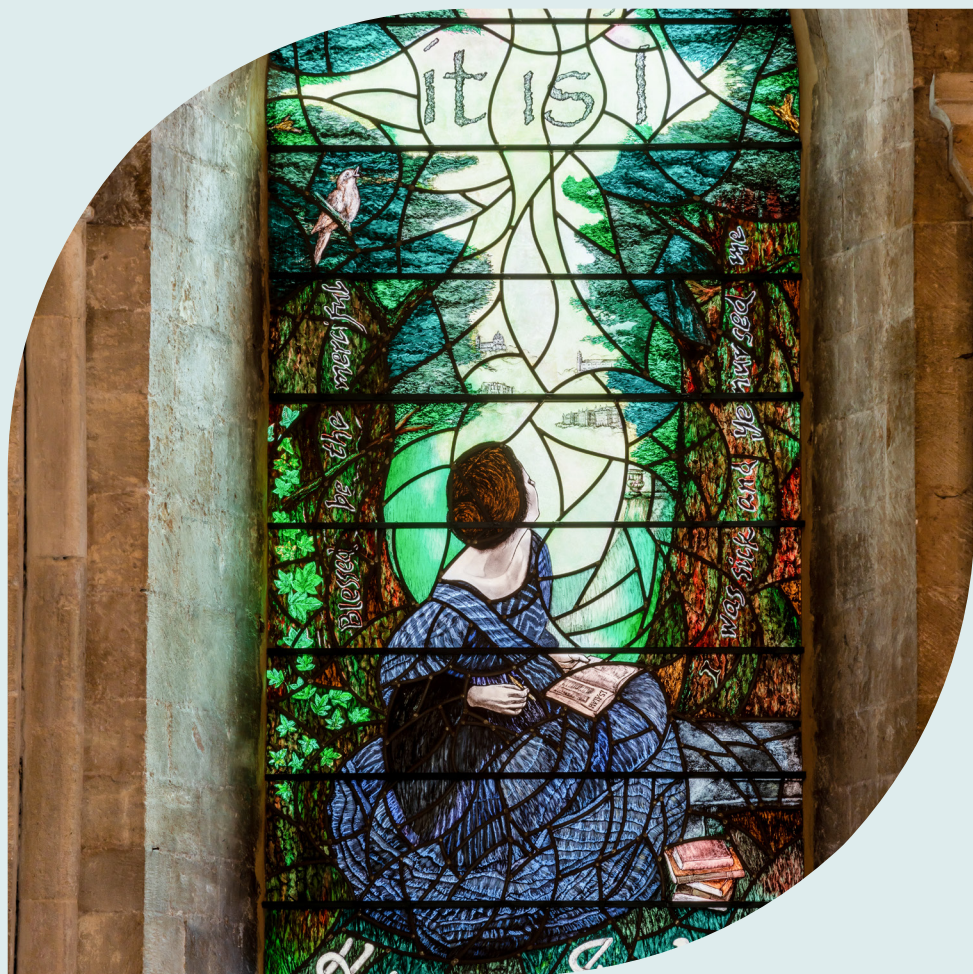


Learning to Nourish the Human Spirit

Course & Events Programme ♦ Spring/Summer 2025





It pays to book early!

Early bird discount tickets (£65 for day courses or £35 for half-day online courses) are available until 60 days prior to the course.

Offer cannot be used in conjunction with any other discount.



Bursaries

Sarum College offers a limited number of bursaries for those who would be unable to study without financial support.

Visit the Grantmaking Trusts page to learn more



Welcome

Sarum College is a centre for study and research where our passion is learning to nourish the human spirit.

The College is an inclusive, welcoming space for reflection and personal development.

Through excellent teaching, unpretentious hospitality, great food, and a break from the outside world, the College offers a safe haven for challenging exploration and conversation where everyone is valued and heard.

For us, the questions are as important as are answers.

Affordable Learning

The course programme includes both online and onsite courses, as noted. Most day courses (normally 10am to 4pm) are £70 for the standard rate.

A 20% discount on course fees (up to £100) is available to those who:

- are studying or have studied on one of Sarum College's postgraduate courses validated by the University of Winchester;
- are training or have trained for ministry at Sarum College or previous organisations at 19 The Close, Salisbury;
- are aged 25 or under, are on low incomes or receive government benefits.

A day course with ensuite B&B at the educational rate is £140.

If you are eligible for a discount, please contact courses@sarum.ac.uk for the code to use when making your booking online.



What an excellent find. The staff were very helpful, the breakfast was all you could ask for, and the shower was hot. I left my tech at home and had a most enjoyable stay with my radio and book for company. I highly recommend this little gem for the discerning traveller.

Still Time to Book

Mental Health, Theology and Ministry

19 March
10am to 1pm
£40 online

Windows onto the Passion series

19, 24 March, 2 April
7:30am to 9pm
£18ea/£50 series online

King Lear and the Life of Faith

26 March
10am to 4pm
£70 onsite

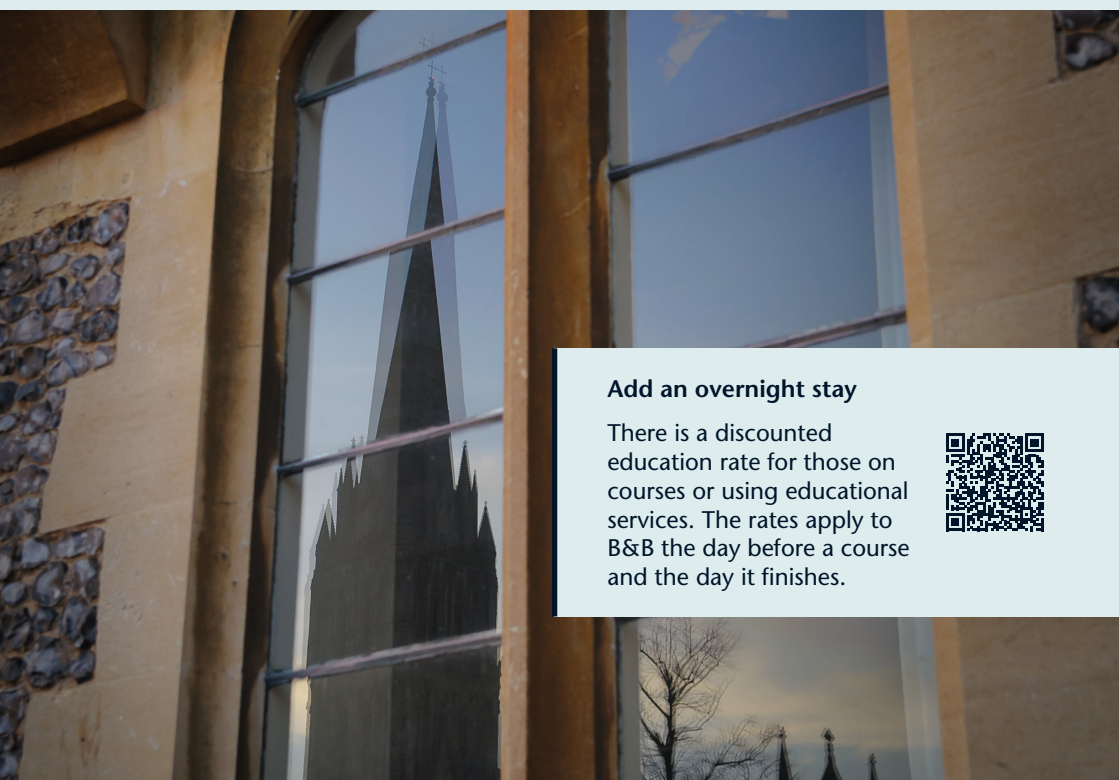
Visit sarum.ac.uk/short-courses for details
and to browse further ahead. New courses
are added regularly. Subscribe to the enews
for monthly course and news highlights.



Courses



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Add an overnight stay

There is a discounted
education rate for those on
courses or using educational
services. The rates apply to
B&B the day before a course
and the day it finishes.





Take your learning further

Postgraduate Study in Theology, Ministry and Mission

We welcome independent students to study on flexible pathways with options to tailor the course to your own learning and formational needs.

All students study advanced skills in theological reflection and research methods. Other module options include modern theology, advanced biblical studies, mission and ecclesiology, worship and liturgy, an extended placement, leadership and an independent learning project.

Programmes offer scope to develop areas of interest within and between modules. MA students can cultivate a specialism and develop independent research skills through the dissertation. Validated by Durham University through its Common Awards Programme.



For more information, please visit the website or contact Dr Beth Dodd (edodd@sarum.ac.uk)



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Postgraduate Study in Christian Spirituality

Students learn collaboratively in a modular curriculum arranged around four-day residential teaching intensives throughout the year.

Consolidating our class-based teaching in this way widens access to working students and allows the College to recruit world-leading scholars and seasoned practitioners to lecture on modules. Postgraduate course modules are open to all so you may enrol on any MA module as an "auditor" without registering for an accredited programme such as the full MA.

An auditor participates in a module in exactly the same way as enrolled students but there is no requirement to prepare an assessment, nor any academic credit for participating in this way.

There is also an option to choose to participate in a module as an assessed auditor for those who would like to add discipline and tutor feedback to their study but aren't sure about taking on a full degree programme.



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Postgraduate Courses



Popular Culture and Digital Media

7 to 10 April
From £495 onsite

Explore the impact of technologies and emerging norms on religious belief and practice.

With Michael Hahn and guest experts.

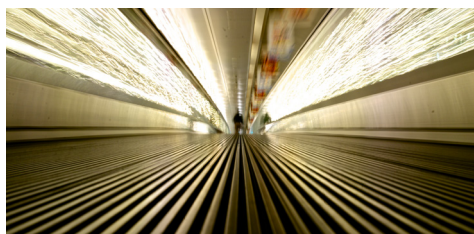


Texts and the Christian Tradition: Hildegard's Scivias

12 to 15 May
From £495 onsite

Explore Scivias, a text by 12C theologian and polymath, Hildegard of Bingen, also drawing on her wider work where relevant.

With Michael Hahn and guest experts.



Relocating Religion

8 to 11 September
Price TBC

Explore religious practices that have migrated to other areas of life in contemporary western society.

With Michael Hahn and guest experts.



MA in Christian Spirituality Taster Session

18 June
7pm to 8pm
Free online

This is a free online taster session on postgraduate studies in Christian Spirituality delivered via Zoom.

Michael Hahn.

Women Mystics Series

Female Theologians Through Christian History

7:30pm to 9pm ♦ £18 online



Teresa of Avila

14 April

Gillian Ahlgren researches, writes and teaches on the life and work of Teresa of Avila.



Thea Bowman

19 May

Manuel Williams is Director of Resurrection Catholic Missions of the South (USA).



Clare of Assisi

23 July

10am to 4pm

£70 onsite or online

This course looks at the voices of medieval Franciscan female theologians in their own words and on their own terms.

Michael Hahn is Programme Leader for Postgraduate Programmes in Christian Spirituality.

Exploring Theology Living Out Christian Belief

29 April ♦ 7:30pm - 9pm

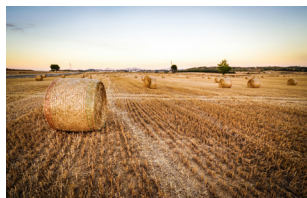
£95/£190 with essays online

This term addresses some of the very real questions and dilemmas Christians face in their day-to-day living, using practical theology and ethics as rich resources for faithfully navigating our complex world.

Programme Leader: Anna Bishop is conducting doctoral research in disability theology and has an interest in liturgy that speaks into social justice.



April to September courses

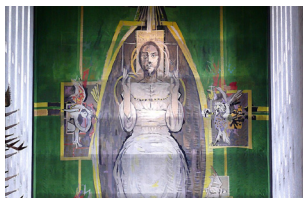


Celebrating Ordinary Times

29 April
9:30am to 12:30pm
£40 online

Explore the abundant liturgical, pastoral and theological opportunities of this period.

Tom Clammer OC is a priest and visiting scholar at Sarum College.

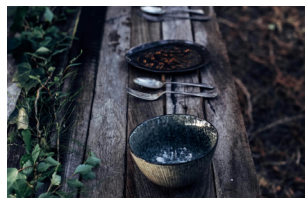


Revelation

30 April
10am to 4pm
£70 onsite

An introduction to the Book of Revelation as political and economic resistance literature.

Simon Woodman is Minister of Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church.



Rural Ministry Learning Lunchtimes

7 May, 19 July & 17 Sept
12pm to 1pm
£30 online

Join with other rural practitioners online to learn, listen and refresh.

Jo Neary is a pioneer priest in Dorset and tutor in rural ministry at Sarum College.



I'm thrilled to be able to receive (in the US) the link to the lectures on Women Mystics. Though my degrees are in organ and sacred music (much of my writing done in the Sarum College library), the chance to participate and mostly listen in the mysticism course last summer and in these and future lectures has been a huge bonus. You and all lecturers have been outstanding. The world so needs this kind of spirituality right now. Thank you for all you do.

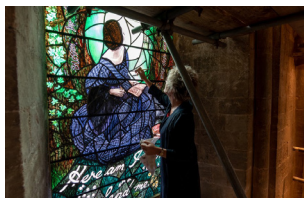


Slavery, Reparations, and Theology

8 May
7:30pm to 9pm
£20 online

An online course to think carefully and theologically about slavery and reparations.

Carlton Turner is an Anglican priest and a Caribbean contextual and practical theologian.



The Calling Window

12 May
7:30pm to 9pm
£20 online

A close-up look at stained glass design, using the Calling Window at Romsey Abbey as a case study.

Sophie Hacker is a stained glass artist and visiting scholar at Sarum College.



Social Media for Parishes and Clergy

15 May
1pm to 4pm
£40 online

Explore the changed social media scene, how to make effective use of Facebook and what other major platforms offer.

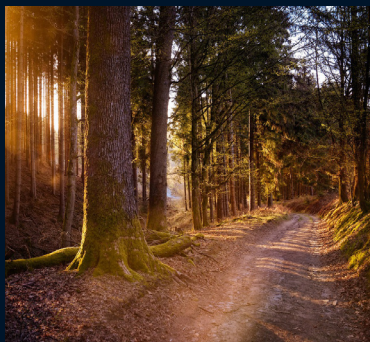
Gerry Lynch is a rector and former communications director for Salisbury Diocese.

Creative Encounter with the Divine Conference for Spiritual Directors

20 to 22 May
Residential and non-residential options
From £255 non-residential
£45 half day / £105 full day options

Immerse yourself in creative imagination, scriptural encounter, the natural world, poetry and prose to encounter the Divine at Sarum College's conference.

With Julian Pursehouse, Colleen Shekerie, Richard Everett and Alison Webster.



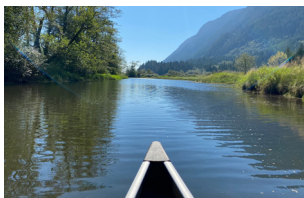


Spiritual Exercises for the 21st Century

19 May
1pm to 4pm
£40 online

Explore the transformative impact of Ignatius Loyola's Spiritual Exercises with practical approaches for today's world.

Gillian Ahlgren researches, writes and teaches on the life and work of Teresa of Avila.



Sustaining Wellbeing in Ministry

21 May
7:30pm to 9pm
£20 online

A look at systemic factors in ministry that undermine wellbeing and support for individuals to make helpful choices.

Corin Pilling is the Vocational Flourishing Officer for The Methodist Church.



Can Preaching Learn From Stand-up Comedy?

5 June
10am to 4pm
£70 onsite

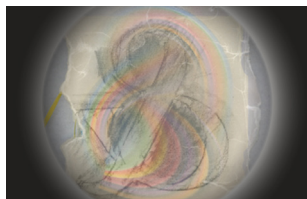
A playful day of theory and practice exploring how stand-up comedy skills might challenge and help preaching styles.

Ian Macdonald is Mission Tutor at Sarum College and a stand-up comedian.

Library access



The Sarum College Library has more than 50,000 books on theology, Bible studies, mission, church history and more, as well as study, writing and research space. There is free high-speed wifi throughout the buildings. Some courses include library membership.

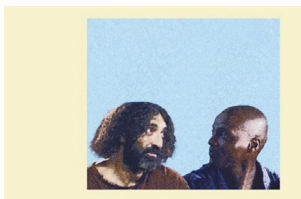


Seeing Deeply and Differently - Art and Spirituality Retreat

6 to 8 June
Friday 6pm to Sunday 2pm
From £210 onsite

A retreat to enrich and expand your spiritual life by experiencing creative ways of seeing deeply and differently.

Claire Reed is an artist, researcher, and creative mentor.



Christ on Film

11 June
1pm to 4pm
£40 online

An overview of Jesus in film history followed by a critical discussion of parallel portrayals from diverse global perspectives.

Victoria Omotoso is a cross-cultural research scholar.



Growing Faith

12 June
10am to 4pm
£70 onsite

Drawing on recent research, biblical insights and real life experience to learn how to help children grow in faith.

Emma Coy is a Mission Enabler for Children and Families for the diocese of Guildford.



I took time to attend the course out of a busy working week and it was well worth taking that time. I have so many things to ponder and reflect on from this course and a helpful further reading list to keep me going for a few months! Thank you Sarum College



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The Church of England: Past, Present & Future

17 June
9:30am to 12:30pm
£40 online

Explore Anglican theology, the state of the Church of England and its prospects for the future.

Mark Chapman is Professor of the History of Modern Theology at Oxford University.



Reclaiming Evangelism

23 June
7:30pm to 9pm
£20 online

Evangelism from below:
Helping people speak of God in authentic ways

Trey Hall is the Director of Evangelism & Growth of the Methodist Church in Britain.



Leadership, Imagination and Innovation

26 June
10am to 1pm
£40 online

Think practically and theologically about organisations, drawing on the field of complex adaptive systems.

Paul Bradbury is a freelance tutor, researcher and author.

Sarum Study Days

23 June, 4 November ♦ 10am to 4pm
onsite ♦ £35 per day, includes library access, lunch and refreshments

A self-directed day for reading, reflection and creativity.

With support from the Sarum academic team.



Reading Scripture Together

10am to 4pm onsite ♦ £70 per session

A conversational one-day course series considering selected biblical texts from Jewish and Christian perspectives.

Shoshana Boyd Gelfand is a visiting scholar at Sarum College.
Jayne Reaves is a lecturer in Biblical Studies at Sarum College.



Moses and the Myth of the Solitary Leader

19 June

How Moses's central relationships formed a team to support his development as a leader.



Who's Calling?

23 October

A look at Call Story type scenes and how they do or don't conform to other similar narratives.



Sermon on the Mount

3 December

A reading of the Sermon through the lens of Jesus as a Jewish teacher to enhance our own teaching of this seminal text.

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This course helped me to see familiar scripture in a new light.



College enews

Scan here to join our mailing list to receive a once monthly email with College news and highlights of forthcoming course listings.



Exploring the Assisted Dying Debate

1 July
1pm to 4pm
£40 online

An overview of the social, ethical and theological issues in debates about assisted dying.

James Woodward is a practical theologian who specialises in health and healing.



Methodism and Modernity

7 July
10am to 1pm
£40 onsite or online

Explore three Methodist theological tenets which were controversial in their day and speak to the challenges and labours of the Church today.

Jonathan Dean is the Chair of the London District of the Methodist Church.



Poverty and The Practice of Social Justice

8 July
10am to 1pm
£40 online

Reflect on poverty in the UK today to consider more deeply our theological and practical responses as Christians.

Jessica Foster is Head of Church Engagement at the Trussell Trust. Susie Snyder conducts theological research on hope.



I found this course so helpful, accessible and thought-provoking. Having been in post for only a short time, this was ideal in providing me with more food for thought to take to my church leadership. Exciting! Challenging! Thank you!



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Summer language intensives

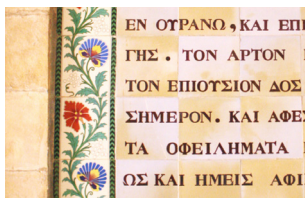


Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

10 to 15 August
From £380 online / £565 onsite

A fun intensive week learning a language that is beautifully rich in its theology and world view.

With Rachel Montagu,
Biblical Hebrew
language specialist.



New Testament Greek in a Week

11 to 16 August
From £380 online / £565 onsite

An intensive study of Greek to give you the tools to better understand the Gospels and theological terms.

With Stuart MacWilliam,
New Testament Greek
language specialist.



The course was intellectually rewarding and opened the way to further spiritual insights.



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Hire the Seaton Rooms



Sarum's recently decorated Georgian rooms on the ground floor are joined by an open doorway, with windows looking out to the Close and Salisbury Cathedral opposite the College. This is a lovely space for social occasions or for informal sessions as part of a training or away day.

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A wonderful surprise. Perfect location in the heart of Salisbury overlooking the Cathedral, welcomed by friendly staff, pristine decent sized rooms, fluffy towels, easy parking, extremely competitively priced and a great fry up for breakfast. Pound for pound probably the best place I have stayed in for 30 years. Thank you.

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