

# Registration Handbook 2025-2026

## The Faculty of Theology

### Huron University



Welcome to taking the next steps on your pathway through theological education at Huron University—a time of spiritual growth, intellectual challenge, and professional development. Whether you're returning to university after time in the workforce, continuing directly from previous studies, or entering the next (or final!) year of your program at Huron, selecting your courses at the Master's level is a critical step in shaping your academic experience and achieving your vocational goals.

This handbook is designed to help you make informed, strategic decisions about your course selection. Our Master of Theological Studies (MTS) and Master of Divinity (MDiv) programs offer flexibility through both interfaith courses and specialized pathways. With that freedom comes the responsibility to ensure your choices align with your program requirements, research or professional interests, and long-term career aspirations.

Inside, you'll find guidance on:

- Understanding your program structure
- Activating your Western ID and UWO email
- Identifying mandatory and elective courses
- Navigating course registration systems, add/drop periods, and some Faculty policies

If you're aiming to deepen your knowledge in a specific field, explore new disciplines, try something new, or position yourself for further academic study or career advancement, thoughtful course selection is essential. Use this handbook as a practical companion throughout your planning process. Remember, the best course choices are the ones that serve both your academic requirements and your personal interests.

Let's get started.

# New Students

## Welcome!

Navigating your first year as an MTS or MDiv student can be *quite exhilarating*! There are many exciting courses to choose from which are taught by world-renowned scholars in the field of Theology—right at Huron!

Huron University's academic year is split into three terms: September to December (Fall term) and January to April (Winter term), while May to August (Summer term) falls outside of the traditional year and taking courses in this term is optional.

Students who are considering a **full-time course load** must take at least seven courses in an academic year (September to April), with ten courses as the normal full-time course load.

Students who are considering a **part-time course load** take anywhere between one to six courses in an academic year (September to April).

All Masters-level courses are designated in the 5000-series. They are offered in a synchronous, hybrid format unless otherwise noted. Please seek permission from the Dean of Theology ([theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca)) to attend courses online. Here's some additional technical information:

"A" courses are offered in the Fall term (September to December)

"B" courses are offered in the Winter term (January to April)

Courses without "A"/"B" designations are full-year courses (September to April, e.g., Religious Studies 2130).

## Synchronous Classes

All classes in the Faculty of Theology at Huron University is offered in a hybrid in-person/online, synchronized format. Students living in the London area are expected to attend classes on campus, in-person, unless the course is offered only online. Students living outside of London who have opted for distance learning are able to tune into classes by using Zoom at the scheduled time. If you are living in London and cannot attend classes in-person, you must request permission from the Dean of Theology to receive approval for online attendance.

**Students taking courses online must send a list of their courses to us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca) after registering. Please also notify the instructor if you are attending online.**

# MTS/MDiv Degree Maps

A full list of courses offered in Faculty of Theology can be found on the page for your program (choose “Course Listings” at the top of either page for easy navigation):

[Master of Theological Studies \(MTS\)](#)

[Master of Divinity \(MDiv\)](#)

Short calendar descriptions for each course will be on the degree maps listed below, while full outlines will be on our course management system called [Brightspace](#) (available late August/early September). Please consult your degree map to understand the mandatory and elective courses required to complete your program and concentration. While we are able to provide guidance, it is your responsibility to meet the degree requirements to graduate. Switching concentrations in the MTS program is possible but requires careful planning with the permission of the Dean of Theology.

[Master of Divinity](#)

Master of Theological Studies concentrations:

- [Theology & Religion](#)
- [Biblical Studies](#)
- [Christian Theology & Ethics](#)
- [Comparative Religion & Theology](#)
- [Islamic Studies](#)
- [Spiritual Care & Chaplaincy – Christian Communities Stream](#)
- [Spiritual Care & Chaplaincy – Muslim Communities Stream](#)
- [Ministry Leadership – Christian Congregational Stream](#)
- [Ministry Leadership – Social Justice Stream](#)

Whether you are taking on a part-time or full-time course load, we have listed suggested courses to start your academic year **at the end of this Handbook, starting on page 12**. By taking these recommended courses, you will then be able to take upper-year courses to allow you to complete your program in the suggested time.

Part of what makes our MTS and MDiv programs contextually relevant is our **Multireligious Engagement Requirement**. The Faculty of Theology is proud to offer courses in both Christian and Islamic Studies. All students are required to ensure that at least one course from any Area or General Elective must focus on a religious tradition other than their own.

Please note that not every course listed in your degree map is offered, and some appear in alternating years. We recommend selecting as many mandatory courses as possible in your first year and leaving Elective courses for your final years.

# Activating your Western ID & UWO Email

## Step 1: Locate your Student Number and Access Code

This information is available in your offer letter and emails from Huron's Admissions Team. If you have misplaced this information, please contact us immediately at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca).

Student Number/ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Access Code: \_\_\_\_\_

## Step 2: Activate your Western Identity and UWO Email Account

Please complete the following steps to activate your Western Identity here:

[Activating Your Western Identity](#)

1. Click Student/Activate
2. Enter your Student Number/ID Number, your Access Code, and click "Next".
3. Follow the steps

Once you have activated your Western Identity, you may access your UWO email Account. Please visit [https://wts.uwo.ca/office\\_365/index.html](https://wts.uwo.ca/office_365/index.html) for those steps.

**All official Huron and Western email communications will be sent to your UWO email address.**

## **Multi Factor Authentication**

Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) is an authentication method in which a user is granted access only after successfully presenting two or more pieces of evidence to prove their identity. Duo Security is being used to secure MFA enabled services at Western University.

There are several ways to set up your MFA. Western Recommends using a mobile device and the mobile app called "Duo". This method is by far the easiest and most convenient option for most people (in fact, most end up using this method even after choosing a different one initially).

No mobile phone? You can also use a landline, tablet, or obtain a hardware token. Duo lets you link multiple devices to your account, so you can use your mobile phone and a landline, a landline and a hardware token, two different mobile devices, etc.. More information about MFA can be found here: <https://wts.uwo.ca/mfa/index.html>

# Course Registration

## Registration Appointments

Every year, Western University sends out an email letting students know when to register for their courses within a particular timeline. This notification is mainly for bachelor's students since MTS and MDiv students at Huron can begin registering for courses as soon as our timetable is ready through September.

## Adding a Class

After consulting your degree map, you can start building your schedule by using Western University's [Draft My Schedule](#) system (see page 11 for details). You are not required to finish your entire schedule in one sitting, but in order to officially register in your courses, you MUST log into your [Student Centre](#) to formally register in your classes. Choose "Academics", "Course Registration", and then select "Search and Add" to find your courses. Note that it is much easier to type in the course number for accuracy (e.g., for Biblical Studies 5110A, type "5110" in the search bar).

Remember, if you have permission to take all your courses online, email us your list of courses after registering.

1. Plan your schedule
  - a. Navigate to [Draft My Schedule](#)
  - b. Choose "Build a Draft" and begin selecting courses
2. Register for your courses
  - a. Log into [Student Centre](#)
  - b. Select "Academics", "Course Registration", "Search and Add"
  - c. Search for the course(s) by entering in the Course Number(s) (e.g., for Systematic Theology 5103A: Intro to Systematic Theology, type 5103)
  - d. Choose "Enroll" and then "Next"
  - e. Review your selections for any errors or warnings.
  - f. Choose "Submit"
3. View your Class Schedule
  - a. In your [Student Centre](#), select "Academics", then "Course Registration", then "Enrollment Summary", then "Calendar View"
  - b. If you see your courses on your calendar, you have successfully registered for them!

## Dropping a Class

1. Under the "Academics" in your [Student Centre](#) select "Drop a Class".
2. Select the class you wish to drop.
3. Click "Drop Selected Classes".
4. Click "Finish Dropping".

**If there is an error:**

1. Check that you have the prerequisite courses
2. Check for any antirequisite courses
3. Check for any timetable conflicts
4. If the class says “FULL” or you are still unable to register for your courses, please contact us immediately at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca) to request enrollment

## New & Returning Students

### Important Notes Regarding 2025-26 Courses

#### ***New Subject Area: Islamic Studies***

We are thrilled to announce that Islamic Studies is a new course subject area alongside our current offerings in the Faculty of Theology! Please consult our official timetable on our MTS and MDiv program webpages for more information as many courses in other subject areas are cross-listed with Islamic Studies.

#### ***Bachelor's courses (1000-4000 series) and other 5000s***

Permission must be granted by the Dean of Theology to take courses at the Bachelor's level at Huron University, Western University, King's University College, or St. Peter's Seminary. Should you find a course in Western's Timetable that would complement your degree program, please petition to take the course by writing to [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca). Note that many of these courses are not offered online. Please contact the respective departments for course information.

#### ***Independent Studies***

You may fill a General Elective space on your degree map by organizing an Independent Study course with a Faculty member if they are available. This is an opportunity to take a deeper dive into a topic not normally offered at Huron.

If you are interested in suggesting an Independent Study course, please consult the Faculty member at least one term in advance. Faculty members are limited in the number of Independent Study courses they offer.

#### ***Course Audits***

Course auditing attending classes without the obligation to complete assignments or earn a grade. Those who are interested in auditing a course must seek permission from both the professor and the Dean of Theology before entering the class. Please note that not all courses allow auditing. By the deadline to add a course for the term, acquire faculty member's written permission and email us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca) for permission to register as an auditor.

### ***Taking Courses Outside of Huron University***

Should you be interested in taking a course at a university outside Western University and the affiliates, please request permission from the Dean of Theology by sending us the respective course outline to [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca). We will evaluate how the course will fit into your degree map.

### ***Technicalities***

If you experience errors while trying to register for a course at Huron, such as if the course is showing as “FULL”, please email us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca). We will investigate the issue and place you in the course if appropriate.

### ***Incomplete Courses from Previous Years***

If you still have an incomplete course on your record, and it is not completed by the beginning of the September 2025 term, Western can reduce the number of courses you may sign up for by the number of incompletes you are holding.

### ***Course Substitutions***

Should you ever wish to request any course substitutions, please send details of your proposal (reason, detailed course outline) to us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca).

### ***Add/Drop Deadlines***

You can change your courses by dropping and adding right up to the deadlines below:

September 12	Last day to add or drop a Fall term course. Courses dropped by this date will not appear on a transcript; no fee penalty. Courses dropped after this date appears on transcripts with a grade of ‘WDN’ (withdrawn, without academic penalty).
December 2	Last day to drop a Fall-term course without academic penalty. Course withdrawals after this date will appear on a transcript with a grade of ‘F’.
January 14	Last day to add or drop a Winter 12-week course. Courses dropped by this date will not appear on a transcript. Courses dropped after this date will appear on a transcript with a grade of ‘WDN’ (withdrawn, without academic penalty).
March 30	Last day to withdraw from a Winter 12-week course resulting



in a grade of 'WDN' (withdrawn, without academic penalty).  
Course withdrawals after this date will appear on a transcript with a grade of 'F.'

For other important sessional dates, please visit [Western's Academic Calendar](#).

### ***Tuition, Fees, and Financial Aid***

A full-time course load includes in your tuition a bus pass from the London Transit Commission (LTC) and all full-time students are automatically enrolled into Western's Health Care plan, [PurpleCare](#). Students may choose to opt-out of this plan with proof of alternate coverage no later than September 23, 2025.

Information about tuition and OSAP can be found on [Huron's Money Matters webpage](#). After you have registered for your courses, your tuition should appear in your [Statement of Account](#). If you have any questions about your tuition, please contact [studentbilling@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:studentbilling@huron.uwo.ca).

If you applied for **Faculty of Theology Financial Aid** assistance, this amount will be posted on your account toward your tuition in a timely manner. Full-time students can expect to receive a notice of their bursary in August, whereas part-time students will be notified in September after registration as the value of the bursary depends on the number of courses selected. If you are intending to apply for Huron's **Senior's Bursary**, please request the application form by contacting us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca). Please note that if you are allotted a bursary from the Faculty of Theology and withdraw from your courses or program, that bursary money will be returned to the Faculty of Theology.

### ***Western ONECard***

Your Western ONECard is more than just a Photo ID Card. It functions as an identification card for [exams](#) and your [bus pass](#); is your [library card](#); your [meal plan card](#); and can be used for door access and vending machine purchases. It is also required to access [Campus Recreation](#) and to pick up a [parking permit](#).

You must be a current student to receive a Western ONECard. Cards are available in Student Central at the Info Desk in the Western Student Services building.

Please follow the steps on this website to retrieve your Western OneCard:

[https://registrar.uwo.ca/services/western\\_onecard\\_and\\_photo\\_standards.html](https://registrar.uwo.ca/services/western_onecard_and_photo_standards.html)

### ***Parking at Huron***

Huron offers annual, term, and monthly permits for students to park in the gated lot on the south side of campus off Burnlea Walk. Requests for parking will be reviewed against Huron's enrolled student list from the Huron Registrar's Office.



Parking permits will be fully reserved only after application and payments are made. Vehicle license plate recognition will be used for validating permit holders in the lot. It is crucial that permit holders register their vehicles (max. 2) with Huron. Failure to register your vehicle license plates will result in tickets and fines.

Complimentary parking is offered on weekends beginning Friday at 7 p.m. and ending on Monday morning at 3 a.m.

Passes are on a first come first served basis. Once passes have been sold out, a waitlist will become available. To apply, please visit <https://huronu.ca/parking/>

### ***Accessible Education***

“Accessible Education provides supports and services to students with disabilities at Western, in all programs and faculties.”

Students who wish to request a variety of academic accommodation must do so as soon as possible after they have registered. Academic accommodation is not assumed by the University, as students’ needs vary. Accordingly, students must indicate all new courses for which accommodation will be required by formally requesting accommodation.

**Requests must be made during July and August for the upcoming academic year and in April or May for the Summer term via [Accessible Education at Western](#).**

Later requests will be considered; however, accommodation may not be arranged in time for the first set of tests and examinations.

Requests for accommodation are made through at Western.

### ***Accommodations for Religious Holidays***

Students must inform professors concerning the work done in classes from which they are absent and to take appropriate action according to deadlines as per Western’s policy on [Accommodation for Religious Holidays](#). No student will be penalized for absence because of religious reasons; however, alternative means will be sought for satisfying the academic requirements involved. If a suitable arrangement cannot be worked out between the student and instructor, students should consult the Dean of Theology.

The student should give notice to his or her course instructor and Dean as early as possible, but not later than two weeks prior to the writing of the examination, or one week prior to writing a mid-term.

# Calendar of Events – Shortlist

For a complete list of sessional dates, please visit:

<https://www.westerncalendar.uwo.ca/SessionalDates.cfm>

## Fall Term (September to December)

August 8	Fall/Winter Tuition Instalment 1 Due (see <a href="#">Money Matters</a> for details)
August 25	RSVP for the Faculty of Theology Fall Orientation (more information soon)
September 3	Faculty of Theology Fall Orientation (tentative)
September 4	First day of classes
September 12	Last day to add or drop a Fall term course
September 30	National Day for Truth & Reconciliation
October 13	Thanksgiving Holiday (no classes)
November 12	Last day to withdraw from a Fall term course without academic penalty
November 3-9	Fall Reading Week (no classes)
November 28	Tuition Installment 2 due, tentative (see <a href="#">Money Matters</a> for details)
December 1	Last day to withdraw from a Fall term course resulting in a grade of 'WDN' (withdrawn, without academic penalty). Course withdrawals after this date appears on transcripts with a grade of 'F.'
December 9	Last Day of Classes
December 11-22	Final exams

## Winter Term (January to April)

January 5	First day of classes
January 13	Last day to add or drop a Winter term course
February 16	Family Day Holiday (no classes)
Feb 14-22	Spring Reading Week (no classes)
March 7	Last day to drop a Winter term course without academic penalty
March 30	Last day to withdraw from a Winter term course resulting in a grade of 'WDN' (withdrawn, without academic penalty). Course withdrawals after this date appear on transcripts with a grade of 'F.'
April 12-30	Final Exams

## Summer Term (May to August)

May 4	Start of Summer Term
May 14	Convocation Day (tentative)

## Summer Checklist:

- ☐ I've activated my Western Identity
- ☐ I've set up my Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)
- ☐ I can access my UWO email account
- ☐ I've registered for my courses
- ☐ I've sent in a photo for my Western ONECard
- ☐ Optional: I've purchased a Parking Pass
- ☐ I've paid my tuition as due

## Questions?

Our Faculty of Theology Orientation Handbook will be shared by mid-August, which will include detailed information about our Huron Community, Zoom, attending classes, Student Best Practices, Faculty information, and additional policies.

For any assistance or questions, please contact us at [theology@huron.uwo.ca](mailto:theology@huron.uwo.ca). We are here to help!

# Sample First-Year Calendars 2025-2026

## Master of Theological Studies

### Concentration in Theology & Religion

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Church History 5104A: The Early Church to the Late Middle Ages  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
General Elective or Area Requirement

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Church History 5106B: The Late Ages to the Modern Period  
General Elective or Any Area Requirement  
General Elective or Any Area Requirement

### Concentration in Biblical Studies

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Church History 5104A: The Early Church to the Late Middle Ages  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Hebrew 5040A: Introduction to Biblical Hebrew II

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Church History 5106B: The Late Ages to the Modern Period  
Hebrew 5041B: Introduction to Biblical Hebrew II  
General Elective or Any Area Elective

### Concentration in Christian Theology & Ethics

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Church History 5104A: The Early Church to the Late Middle Ages  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Theological Ethics 5203A: Introduction to Theological Ethics



### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Church History 5106B: The Late Ages to the Modern Period  
Area II Elective  
General Elective or Any Area Elective

### **Concentration in Comparative Religion & Theology**

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Islamic Studies 5310A: Interpreting the Qur'an  
Religious Studies 5280A: Interreligious Dialogue

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Islamic Studies 5213B: Islamic Ethics  
General Elective or Any Area Elective  
General Elective or Any Area Elective

### **Concentration in Islamic Studies**

#### **Fall Term**

Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Islamic Studies 5310A: Interpreting the Qur'an  
Arabic 5070A: Quranic Arabic for Beginners / 5180A: Intermediate Quranic Arabic  
Islamic Studies 5252A: Readings in Islamic Theology  
Religious Studies 5280A: Interreligious Dialogue or General Elective

#### **Winter Term**

Islamic Studies 5202B: Spirituality of Muslim Women  
Islamic Studies 5213: Islamic Ethics  
Pastoral Theology 5232B: Spiritual Care in Muslim Community Contexts  
Arabic 5260B: Advanced Quranic Arabic  
General Elective or Any Area Elective

### **Concentration in Spiritual Care & Chaplaincy – Muslim Communities Stream**

#### **Fall Term**

Islamic Studies 5310A: Interpreting the Qur'an  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Pastoral Theology 5231A: Spiritual Care & Counselling  
Pastoral Theology 5298A: Chaplaincy & Professional Ethics  
Church History 5231A: History of Spiritual Care or Area III: Historical Studies Elective

### **Winter Term**

Pastoral Theology 5232B: Spiritual Care in Muslim Community Contexts  
Pastoral Theology 5255B: Spiritual Care Assessment and Planning  
Pastoral Theology 5332B: Family of Origin Seminar  
Islamic Studies 5208B: Islamic Ethics  
Islamic Studies 5202B: Spirituality of Muslim Women

### **Concentration in Spiritual Care & Chaplaincy – Christian Communities Stream**

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Pastoral Theology 5298A: Chaplaincy & Professional Ethics  
Pastoral Theology 5231A: Spiritual Care & Counselling  
Church History 5231A: History of Spiritual Care or Area III: Historical Studies Elective

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Pastoral Theology 5255B: Spiritual Care Assessment and Planning  
Pastoral Theology 5332B: Family of Origin Seminar  
Pastoral Theology 5232B: Spiritual Care in Muslim Community Contexts

### **Concentration in Ministry Leadership – Christian Congregational Stream**

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Theological Ethics 5203A: Introduction to Theological Ethics  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Homiletics 5204A: Theology & Practice of Preaching

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Biblical Studies 5120B: The Hebrew Bible in Context  
Area III: Historical Studies Elective  
Area IV: Public Leadership & Ministry Elective  
General Elective

### **Concentration in Ministry Leadership – Social Justice Stream**

#### ***Christian Studies Interest***

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5104A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Area II: Theological Studies Elective  
Area III: Historical Studies Elective

### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Biblical Studies 5120B: Introduction to the Hebrew Bible  
Area II: Theological Studies Elective  
Area III: Historical Studies Elective  
Area IV: Public Leadership & Ministry Elective

### ***Islamic Studies Interest***

#### **Fall Term**

Islamic Studies 5310A: Interpreting the Qur'an  
Arabic 5070A: Quranic Arabic for Beginners / 5180A: Intermediate Quranic Arabic  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Area II: Theological Studies Elective  
Area III: Historical Studies Elective

#### **Winter Term**

Islamic Studies 5213B: Islamic Ethics  
Area II: Theological Studies Elective  
Area III: Historical Studies Elective  
General Elective  
General Elective

## **Master of Divinity**

#### **Fall Term**

Biblical Studies 5110A: Introduction to the Bible as Scripture  
Systematic Theology 5103A: Introduction to Systematic Theology  
Church History 5104A: The Early Church to the Late Middle Ages  
Field Education 5110A: Identity & Formation  
Homiletics 5204A: Theology & Practice of Preaching

#### **Winter Term**

Biblical Studies 5116B: The New Testament Writings  
Church History 5106B: The Late Middle Ages to the Modern Period  
Homiletics 5305B: Continuation of Homiletics  
Area II: Theological Studies Elective  
Area VI: Comparative & Cultural Studies Elective