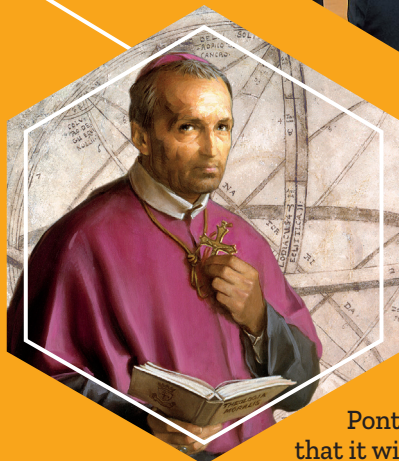




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«The Church expects from the Pontifical Alphonsian Academy that it will be able to reconcile scientific rigour and closeness to the holy faithful People of God, that it will give concrete answers to real problems and that it will accompany people and formulate humane moral proposals, attentive to salvific Truth and the good of people»

(Pope Francis, Alphonsian Academy Audience, March 23, 2023)

ALPHONSIAN ACADEMY

A Postgraduate Pontifical Institute of Moral Theology
ad instar Facultatis

2024 > 2025
2025 > 2026



Methodology

- > Technical Methodology | **M.P. Dalbem**

Biblical Part

- **Old Testament**
 - > The "Hope of Immortality" (Wis 3:4): The Morality of Greek Biblical Wisdom | **A.S. Wodka**
- **New Testament**
 - > The Christian Community in the World.
Relevance of the Moral Message of the Acts of the Apostles | **K. Bieliński**

Patristic and Historical Part

- **Patristic Section**
 - > The Remission of Sins in the Eastern Tradition | **R. Iacopino**
- **Historical Section**
 - > Morality between the Vatican I and the Vatican II.
Theological Currents, Movements and Authors | **A.G. Dibisceglia**

Anthropological Part

- **Philosophical Anthropology**
 - > Philosophical Bioethics 2. Posthumanism and Transhumanism:
Anthropological and Ethical Challenges | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - > Power: Anthropological and Ethical Aspects | **R. D'Ambrosio**
- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > Moral Judgment: Psychological and Ethical Perspectives | **M. Boies**
 - > Hope as an Anthropological Dimension, between Longing and Arriving
The Journey of *Homo Sperans* | **C. Freni**

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > The Moral and the Spiritual in Christian Conscience | **A. Donato**
 - > Reconciliation and Moral Life | **A.G. Fidalgo**
 - > Grace as Principle of Action and Transformation | **A. Gnada**
 - > The Natural Moral Law: Tradition, Debate, Perspectives | **S. Zamboni**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section**
 - > Theological Bioethics 1. General Introduction and Foundations | **G. Del Missier**
 - Family Section**
 - > For the Possible Good of the Couple. Concrete Cases of Family Morality
after *Amoris lætitia* | **R. Massaro**
 - Social Section**
 - > Power, Freedom and Ideology:
An Ethical Analysis of Liberal Political Thought | **M. McKeever**
 - > Importance and Relevance of the Church's Social Thinking | **L. Salutati**
 - > War and Peace in the Christian Tradition:
Ethics of Peace and Armed Conflict | **M.H. Schrage Comencini**

Methodology

- > Theological-Moral Methodology | **S. Zamboni**

Biblical Part

- **New Testament**
 - > Fundamental Moral Concepts of the New Testament | **A. de Mingo Kaminouchi**

Patristic and Historical Part

- **Historical Section**
 - > The Formation of Conscience in St. Alphonsus: Foundations and Historical Development | **A.V. Amarante**

Anthropological Part

- **Philosophical Anthropology**
 - > Anthropological Presuppositions of the Human *Ethos* | **C. Freni**
 - > Philosophical Bioethics 3. Anthropological and Ethical Challenges: Neuroscience | **A. Pizzichini**
- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > Psychological Theories on Integral Moral Development | **M. Boies**

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > Morality and Sacraments | **J. Mukondua Zungulua**
 - > The Morality of Faith and Hope | **F. Sacco**
 - > Moral Theology from Vatican II to Pope Francis | **H.M. Yáñez Molina**
 - > Moral Discernment and Practical Moral Principles | **C. Zuccaro**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section**
 - > Theological Bioethics 2. The Beginning of Life and Genetics | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - > Theological Bioethics 3. Do Not Kill | **G. Del Missier**
 - Family Section**
 - > The Development of Catholic Doctrine in the Field of Sexuality and Marriage | **V. Tirimanna**
 - Social Section**
 - > "Everything is connected". Integral Ecology and Ethics | **M. Carbajo Núñez**
 - > Common Good, Subsidiarity and Solidarity: Personalism and Social Justice in CST | **M.P. Dalbem**
 - > Real Socialism, Theoretical Socialism: An Ethical Analysis of Socialist Political Thought | **M. McKeever**

Transdisciplinary Part

- > The Human Person as a Relational Being. Transdisciplinary Perspectives | **A.G. Fidalgo / C. Freni**

Biblical Part

- **Old Testament**
 - > Central Ethical Themes of Prophetic Preaching | **A.S. Wodka**
- **New Testament**
 - > The Church under Threat: Ethical Guidance the *Letter to the Hebrews* to Grow in Faith | **K. Bieliński**

Anthropological Part

- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > The Moral Brain: Influences on Moral Judgment and Neuroethics | **M. Boies**

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > Mercy in Post-Conciliar Papal Teaching | **A. Donato**
 - > Cardinal Virtues and Capital Vices | **A. Gnada**
 - > What is Ethical Relativism? | **M. McKeever**
 - > "Sons in the Son": The Proposal of a Filial Morality | **S. Zamboni**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section
 - > Vulnerability as a Bioethical Principle | **G. Del Missier**
 - > Homosexuality: Ethical and Pastoral Challenges | **M.P. Faggioni**

During the **second cycle**, lectures and seminars predominate.

The total number of credits required for the academic degree of Licence is 120, and they are distributed as follows:

- 59 ECTS credits for 19 courses
- 15 ECTS credits for 3 seminars
- 12 ECTS credits for 2 *Lectiones coram*
- 4 ECTS credits for 2 written reviews
- 30 ECTS credits for the dissertation

Principles and major moral issues are treated in different aspects and ways that determine the major parts of the programme:

- Methodological part
- Biblical part
- Patristic and historical part
- Anthropological part
- Systematic part
- Transdisciplinary part

Biblical Part

● New Testament

- > The Document "What is Man?" of the Pontifical Biblical Commission. Anthropology and Morality | **A. de Mingo Kaminouchi**

Systematic Part

● Fundamental Moral Theology

- > Phenomenology of Moral Decision. Comparison of Hermeneutical Models | **A. Donato**
- > Christological Basis and Structure in the Moral Theology of B. Häring | **A.G. Fidalgo**
- > The Moral Implications of the Grace of Being Created in the Image of God | **A. Gnada**
- > Synodality and its Implications for Moral Theology | **V. Tirimanna**
- > Forms of Abuse: A Canonical-Moral Perspective | **J.C. Linhares Pontes Júnior**

● Special Moral Theology

Bioethics Section

- > The Question of Technology: An Anthropological and Ethical Problem | **G. Del Missier**

Family Section

- > Family -Marriage: Crisis and Renewal | **N. Basunga**

Social Section

- > The Banality of Evil: A Dialogue between H. Arendt's Thought and Moral Theology | **M.P. Dalbem**

The **third cycle** is mainly dedicated to the elaboration of a doctoral thesis, which must make a real contribution to the progress of moral theology. The personal method of investigation guided by the thesis moderators prevails. The course lasts at least six semesters and consists of the following stages:

1. Admission and Enrolment in the third cycle
2. Approval of the study plan and thesis topic
3. Approval of the thesis outline
4. Thesis delivery
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6. Publication



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- > Registrations may be made from **September 2 to October 14, 2024** and from **January 17 to February 28, 2025**.
- > All non-Italian students registering for the first time must pass an Italian language competency exam (before the opening of the Academic Year).
- > **All documents must be provided in PDF by email and in the original paper form.**

Documents required for the licentiate

- > registration form (supplied by the Secretariat);
- > original, detailed and complete transcript of credits or certificate for the baccalaureate in theology or other institutional course (philosophy and theology);
- > letter of introduction/permission by the proper ecclesiastical/religious superior and, when necessary, a copy of *Celebret* (for diocesan priests);
- > proof of proficiency in Latin, biblical Greek and a modern language (other than the native language and Italian);
- > proof of proficiency in Italian: at least B1 level of the CEFR;
- > two passport-size photos: one printed and the other in digital format (JPG), to be sent to the Secretary's Office;
- > photocopy of passport;
- > photocopy of Italian residence permit.

Documents required for the doctorate

- > admission request form (supplied by the Secretariat);
- > original, detailed and complete transcript of studies for the licentiate;
- > copy of the licentiate thesis;
- > letter of introduction/permission by the proper ecclesiastical/religious superior and, when necessary, a copy of *Celebret* (for diocesan priests);
- > proof of proficiency in Latin, biblical Greek and **two** modern languages (other than the native language and Italian);
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The Alphonsian Academy requires a residence in Rome of at least one semester. Lectures and seminars are usually held in Italian.

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PAYMENT

The registration fee includes admission to lectures, examinations, student ID card and access to the Academy library. For full time ordinary students registered for the biennium of the licentiate or for the triennium of the doctorate, the tuition fee also includes the subscription to the journal *Studia Moralia*.

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Annual registration	€ 1.250,00
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Extraordinary Students	€ 150,00
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The registration at the Academy can be done either in the 1st semester or in the 2nd semester.

MODE OF PAYMENT

- Payment of the registration fee should be made by funds transfer (bank or post) to "Accademia Alfonsiana", Banca Popolare di Sondrio, Agenzia 11 di Roma, IBAN: **IT10Q0569603200000013424X48** – SWIFT: POSOIT22XXX. Please indicate in the **reason for payment**: surname, the academic year, the amount being paid and whether it refers to the first or second installment.
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- Registrations will not be accepted after October 14, 2024, for the 1st semester, and after February 28, 2025, for the 2nd semester.

Methodology

- > Technical Methodology | **M.P. Dalbem**

Biblical Part

- **New Testament**
 - > Sexual Ethics in Paul. Pauline Axiology and Aretology for Today | **K. Bieliński**

Patristic and Historical Part

- **Patristic Section**
 - > Marriage and Virginitly in the Latin Fathers
- **Historical Section**
 - > The Alphonsian Moral Proposal. Development, Reception, Actuality | **A. Donato**

Anthropological Part

- **Philosophical Anthropology**
 - > Philosophical Bioethics 1. Anthropological and Ethical Challenges: *Gender-Studies* | **G. Del Missier**
 - > The Human Being, between Con-centration and Existential Condition. The Paradox of Existence
- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > Moral Judgment in the Light of the Neurosciences | **M. Boies**

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > New Humanity Project | **A.G. Fidalgo**
 - > The Cardinal Virtues, Pillars of the Moral Life | **A. Gnada**
 - > The Theological Foundations of an Integral Ecology | **S. Zamboni**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section**
 - > Theological Bioethics 4. Care for Life and the End of Life | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - > Theological Bioethics 5. Youth Issues | **G. Del Missier**
 - Family Section**
 - > Marriage Issues, between Law and Morality
 - Social Section**
 - > Church and Politics in Modernity | **M. McKeever**
 - > Morality and Economics. Phenomenological and Moral Aspects of International Financial Markets
 - > Ethics of Migration: Communitarian and Cosmopolitan Approaches

Methodology

- > Theological-Moral Methodology | **S. Zamboni**

Biblical Part

- **Old Testament**
 - > The Ethical Message of the Prophets | **A.S. Wodka**
- **New Testament**
 - > Virtue Ethics in the New Testament

Patristic and Historical Part

- **Patristic Section**
 - > Hospitality: A Moral Duty in the Early Church
- **Historical Section**
 - > From Moral Systems to Contemporary Moral Theology | **A.V. Amarante**

Anthropological Part

- **Philosophical Anthropology**
 - > "Homo relations": The Ontological Structure of the Person, Characteristics, Challenges and Proposals
- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > Philosophical Bioethics 4. Anthropological and Ethical Challenges: Artificial Intelligence, Algor-ethics and Robotics

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > The Dignity and Role of Conscience | **A. Donato**
 - > Jesus Christ as the Foundation of Morality | **A.G. Fidalgo**
 - > Gift as Expression of Human Freedom and Source of Moral Obligation | **A. Gnada**
 - > The Relational Dynamism of Charity
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section*
 - > Theological Bioethics 6. Bioethical Issues in the Sexual Sphere | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - Family Section*
 - > Morality of Marriage in the Light of *Amoris lætitia*
 - Social Section*
 - > Ethics and Deontology in *Digital media* and on the *Internet*
 - > Aspects of Social Evil in Theology and Philosophy | **M.P. Dalbem**

Biblical Part

- **New Testament**
 - > The Paracletic Dimension of Johannine Morality (John 13-17) | **A.S. Wodka**
 - > Pauline Sexual Ethics | **K. Bieliński**

Patristic and Historical Part

- **Patristic Section**
 - > Christian Moral Teachings in the Patristic Writings on the Eucharist

Anthropological Part

- **Empirical Anthropology**
 - > The Integral Development of the Person in the Light of Psychology | **M. Boies**

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > Youth, Discernment and Conscience Formation | **A. Donato**
 - > Morality and Evangelization. B. Häring and *Evangelii gaudium* | **A. Fidalgo**
 - > Ethics and Postmodernity | **M. McKeever**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section*
 - > Selected Issues in Clinical Bioethics | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - Family Section*
 - > *Amoris lætitia*: Pastoral and Theological Reception | **G. Del Missier**



Biblical Part

- **Old Testament**
 - > The Moral Vocabulary of the Old Testament

Systematic Part

- **Fundamental Moral Theology**
 - > As on Earth, so in Heaven: The Symbolic of Moral Representations | **M.P. Dalbem**
 - > Difficult Pastoral Cases in Moral Theology | **M. Boies**
 - > Reconciliation: Liberation and Human Transformation | **A.G. Fidalgo**
 - > Gift as a Human Category | **A. Gnada**
 - > Faith and Morals | **S. Zamboni**
- **Special Moral Theology**
 - Bioethics Section*
 - > Pandemic Ethics after Covid-19 | **M.P. Faggioni**
 - Family Section*
 - > Fertility in *Amoris lætitia*
 - Social Section*
 - > Islamic Fundamentalism. Ethical and Political Aspects | **M. McKeever**
 - > Can the Use of Violence ever be Justified?



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The Alphonsian Academy, Pontifical Institute of Moral Theology, was founded by the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer on 9 February 1949 and is included as an Institute *ad instar Facultatis* in the Pontifical Lateran University as a centre of excellence for research and specialisation in moral theological disciplines.

In the Spirit of St. Alphonsus M. de Liguori, the one who renewed moral theology in his time, and in harmony with the Second Vatican Council and the Magisterium of the Church, the Alphonsian Academy renders special care in perfecting moral theology by paying particular attention to the knowledge of the human being as a whole, in his personal and Christian dimensions. Rooted always in the salvific Mystery of Christ the Redeemer, the Academy promotes the value and meaning of human life by discerning the norms for human behaviour in the individual, in the family, in civil society and in religious faith.

The Alphonsian Academy offers a programme including the following elements: the licentiate (second cycle) and doctorate (third cycle) in Moral Theology, the licentiate and doctorate in Moral Sciences and the possibility of a Post-doctorate.

Over 5.000 students who have been trained in the Academy give vital witness to the pastoral and doctrinal worth of the Institute.

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(Fr. R. Gomes C.Ss.R., *Homily*, February 9, 2024)



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