

# Bachelor of Theology

## Unit Selection Guide

24 units = 288 credit points (12cps each)

No more than 12 units (144cps) at level 5, and including at least 6 units (72cps) at level 7

Allowed time for completion: 3 years F/T, up to 9 years P/T



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### 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 7 Units

It is important to ensure you leave room for your 6 x level 7 units (72cps) 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, LA004 & 005, LA002 & 003 (Hebrew, where applicable). Typically, your final 6 units in the course would be the ones done at level 7 if you have completed the units required at level 5. The intermediate units would be completed at level 6.

				Plan when you intend to complete each requirement e.g. S1 2027, S2 2027 etc
Units that meet requirement	Typically in Semester	Pre & Co-requisites	Progression Advice	Plan
<b>4 units (48cps) of Bible Introduction</b>				
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				
<b>1 unit (12cps) of Interpreting and Preaching Scripture unit</b>				
PC162-512: Interpreting and Preaching Scripture	1		Optional for pre-2025 student	
<b>2 units (24cps) of Original Language</b>				
<i>Choose 2 LA units</i>				
LA005-612: New Testament Greek A	1		Greek is recommended for all BTh students. Make sure you have completed the companion NT/OT Bible Intro units (e.g. NT001/2 for Greek) before finishing these, so you have met all the pre-requisites for starting Set Books.	
LA003-612: Biblical Hebrew A				
LA006-612: New Testament Greek B	2	LA005		
LA004-612: Biblical Hebrew B		LA003		
A BTh requires 24cps of original language units. Strictly speaking, you do not have to complete any set books in an original language but it is strongly recommend. Note that students wanting to do both Greek and Hebrew will complete Hebrew in one of the requirements further down this table.				
<b>2 units (24cps) of Christian Thought</b>				
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.				
<b>4 units (48cps) of Christian Thought</b>				
TH001-6/712: Knowledge of God	1		Ideally, complete 001 and then 002 first. For 103 and 104, the order doesn't matter.	
TH104-6/712: The Church and its Ministry				
TH002-6/712: Doctrine of God, Work of Christ	2	24cps OT/NT		
TH103-6/712: Doctrines of Grace and Eschatology				

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Units that meet requirement	Typically in Semester	Pre & Co-requisites	Progression Advice	Plan
<i>Choose OT008 and 1 additional OT Set Book</i>		<b>2 units (24cps) of OT Set Books</b>		
OT008,009-6/712: The Pentateuch (English, Hebrew)	1	OT001 or OT003, LA004 (Hebrew)	Strongly recommended as first OT Set Book unit  If not studying Hebrew, pick the English version. If doing Hebrew, make sure you have done OT001/2 first and LA003/4.	
OT016,017-6/712: Wisdom Literature (English, Hebrew)				
OT014,015-6/712: Exilic Prophecy (English, Hebrew)	2	OT002 or OT003, LA004 (Hebrew)		
OT020,21-6/712: The Psalter (English, Hebrew)				
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)				
<i>Choose 2 NT Set Books</i>		<b>2 units (24cps) of NT Set Books</b>		
NT016, 017-6/712: The Fourth Gospel (English,Greek)	1	NT001, LA006 (Greek)	If not studying Greek, pick the English component. If doing Greek, make sure you have done NT001/2 first and LA005/6.	
NT018,019-6/712: Pauline Theology & Romans (English, Greek)		NT002, LA006 (Greek)		
NT024,25-6/712: Other Writings (English,Greek)	2	NT001, LA006 (Greek)		
NT008,9, 009-6/712: The Synoptic Gospels (English,Greek)				
Or <u>any NT unit</u> (unit codes NT004 or higher) for which you meet the pre & co-requisites.				
<i>Choose 2 LA/BB/ NT/ OT/ CH/ TH/ PE units</i>		<b>2 units (24cps) of Primary Course Discipline</b>		
Any of the NT set books not already completed	1 & 2	Per above		
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LA003-612: Biblical Hebrew A	1		For students wanting to take both Greek and Hebrew	
LA004-612: Biblical Hebrew B	2	LA003		
PE001-512: Christian Ethics	1			
Or any unit in these teaching areas for which you meet the pre & co-requisites.				
<i>Choose 1 Spiritual Formation unit</i>		<b>1 unit (12cps) of Spiritual Formation</b>		
EM017-6/712: Spiritual Formation for Cross- Cultural Settings	1			
PC076-6/712: Personal and Spiritual Formation for Christian Ministry				
<i>Choose 1 EM Unit</i>		<b>1 unit (12cps) of Missions</b>		
EM008-6/712: Cross-Cultural Communication	1		We recommend these units as most beneficial in meeting this requirement	
EM060-6/712: God's Mission and the Local Church	2			
Or <u>any EM unit</u> for which you meet the pre & co-requisites (other than EM017 above).				

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Units that meet requirement	Typically in Semester	Pre & Co-requisites	Progression Advice	Plan		
<i>Choose any 3 elective units</i>	<b>3 units (36cps) of electives</b>					
EM008-6/712: Cross-Cultural Communication	1					
EM017-6/712: Spiritual Formation for Cross-Cultural Settings						
EM025-6/712: Applied Evangelism						
PC076-6/712: Personal and Spiritual Formation for Christian Ministry						
EM014-6/712: Teaching in an Intercultural Setting	2					
EM021-6/712: Living Faiths						
EM026-6/712: Church Planting						
EM060-6/712: God's Mission and the Local Church						
PC003-6/712: Pastoral Skills and Methods						
PC163-6/712: Principles and Practice of Church Ministry						
DE014-6/712: Chaplaincy in Educational Settings	Variable					
DE022-512: Children's Ministry Skills: An Introduction						
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						
Or <u>any</u> unit which you meet the pre/co-requisites (including any units listed above not yet taken or other units listed on our website).						