

Summer School

for American students on the topic "Understanding the Bible from the Liturgy" in Trier from 16th May to 1st July 2022 at the Faculty of Theology Trier and ceremonial conclusion of a

Cooperation Agreement between the Faculty of Theology Trier and the Catholic University of America (Washington, D.C.)

In the year of the 75th anniversary of the founding of the German Liturgical Institute (DLI), the Faculty of Theology in Trier is holding a Summer School in the current summer semester under the direction of Prof. Dr. Marco Benini, holder of the chair of Liturgical Studies. The Summer School takes place on the theme "Understanding the Bible from the Liturgy". The 18 American students come from the Catholic University of America (Washington, D.C.), the University of Notre Dame, St. John's University (Collegeville, MN), Duke University, Marian University and St. Mary's Seminary (Cleveland, OH). From 16 May to 1 July 2022, the participants, sponsored by the German Academic Exchange Service and in cooperation with the Catholic University of America (Washington, D.C.) and the DLI, will be offered a diverse and varied programme that aims to provide new perspectives on liturgical and biblical hermeneutics.



In addition to thematic lectures at the faculty and practical exercises at the DLI, several excursions to important places of the Liturgical Movement and German history in general will be undertaken during the course of the Summer School: These include the Abbey of Maria Laach, Cologne, the imperial city of Aachen and Mainz (Gutenberg Bible). The participants

also have the opportunity to use their time in Trier to improve their German language skills and get to know German culture better. Therefore, there is always room in the programme for German and American students to meet in order to gain a deeper understanding of each other and to establish international relationships. The students of the Faculty of Theology in Trier are involved in organising the framework programme. For those interested, this can be followed via the social channels of the Faculty of Theology at: <https://www.instagram.com/theologtrier/> or <https://www.facebook.com/theologTrier>.

The Summer School is the starting project of a long-term planned cooperation between the Faculty of Theology in Trier and the Catholic University of America, Washington (D.C.). Initiated by Prof. Benini, who himself taught at the American university for 3 years, the cooperation agreement between the two universities has now been officially signed. On this basis Professor Michael Witczak,



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Prof. Marco Benini (Faculty of Theology, Trier, left) and Prof. Marc Morozowich (Dean of the School of Theology at the Catholic University of America, right)

(Washington, D.C.), and Prof. Benini have already begun a research project on "Liturgical and Biblical Movement in the USA and Germany". The German Research Foundation (DFG) is funding an exchange of professors between CUA and Trier to further develop this project.

You can also find more information on the Summer School and the cooperation at:

<https://theologie-trier.de/faecher/faechergruppen-und-faecher/praktische-theologie/liturgiewissenschaft> and <https://theologie-trier.de/faecher/faechergruppen-und-faecher/praktischetheologie/liturgiewissenschaft/summer> as well as at: https://goabroad.cua.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgram&Program_ID=2425

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