**SYRIAC THEOLOGY**

**Duration** 4 Semester/Terms  
**Study Place** Salzburg  
**ECTS** 120 points  
**Fees** 1,560 Euro  
**Academic Degree** Master of Arts in Syriac Theology (MAST)  
**Starting Date** 01.10.2015

**Aims and Purpose/Use**  
With its extensive oriental theological literature and spirituality the Syriac Christianity belongs to the most important currents of Christendom. Until the 14th century the Syriac Christianity reached its greatest expansion, and developed a rich religious culture in the respective pluralistic contexts. The graduates of the study programme MAST receive an academic training in Syriac language, history and theology. The study programme focuses on those aspects that are relevant for a cultural and religious understanding of the Syriac Christianity. It teaches skills to apply the Syriac-theological knowledge in professional and in everyday life amidst cultural and religious diversity of a globalising environment, such as in religious education, catechesis, pastoral work in the ecumenical and interreligious exchange.

**Target Groups**  
The study programme MAST offers a qualified academic training for theologians belonging to the Syriac Christianity to work in the fields of pastoral care, catechesis, adult and religious education. Also it provides scholarly specialisation for graduates of arts/humanities, such as of theology, history, Oriental studies and archeology.

**CONTENT**  
The study programme MAST contains following fields of the Syriac Christianity:
- Language and literature  
- Bible studies  
- Ecclesiastical history  
- Liturgy  
- Spirituality and monastic literature  
- Patristic studies and systematic theology;  
- canon law, practical theology and pedagogy of religion

**Admission**  
Admission to the university course MAST is dependent
- on the prior completion of a relevant Bachelor's degree, diploma programme or secondary school teacher accreditation programme, or of an equivalent programme at a recognised domestic or international tertiary educational institution  
- advanced English  
- elementary Syriac

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