

The MA in Contemporary Missiology (Bible and Mission) is a taught postgraduate programme, studied for between two and four years. This MA is validated by the University of Gloucestershire.

## Course outline

To gain an MA in Contemporary Missiology (Bible and Mission), you will need to complete CM1, CM2, CM3, CM8 and CM9.

You can gain a PGDip by completing CM1, CM2, CM8 and CM9.

## Study options

You have between two and four years to complete the MA. Taught modules are offered in intensive teaching blocks, with online support before and after the taught period of study. Supervision and online support continues during the dissertation stage of your programme. On a typical week you should expect to devote the equivalent of one day to your studies.

*Years 1 and 2:* You attend either the three-week summer school intensive or several study intensives throughout the year. In year 1, you will start with CM1 and complete one of the Bible and Mission modules; in year 2 you will complete CM2 and the other Bible and Mission module.

If you begin in the Autumn, you attend up to two weekends in the Autumn and part of the study intensive in July.

If you begin in the Summer, you attend all three weeks of the study intensive, which is currently held each July.

*Years 3 and 4:* You have up to two years to complete your dissertation.

## Module information

Brief details for each module are given below. For full information including assessments and indicative resources, please refer to the programme specifications available for download at [www.redcliffe.ac.uk/contemporary-missiology-ma](http://www.redcliffe.ac.uk/contemporary-missiology-ma). All modules are compulsory if you wish to exit the MA in Contemporary Missiology with an award that recognises a Bible and Mission specialism.

CM1	Research Methods and Approaches to Missiological Study	30 CATS points
The research methods element of this module entails an induction into learning skills and critical engagement with a range of qualitative and quantitative research methodologies appropriate for postgraduate study. The approaches element covers different approaches to the missiological concept of <i>missio Dei</i> and engagement with holistic mission.		

<b>CM2</b>	<b>Global Missiological Issues in Intercultural Contexts</b>	<b>30 CATS points</b>
<p>This module provides you with the opportunity to critically survey and assess several key contemporary missiological issues (e.g. environmental sustainability, migration, economic and social inequality) within the overarching concept of the <i>missio Dei</i>. The module will include critical theological and sociological engagement with key contemporary ideologies and concepts such as globalisation, contextualisation, secularisation and integral mission. It will also include critical examination of key missiological documents.</p>		

<b>CM3</b>	<b>Dissertation</b>	<b>60 CATS points</b>
<p>The dissertation of 18,000 words represents the culmination of the MA student's learning experience. It requires you to frame and negotiate a research question, to select and use appropriate methodologies and primary and secondary sources, to relate these to current academic debate, to arrive at an appropriate and clear overall structure and argument and to present your findings in writing in an academically responsible fashion.</p>		

<b>CM8</b>	<b>Reading the Bible Missionally</b>	<b>30 CATS points</b>
<p>The module provides an in-depth introduction to the nature and application of a 'missional hermeneutic' to biblical texts. You will receive an orientation to the development of the methodology of missional hermeneutics and then apply it to a reading of the Bible. A number of key biblical themes are explored in relation to a missional reading of the Bible, such as monotheism, election, redemption, covenant, ethics, creation, and 'the nations'.</p>		

<b>CM9</b>	<b>Scripture Engagement: Approaches and Issues</b>	<b>30 CATS points</b>
<p>The Bible is sometimes described as a 'tool' of mission. This module will enable you to explore and evaluate a number of approaches for and issues in Scripture Engagement in different cultural contexts, both in the 'West' and in the majority world.</p>		