

Catechesis

Academic credits

2 KP (3 ECTS)

Prerequisites

None

Approved by

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Content

Students are presented with the concept, purpose and process of catechesis. The content of catechesis is defined by the LELB and the corresponding catechesis requirements. As part of the course, students see how various courses learned within the LA Theology program are applied in the methodology and practice of catechesis, and what qualities of a catechist contribute to good success.

Aims

- Provide theoretical insight into catechesis
- To raise awareness of the catechesis ministry of the Church.

Learning Outcomes

Knowledge

The students will know:

- the importance and development of the concept of catechesis;
- basic communication models and their attributes;
- Catechesis programmes and models of LELB;
- current Lutheran and ecumenical catechesis trends.

Assessment

Final test

Skills

The students will be able to:

- create a contextual catechesis lesson
- involve the right circle of persons in the catechesis process; Individual task
- apply the pool of theological knowledge acquired in studies to catechesis practices. Final test

Competencies

The students will be able to:

- create the catechesis program according to the environment in which it takes place; Final test
- to practice catechesis in a congregation as part of the Church's ministry;
- do catechesis in the context of pastoral and mission ministry.

Assessment

	Learning Outcomes			% of the final score
	Knowledge	Skills	Competencies	
Attendance	+	+		30
Individual task		+		30
Final test	+	+	+	40

FULL-TIME STUDIES**Lesson plan**

	<i>Subject</i>	<i>Academic hours (45 min)</i>
1	Concept and historical development of catechesis	5
2	Purpose, principles and process of catechesis	5
3	Family, congregation, target person and catechist as involved in catechesis process	5
4	Catechesis models	6
5	Characteristics and competence of catechist	5
6	Practical aspects of catechesis	6
	TOTAL	32

Individual study plan

	Individual studies	<i>Number of hours to run</i>
1.	Create a catechesis session presentation	24
2.	Preparation for the final test of the course	24
	TOTAL	48
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Readings**Mandatory Readings**

- Ārands, Čārlzs P. *Lai es piederētu Viņam. Lūtera katehismu apskats*. Rīga: Luterisma mantojuma fonds, 2009.
- Kolbs, Roberts. *Katehisms mācīšana Dieva bērniem*. Rīga: Luterisma mantojuma fonds, 2019
- *Teoloģijas žurnāls*. Rīga: LELB Teoloģijas komisija, 2008.

Additional Readings

- Bender, Peter C. *Lutheran Catechesis, Catechist Edition*. Lutheran Catechesis series. Concordia Catechetical Academy. Second edition Sussex 2008.
- Iestiprināšanas sakramenta katehēzes programma.
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/10PbIBil86-uwHMI2u3yUS0kQxFBi73Hg/view>
- <https://www.blueletterbible.org/>