

# COURSES OFFERED THROUGH PTCEE

*Each course is worth 10 credit points*

## Certificate in Theological Studies

To receive the Certificate, students must complete 8 required courses and 1 elective totalling to 90 credit points. The required courses are:

- C20RD01 Introduction to the Study of the Bible, Part 1
- C20RD02 Introduction to the Study of the Bible, Part 2
- C30RD01 Church History to the Reformation
- C30RD02 Church History from the Reformation to the Present
- C40RD01 Introduction to Ministry
- C40RD02 Introduction to Christian Education
- C50RD01 Foundations of Theology
- C50RD02 Foundations of Ethics

## Diploma in Theological Studies

After completing the Certificate, you must complete a further 8 re-quired courses and 1 elective course, to gain a Diploma (a total of 180 credit points).

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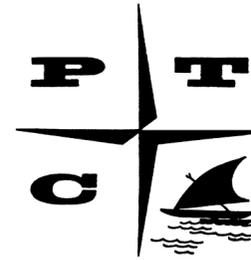
- D20RD01 Introduction to the New Testament
- D20RD02 Introduction to the Old Testament
- D30RD01 A History of Christianity in the Pacific in the 19<sup>th</sup> Century
- D30RD02 A History of Christianity in the Pacific in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century
- D40RD01 Introduction to Pastoral Care
- D40RD02 Introduction to Christian Worship
- D50RD01 Themes in Theology
- D50RD02 Making Ethical Decisions

The **elective courses** for Certificate and Diploma are:

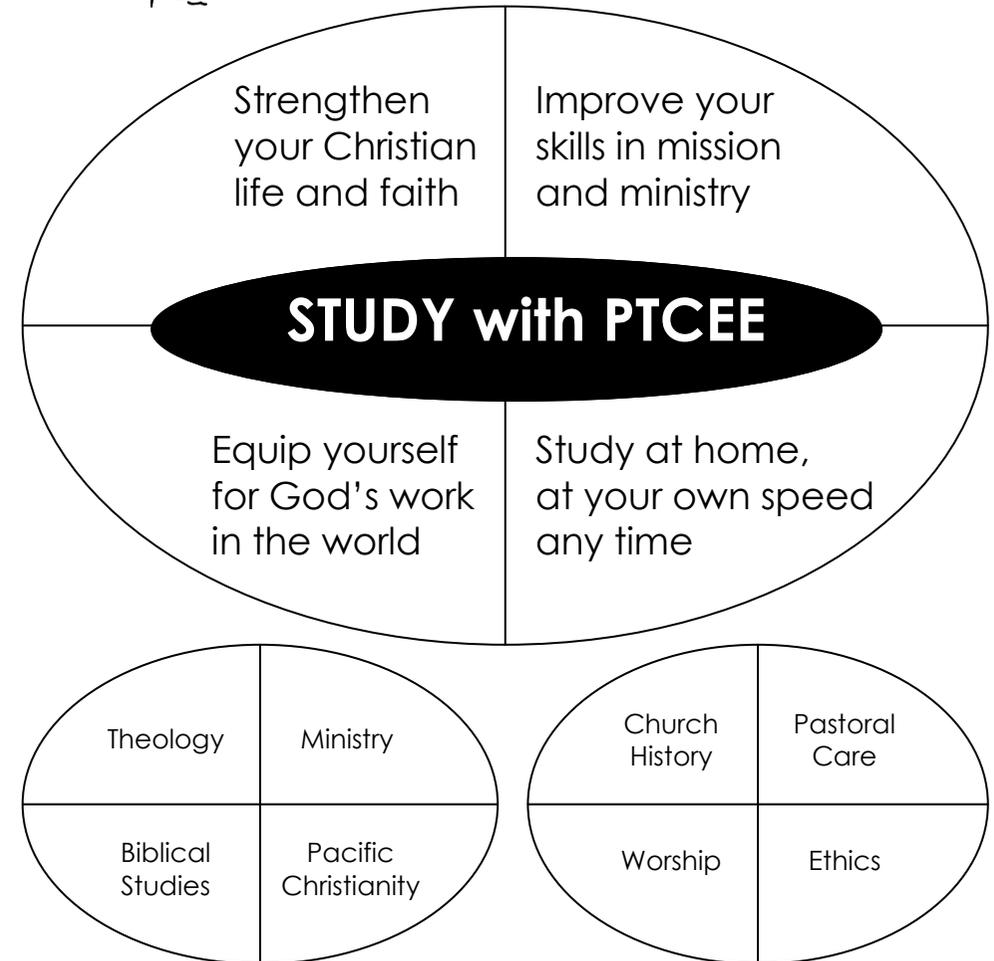
- D20ED01 Bible Study Methods
- D40ED01 Introduction to Preaching
- D40ED02 Ministry in a Social Context  
Face to Face Cross-cultural Exposure Programme
- D40ED03 Ministry to Children and Youth
- D50ED01 Women and Theology

## Bachelor of Divinity

Please contact PTCEE for information about this programme.



**Pacific Theological College**  
**Education by Extension**



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- PTCEE:** A GROWING COMMUNITY OF THEOLOGY STUDENTS
- REGION-WIDE:** SERVING THE WHOLE PACIFIC REGION
- ECUMENICAL:** OPEN TO ALL THE CHURCHES OF THE PACIFIC REGION
- CONTEXTUAL:** OFFERING STUDIES WRITTEN FOR PACIFIC PEOPLE

### Welcome to Pacific Theological College Education by Extension

PTCEE started in 1996. We offer programmes of study leading to a Certificate and Diploma in Theological Studies. Students complete the Certificate before moving on to the Diploma. Certificate courses are credited towards the Diploma.

We also offer a Bachelor degree. Please ask for a separate brochure.

PTCEE produces study materials and posts them to students with text books and study aids for each course. Students complete various learning activities then return their assignments to PTCEE. Lecturers assess them and return them with comments.

### Who can study With PTCEE?

Our programmes are designed both for lay people and for those who believe God is calling them to ordained ministry. Our students range from homemakers to accountants, from teachers to pastors, from prisoners to police officers.

It is easier to study by correspondence if you have completed secondary school. However, some people have qualified to enrol in the Certificate because of other experience or training. The most important qualification you need to study with us is a strong desire to strengthen your Christian faith and develop your skills for ministry, plus the self-discipline for regular study. (Different admission criteria apply for the BD). If you have already studied Theology at another institution, you may be able to gain some cross-credit.

### How much does it Cost?

Students normally pay FJ\$150 for each 5-credit-point course in the Certificate and Diploma, but there are discounts if you can pick up the course materials from our office or if you live in PNG, the Solomon Islands or Vanuatu. Degree courses cost more (see the BD brochure).

PTCEE depends on the support of the Pacific Theological College, the Pacific Churches and our overseas partners so that we can keep our fees affordable.

### PTCEE STUDY OPTIONS

You can choose to study an individual Certificate or Diploma course just for interest rather than working towards an award, but the awards are:

#### Certificate in Theological Studies

You must earn 90 credit points to be awarded the Certificate— 80 credit points from required courses and 10 credit points from one other course

#### Diploma in Theological Studies

You must earn 180 credit points to be awarded the Diploma— 170 credit points from required courses and 10 credit points from elective

#### Bachelor of Divinity

A balanced programme of 28 required courses.

### Support for Students

We ask the **local church** to support any of their members who are studying by extension, by showing an interest in their studies and praying for them. We believe that it is important for students to have **someone to discuss their studies with them**, so that they can understand better and learn to express their ideas in their first language. The best way is to have 3 or 4 people all studying the same course, so that they can meet together and talk about their lessons. But if someone is studying alone it is good to have a mentor who agrees to meet faithfully with the student for 1 hour each week.

PTCEE asks the student and their church to find a mature Christian who is willing to volunteer in this way. It is good if the mentor has done some theological training themselves, so they can help if the student has problems understanding the course book or the text book. But it is more important that the mentor is a good listener who can encourage the student to talk about their studies and how they can apply their learning in their lives and their ministry.

**Markers** and **PTCEE staff** are also very willing to help students and local tutorials are held at PTC during term-time if Extension students are local to the campus.