



## **What is Theology?**

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Theology is a critical study of the nature of the divine. Christians didn't invent the idea of doing theology; it is an old activity as the human race. Long before structuring it, human beings were already thinking, conversing and writing about God and about the relationship that exists between him and all created things. So doing theology is natural as breathing.<sup>1</sup>

In PIASS it is taught as an academic discipline, involving academic writing, research on the nature of GOD from different religion perspectives including Rwandan Traditional Religion. The history of theology studies in institutions of higher education is old as the history of such institutions themselves. It examines the human experience of faith, and how different people and cultures express it.

Theologians examine the many different religions of the world and their impact on society. Understanding this can help us understand the laws, wars, traditions and morals of our own society and that of others. The study of theology is part of philosophy, part of history, part of anthropology and others social sciences.

The world has changed. The life of man has changed. Theology is a much needed area of wisdom because there are over 4,000 different religions. Religion can't be

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<sup>1</sup> <https://blog.morling.edu.au/blog/what-is-theology>

left behind with the rapid expansion of man. An example of how man has changed is not always found in our behavior but in our ability. Technology has made a major impact on theology and understanding. How technology and modern culture can coexist in the same place as religion? It is also exciting. That why there are specific schools of thought, for example, progressive theology, feminist theology, liberation theology, evangelical theology....

### **What careers can a theological degree lead to?**

A solid training in theology is an essential foundation for the kind of work that is involved in serving as a pastor, church planter or evangelist, for example. Cross-cultural missionaries, too, require deep theological wisdom as they communicate the gospel in unfamiliar situations and work in partnership with believers from vastly different cultural backgrounds. Graduates in theology and religious can work in a variety of different roles in a range of employment sectors. Such as in:

- National and local government, including the Civil and government agencies, as well as non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- Schools, colleges and universities (for teaching and research positions)
- Charities, voluntary and not-for-profit organizations
- Social services and other caring professions
- Church and other religious organizations
- Financial and legal institutions
- National Health Service
- Advertising, sales and marketing companies
- Media companies.

### **Our curriculum in PIASS**

The curriculum is divided into 19 accredited modules plus internship with 480 credits to be done at least in three years for those who want to become pastors. During the programme, our lecturers and professors from different partner universities in Africa and Europe give lectures in theology and its disciplines such as: New Testament Greek, Biblical Hebrew, Philosophy and Logics, Church History, History of Religions, Practical Theology, Systematic Theology, Ethics, Project planning and management, Entrepreneurship, Academic English writing...

Graduates are awarded Hon. Bachelor's degrees in protestant theology.

