## Visoko evanđeosko teološko učilište u Osijeku - visoka škola Evangelical Theological Seminary

## **Diploma Supplement**

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| 1 INI  | FORMATION IDENIFYING THE HOLDER OF THE QUALIFICATION  |
|--------|---|
| 1.1. F | Family name(s):   |
| Y      |   |
| 1.2. ( | Given name(s):  |
| 1      |   |
| 1.3. I | Date of birth (day/month/year):   |
| 1      |   |
| 1.4. S | Student identification number or code:  |
| 1      |   |
| 2 INI  | FORMATION IDENTIFYING THE QUALIFICATION   |
| 2.1. N | Name of qualification:  |
|        | Professional baccalaureus / baccalaurea of theology   |
| X      | Professional specialist of theology   |
| 2.2. N | Main field(s) of study for the qualification:   |
| Hum    | nanistic sciences - theology  |
| 2.3. N | Name and status of awarding institution:  |
| Viso   | ko evanđeosko teološko učilište u Osijeku - visoka škola / Evangelical Theological Seminary Private college, accredited by the Ministry of science, education and sport from July 31, 2003. |
| 2.4. N | Name and status of institution administering studies: as stated in 2.3.   |
| 2.5. I | Language(s) of instruction / examination: Croatian, English   |
|        |   |
|        | FORMATION ON THE LEVEL OF THE QUALIFICATION   |
| 3.1. I | Level of qualification:   |
|        | Professional study of theology (baccalaureus / baccalaurea)   |
| X      | Specialized graduate professional study of theology   |
| 3.2. 0 | Official length of program:   |
|        | Three-year program, 180 ECTS points   |
| X      | Two-year program, 120 ECTS points   |
| 3.3. A | Access requirement(s):  |
|        | Completed four-year high school   |
| X      | Completed professional or undergraduate studies in theology or in a similar scientific area   |

# 4 INFORMATION ON THE CONTENTS AND RESULTS GAINED

4.1. Mode of study:

| X | Full time |  |
|---|-----------|--|
|   | Part time |  |
|   |           |  |

## 4.2. Program requirements:

The program of Christian theology, with its protestant-evangelical approach, is focused on contemporary social, cultural and political circumstances arising from the environment in which the church and church organizations are. The professional study of theology is associated with the contemporary skills, especially with information technology, modern business and management, non-profit or social marketing, to the extent the scientific field allows.

### Learning outcomes:

| Professiona                 | Professional study of theology (baccalaureus / baccalaurea)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Knowledge field of theology |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ability                     | collecting relevant material for discussion and problem-solving setup  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Application                 | theoretical theological knowledge in community life  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ability                     | communication of information and ideas needed to solve problems in the church and non-church contexts (environments) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Skill                       | essential to continue studies at the graduate level  |  |  |  |  |  |

During the first year of study, the student receives the basics of Protestant theology and also learns inter-church theological dialogue, since all our groups are interdenominational. Students learn the basics of psychology and developmental psychology and pedagogy which are the indispensable courses for each person preparing for a professional work with people.

An essential course in this part of education is the Personal spiritual growth in which students think about their own and other people's spirituality and in what way can they use knowledge and impulses from the study and interaction with others for personal advancement.

The second year of the study program continues with the basic theological disciplines, but a significant number of specific courses in which students acquire the knowledge and skills for individual and institutional co-life with other students is added: they get insight into the foundations and functioning of civil society in order to inspect the place of the church in modern society, they are taught nonviolent communication and the building of peace and justice, they observe case studies of a variety of situations pertaining to inter-cultural cooperation, dialogue and communication between different sociological groups.

During the first two years, students are encouraged to actively study the English language to a level that corresponds to 550 on the TOEFL exam, in speech and academic writing. Students who enroll in the professional (graduate) program have, in general, achieved the academic level of English which is expected in European schools of higher education. In addition to courses of English language, students practice the language during the bilingual courses and in communication with colleagues who do not speak Croatian. Students have access to so-called native speakers teachers who teach them daily, check and correct their academic work, especially at the professional (graduate) program.

On the third year, along with the standard theological courses and exegesis of the biblical texts important for protestant theology, the emphasis is put on courses that include pastoral theology and pastoral counseling, where students learn to recognize and distinguish mental illness and other emotional disorders from spiritual problems and how to deal with difficulties people have that they will encounter in professional practice. Students are encourages to analyze the environment in which they live as well as to cooperate and dialogue between religions. A significant emphasis in this part of the program is placed on the cultural environment.

In the third year students choose one of the major integrated courses in which the various biblical, theological, pastoral and other knowledge on important contemporary issues are intertwined. Such courses include Faith and environment, Faith and globalization, Faith and issues of gender and identity, whose main purpose is to facilitate students to integrate their knowledge.

| After completi       | on of the specialized graduate professional study of theology, students:   |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Know                 | Field of theology  |  |  |  |
| Are able             | Collecting relevant material for discussion and problem-solving  |  |  |  |
| Apply                | Theoretical theological knowledge in community life  |  |  |  |
| Understand           | Processes of biblical theology versus systemic (dogmatic) theology;  |  |  |  |
| Independently access | the Bible and their findings checked using existing textual comments   |  |  |  |
| Apply                | their theological knowledge to current contemporary social issues, such as ecology, gender and identity, globalization, and to indicate the possibility of progress in the community |  |  |  |
| Know                 | other Christian theologies in their similarities and differences with their own opinions   |  |  |  |
| Respect              | the opinions of others and can enter into dialogue with them   |  |  |  |
| Know how to          | analyze important cultural trends and see the way in which Christianity is under the influence of or in which way it has an impact on society  |  |  |  |
| Understand           | ways of communicating with the media   |  |  |  |
| Understand           | essential Christian relations (such as marriage, family, parenthood) and the trauma that life brings   |  |  |  |
| Are capable          | of adequately reacting to other traumatic situations   |  |  |  |
| Are able             |  |  |  |  |
| Have skill           | essential to continue studies at the postgraduate level  |  |  |  |

During the first year of study, the students receive the basic knowledge in New Testament Greek which they apply in the courses related to New Testament exegesis of chosen Greek texts from the Holy Scriptures of the New Testament. Students as well, during their first year, learn Old Testament Hebrew which they apply in the courses related to Old Testament exegesis of chosen Hebrew texts from the Holy Scriptures of the Old Testament. They are trained for a scientific approach of researching the Christian faith as well as considering topics from modern theology. Exegetical training for independent analysis of Old Testament enables an understanding of modern approaches to Old Testament theological topics. Other than the above mentioned, first year students of specialized graduate professional theological studies may choose courses from the fields of epistemology and anthropology, or studies apocryphic texts, pseudepigraphon and Dead Sea scrolls.

During the second year of the specialized graduate professional theological studies, students are trained to understand Holy Scriptures in modern social and political contexts. Exegesis enables for an independent consideration of New Testament texts enables them to understand modern approaches to New Testament theological themes. Second year students may study topics from patristics or historical Christian literature, or study modern areas such as questions of gender and identity, church growth in east-European contexts, global Christian relations and the modern event of religious fundamentalism.

#### 4.3. Program details:

The student passed examinations in the following courses:

|    | Course                              | Lecture<br>hours | Exercise hours | ECTS | Date of examination | Grade |
|----|-------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------|---------------------|-------|
|    | New Testament Introduction          | 100              | -              | 8    |                     |       |
| 2. | Introduction to Systematic Theology | 50               | -              | 4    |                     |       |
|    | Introduction to Philosophy          | 50               | -              | 4    |                     |       |
|    | General Pedagogy                    | 50               | 25             | 6    |                     |       |
|    | Methodology of scientific research  | 25               | 25             | 3    |                     |       |
|    | English I                           | 25               | 25             | 3    |                     |       |
|    | Personal spiritual growth           | 25               | 25             | 2    |                     |       |
| l  | Christian worship                   | 25               | -              | 2    |                     |       |
| ). | Old Testament Introduction          | 100              | -              | 8    |                     |       |
| 0. | Christology and Soteriology         | 50               | -              | 4    |                     |       |

| 11. | Overview of Church history                               | 75       | 25       | 8 |   |   |  |
|-----|--|----------|----------|---|---|---|--|
| 12. | Psychology and developmental psychology                  | 50       | 25       | 4 | _ |   |  |
| 13. | English 2  | 25       | 25       |   |   |   |  |
| 14. |  |          | 23       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 15. | Foundations and functions of civil society               | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 16. | Christian leadership                                     | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
|     | Introduction to the exegesis of the Old Testament        | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| 17. | Ecclesiology and pneumatology                            | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| 18. | Hermeneutics   | 50       | 25       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 19. | Ethics and Christian ethics                              | 50       | 25       | 5 |   |   |  |
| 20. | Intro. to pastoral counseling                            | 50       | 50       | 5 |   |   |  |
| 21. | English 3  | 25       | 25       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 23. | Educational psychology                                   | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 24. | Biblical theology of peace and justice                   | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 25. | Patristics   | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 26. | Apologetics  | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 27. | Statistics   | 50       |          | 3 |   |   |  |
| 28. | Introduction to the exegesis of the New Testament        | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
|     | (Synoptics)  | 30       | 23       | 1 |   |   |  |
| 29. | History and theology of the Reformation                  | 50       | 25       | 5 |   |   |  |
| 30. | Foundations of communication and conflict resolution     | n 25     | 25       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 31. | Church administration                                    | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 32. | Missions, evangelism, and Intercultural Theology         | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| 33. | Student praxis 1   |          | 50       | 2 |   |   |  |
| 34. | English 4  | 25       | 25       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 35. | History and philosophy of religion                       | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 36. | History of the Papacy                                    | 25       | -        | 1 |   |   |  |
| 37. | Exegesis of the New Testament                            | 25       | 25       | 3 |   |   |  |
| 38. | Didactics  | 50       | 25       | 6 |   |   |  |
| 39. | Biblical theology of the New Testament                   | 75       | 25       | 5 |   |   |  |
| 40. | Exegesis of the Old Testament                            | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
| 41. | Pastoral counseling                                      | 50       | 25       | 6 |   |   |  |
| 42. | Homiletics   | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| 43. | <i>C, B, -1,</i> -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, -1, | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
|     | Student praxis 2   | -        | 50       | 2 |   |   |  |
|     | Religious movements                                      | 50       | -        | 2 |   |   |  |
| -   | Pastoral theology  | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| 48. |  | 50       | -        | 2 |   |   |  |
|     |  | 25       | 25       | 2 |   |   |  |
|     |  | 50       | 25       | 5 |   |   |  |
| -   |  | 50<br>50 | 25<br>25 | 5 |   | _ |  |
|     |  | 50       | 23       | 3 |   |   |  |
|     |  | 50       | 25       | 4 |   |   |  |
| -   | 1  | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
|     |  | 50       | -        | 3 |   |   |  |
|     | Professional final work                                  | -        | -        | 8 |   | - |  |
|     |  |          |          |   |   |   |  |

| 57. | The history of Christianity in Croatia                                  | 50 | - | 3 |  |
|-----|---|----|---|---|--|
| 58. | History and theology of spiritual awakening                             | 50 | - | 3 |  |
| 59. | Protestant and evangelical Christianity in Eastern-<br>European context | 50 | - | 3 |  |
| 60. | Marriage and family   | 50 | - | 3 |  |
| 61. | Methodology in social sciences  | 50 | - | 3 |  |

# The student passed examinations in the following courses:

|            | Course   | Lecture<br>hours | Exercise hours | ECTS | Date of examination                 | Grade         |
|------------|--|------------------|----------------|------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
|            | Research, criticism and faith                        | 25               | 75             | 10   | July 1st, 2021.                     | Excellent (5) |
| 2.         | History of Christian doctrines                       | 25               | 75             | 10   | June 25th, 2021.                    | Very good (4) |
| 3.         | New Testament Greek                                  | 50               | 25             | 5    | Sep. 29th, 2020.                    | Excellent (5) |
| ١.         | Islam  | 50               | 25             | 5    | Jan. 29th, 2020.                    | Very good (4) |
| 5.         | Anthropology   | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| Ó.         | Ancient extra-biblical theological literature        | 50               | 25             | 5    | Sep. 30th, 2020.                    | Excellent (5) |
| <i>'</i> . | Themes in contemporary theology                      | 25               | 75             | 10   | Oct. 14th, 2021.                    | Very good (4) |
| 3.         | Contemporary approaches to Old Testament theology    | 25               | 75             | 10   | Sep. 15th, 2021.                    | Good (3)      |
|            | New Testament exegesis on the Greek text 1           | 50               | 25             | 5    | Sep. 25th, 2020.                    | Excellent (5) |
| 0.         | Old Testament exegesis on the Hebrew text 1          | 50               | 25             | 5    | March 26th, 2021.                   | Excellent (5) |
| 1.         | Epistemology   | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 2.         | Old Testament Hebrew                                 | 50               | 25             | 5    | March 26 <sup>th</sup> ,            | Excellent (5) |
| 3.         | Contemporary approaches to New Testament theology    | 50               | 50             | 10   | Sep. 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021.       | Excellent (5) |
| 4.         | Scripture and understanding in contemporary contexts |                  | 50             |      | March 16 <sup>th</sup> ,<br>2021.   | Very good (4) |
| 5.         | Engaging religious fundamentalism                    | 25               | 50             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 6.         | Gender and identity                                  | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 7.         | New Testament exegesis on the Greek text 2           | 50               | 25             | 5    | June 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2021.       | Excellent (5) |
| 8.         | Old Testament exegesis on the Hebrew text 2          | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 9.         | Final Thesis   | -                | -              |      | December 1 <sup>st</sup> ,<br>2021. | Very good (4) |
| 0.         | Contemporary approach to eschatology                 | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 1.         | Christian global networks and fund-raising           | 50               | 25             | 5    | July 16th, 2021.                    | Excellent (5) |
| 2.         | Patristics   | 50               | 25             | 5    | /                                   | /             |
| 3.         | Church growth in Eastern-European contexts           | 50               | 25             | 5    | Sep. 29th, 2020.                    | Excellent (5) |

## Total number of ECTS points: 125

## Final thesis:

| Title:                                 | Towards a construct of the ecclesial representation of Peter |
|--|--|
| First and last name of the supervisor: | Gregory Thellman   |
| Date the thesis was defended:          | December 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2021.                             |

| Date the studies were completed:                                   | December 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2021. |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Date the studies were started:                                     | October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2019.  |
| The issued document's (diploma or certificate) identifying number: | 949/21.                          |

#### 4.4. Grading scheme:

**Evaluation criteria**: every teacher, starting with the course objectives and expected outcomes, develops evaluation criteria. The elaboration of the evaluation criteria for the selected element of monitoring and assessment contains a description of performance within each achievement level expressed by a grade or grade points.

**Scoring and method of forming the final grade:** students are evaluated and graded in selected elements of monitoring and assessing (activity in the classroom, preparing for lessons, participating in the execution of the tasks set, reflective review of the teaching contents), ongoing monitoring and verification of knowledge (quizzes), final oral exam, final written exam, essay, paper, term paper, research, practical work, project, portfolio, something else. The share of each element in the total score is expressed as a percentage on a scale of 0 to 100%.

A passing score in the undergraduate level can not be lower than 40% of obtained points, or actual share in the grade, and at the graduate level it can not be lower than 50%.

The ultimate success is expressed in grades: 5 (excellent), 4 (very good), 3 (good), 2 (satisfactory) and 1 (unsatisfactory). The student index records only passing final grades, meaning grades from 2 to 5.

## 4.5. Overall average grade during studies and classification of success:

4,56

# 5 INFORMATION ON THE FUNCTION OF THE QUALIFICATION

### 5.1. Access to further study:

This degree entitles the student to continue education at the second level of university studies. The student is entitled to continue studies at the graduate university level if it is prescribed by the university in question which may require some bridge courses to be completed. There is no minimum grade which the student needs to achieve at the undergraduate level of theology. The conditions for the continuation of studies in other areas of study is prescribed by the institution of higher education that runs such a study program.

## **6 ADDITIONAL INFROMATION**

#### 6.1. Additional information:

#### 6.2. Further information sources:

Republic of Croatia, Ministry of science, education and sports, http://www.mzos.hr Evangelical Theological Seminary, http://www.evtos.hr

## 7 CERTIFICATION OF THE SUPPLEMENT

7.1. Date and place:

7.2. Signature:

Dr. sc. Peter Kuzmič, Dean

7.3. Capacity: Dean

7.4. Official stamp or seal:

