

Associate Degree of Theology

Unit Selection Guide

16 units = 192 credit points (12cps each)

At least 4 units (48cps) at AQF level 6

Allowed time for completion: 2 years F/T, up to 6 years P/T



Key Resources:

- Available Units: <https://www.smbc.edu.au/study/units/>

- College Calendar & Timetables: <https://www.smbc.edu.au/college-life/calendar-timetable/>

How to use this guide

1. The guide is divided into course requirements and the units that meet those requirements.
2. Some requirements have more unit options than what we have listed; be sure to note where this is an option
3. When choosing units be sure to use our page on our website. Visit <https://www.smbc.edu.au/study/units/>. Use the filters to see when the units mentioned below are offered and other unit options.

Note about Level 6 Units

It is important to ensure you leave room for your 4 x level 6 units (48cps) whilst meeting other course requirements. In particular note that the following core units can only be done at level 5: NT001 & 002, OT001 & 002, CH001 & 002, PC162

Units that meet requirement	Typically in Semester	Pre & Co-requisites	Progression Advice	Plan
Plan when you intend to complete each requirement e.g. S1 2027, S2 2027 etc				
4 units (48cps) of Bible Introduction				
NT001-512 : Jesus and the Gospels	1		★ These are the best units to start your studies with, in any order	
OT001-512 : Old Testament Foundations				
NT002-512 : The Early New Testament Church	2			
OT002-512 : Old Testament Prophets and Writings				
1 unit (12cps) of Interpreting and Preaching Scripture unit				
PC162-512: Interpreting and Preaching Scripture	1		Optional for pre-2025 student	
1 unit (12cps) of Church History				
<i>Choose 1 CH units</i>				
CH001-512: Christianity in History to 1550	1		These can be done in any order, at any point in your course	
CH002-512: Christianity in History from 1550	2			
Or <u>any CH unit</u> for which you meet the pre & co-requisites.				
1 unit (12cps) of Foundational Christian Beliefs				
TH005-512: Foundational Christian Beliefs	2			
<i>Choose 1 TH Unit</i>				
1 unit (12cps) of Theology				
TH001-612: Knowledge of God	1	24cps OT/NT	Complete TH005 above first, then one of these	
TH104-612: The Church and its Ministry				
TH002-612: Doctrine of God, Work of Christ	2			
TH103-612: Doctrines of Grace and Eschatology				
2 units (24cps) of OT Set Books				
<i>Choose OT008 and 1 additional OT Set Book</i>				
OT008-612: The Pentateuch (English)	1	OT001 or OT003	Best option	
OT016-612: Wisdom Literature (English)				
OT014-612: Exilic Prophecy (English)	2	OT002 or OT003		
OT020-612: The Psalter (English)				
Other than Pentateuch, OT set book units vary from year to year. See the website for availability and more OT unit options. (unit codes OT004 and higher)				

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<i>Choose 2 NT Set Books</i>		2 units (24cps) of NT Set Books		
NT016-612: The Fourth Gospel (English)	1	NT001		
NT018-612: Pauline Theology & Romans (English)		NT002		
NT024-612: Other Writings (English)	2	NT001		
NT008-612: The Synoptic Gospels (English)				
Or any NT unit for which you meet the pre & co-requisites. (unit codes NT004 and higher)				
<i>Choose 1 LA/BB/NT/OT/CH/TH/PE unit</i>		1 unit (12cps) of Primary Course Discipline		
An NT Set Book (unit codes NT004 or higher) not already done	1 & 2	Some Bible Intro units		
An OT Set Book (unit codes OT004 or higher) not already done				
TH/CH units not already completed				
PE001-612: Christian Ethics	1			
Or any unit in these <u>teaching areas</u> for which you meet the pre & co-requisites.				
<i>Choose any 3 elective units</i>		3 units (36cps) of Electives		
EM008-612: Cross-Cultural Communication	1			
EM017-612: Spiritual Formation for Cross-Cultural Settings				
EM025-612: Applied Evangelism				
PC076-612: Personal and Spiritual Formation for Christian Ministry				
EM014-612: Teaching in an Intercultural Setting	2			
EM021-612: Living Faiths				
EM026-612: Church Planting				
EM060-612: God's Mission and the Local Church				
PC003-612: Pastoral Skills and Methods				
PC163-612: Principles and Practice of Church Ministry				
DE014-612: Chaplaincy in Educational Settings	Variable			
DE022-512: Children's Ministry Skills: An Introduction				
Or any unit which you meet the pre/co-requisites (including any units listed above not yet taken or other units listed on our website).				