

MTh and PGDip in Applied Theology

Classes and seminars - Michaelmas Term 2025

Week of Term	Date	FRIDAY MORNING CORE CLASSES For all 1st year students This term we will focus on Research Methodology and the Doctrine, Context and Practice unit 11:00-13:00 Schwarzman Centre, Seminar Room 20.340	FRIDAY AFTERNOON SEMINARS ALL students attend MTh Research Seminars. Research Presentation Seminars this term are primarily for Year 2+ students. 14:00 – 15:30 Schwarzman Centre, Seminar Room B 30.301b
1	17 Oct	Frameworks and Methodologies I: Introduction to Practical Theology DR SUSANNA SNYDER AND DR SUSAN GRIFFITH	
2	24 Oct	Frameworks and Methodologies 2: Ethnography and Lived Experience DR SUSANNA SNYDER	MTh Year 2+ meeting and Research Presentation Seminar (Year 2+ students meet as a cohort and talk about the year ahead. Two will present their research.)
3	31 Oct	Frameworks and Methodologies 3: Theology and Social Science: Frameworks for Interdisciplinary Research PROFESSOR LUKE BRETHERTON	MTh Research Seminar (for all students) SAMUEL DOUGLAS (Keble DPhil student) – <i>'Aristotle, Aquinas and Clergy Compassion Fatigue'</i>
4	7 Nov	Frameworks and Methodologies 4: Theological Reflection DR SUSANNA SNYDER	
5	14 Nov	DCP: Sin, Redemption and Atonement REV DR JUSTYN TERRY	MTh Research Presentation Seminar (Year 2+ students present their research)
6	21 Nov	DCP: Resurrection: Reflections on Journeys of Faith MOTHER LUCY GARDNER	MTh Research Seminar (for all students): DR SAMUEL TRANTER (Christ Church) – <i>'Are we the Hands and Feet of Jesus?'</i>
7	28 Nov	DCP: Trinity and Practical Theology PROFESSOR PAUL FIDDES	
8	5 Dec	DCP: Incarnation: Proclaiming the Gospel MOTHER LUCY GARDNER	Bring-and-share lunch/Christmas party for all Applied Theology students: Location TBC 1:10pm onwards.

MTh Steering Committee meetings: Monday 3:00 pm of 3rd Week and Monday 3:00 of 7th Week. Students, please submit your Title forms on or before **9am Friday of 2nd and 6th weeks** through the Faculty's new MTh Title portal: <https://unioxfordnexus.sharepoint.com/sites/THEO-FacultyofTheologyandReligionStudentHub/SitePages/Applying-for-approval-of-an-Graduate-Title.aspx> ****Continuing students, please note the change in how you will submit these!****

Students who have completed their first year: Please sign up to present at the **Research Presentation seminars** (Maximum of 3 student presenters per seminar). The first session this term will be for just Year 2+ students. Sign ups for this term: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EkIjRBQz4Kcw4tWA3fn_YaRgG0Y59HEzcLpq8hhfuOI/edit?usp=sharing

The mandatory Introduction to Research Ethics (CUREC) online training session this term will be Wednesday 5th November, 2-3pm. This is required of all research students at the University of Oxford. Booking has already opened and spots fill quickly so sign up soon. See here for the new online CUREC application process via Worktribe:

<https://researchsupport.admin.ox.ac.uk/governance/ethics/apply/sshidrec#collapse4886676>

The Nov 6th introductory session is one that **all** Oxford postgraduate students **must** attend at some point early in their course. If you cannot attend this term, you must prioritise it for Hilary term. NB: If you need to obtain CUREC approval for an essay, there are *further* pre-recorded training modules you will need to watch – very helpful and not too arduous. **Please email me to confirm you have participated in the initial training (for all students) and/or the follow-on training (for all who need to obtain CUREC clearance).** Here is the link for the CUREC training sign-up: <https://www.socsci.ox.ac.uk/event/introduction-to-research-ethics-at-oxford>

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