

## COURSE DESCRIPTION

**Code:** 5PST/SVTAJ/17**Course title:** Holy mysteries**Field of study:****Guarantor:** prof. ThDr. Alexander Cap, CSc.**Lectured by:** Department of Practical and Systematic Theology

doc. ThDr. Štefan Šak, PhD.

**Semester:**

WT

**Contact lessons:** Lecture, Seminar**Recommended course load (in lessons):****Weekly:** 2/2**Per course:** 26,26**Number of****ECTS credits:** 5**Prerequisite(s):****Course assessment and completion:** Exam**Continuous assessment:**

seminar work

**Final assessment:**

The subject is completed by an exam. During a semester, student is supposed to write, present and submit a seminar paper. During an exam period, student undergoes an examination. To obtain an evaluation A (excellent) student must get at least 95%, to obtain an evaluation B student must get at least 90%, for C at least 80%, for D at least 75%, for E at least 70%. A student who obtains less than 60% will be evaluated by FX. A final evaluation will be calculated as the average of a seminar paper and written exam.

**Course objective:**

A graduate in this subject will be able to:

- Clarify and define the term mysterion.
- Characterize triadological, soteriological, pneumatological and ecclesiological nature of Mysteries.
- Define the interconnection between Holy Sacrament and Church
- Clarify the content of the Orthodox mystagogy
- Explain the Holy Sacrament of Baptism, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Characterize the Holy Sacrament of Anointing its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Characterize the Holy Sacrament of Repentance, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Describe the Holy Sacrament of Eucharist and its interconnection with the other holy sacraments of the Church
- Clarify the Holy Sacrament of Holy Orders
- Describe chirotony, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Describe chirotesy, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Describe the Holy Sacrament of Marriage, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Describe the Holy Sacrament of Anointing, its rituals from the historical-sacral point of view
- Clarify the forms that accompany particular divine services of holy sacraments

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**Textbooks and references:**

Peter Kormaník: Základné sväté tajiny Pravoslávnej Cirkvi, Prešov 1996.

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Štefan Šak: Obřady žehnání v liturgické tradici pravoslavné Církve, Colloquium liturgicum, Olomouc 2006.

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**Language of instruction:**

Slovak, English, Russian

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