

## Faculty of Theology

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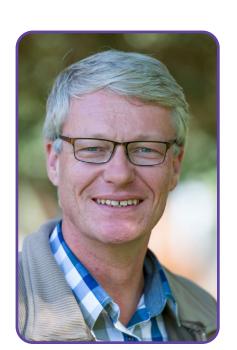
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### **FACULTY FACT SHEET**



#### ON GOOD AUTHORITY



### A message from the executive dean, Prof Hennie Goede

Although the Faculty of Theology has its roots in the reformed tradition and recognises the authority of the Bible, we acknowledge the diversity of theological and religious views and convictions in our country and elsewhere. Our faculty is located on all three NWU campuses, where we offer a variety of undergraduate qualifications in the contact and distance modalities.

Students are equipped for church ministry, pastoral counselling, youth work, missionary work, as evangelists, Biblical archaeologists, journalists, educationists, authors, translators, and for other careers. On postgraduate level, we offer various master's and doctoral degrees to students around the world in all theological fields of study, as well as ancient languages, cultures and text studies.

Our academic staff deliver excellent research outputs in the form of articles and books, and we engage actively with stakeholders and the communities where we live and work. As management and staff, we strive for excellence in our teaching and learning, research and innovation, and community engagement.

### THIS IS US

# Impactful theology through proven expertise

We strive to be a faculty of theology in Africa that impacts community needs through our expertise in diverse theological traditions and ancient languages and cultures expressed in our teaching and learning, research and innovation, higher degree supervision, and community engagement.

Degree courses are offered on the Mahikeng, Potchefstroom, and Vanderbijlpark campuses in ministry and pastoral counselling, as well as ancient languages and cultures. The faculty's distance qualifications create the opportunity for theological education for all, without the need to relocate to an NWU campus. In this way, our students determine the place, time and pace of their learning.



# NWU – an internationally renowned university

The NWU proudly represents the African continent on the global stage as one of the largest and most respected universities in the world. Known for its excellence in teaching-learning and research, the university's student population is representative of 65 different nationalities, bearing testament to its global competitive advantage.

Through strategic international collaborations with experts and other institutions of higher learning, the NWU further ensures a global footprint of distinction and quality. Consequently, the NWU takes great pride in the worth of its comprehensive undergraduate and postgraduate programmes, as well as its proven research track record.



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#### Our faculty in numbers

(Staff and student figures as on 25 April 2024)



Undergraduate students:



Academic staff: 112



Postgraduate students: 145



Support staff: 14



International students: 46



NRF-rated researchers: 15

### **QUALIFICATIONS AND PROGRAMMES**



### Shaping your mind through in-depth knowledge and skills

#### **Undergraduate qualifications**

In our undergraduate qualifications, we are committed to academic excellence, have an innovative approach to the teaching of theology, and aim to offer high-quality instruction in all theology subjects.

However, we do not merely want to impart knowledge on theology but strive to equip students holistically to serve our stakeholders, as well as members of independent churches.

#### RESEARCH

# Focus Area Ancient Texts: Text, Context and Reception

In this research entity, researchers investigate Latin, Greek and Semitic languages (including Biblical Hebrew, Aramaic, Syriac, Akkadian, Arabic and others).

# Unit for Reformational Theology and the Development of the SA Society

This research unit strives to make a theological-scientific contribution to important debates in South Africa. It offers focus areas in bibliological, ecclesiological, ecumenical, missiological, and practical theological perspectives, as well as in moral development of the society, and public practical theology and civil society.

### **APPLICATIONS**

#### **Admission requirements**

The Faculty of Theology has different admission requirements for different undergraduate qualifications.

- National Senior Certificate with admission to B degree studies
- APS of at least 24 (26 in the case of BA in Pastoral Psychology)
- English passed on performance level 4 (50-59%)

Please refer to our website for detailed information.

#### How do I apply?

Please refer to our website for online application.

#### **Money matters**

For a wide range of bursaries and financial support, please contact 018 299 2672 or visit our **website**.

#### We want to hear from you

Phone 018 299 1847 or contact **Antoinett Moerdyk** (contact studies) or **Petria Theron** (distance studies), or visit our **webpage**.



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