

## Example of a typical year

### Winter Semester

		Hours of Class
Basic Knowledge of the Bible	OT I, II, III or NT I, II	2
New Testament	Any desired courses	3
Church History	Lecture	3
Lutheran Confessions	Augsburg Confession	2
Systematic Theology	Introductory Seminar	2
Practical Theology	Any desired courses	3
<b>Sum</b>		<b>15</b>

### Summer Semester

Basic Knowledge of the Bible	OT I, II, III or NT I, II	2
Old Testament	Any desired courses	3
Lutheran Confessions	Luther's catechisms or Schmalkald Articles	2
Systematic Theology	Introductory Lecture	2
Practical Theology	Any desired courses	3
Missiology	Lecture	2
<b>Sum</b>		<b>14</b>

Arrangements can be made with the mentor to allow further course work

## Possible Option: "Confessions Year"

A year of study at the LThH can also take place in the framework of a "Confessions Year", which will be offered to students of all confessions – Lutheran as well as others – beginning in 2021/22. The goal is to further develop the understanding of various confessional texts. The emphasis is on the Lutheran confessions, but Early Church, Roman Catholic, Reformed and Anglican confessional and dogmatic texts will be discussed, too.

Churches which trace their roots to the protestant Reformation have varied levels of commitment to the idea of a binding dogma, but most of them see great meaning in one or more confessional texts. Churches from the Anglican tradition usually emphasize the 39 Articles. Reformed and United Churches place value in the Heidelberg or Geneva Catechisms, the Augsburg Confession and perhaps the Barmen Theological Declaration, even though this was never fully intended as a confessional text. The Leuenberg Agreement also plays an important role. The 1580 Book of Concord, with or without the Formula of Concord, furnished Lutheran churches with a relatively strongly binding confession. Some Protestant Churches require their students to decide which confessions they commit themselves to at their ordination.

A thorough study of confessional texts is intended to help students to identify the essence and focal points of Christian confessions, to define their own position towards them, and to revise and sharpen their own position in constructive and critical discussion with others. In a context of considerable religious confusion in Europe and around the world, it is advantageous to understand current confessional developments, conflicts, and debates.

For more information about the next Confessions Year, please contact the LThH.



## International Nikolaus-Selnecker-Fellowship of the Selbständige Evangelisch- Lutherische Kirche (SELK)

for students in other  
Lutheran Churches

for a year of study at  
Lutherische Theologische Hochschule  
(Lutheran Theological Seminary | LThH)  
in Oberursel, near Frankfurt/Main



The Selbständige Evangelisch-Lutherische Kirche (SELK) offers a supported year of study at Lutherische Theologische Hochschule (Lutheran Theological Seminary | LThH) for students from other Lutheran churches. The goal is to promote better contact between church bodies and to impart a wide range of basic knowledge in Lutheran theology as it is taught at the LThH.

Participants do not have to fulfil the same language requirements (Latin, Greek and Hebrew) as regular students at the LThH but will be integrated in the normal course of studies as far as possible.

#### Applications until 31 December. Apply to:

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#### Requirements:

- Letter of interest and motivation (including interest in Lutheran theology and a general overview of your finances),
- Tabular CV,
- Higher education entrance qualification,
- Certificate of matriculation in a course of theology,
- Letter of support from your academic institution,
- Proof of membership in a Lutheran church and letter of recommendation by that church body,
- Adequate command of German (similar to the requirements at German universities),
- Greek, Hebrew and Latin, if possible.

#### The package includes:

Full tuition, a dormitory room, living costs, health insurance, free travel on local public transport, student tutor and academic mentor.

All funds will be paid in Euros (the exact amount varies; current figures will be supplied on request).

The Bishop of the SELK and the rector of the LThH decide on acceptance to the program.



You should enjoy meeting new people and be willing to participate in campus life and worship. You can improve your German by taking part in the course “Deutsch für Ausländer” at the University of Frankfurt/Main.

All documents are required in certified translation, if possible. A faculty member will serve as mentor for the year. In addition to any certificates, competence in German must be demonstrated in a conversation with the mentor. Registering with a German health insurance company is required before enrollment.

Student tutoring will address the participant’s needs in agreement with the faculty. Participants are expected to confer with their mentor at least once a month.

At the end of the academic year, the participant is expected to write a concise report to be submitted to the Hochschule (Seminary) by the beginning of the following semester. The Hochschule (Seminary) in turn issues a certificate of successful participation in the academic year.