

Help! I've been recommended for training at the St Padarn's Institute 2021-22



What happens next?

We're delighted that you have been sponsored for training by your bishop. When we have received the sponsorship form from the bishop, we will be in touch more formally. However, this information may be useful in the meantime.

First of all, please ensure that you have the dates for next year in the diary, and that you book time off work for the summer school (or any other arrangements you need to make) and if necessary, do the same for the weekend residentials.

Summer school

24-25 July 2021

25-30 July 2021

Induction 2021/22 **All new** ministry candidates only

Summer School 2021/22 **All ministry candidates**

At the University of South Wales campus, Treforest, Pontypridd.

15-17 Oct 2021

11-13 Feb 2022

21-23 May 2022

Residential weekend Location TBC.

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Residential weekend venue TBC

Normally the residentials are held at various locations in Wales and start with supper at 7pm.

We have three modes of training:

- Full-Time, St Padarn's Cardiff based
- Full-Time, Diocesan based
- Part-Time

and four 'building blocks' of training:

- residentials
- theological (academic) learning
- formational cells
- placement



If you are training for a **part-time ministry**, normally you would remain at home, study theology locally on the Theology for Life (BTh) Programme, attend residentials (four times a year) and a local formational cell. Please look on our website for more information about the Theology for Life (BTh) programme.

If you are training for **full-time ministry**, normally you would follow the full-time programme which is either St Padarn's Cardiff based, or diocesan based.

In both, you attend the **Wednesday to Friday programme** at St Padarn's Cardiff where you will be part of the St Padarn's Full Time community, worshipping, eating, socialising, praying and learning together with others training for ministry. Your formational cell will be during the Wednesday – Friday programme and you will attend the residentials along with all those in training for ministry across Wales.



If you are diocesan based, the rest of the week you will be doing a two-day placement and having your study day based at home. If you are Cardiff based, you will be doing your placement in Cardiff or the surrounding area.

The usual pattern is:

Sunday: placement

Monday: placement (or study day)

Tuesday: study day (or placement)

Wednesday: Cardiff

Thursday: Cardiff

Friday: Cardiff

Saturday: Day off

If you need advice, more information or to talk potential training options through please contact lyn.davies@stpadarns.ac.uk who will get one of the tutors to contact you for a conversation.

We consider training to be an important investment for the future and so we will be keen to ensure that the training package we put together for you is challenging and takes you on to the next level in your ministry journey, however experienced or qualified you already are.

Decisions regarding length and nature of training are taken in consultation between St Padarn's and the bishop, however normally full training takes 3 years or sometimes 2 years full time. Part time training normally takes 3 years. We will also take into account if you are already exercising a licensed ministry e.g. moving from being a Reader to being ordained, or already have theological qualifications.

The nature of the qualification you will gain at the end will also play an important part in these decisions. 6 years part time and 3 years full time leads to a degree, 4 years part time, 2 years full time, a diploma, and 1 year full time, 2 years part time a certificate. Often candidates will have started the Theology for Life (BTh) course during the discernment process.



It is sometimes worth bearing in mind that it is much easier to move from part time to full time study if you are at the end of a level. Finishing training at the same time as finishing a level (4,5, or 6) also means you gain a qualification, whether it is certificate, diploma or degree.

Practical information:

Grants

The Church in Wales provides grants for people training for ministry. For more information and to use the Grant Calculator to estimate how much you could be entitled to. Please www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/formation-licensed-ministry/

If you have any queries about this, please contact Kathryn Delderfield, our Director of Operations who handles grants:

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Main: 029 2056 3379 Mobile: 07388994732

Expenses

For those candidates who will be travelling to Cardiff, Wednesday to Friday, your travel costs for those journeys will be calculated and included in your monthly grant payments. Placement expenses should be completed using the form on Moodle. Candidates can claim for travel to residentials and travel to placements outside their ministry area.

For more information, look at the website

<https://www.stpadarns.ac.uk/en/ministry/formation-licensed-ministry/>

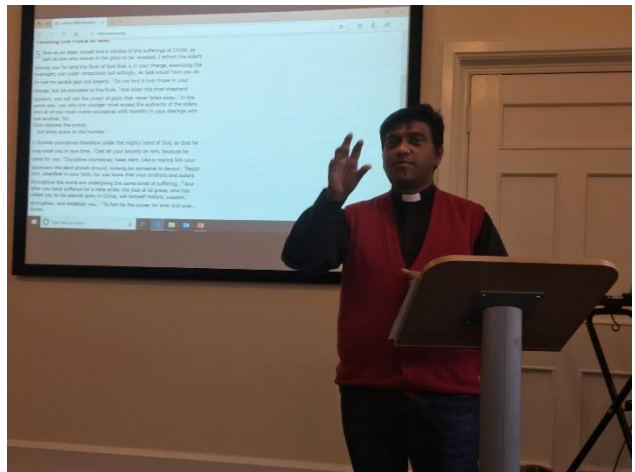
Theological learning

For those training full time, the theology modules are taught during the Wednesday to Friday programme. For those training part time, you will join other part time students all over Wales studying on the Theology for Life (BTh programme). More information about the course can be found on the St Padarn's website under Theology for Life.

On the part time programme, you will

attend two seminars each term, one at the beginning, on Zoom, and the other in the middle of the term. There are three venues for the midterm seminars, one in north Wales, one in Carmarthen and one in Cardiff.

We run an annual induction programme for Theology for Life (the BTh). Do look out for this information on social media or get in touch for more information.



St Padarn's Institute Ministry Candidates: Teaching dates 2021/2022

Please put all the dates relevant to you in your diaries as soon as possible. All residentials are a compulsory part of training for full and part time candidates.

Teaching Block 1

Date	what	who
11 September 2021	BTh Seminar day Delivered online	all part-time students and part time candidates
13 Sep-10 Dec 2021	8 weekly local facilitated sessions	all part-time students and part time candidates
16 Sep-26 November 2021	Level 6 Teaching Thursday evenings online 7-9pm	all part-time students and all candidates studying at Level 6
15-17 September 2021	full-time week 1	all full-time candidates
22-24 September 2021	full-time week 2	all full-time candidates
29 Sep- 1 October 2021	full-time week 3	all full-time candidates
6-8 October 2021	full-time week 4	all full-time candidates
13-15 October 2021	full-time week 5	all full-time candidates
15-17 October 2021	Autumn Residential venue tbc	all full and part time candidates
20-22 October 2021	full-time week 6	all full-time candidates
25-29 October 2021	Reading week (no Wed- Fri programme)	all full-time candidates
3-5 November 2021	full- time week 7	all full-time candidates
6 November 2021	BTh midterm seminar delivered in local locations	all part-time students and part time candidates
10-12 November 2021	full-time week 8	all full-time candidates
17-19 November 2021	full-time week 9	all full-time candidates
24-26 November 2021	full-time week 10	all full-time candidates

Teaching Block 2

2 December – 3 March 2022	Level 6 Teaching Thursday evenings online 7-9pm	all part-time students and all candidates studying at Level 6
1-3 December 2021	full-time week 1	all full-time candidates
8-10 December 2021	full-time week 2	all full-time candidates
13 Dec- 3 January 2022	Christmas	
5-7 January 2022	full-time week 3	all full-time candidates

8 January 2022	BTh Seminar day Delivered online	all part-time students and part time candidates
10 Jan- 4 March 2022	8 weekly local facilitated sessions	all part-time students and part time candidates
12-14 January 2022	full-time week 4	all full-time candidates
19-21 January 2022	full-time week 5	all full-time candidates

Date	what	who
26-28 January 2022	full-time week 6	all full-time candidates
2-4 February 2022	full-time week 7	all full-time candidates
5 February 2022	BTh midterm seminar delivered in local locations	all part-time students and part time candidates
9-11 February 2022	full-time week 8	all full-time candidates
11-13 February 2022	Winter residential venue tbc	all full and part-time candidates
16-18 February 2022	full-time week 9	all full-time candidates
21-25 February 2022	Reading week	all part-time students and all candidates
2-4 March 2022	full-time week 10	all full-time candidates

Teaching Block 3

9-11 March 2022	full-time week 1	all full-time candidates
10 March – 26 May 2022	Level 6 Teaching Thursday evenings online 7-9pm	all part-time students and all candidates studying at Level 6
12 March 2022	BTh Seminar day Delivered online	all part-time students and part time candidates
15 Mar-11 June 2022	8 weekly local facilitated sessions	all part-time students and part time candidates
16-18 Mar 2022	full-time week 2	all full-time candidates
23-25 Mar 2022	full-time week 3	all full-time candidates
30 Mar-1 Apr 2022	full-time week 4	all full-time candidates
6-8 April 2022	Easter Break	all candidates
13-15 April 2022	Holy Week	all candidates
20-22 April 2022	Easter Break	all candidates
27-29 April 2022	full-time week 5	all full-time candidates
4-6 May 2022	full-time week 6	all full-time candidates
7 May 2022	BTh midterm seminar delivered in local locations	all part-time students and part time candidates
11-13 May 2022	full-time week 7	all full-time candidates
18-20 May 2022	full-time week 8	all full-time candidates
21-23 May 2022	Spring Residential weekend ?? venue tbc	all full and part-time candidates

25-27 May 2022	full-time week 9 Leavers week?	all full-time candidates
1-3 June 2022	full-time week 10	all full-time candidates

May Bank Holidays: Monday 02 May 2022 and Monday 30 May 2022