

Module title		Abbreviation
Doctrine of God		01-M7-211-m01
Module coordinator		Module offered by
Institute of Biblical Studies and the Institute for Systematic Theology		Faculty of Catholic Theology
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
10	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	undergraduate	Recommended: Certified Hebrew, Ancient Greek and Latin language skills.
Contents		
<p>This module discusses the doctrine of God from biblical, philosophical, and systematic points of view. It uses the Old Testament to illustrate Israel's way towards monotheism. Gospels, epistles, and the Book of Acts are sources for New Testament God-talk. The philosophical doctrine of God explores the contribution and importance of philosophical reflection to the Christian understanding of God. In this context, the module also discusses more recent approaches to, and debates in, religious philosophy. The systematic doctrine of God develops the treatise of Trinity on the basis of scripture, tradition, and magisterium and highlights its relevance to our current understanding of the world and the challenges that face us today. Courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God and gods: Israel's way towards monotheism • biblical concepts of God in the New Testament • the dogmatic doctrine of God; the question about God and the challenges of the present • the philosophical doctrine of God. <p>Module assessment will either be held under the responsibility and in special consideration of the subject of philosophy or the subject of fundamental theology assessment will cover all courses of the module.</p>		
Intended learning outcomes		
<p>At the end of the course, students will be able to trace Israel's way towards monotheism. They will have gained an insight into the richness of New Testament God-talk found in the historical Jesus and the writings of early Christian communities. Students will have become familiar both with issues in the philosophical doctrine of God and with the sources of the systematic doctrine of God. They will be able to evaluate the concept of trinity in the light of our current understanding of the world, the concepts of God in other religions, and the challenges that face us today.</p>		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language – if other than German)		
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Method of assessment (type, scope, language – if other than German, examination offered – if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
<p>a) Written examination (approx. 90 minutes) or b) oral examination (approx. 25 minutes) or c) Essays (approx. 12 pages total) Assessment offered: once a year, summer semester</p>		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
<p>The module examination is carried out optionally under the responsibility and with special consideration of the subject Philosophy or the subject Fundamental Theology; it covers all courses of the module.</p>		
Workload		
300 h		
Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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