

Entry Requirements:

Applicants should normally possess a recognised primary degree in Theology or a related discipline (for example, History) and have obtained at least a Second Class Honours, Grade I. In exceptional cases, applicants who can satisfactorily demonstrate a long-standing interest in the subject, coupled with proven relevant experience, will also be considered. An interview will form part of the selection procedure. Students whose first language is not English will be required to satisfy the relevant English language requirements

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Why Choose Maynooth to study the History of Christianity?

A long and distinguished tradition of scholarship from 1795, which continues today in the supportive expertise of leading scholars in the departments of Theology, History and Early Irish.

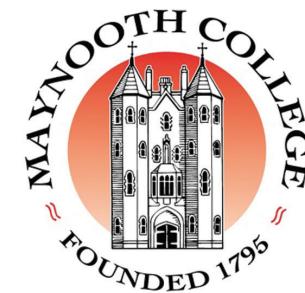
A beautiful, historic campus, boasting some of A.W.N. Pugin's finest Neo-Gothic architecture .

Ireland's only university town and yet located just 25km from Dublin city centre.

State-of-the art library facilities and access to the wonderfully rich ecclesiastical collections of the Russell and John Paul II repositories and the expertise of their staff.

The opportunity to hear some of the world's leading scholars deliver guest lectures as part of various lecture series such as the Michael Devlin Lecture, the Irish Theological Quarterly Lecture and the Monsignor Patrick J. Corish Lecture. To view some of our recent lectures see <http://www.maynoothcollege.ie/public-lectures>.

Prospective students will have the opportunity to apply for a variety of scholarships upon submission of application.



Masters in Theology (MTh)

THE HISTORY OF CHRISTIANITY

Two Years (Part-Time)

(in collaboration with the Department of Early Irish, Maynooth University, and the John Paul II and Russell Libraries).



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1. Offers a comprehensive critical overview of the evolution of Christian thought and practice over two millennia.
2. Explores the general principles necessary for understanding the history of the Christian Church and their application in the context of Britain and Ireland.
3. The collections of the Russell research Library and the John Paul II Library form an integrated element in the taught modules, affording students a variety of avenues for original research in their end-of-year dissertations. The Russell Library holds a significant collection of manuscripts, early printed books and pamphlets, in addition to a collection of over 2,000 bibles spanning six centuries and in over 500 different languages.



Structure:

Course Begins: September 2018

Wednesday evenings (6.30pm-9.30pm)

Requirements: The successful completion of eight modules over four semesters and a 15,000 word thesis on an agreed topic.



Modules on Offer (2018-2020)

- History of Christian Thought (24 hours)
- "Isle of Saints and Scholars"? The Literary Culture of Early Medieval Ireland (24 hours)
- History of Christian Practice: Medieval to Modern (12 hours)
- Research Methodologies & Reading and Interpreting Primary Source Texts I (12 hours)
- Theology and Renewal in the Twentieth Century (24 hours)
- History of Christian Practice: Medieval Ireland (12 hours)
- Research Methodologies & Reading and Interpreting Primary Source Texts II
- The Writing of Church History from the Reformation to the 20th century (24 hours)

