary Church History	2 crs
Indian Church History	2 crs
Patristics	4 crs
Ecumenism	2 crs
Syriac Patrology	1 crs

7. Pastoral Courses (16 crs)

Pastoral Theology	2 crs
Pastoral Counselling	2 crs
Missiology & Interfaith Dialogue	4 crs
Homiletics	2 crs
Pastoral Leadership & Management	2 crs
Other Pastoral Courses	4 crs

8. Seminars (4 crs) and Optional Courses (6 crs)

The students are obliged to do Seminars equivalent of 4 credits. Optional courses equivalent of 6 credits are to be taken by every student during the whole course of Theology, choosing at least one each from Scripture, Systematic Theology and Moral Theology.

9. Dissertation

During the third year Theology the students are obliged to submit a dissertation written under an approved guide.

SCHEME OF STUDIES

First Year Theology

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Biblical Greek	P. Chempakassery	30
Introduction to Theology	P. Chempakassery	30
Introduction to Biblical Studies	P. Chempakassery	45
Introduction to Liturgy	T. Paniker	30
Introduction to Canon Law & General Norms	G. T. Kochuvilayil	45
Introduction to Vat. II	J. Padipurackal	15
Theology of Revelation and Faith	Mar Julios	30
Truine God	P. Chempakassery	60
Christology - Part I	V. Madathikunnath	30
Seminar Reflections on Regency Experience	S. Thottathil	15
Liturgical Hymns	K. Thadathil	30
	Total Periods	360

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Biblical Hebrew	P. Chempakassery	30
Pentateuch	P. Chempakassery	60
St. Mark	A. Nellickal	30
Fundamental Moral Theology	S. Thottathil	45
Prophet - Part I	P. Chempakassery	30
Grace & Pneumatology	K. M. Vincent	30
Sacramental Theology	G. Kalayil	30
Oriental Liturgies	K. Thadathil	15
Indian Church History	C. Varikkat	30
St. Paul	J. Vadakkedom	30
Optional		15
	Total Periods	345

Second Year Theology

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Triune God	P. Chempakassery	60
Christology -Part I	V. Madathikunnath	30
Theological Anthropology	G. Kalayil	30
Prime Commitments - Commandments	S. Thottathil	45
Luke & Acts	K. Valuparampil	30
Homiletics	B. Madathikunnel	30
Batptism and Confirmation	K. Thadathil	30
St. Mathew	J. Thondipparambil	30
Temporal Goods & Sanctions	G. T. Kochuvilayil	30
Social Teachings of the Church	J. Padipurackal	30
Liturgical Hymns	K. Thadathil	15
	Total Periods	360

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Psalms	Mar Julios	30
Ecclesiology	K.M. Vincent	45
St. John	E. Puthenkandathil	30
Grace & Pneumatology	K. M. Vincent	30
Prophets - Part I	P. Chempakassery	30
Mariology	K. Valuparampil	30
Liturgical Year	K. Thadathil	30
Indian Church History	C. Varicat	30
Christology Part II	J. Parappally	30
St. Paul	J. Vadakkedom	30
Comparitive Liturgies	J. Vellian	15
How to Read Bible as priests	J. Naluparayil	15
Seminar		15
	Total Periods	360

Third Year Theology

First Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Ecumenism	H.B.B. Cleemis	15
Deutero-Paul	G. Malepparambil	30
Priesthood	G. Kalayil	30
Social Ethics	S. Thottathil	30
Pastoral Counselling	G. Manalel	30
St. Mathew	J. Thondipparambil	30
Wisdom Literature	P. Chempakassery	45
Religious Life	Anila Christy	30
Liturgy of the Sacraments Rubrics & Administration	K. Thadathil	15
Missiology	Sr. Namitha SIC	30
Pastoral Leadership & Management	S. Thottathil	30
Liturgical Hymns	K. Thadathil	15
Optional		15
	Total Periods	345

Second Semester

Subject	Professor	Periods
Psalms	Mar Julios	30
St. John	E. Puthenkandathil	30
Christology Part II	J. Parappallil	30
Prophets	P. Chempakassery	60
Sacraments -Rubrics & Administration	K. Thadathil	15
Sexual Ethics	J. Padipurackal	15
Johannine Literature & Revelation	J. Vaippil	30
People of God and Hierarchy	A. Valiyavilayil	30
Marriage Laws	V. Manakaleth	30
Liturgical Hymns	K. Thadathil	15
Comparative Liturgies	J. Vellian	15
How to read Bible as Priests	J. Naluparayil	15
Dissertation		
	Total Periods	315

Fourth Year Theology

Subject	Professor	Periods
Sacrament of Reconciliation	V. Ukken	60
Eucharist	P. Chempakassery	45
Wisdom Literature	P. Chempakassery	45
Priesthood	G. Kalayil	30
Religious Life	Anila Christy	30
Liturgy-Rubrics of Holy Qurbono	K. Thadathil	30
Introduction to Particular Laws	G. T. Kochuvilayil	15
Pastoral Theology	Chor. T.Thannickakuzhy	30
Other Pastoral Courses		60
	Total Periods	345

Seminars

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| 1. Morality in Mass Media and Communications | S. Thottathil |
| 2. Feminism and its implications in Church and Society | S. Thottathil |
| 3. Rights and obligations of clerics | G.T. Kochuvilayil |

Optional Courses

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| 1. The image of the Priest Emerging from the Old Testament | P. Chempakassery |
| 2. Family in the Bible | P. Chempakassery |
| 3. Priests and the Spirituality of Communion | K. M. Vincent |
| 4. Self-denial and Priestly Spirituality | G. Kalayil |

EXAMINATIONS

- A. An examination or equivalent test, including assignments of various kinds according to the decision of the professor, will be held in every subject prescribed in the programme of studies. The first session of the examination for the individual subjects will be held at the end of the respective semester. The academic council may prescribe other sessions also. Pass mark in individual subjects is 40% for Philosophy and 60% for Theology. Those who fail in any subject shall repeat the examination within thirty days after the beginning of the new semester, in consultation with the Controller of Examination and the concerned Professor. An examination including the comprehensive examinations may be repeated only twice.
- B. Those who fail in more than 50% of the total number of subjects of a year or absent themselves from more than 33% of the class hours will have to repeat the year.
- C. At the end of the course in Philosophy as well as in Theology there will be comprehensive examinations both written and oral in subjects prescribed by the norms of studies. Written examination on selected themes will extend for three hours. The oral examination of the students of Philosophy will extend for thirty minutes each before a board of three examiners. The oral examination of the students of Theology will last for one hour each before a board of six examiners in three panels.
- D. For admission to comprehensive examinations, the candidates must previously have completed all the academic exercises and tests of the respective course as prescribed by the norms of studies.
- E. For ascertaining the final grades, the following will be the procedure.
 - 60% for individual subjects as marked in the Programme of Studies. In Philosophy, however, languages will be given separate grades and will not be included in the said 60%.
 - 10% for Dissertation
 - 10% for Comprehensive Written
 - 20% for Comprehensive Oral.