

## List of reading-courses offered in English at the Institute of Catholic Theology at RWTH-Aachen University

The Institute of Catholic Theology at RWTH-Aachen University offers the following subjects as reading courses in English for Erasmus-students with little proficiency in German. A reading course is a specially designed course not normally offered as part of the curriculum. It is arranged between a staff member of the institute and the Erasmus-student. The subject is based on a reading list and several meetings during the semester. Students are expected to study the given material on their own and continuously meet with their supervisor.

### Systematic Theology

Course	ECTS	assessment
Philosophical approaches to the question of god	4	oral examination
Postmodernity and Theology	4	oral examination
Measurement of faith? Religion and natural science	4	oral examination
The challenge of neuroscience for the concept of man	4	oral examination
Christian concepts of salvation and the afterlife in western societies	4	oral examination

### Biblical Studies

Course	ECTS	assessment
A Survey of the Old Testament	4	oral examination or essay
The Dead Sea Scrolls and Qumran: Context and Origins?	4	oral examination or essay
The New Testament: A Canon of Plurality and Diversity?	4	oral examination or essay
The Quests for the Historical Jesus	4	oral examination or essay

### Church History / Ecclesiastical History

Course	ECTS	assessment
Competing agendas in the Reformation	4	essay
Dialogue and violence in the age of the crusades	4	essay
Catholicism and enlightenment criticism	4	essay
Western Christendom in the 4th century CE	4	essay

### Religious Education and Practical Theology

Course	ECTS	assessment
Religious education in European contexts	4	oral examination
Secularization from the perspective of religious education	4	oral examination
Peace building and the development security nexus	4	oral examination

Alternative reading courses can be arranged upon request.