REGULATION 47  GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN BIBLICAL LANGUAGES

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47.1  Admission and Enrolment

47.1.1 A person may apply to the Academic Board to enrol as a candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages if he or she:

a) has obtained or is qualified to obtain a Bachelor degree from the University of Divinity or from a university or college recognised by the Academic Board; or

b) has a minimum of five years of relevant work experience or relevant professional attainment to a standard recognised by the Academic Board.

47.1.2 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Regulation, the Academic Board may require an applicant to demonstrate fitness for admission by carrying out such work and sitting for such examinations or meeting such other standards as the Academic Board may determine.

47.1.3 An applicant who meets the requirements of the Academic Board may be admitted as a candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages in a College of the University.

47.1.4 Every candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages must be enrolled during the period of candidature at a College of the University, and must comply with the requirements of that College and of the University. Candidates may study units offered at other Colleges of the University.

47.1.5 The Academic Board may discontinue the candidature of any person whom it deems to have made unsatisfactory progress.

47.2  Course Structure

47.2.1 The standard full-time duration of the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages is six months. The Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages must be completed in not less than six months and not more than two years from the date on which the course is commenced, not including any approved periods of leave of absence, unless the Academic Board determines otherwise.

47.2.2 Every course of study for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages must consist of 45 points.
47.2.3 The Academic Board must determine course outcomes for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages.

47.2.4 The Academic Board must determine the number and type of units required to complete the course of study and to meet the course outcomes for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages.

47.2.5 No candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages may enrol in more than 45 points in any one semester, unless the Academic Board determines otherwise.

47.3 Credit

47.3.1 The Academic Board may grant credit of up to 20 points towards the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages. The Academic Board may determine specific credit arrangements for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages. Where credit is granted, the minimum term for completion of the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages is reduced accordingly.

47.4 Award

47.4.1 When a candidate has completed the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages, the Academic Board may recommend that the award be made to the candidate. A candidate to whom such an award has been made is entitled to use the letters ‘GCBL’ as a suffix to his or her name.
DETERMINATIONS MADE BY ACADEMIC BOARD RELATING TO REGULATION 47

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47.2 Course Structure

47.2.3 Statement of Rationale and Course Outcomes

The Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages allows students to acquire knowledge of one or more biblical languages and skills for the analysis and translation of passages in such language(s). It develops techniques for critically engaging with the contexts in which biblical literature was produced and transmitted. Graduates attain knowledge and skills that can be used to contribute to the interpretation of the Bible. The course may be used as a pathway to further biblical study.

Graduates of the Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages

1. have knowledge of one or more biblical languages and the relevant primary sources, reference works and linguistic concepts;
2. have skills to analyse the grammar of passages in one or more biblical languages and to articulate the results using standard terminology;
3. apply their knowledge and skills to the translation of passages in one or more biblical languages into English;
4. apply their knowledge and skills in the discipline of biblical languages to the task of engaging with the oral and written contexts in which biblical literature was produced and transmitted;
5. apply their knowledge and skills in the discipline of biblical languages so as to serve preachers and readers of the Bible.

47.2.4 The Graduate Certificate in Biblical Languages consists of 45 points in the discipline of Biblical Languages.

47.3 Credit

47.3.1 General provisions relating to credit are determined by the Academic Board in accordance with Regulation 2.