

MODULE TITLE: MISSIONAL JUSTICE AND BIBLICAL SHALOM

MODULE CODE: FMM734

MODULE SUMMARY:

In this module you will critically engage with the biblical concept of shalom, and also evaluate a range of justice-related principles, values, and concepts, derived from Scripture. In-depth consideration of historical understandings of theology and justice, as well as contemporary theological and philosophical theories of justice based, principally on Rawls and Wolterstorff, will be interacted with, to ensure you develop comprehensive and critical theoretical and conceptual biblical and theological frameworks with which to evaluate contemporary issues, and missional approaches to just and ethical leadership. You will be encouraged to engage with Catholic Social Teaching, the Common Good, and Education for Sustainable Development, and how that informs your thinking and application of learning to the module, and your studies more generally.

SEMESTER OF DELIVERY: 1

CATS VALUE: 20

ECTS VALUE: 10

CONTACT HOURS:

Lectures 16 hours; Tutorials 4 hours
Independent study: Guided independent study activities 180 hours
Total hours for module: 200 hours.

MODULE LEADER: Carol Kingston-Smith

Tutors: Bev Thomas and Andy Kingston-Smith

MODE OF DELIVERY: Blended

PROGRAMME(S) FOR WHICH THIS MODULE IS MANDATORY:

MA Missional Leadership and Justice
PGDip Missional Leadership and Justice

PROGRAMMES WHERE THIS MODULE MAY BE TAKEN AS AN OPTION:

PGCert Missional Leadership and Justice

NORMALLY AVAILABLE TO EXCHANGE STUDENTS: No

THE PRE-REQUIREMENT(S) FOR THIS MODULE ARE: None

THIS MODULE IS A PRE-REQUISITE FOR: N/A

RELEVANT BENCHMARKS/NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS:

- QAA Master's Degree Characteristics (February 2022):
https://www.qaa.ac.uk/docs/qaa/quality-code/master's-degree-characteristics-statement.pdf?sfvrsn=86c5ca81_18
- Subject Benchmark Statement - Theology and Religious Studies (March 2022):
<https://www.qaa.ac.uk/quality-code/subject-benchmark-statements/theology-and-religious-studies>

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

As a successful student you will be able to:

- Demonstrate independent study and teamworking skills in building robust theories and practice of justice-based ethical leadership.
- Engage in advanced critical thinking and analysis skills of justice-based contexts, and the interplay between missional and justice-based ethical leadership.
- Demonstrate capacity for independent thought and judgement including appreciation of alternative perspectives.
- Draft, edit and present effectively both in short workshop-based interactions and through formal assessment the development, transition and maturing of theoretical concepts and frameworks of biblical justice and related theological principles.
- Articulate original thinking in the field of justice-based studies in terms of creative and imaginative ideas for connecting contemporary issues of leadership and mission with theological and biblical concepts of justice for the application of effective missional practice.
- Evaluate and apply appropriate and advanced principles of Education for Sustainable Development in your ministry practice and context.

ASSESSMENT:

- Component 1: 75% Essay (3,750 words) critically engaging with the key content of the module, chosen by students from a short list of options set by the Programme Director.

KIS Category: Coursework

- Component 2: 25% Personal Development Profile Assessment Task (1,250 words or equivalent) as set out in PDP Handbook.

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READING STRATEGY:

Critical scholarly work in the field of justice studies and mission is an emergent field in terms of empirical research in practical theology. However, there are new pieces of doctoral level research in this field being undertaken and there are MA and Doctoral level theses available in repositories. Outside of mission studies there is much research related to a range of justice-based concepts, theories, and applications, and it is largely from this body of literature that you will need to engage in research in this new emergent field in empirical theological terms may access. You will be enabled to identify and interact with innovative research in theses and increasingly in journal articles as well as with good quality credible popular works written by Christian scholars, as well as with secular research literature.

INDICATIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY:

- Rasell, E. (2022). *The Way of Abundance*. Fortress Press
DeVine, M. (2021). *Shalom Yesterday, Today, and Forever*. Wipf and Stock
Luppi, R. ed. (2021). *John Rawls and the Common Good*. Routledge
Harink, D. (2020). *Resurrecting Justice*. IVP Academic
McLaughlin, J. (2020). *Justice in the Balance*. Wipf and Stock
Hawksley, T. (2020). *Peacebuilding and Catholic Social Teaching*. University of Notre Dame Press
Von Platz, J. (2020). *Theories of Distributive Justice*. Routledge
Rawls, J. (2020). *A Theory of Justice*. Belnap Press
Gordon, L. (2020). *Freedom, Justice, and Decolonization*. Routledge
Marshall, C. (2018). *All Things Reconciled*. Cascade Books

Journals:

- Missiology - An International Review (American Society of Missiology)
International Review of Mission (WCC)
Journal of Missional Practice
Missional Focus Journal
Range of numerous other journals and e-books/articles on ATLA/EBSCO accessed through Moodle