

Doctor of Philosophy in Practical Theology (Ph.D.)

2023-2024 Degree Completion Plan

FOUNDATION COURSES (18 hours) ¹			<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>					
PRTH 701	Ministry Foundations for Practical Theology	3							
PRTH 702	Philosophical Foundations for Practical Theology	3							
PRTH 815	Dissertation Concept Development for Practical Theology	3							
RTCH 710	Teaching Methods	3							
RTCH 805	Research Methods ²	3							
THEO 706	Theological Foundations	3							
SPECIALIZED RESEARCH COURSES (18 hours)									
PRTH 845	Practical Theology Literature Review I	3							
PRTH 846	Practical Theology Literature Review II	3							
PRTH 847	Practical Theology Topical Research I	3							
PRTH 848	Practical Theology Topical Research II	3							
PRTH 849	Practical Theology Dissertation Presentation I	3							
PRTH 850	Practical Theology Dissertation Presentation II ³	3							
DISSERTAT	TION WRITING & DEFENSE COURSES (15 hours)								
PRTH 987	Dissertation Writing in Practical Theology I	5							
PRTH 988	Dissertation Writing in Practical Theology II	5							
PRTH 989	Dissertation Writing in Practical Theology III ⁴	5							
PRTH 990	Dissertation Defense for Practical Theology ⁵	0							
	TOTAL HOURS	51							

Graduation Requirements

Complete 51 hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree

Degree must be completed within 7 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹All Foundations Courses must be completed to be eligible to enroll in Specialized Research or Dissertation Writing and Defense Courses.

²RTCH 805 must be taken the first term of the first semester in the program.

³PRTH 850 must be passed prior to enrollment in Dissertation Writing and Defense Courses. A Faculty Dissertation Supervisor will be paired with the PhD candidate for the Dissertation and Defense courses.

⁴PRTH 989 may be repeated up to four times

⁵PRTH 990 may not registered for without the Dissertation Supervisor's written authorization.

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester			Second Semester		
RTCH 805 (B Term) ¹		3	PRTH 701 (B Term)		3
THEO 706 (D Term)		<u>3</u>	PRTH 702 (D Term)		3
	Total	6		Total	6
Third Semester RTCH 710 (B Term) PRTH 815 (D Term)		3 <u>3</u>	Fourth Semester PRTH 845 (B Term) PRTH 846 (D Term)		3 <u>3</u>
	Total	6		Total	6
Fifth Semester PRTH 847 (B Term) PRTH 848 (D Term)	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6	Sixth Semester PRTH 849 (B Term) PRTH 850 (D Term)	Total	3 <u>3</u> 6
Seventh Semester			Eighth Semester		
PRTH 987 (A Term)	Total	<u>5</u> 5	PRTH 988 (A Term)	Total	<u>5</u> 5
Ninth Semester			Tenth Semester		
PRTH 989 (A Term) ²		<u>5</u>	PRTH 990 (A Term)		0
, ,	Total	5	,	Total	0

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