UNIVERSITY OF PREŠOV IN PREŠOV Greek-Catholic Theological Faculty





Information about study programs implemented at GTF PU in Prešov

Bachelor study program: LEISURE TIME ANIMATION

Field of study: 37 THEOLOGY

Guarantor: doc. ThDr. Peter Tirpák, PhD.

Graduate profile:

The graduate is expected to acquire knowledge of theories concerning care and education of children, youth, adults and people with special needs. He/she is able to methodically analyse model educational situations and propose own solutions, co-create concepts of leisure time activities in commercial, public and spiritual spheres and participate in management of leisure time facilities. On theoretical level, the graduate demonstrates a good working knowledge of pedagogical and theological disciplines and is able to understand the essential contexts, principles and theories related to educational work with children and young people.

In practice, he/she is able to use the acquired personal and intellectual competences in formation of a school community and in extracurricular activities aimed at children, young people and adults. He/she is able to collaborate with employees of related professions (teacher, school director, school psychologist, etc.) as a member of a working team, and is able to cooperate with parents and other members of the community in which he/she lives and works. The graduate is well-equipped to pursue a master's degree.

Graduate employability:

Graduates may seek employment opportunities in all areas of leisure time animation or in cultural and educational institutions.

- all levels of local and regional administration towns/municipalities/self-governing regions leisure and recreation worker,
- social service institutions helping professions,
- institutions for social and legal protection of children and social curatorship,
- third sector organizations,
- at the local administration level in resocialization assistance.

Bachelor study program: EUROPEAN STUDIES

Field of study: 15 HISTORICAL SCIENCES

Guarantor: doc. PhDr. JAROSLAV CORANIČ, PhD.

Graduate profile:

The graduate of this study programme is expected to acquire knowledge from various areas of cultural, religious, political and social life. It is an interdisciplinary bachelor's degree programme. The graduate acquires theoretical knowledge of subjects from the study areas of history, philosophy, religious studies, sociology, social and cultural anthropology, international relations and diplomacy. He/she has a sound knowledge of the history of political and social developments in Europe and is able to recognize its cultural, religious and national particularities.

In the course of the study, the student is encouraged to be able to work effectively as a member of a team, continuously improve his/her knowledge in the profile areas of the study programme, communicate in an international and intercultural environment, utilize the latest findings from social sciences research, follow the developments in the profile discipline and continue his/her own professional growth.

The graduate acquires the ability to historically and critically analyse, interpret and evaluate historical, religious, cultural, geopolitical and social phenomena or processes taking place in Europe. Moreover, the study programme lays emphasis on the development of skills and competences necessary for working with European realities, particularly the ability to analyse social events in Europe and Slovakia.

The graduate of the bachelor's degree programme of European Studies is fully qualified to pursue a master's degree.

- bodies of state and local administration and third sector organizations with a focus on culture,
- specialist in culture
- regional and rural development specialist,
- documenter of museum and gallery collections,
- social sciences and religious studies specialist,
- specialist in the area of law, social affairs and culture.

Master's study program: CATHOLIC THEOLOGY

Field of study: 37 THEOLOGY

Guarantor: Mons. prof. ThDr. Peter Šturák, PhD.

Graduate profile:

The graduate of Catholic Theology possesses a sound knowledge, skills, and competences that are essential for working in church organizations and institutions on a position of a priest and/or theologian.

The graduate of the study programme has theoretical and practical knowledge of disciplines necessary for his/her future vocation of a priest and/or teacher of Catholic religious education.

Building on his/her knowledge of philosophy and fundamental theological disciplines, the graduate acquires the necessary knowledge of church history, biblical studies, fundamental, dogmatic, moral, pastoral and liturgical theology, and canon law. The graduate is prepared to perform sacred activities in catechesis and preaching, liturgical worship and celebration and administration of sacraments. Moreover, the graduate acquires knowledge of psychology, educational sciences, catechetics and didactics of religious education. He/she is able to use that knowledge creatively in pastoral activity and teaching.

The graduate is qualified to deliver pastoral work in parishes, pastoral centres, or in ecclesiastical and social institutions. The graduate is also competent to work in charity and social services provided by the Church, analyse social phenomena from the perspective of social doctrine and apply methods of social communication and ethics to social spheres.

Catholic Theology is a master's degree study programme.

- Catholic priest or permanent deacon working for local or foreign dioceses (eparchies), in ecclesiastical institutions, state administration bodies – pastoral service in the armed forces,
- pastoral assistant in social service institutions, social and third sector organisations (community centres),
- after completing additional pedagogical studies, the graduate can work as a teacher of religious education at primary and secondary schools,
- pastoral care of church schools and school facilities,

- lecturer at higher education institutions focusing on theology and humanities,
- advisor for governmental, political and social institutions,
- professional consultant in religious editorial offices and other mass media.

Master's study program: PROBATION AND MEDIATION WORK

Field of study: 37 THEOLOGY

Guarantor: prof. ThDr. PaedDr. Ing. GABRIEL PALA, PhD.

Graduate profile:

The student of the Probation and Mediation Work study programme broadens the knowledge acquired while studying in the bachelor study programme Leisure Time Animation, namely in the areas of sociology, psychology, pedagogy, communication, social work, fundamentals of theology, leisure time and other related disciplines.

The aim of this follow-up master study programme is to produce a graduate who possesses a sound knowledge in the areas pertaining to the legal system of the Slovak Republic, practical communication with clients and methodology of probation and mediation. The graduate is able to apply the acquired knowledge in diagnosing and solving complex issues, phenomena and processes underlying the current developments in probation and mediation.

This study programme is interdisciplinary in nature, linking the field of theology to the study areas of civil and family law, commercial and labour law, criminal law, theories of conflict and effective communication, probation and mediation methodology, forensic psychology and victimology, penitentiary and postpenitentiary care, social work in helping professions. On a theoretical level, the graduate also masters the fundamentals of theological disciplines.

The study programme provides students with the knowledge of law, communication, probation and mediation methodology, psychology, penitentiary and post-penitentiary care, and marriage and family counselling. The study programme profile is complemented by knowledge from other scientific disciplines such as professional ethics, intercultural psychology, canon law, intercultural mediation and conflicts in Europe and socio-legal protection.

- probation and mediation officer, working as a civil servant at courts,
- commercial mediation,
- state administration,
- consultant and manager in ecclesiastical and ecumenical organizations, state and private educational institutions and facilities

Master's study program: EUROPEAN STUDIES

Field of study: 15 HISTORICAL SCIENCES

Guarantor: prof. Mgr. KAMIL KARDIS, PhD.

Graduate profile:

The graduate of this study programme acquires a broad knowledge of historical, cultural and religious aspects of European studies. He/she is able to apply the acquired knowledge in diagnosing and solving complex issues, phenomena and processes underlying the current events on the European continent, continuously improve his/her intercultural competences and participate in the effective implementation of European public policies at the local and regional level.

The multidisciplinary nature of the study programme allows for a better understanding of the complex issues of contemporary Europe from historical, cultural, sociological and religious perspectives. Besides its interdisciplinary character, this study programme focuses on history with an emphasis placed on the political, ideological-religious, cultural and social history of Europe, a comprehensive analysis of the institutional frameworks of the European Union in the 20th and 21st centuries, international relations, European integration processes, the foreign and security policy of the European Union and other relevant actors.

The graduate acquires the ability to historically and critically analyse, interpret and evaluate historical, religious, cultural, social phenomena or processes taking place in Europe.

In the course of their studies, students will acquire the ability to historically and critically analyse, interpret and evaluate cultural, religious and social phenomena and processes taking place in Europe. The study programme provides the student with knowledge pertaining to history, cultural studies, religious studies, political science, sociology, international relations, law and public administration. The study programme profile is complemented by knowledge from other scientific disciplines and therefore contains specific overlaps with other fields of study, such as philosophy, political science, law, sociology, social anthropology, arts and cultural sciences.

- public administration professional in the field of culture,
- expert in the field of tangible and intangible cultural heritage,
- expert in the field of international relations,

- expert in the field of religious studies and state-church relations,
- theorist, critic of visual art, design and architecture,
- culturologist and historian,
- specialist in the area of law, social affairs and culture.