

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY IN RUŽOMBEROK FACULTY OF THEOLOGY

Subjects offered in English language*

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Study program of Catholic Theology

COURSE CODE: TKST/Heb/15	COURSE TITLE: Hebrew Language
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: To provide students with the knowledge of the Hebrew alphabet, transcription and pronunciation of consonants, vowels and reduced vowels. The lectures will focus on the morphology of Verbs, Nouns and their constructive condition; Pronouns - personal and possessive.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/GJ1/15; TKST/GJ2/15	COURSE TITLE: Basics of Biblical Greek 1, 2
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: An introduction to Biblical Greek. To provide the students with the possibility to learn The Greek alphabet, pronunciation and transcription, to focus on grammar. Student will later translate the Matthew's gospel with the help of a dictionary and a philological key.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/SZ1/15	COURSE TITLE: Introduction to the Old Testament and the Pentateuch
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Introduction to the exegetical methods: - the distribution of the diachronic and synchronic methods. Exegesis of The Old Testament: Creation (Gen. 1-11), Contract (Gen. 12; 15; Ex 24), the Old Testament prophecies; poetry of The Old Testament - Psalm Miserere (Psalm 51); Exegesis of the New Testament: the narration of Jesus' childhood Mt1-2 and Luke 1-2, the question of miracles and healing in the Gospels (Mark 5), the institution of the Eucharist and the speech in Capernaum (John 6); Apocalypse, literary genre and its interpretation, image of the Lamb of God. Middle East in the 2nd and 1st thousand BC: important archaeological sites (eg. Mari, Ugarit, Tell el-Amarna, etc.), ancient empires and kingdoms; Late Bronze Age and transformation at Iron Age; creation of the Kingdom and the problem of David and Solomon Empire; Israel and Judah in shade of Assyria; Babylonian captivity; Persian Empire and the province Jehud; Hellenism; Seleucids and the Maccabees; Arrivals of Romans; Herod the Great. Introduction to the Pentateuch/Torah - structure and interpretation of selected parts; Genesis; Exodus; Leviticus, its central position in Pnt (Lv 16); Numbers; Deuteronomy. Text of the Old Testament in terms of textual criticism; theories on the origins and composition of the Pentateuch (Wellhausen; Schmidt; Zenger/Weimar; Blum); Characteristics of particular sources; Exegesis of selected parts of the Pentateuch.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/SZ2/15	COURSE TITLE: OT - Historical Books
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: This course introduces students the second part of the Hebrew Bible (Historical Books) and The Alexandrian canon; The socio-historical background: Promised Land - theories about the occupation of the country and their evaluation; The Book of Joshua - content, structure and theological significance; Book of Judges. Book of Samuel; prophetic cycles in the Book of Kings; Persian period: historiography after exile – Book of Chronicles, Ezra and Nehemiah Books; Hellenistic period, and late biblical narrative. Book of Tobit, Judith, Esther, Book of Maccabees; Exegesis of selected texts (Joshua 24; 2 Sam 7; 1 Cr 18, Neh 8).	

COURSE CODE: TKST/SZ3/15	COURSE TITLE: OT - Prophetic Books
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: This course deals with general issues. Historical Introduction: History and social inclusion of the prophets; Literary introduction: Final form and development of the prophetic writings; prophetic texts and phenomena in ancient Middle East. Prophetic terminology; Samuel, Elijah, Elisha as prophets. Golden age of the prophets and the four major collections of prophetic (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, XII small prophets). Apocalyptic literature. Characteristics and origin of apocalyptic literature. The Book of Daniel and exegesis of the most important parts.	
COURSE CODE: TKST/SZ4/15	COURSE TITLE: OT - Wisdom Literature
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: This course will concentrate on the wisdom literature of Israel: literary genre, theological themes, the main features of the Hebrew poetry; Introduction to various books and exegesis of selected parts. The Book of Psalms: origin of the Psalms; psalms as poetry and prayer; the numbering and distribution of the Psalms; Psalms: Jewish prayer which has been received by the Christian Community; exegesis of selected Psalms.	
COURSE CODE: TKST/NZ2/15	COURSE TITLE: NT - The Synoptics
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: To develop the awareness about the work of the Synoptics - especially through detailed description of events before, during and after the birth of Jesus Christ; to show the Synoptics's theology of The Universality of Salvation via the parables, to introduce Jesus as the true Savior - Savior of the lost. Through the analysis of the 28 chapters of Acts of the Apostles clarify life of the first Community Church as a model for our modern Church.	
COURSE CODE: TKST/NZ4/15	COURSE TITLE: NT - The Gospel of John
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The course aims mainly at John's Christology, since Jesus' miracles and speech were more detailed described than by the Synoptics. Lectures focus particularly on some miracles (eg. healing of the blind man, the resurrection of Lazarus) that are "signs", that show the saving mission of Jesus, that is fulfilled through the Passsion, the cross and the resurrection. Through the form and content will show the connection of the Gospel with the other John writings, which creates so called "John's direction."	
COURSE CODE: TKST/NZ3/15	COURSE TITLE: NT - Paul's Letters
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: To provide students with the importance of letters from prison. The letters show the situation of religious communities in Ephesus, Philippi, Colosse in the 2nd half of the 1st century A.D. It enables the students to understand Paul's ecclesiology, but also his prophetic, clerical and pastoral identity with Jesus Christ. To understand the situation in the Church at the end of the 1st century. To focus on Paul's life and his apostolate during his three missionary journeys; an interpretation of Paul's theological topics by analysis and exegesis of four letters (Romans, 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, Galatians).	

COURSE CODE: TKST/MT1u/15; TKST/MT2u/15	COURSE TITLE: Principles of Moral Theology 1, 2
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The aims is to introduce students to moral theology as a discipline and formal object of moral theology; The human act: positive value and barriers; Law - division; God's call through conscience; call for perfection - the virtues; Sin.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/MT3u/15; TKST/MT4u/15	COURSE TITLE: Special Moral Theology 1, 2
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: To enable students to gain an in-depth knowledge of selected commandments. Course Syllabus: Demand of love and the gift of piety (1st to 3rd commandment); The requirement of love for itself and neighbour across the virtue of love, respect, justice (4th commandment); attitude toward the physical and mental health and life (5th commandment); A person's attitude to the sexual instinct, which should be taken as a gift to express love and birth of new life (6th and 9th commandment).	

COURSE CODE: TKST/SNC/15	COURSE TITLE: Social Doctrine of the Church
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: To become familiar with the basic terminology, concept and characteristics of the social doctrine of the Church; Systematic development of Catholic social teaching, basic principles of this doctrine; Social ethics; Natural law and natural right of man; Marriage and family as the basic cell of society and the Church; Labour Market in the Catholic Social learning; The issue of economics and private property; Culture according Christian concept; Social encyclical.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/Dog2/15	COURSE TITLE: Theology of Creation and Theological Anthropology
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: The Old Testament and the New Testament - concept of man; Paul anthropology; Anthropology of fathers; Augustine and the dualistic conception of man; Tomas - man as incarnated spirit; The unity of the human being in the plurality of its dimensions; Supernatural; K. Rahner and his "supernatural existence"; Biblical aspect of sin; The history of the doctrine of "original sin"- Pre-Augustinian understanding; Augustine and Pelagius; Medieval theology of original sin (P. Lombard, Anselm, T. Aquinas); reformation versus the Council of Trent; Angels - Biblical tradition; The Problem of Evil; Tradition and the question of angels; angel in the arts.	

COURSE CODE: TKST/Dog6/15	COURSE TITLE: Eschatology
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Issue of eschatology - eschatological reversal; a matter of time; Eschatological perspective in the Bible; Paul's understanding of time; To believe and to expect - the two roles of the Church; Death, judgment, resurrection, resurrected body; inferno; purgatory; heaven or a hope for everyone (von Balthasar).	

COURSE CODE: TKPT/PT7/15	COURSE TITLE: Pastoral Psychology
BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Introduction to Pastoral psychology, Christian anthropology; Serious mental disorders; Personality disorders; Specific deviation; Religious development of the individual; Spiritual accompaniment; Spiritual Groups; Family Community.	