

Welcome to MATM, Autumn 2020

Dear MATM-student

We greet you with the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ!

At NLA University College we are excited to welcome you as a student on the Master in Theology and Ministry program (MATM). Two courses are taught this first semester:

- TAM301 *Thinking theologically about practice* (15 ECTS), with Prof. Peter Ward as Principal lecturer together with Assoc. Prof. Knut Tveitereid.
- TAM302 *Encountering God through Scripture: Hermeneutical Reflections and exegetical Explorations* (15 ECTS), with Assoc. Prof. Tomas Bokedal as Principal lecturer together with a team of teachers.

We will encourage you to get hold of all the books for your courses as soon as possible. You will find the complete curriculum, including syllabus for the different courses (Norwegian: pensum) via the NLA webpage: <https://www.nla.no/en/studies/studieplan/2020/master-in-theology-and-ministry/>

Please note the following:

The two weeklong learning intensives “on campus” are compulsory. Please note the dates:

- Week 35: Mon 24 August–Fri 28 August
 - The first session will start 24 August at 09:30 am
- Week 44: Mon 26 October–Fri 30 October

Due to corona-related travel restrictions, some of the teachers and students may not be able to travel to Bergen. In these cases, teaching will be broadcasted online via Zoom (links available through Canvas). We encourage students living in Norway to travel to Bergen for the teaching weeks if they are able to. Students living abroad are recommended to follow the teaching weeks of the Fall semester digitally from their home countries.

When you pay the semester fee, you will have access to Canvas – our digital learning platform. So make sure to register as early as possible. Please stay in contact on tel +47 555 40 700 for any question regarding semester start (such as semester fee, Canvas and other services access, etc.).

- In Canvas you will find detailed Semester Schedules and other information.
- This is also where video lectures are published and coursework assignments are announced.
- The very first video lectures and coursework assignments will be available 17. August at 10.00 am.



For questions regarding the organization of the MA-program, courses, syllabus etc., please send an e-mail to:

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Looking forward to seeing you all on the far side of summer – digitally or face to face!

