

TRIPOS CANDIDATES' COURSE

It is essential that you read the relevant sections of the *Cambridge Theological Federation's Handbook*, the Federation website and the Divinity Faculty website alongside the information set out below. For information about the course you will take in Year Three see pp E3-4 in this handbook.

All first year ordinands attend the Focus on Prayer weekend in the Lent Term. Lay students are also welcome.

Your Tripos courses will be discussed in detail both with the Ridley Director of Studies and your university college Director of Studies at the beginning of the year. Ridley students enter Year 2 of the Tripos (Part IIA) in their first year at Ridley. You must choose four papers from Group B. In addition you may choose the language paper, B1. The papers are as follows:

Group B papers All except B9 are examined by 3-hour written examination. B9 is examined by two 3000 word essays.

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| 1. | Intermediate Language and Texts – Greek or Hebrew | Strongly recommended (or A1 Scriptural language and Texts) |
| 2. | Literature, History and Theology of the Exilic Age | Strongly recommended |
| 3. | Judaism in the Greek and Roman Periods | |
| 4. | The Letters of Paul | Strongly recommended |
| 5. | Jesus in Gospel Tradition | |
| 6. | Belief and Practice in the Early Church | Recommended |
| 7. | Reform and Renewal in Christian History | |
| 8. | Study of Theology I | Recommended |
| 9. | Christian Culture in the Western World | |
| 10. | Philosophy of Religion: God, Freedom and the Soul | |
| 11. | Ethics and Faith | |
| 12. | Psychology and Religion | |
| 13. | Religious Themes in Literature | |
| 14. | Life, Thought and Worship of Modern Judaism | |
| 15. | Introduction to Islam | |
| 16. | Life and Thought of Religious Hinduism and of Buddhism | |

In their second year (Year 3 of the Tripos) Ridley students do Part IIB. You must choose 4 papers of which 2 should be from Group C and one each from Groups D1 and D2. A dissertation may be substituted for one paper from either D1 or D2. You may take, as an additional paper, a language from paper B1 if you have not previously offered it, or another language from C1. The papers are as follows:

Group C papers All assessed by 3-hour examination.

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| 1. | Advanced Language and Texts – Hebrew or Greek | |
| 2. | Poets, Prophets, Storytellers and Sages | Recommended |
| 3. | New Testament Christology | Strongly recommended |
| 4. | Religion, Power and Political Society | |
| 5. | Study of Theology II | Recommended |
| 6. | Disputed Questions in the Christian Tradition | |
| 7. | Topics in the Study of Religion | |
| 8. | Judaism II | |
| 9. | Islam II | |
| 10. | Hinduism and Buddhism II | |
| 11. | Metaphysics | |

12. Theology and Science

Group D1 papers – Special subjects All assessed by two 3000 word essays.

- (a) Old Testament
- (b) New Testament Ethics
- (c) A Topic in the History of Christianity (Councils in Context)
- (d) The Doctrine of God

Group D2 papers – Interdisciplinary papers All except D2c are assessed by two 3000 word essays

- (a) not offered in 2008-9
- (b) not offered in 2008-9
- (c) Jewish and Christian Responses to the Holocaust
- (d) Judaism and Hellenism
- (e) Themes in World Christianity
- (f) Topics in Christian Ethics

The following outline indicates the core of Tripos students' pastoral studies programme.

YEAR ONE	COURSE NAME/NUMBER	TERM			COURSE DETAILS; ASSESSMENT
Pastoral Studies	Introduction to Life and Service 1	M	L	E	1 triple session/week; 1 2000 word essay
	Federation Intensive Courses		L		2 January courses; self-assessment forms to be completed
	Ridley Intensive Courses	M	L	E	End of each term; self-assessment forms to be completed
	Parish Attachment	M	L	E	Weekly involvement; supervisor's report +self-assessment
	Parish Mission (or year 2 or 3)				Up to 8 days around Easter, July or Sept + preparation; report
	Social Context Placement (1 in first year, 1 in final year if under 30. 1 in <i>either</i> first or final year if over 30.)				Various forms of assessment; usually report + essay

YEAR TWO	COURSE NAME/NUMBER	TERM			COURSE DETAILS; ASSESSMENT
Pastoral Studies	Federation Intensive Courses		L		2 January courses; self-assessment
	Ridley Intensive Courses	M	L	E	End of each term; self-assessment form to be completed
	Parish Attachment	M	L	E	Weekly involvement; supervisor's report + self-assessment
	Parish Placement				4 weeks during previous summer; seminar presentation
	Introduction to Pastoral Skills and Spiritual Direction (or in Year 3)	M	L		1 term of 8 double sessions; self-assessment; offered twice