This is the draft schedule for the **2021-2022 Year A of Exploring Theology** where we will be focusing on the Bible and the role it plays in the lives of those who read it as sacred scripture. The course will be run solely online.

This schedule is a DRAFT ONLY. Dates and topics are subject to change and will be finalised two weeks before each term begins.

Date	Term: Session	Topic
Autumn 2021: Exploring the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament		
28 Sept 2021	1:1	Reading the Hebrew Bible as Holy Scripture Introduction to Composition, Genre, Canon & Reception
5 Oct 2021	1:2	Origin Stories: Genesis (chapters 1-26)
12 Oct 2021	1:3	Captivity & Liberation: Genesis & Exodus
19 Oct 2021	1:4	Constructing an Identity: Leviticus, Numbers & Deuteronomy
26 Oct 2021	1:5	History, Myth & Narrative: Joshua, Judges, I-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings
2 Nov 2021	1:6	Memory of Days Past & Vision of the Days to Come: Isaiah & Jeremiah
9 Nov 2021	1:7	Performance & Prophecy: Minor Prophets (Amos, Hosea, & Micah)
16 Nov 2021	1:8	Songs of Faith & Doubt: Psalms
23 Nov 2021	1:9	The Text in Conversation: Jonah, Ruth, and Esther vs. Ezra/Nehemiah
30 Nov 2021	1:10	Suffering & the Meaning of Life: Proverbs, Job, and Ecclesiastes
Winter 2022: Exploring the New Testament		
18 Jan 2022	2:1	Reading the New Testament as Holy Scripture Introduction to Composition, Genre, Canon & Reception
25 Jan 2022	2:2	Facts of Blood & Bread: The Gospel of Mark
1 Feb 2022	2:3	Of the House of David: The Gospel of Matthew
8 Feb 2022	2:4	Spirituality and Discipleship in the Gospel of Luke
15 Feb 2022	2:5	The Acts of the Apostles and the emergence of the early church
22 Feb 2022	2:6	Johannine Theology: The Gospel and its Letters
1 Mar 2022	2:7	The Poet & Pastor: Paul and his Letters
8 Mar 2022	2:8	Use of Jewish Scriptures and Anti-Jewish sentiment in the New Testament
15 Mar 2022	2:9	An Exploration of the General Epistles (Hebrews, James, & Peter)
22 Mar 2022	2:10	Revelation: A Sensory Apocalypse
Spring 2022: Living with the Bible		
26 April 2022	3:1	Reading the Bible from where we are
3 May 2022	3:2	Humour in the Bible
10 May 2022	3:3	Confronting Violence in the Bible
17 May 2022	3:4	Feminist & Womanist Interpretations: Power, Privilege, and Women's Bodies
24 May 2022	3:5	Liberative Hermeneutics: Considering power, race, politics, and justice from Liberation, Black, and Post-Colonial methods of reading the Bible
31 May 2022	3:6	Queer Interpretations: Normativity, Sexuality, and the Body
7 June 2022	3:7	Inclusive Hermeneutics: Reading with the Bible with Disabilities
14 June 2022	3:8	The Bible and Art: An exploration of the Visual Commentary on Scripture
21 June 2022	3:9	The Bible and Film
28 June 2022	3:10	The Bible as Multiverse

Each evening's sessions will be run according to the following schedule:

- Session 1: 45-60 minute lecture
- 15 minute break (a 'lounge' breakout room will be made available for communal chat during the break)
- Session 2: 15-20 minute Q&A then a 30-45 minute communal reading of a selected text as an immersive reading activity