

Graduate Program of the Theological University of Apeldoorn

The Theological University of Apeldoorn is committed to high-quality academic research and outstanding education in the Reformed tradition. For over a century, the university has contributed to the formation of theologians with an emphasis on careful exegesis of Biblical texts, thorough knowledge of the history of Reformed traditions and relevant constructive and practical theological pathways for today. The university aims at building a strong academic community for the future of the Reformed tradition.

The Graduate Program of the Theological University of Apeldoorn is a focused three-year part-time PhD training, small-scaled and high-level. It is designed as a compact on-site training of eight to ten consecutive days per year, combined with supervision on a regular basis, either in person or through digital means. The Graduate Program is a cooperation of the TUA with Driestar Christian University.

Thus, the Graduate Program is not only accessible and apt for residential students, but also for international students and for those who pursue a PhD next to their day jobs.

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Setup

The setup of the yearly coursework within the Graduate Program is as follows:

- In the first year, the coursework is centered on methodology (general and specific for the discipline), the formulation of a research question and research methods;
- The second year offers training in academic writing skills and English language training;
- In the third year, the practicalities of the defense of a PhD thesis are discussed;
- In the fourth year, the candidate presents his/her own dilemma's to be discussed.

Meanwhile, supervision takes place through regular interaction between supervisor and the PhD student.

Requirements

To enroll in the Graduate Program, prospective students must:

- have earned a Master's degree, preferably in theology;
- be able to spend at least 10 hours per week on their PhD;
- submit a proposal before June 1st of the calendar year in which they wish to start the Program (starting end of August). Guidelines for the proposal are found on the website of the university;
- take an interview (possibly via Skype) in July.

Supervisors

PhD students will be supervised by committed and inspiring professors in the fields of:

- Biblical Studies (Prof. Eric Peels);
- Systematic Theology (Prof. Arnold Huijgen);
- Church History (Prof. Herman Selderhuis);
- Practical Theology (Prof. Maarten Kater);
- Education (Prof. Bram de Muijnck).

Admissions

Please note that the deadline for applications is June 1st. Further information on admission and PhD fees can be found on www.tua.nl/graduateprogram

For further inquiries, please send an e-mail to graduateprogram@tua.nl

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