We who teach, study and work in the Centre for Theology & Ministry, Pilgrim Theological College and the Dalton McCaughey Library acknowledge the Wurundjeri people as the original inhabitants and custodians of this land.

We respect their cultural and religious traditions and undertake to work for reconciliation and justice.
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# 2018 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

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## University Holidays

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## Formation Weeks for UCA VicTas Candidates

- Feb TBA
- April TBA
- July TBA
Pilgrim Theological College is accredited to offer and teach the required units for the following Undergraduate and Postgraduate awards through the University of Divinity.

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Each award may have different regulations in terms of admissions and enrolment, course structure, award and credit. The detailed regulations for each award is available online at www.divinity.edu.au/university-of-divinity/governance/the-act-and-regulations.
The University of Divinity promotes the highest standards of scholarship in theology, philosophy and ministry. Through scholarship, the University aims to address the issues of the contemporary world.

Founded in 1910 as the Melbourne College of Divinity, the University has a long history of pursuing and achieving these aims.

All students and staff join the University through one of its Colleges. Based in the Australian cities of Melbourne, Adelaide and Sydney, each College is a unique learning community. The Colleges are supported by a wide range of churches and religious orders that together resource the University as a whole.

The University’s work is further resourced by the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, which provides support to the Colleges and the University’s Council and Academic Board.

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Visit divinity.edu.au for further details on the Colleges and for links to their individual websites.
PILGRIM THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Pilgrim Theological College is an initiative of the Uniting Church Synod of Victoria and Tasmania providing a rich tapestry of ecumenical theological education under the leadership of a Faculty of eminent scholars.

We are a college of the University of Divinity, which is internationally recognised for promoting the highest standards of scholarship in theology, philosophy and ministry.

Situated within the Centre for Theology & Ministry in Parkville, Melbourne, Pilgrim is located in an appealing setting, just three kilometres from the CBD and on the perimeter of the Princess Parklands and Melbourne University.

Students at the College are from varied countries, cultures, denominations and ages, forming a diverse and vibrant educational community.

We welcome those who are:

- interested in studying theology for their personal and spiritual development, from all traditions or none
- preparing for ordained ministry within the Uniting Church in Australia
- ordained ministers of the Uniting Church in Australia seeking higher education
- preparing for ordained ministry within the Uniting Church in Australia or another denomination preparing for ministry as a lay preacher or pastor
- engaged in the Period of Discernment.

Building on a long history of theological education, Pilgrim offers a full range of awards aimed at creating a theologically equipped people of God formed for ministry, discipleship and leadership within and beyond the church.

Awards offered include diplomas, undergraduate degrees, graduate certificates and diplomas, postgraduate degrees and higher degrees by research.

Full-time and part-time study options are available and courses can be undertaken either face-to-face on campus or online for those who need to study at a distance.
GOVERNANCE

The operation of Pilgrim Theological College is accountable to the Uniting Church Synod of Victoria and Tasmania.

For the quality and content of its learning and teaching program, Pilgrim Theological College is responsible to the UCA National Assembly Education for Ministry Working Group.

Being within the University of Divinity, the College must also uphold the standards required for Australian universities by the Australian Government. The academic oversight of the curriculum and research operations of Pilgrim is exercised by the Academic Committee.

The research agenda focuses on supporting and encouraging the culture of research and scholarship within the College. The Committee is responsible for considering applications for research grants, organising seminars and programs for visiting scholars, enabling Faculty engagement and co-operation in research, and facilitating the publication of theology.

Responsibility for overseeing Uniting Church candidates and their formation, and the use of bequest monies, is exercised by the UCA Faculty Formation and Oversight Committee. This Committee works in close partnership with Presbyteries to whom the Faculty reports on readiness for ministry.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Professor Maryanne Confoy, RSC
Rev PD Dr John Flett
Rev Dr John Martis, SJ
Associate Professor Katharine Massam
Rev Associate Professor Monica Melanchthon
Rev Dr Geoff Thompson
Ms Fotini Toso
Rev Associate Professor Sean Winter (Chairperson)
Rev Sue Withers

HISTORY

Pilgrim Theological College, inaugurated in September 2014, has evolved from the Uniting Church Theological College, which was a partner teaching institution of the United Faculty of Theology (UFT).

The UFT was formed in 1973 when the theological colleges of the Anglican, Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches joined with Jesuit Theological College to pool their teaching resources.

These theological colleges were part of the Melbourne College of Divinity, which was founded in 1910.

In 1977 the Congregational, Methodist and Presbyterian churches combined to form the Uniting Church in Australia and, from this union, the Uniting Church Theological College was formed. From then, the UFT comprised the Uniting Church Theological College, Jesuit Theological College and Trinity College Theological School.

In 2012 the Melbourne College of Divinity gained university status and from 2014 began operating as the University of Divinity.

During 2013 it was decided the UFT would close and two of its three partners – the Uniting Church Theological College and Trinity College Theological School – would become independent colleges of the University of Divinity. Jesuit Theological College chose to cease operations as a teaching institute.

In 2014 the pronouncement was realised, with the Uniting Church Theological College being transformed into Pilgrim Theological College within the Centre for Theology & Ministry, a vibrant hub of educational advancement.
FACULTY

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Pastoral Theology and Ministry Studies
Research Interests
Jenny’s doctoral research was in leadership education, specifically in the development of leadership with adults. Jenny’s Master of Arts explored issues of women in the church. Following the completion of her doctoral research Jenny’s main interest has been in the exploration of recent findings in neuroscience and adult education through coaching and intentional transformation.
Research Supervision
Jenny is open to supervising in the areas of adult education, women in ministry and leadership.

Rev Associate Professor Sean Winter
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BA (Hons), DPhil
Biblical Studies; New Testament
Research Interests
Sean’s research focuses on the letters and theology of the apostle Paul, with special reference to Philippians and 2 Corinthians. He has also worked in the area of biblical hermeneutics, especially theological understandings of biblical interpretation (particularly in the work of Dietrich Bonhoeffer) and biblical reception history.
Research Supervision
Sean is open to receiving research proposals on any aspect of New Testament study, especially those that relate to the interpretation of the Pauline letters and/or that have a particularly theological or hermeneutical focus.
He has successfully supervised projects on: The Meaning of dikaiosunê Language in Romans; Paul’s use of Isaiah in Romans 9–11; The Relevance of the Watchers Tradition to the Synoptic Gospels; Paul’s Understanding of Suffering in Romans 8; Paul’s Anthropological Terms; The Development of early Wisdom Christology.

Professor Maryanne Confoy, RSC
BA, MEd, PhD
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Co-ordinator of Studies – Missiology
Research Interests
John has an interdisciplinary research focus, concentrating on constructive theologies of mission, intercultural and ecumenical theologies. His publications have explored such ranging topics as the doctrine of the Trinity, apostolicity, Karl Barth, ecclesiology, ecumenical theologies of mission, intercultural hermeneutics, Lesslie Newbigin, migrant Christianity, and missional church.
Research Supervision
John welcomes research proposals dealing with all aspects of mission, intercultural, and ecumenical theology, including contemporary themes such as contextualization, intercultural hermeneutics, mission and the arts, the cross-cultural transmission and appropriation of the Christian gospel, missional church/Fresh Expressions, and historical themes dealing with the problem of colonialisation and cultural replication, and the development of mission theology within Germany and within the ecumenical movement (International Missionary Council, the World Council of Churches, and Lausanne).
Projects he has worked with include: ‘witch-children’ in Goma, DRC; Christian/Muslim relations in Indonesia; second-generation Korean Christians in Germany; mission and church music in Indonesia; patterns of Christian discipleship in Africa.
Rev Dr John Martis, SJ

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Associate Professor Katharine Massam
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BA (Hons), DipEd, PhD
Church History; Christian Spirituality

Research Interests
Katharine’s research explores intersections between Christian tradition and wider culture in postcolonial, settler societies, including Australia. She writes on the history of Christian spirituality (especially Benedictine traditions), cross-cultural encounter in the Australian mission context, the dynamics work and leisure, and is especially interested in methodologies that open-up neglected sources and experience (such as historical readings of space and place, devotional literature, art, music, and material culture).

Research Supervision
Katharine supervises topics on religion in Australia and on the history of Christian spirituality. She particularly welcomes projects that explore community memory and traditions, including monasticism and its contemporary expressions.

Recent students have successfully completed major theses on Australian missionary women in Papua New Guinea, Eucharistic tradition and devotion in Australia, the twelfth-century Benedictine abbess Eloise of the Paraclete, the cook books and food traditions of church communities in Victoria, and a range of minor theses and research essays including several drawing on the photographs and documents of the mission archive at New Norcia.

Rev Associate Professor Monica Melanchthon
Co-ordinator of Studies – Old Testament
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BA, BD, ThM, PhD
Biblical Studies; Old Testament

Research Interests
Monica has strong commitments to the marginalized, particularly, women and Dalits. She has contributed toward developing Dalit and Indian Feminist hermeneutics and theologies, and interpretation of Biblical texts drawing on insights from the social biographies of these communities, their perspectives and their lived experiences. Her approach is therefore contextual, inter disciplinary and liberational. Her research interests include cultural and literary studies, reception histories, epistemologies, ecological readings, feminist hermeneutics and interpretations. Her current research projects include a feminist commentary on 1 Kings (Liturgical Press) and a commentary on Joshua 1-11 (Earth Bible Commentary Series, Sheffield Press).

Research Supervision
Monica welcomes the opportunity to work with students interested in studying the Old Testament/Hebrew Bible in general but would be excited about those projects that seek to bring the Hebrew text into conversation with issues of culture, gender, other scriptural traditions, and social issues; those open to employing new and emerging approaches and methodologies and engaging sources also from the non-Western world.

She has successfully supervised research projects on, The History and Significance of Manual Labour in the Hebrew Bible: A Sociological Approach; The Process of the Formulation of Liberative Hebrew Scripture as a Paradigm for the formulation of a Scripture for the Liberation of Dalits, at the PHD level and many at the Masters level.

Rev Dr Geoff Thompson
Co-ordinator of Studies – Systematic Theology
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B AgrSci, BD, PhD
Systematic Theology

Research Interests
Geoff’s research has focused on Karl Barth, Karl Rahner, the functions of doctrine in the church, the relationship between practical and systematic theology, the theology of the Uniting Church (especially the Basis of Union). Current and future research is focused on the relationship between Christology and Discipleship and the theological significance of secular or non-Christian appropriations of, or responses to, the Christian narrative.
Research Supervision
Geoff invites research proposals on the study of doctrine or particular doctrines, especially their articulation in a post-
Christendom pluralist milieu. Studies on Karl Barth, the Basis of Union, and contemporary ecclesiologies will also be welcomed.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Lecture and morning prayer times

Morning Prayer … 9.10am to 9.25am
Mornings … … 9.30am to 12.30pm
Afternoons … … 2pm to 5pm
Evenings … … 6pm to 8 or 9pm

Intensive course hours may vary.
Disability support

Students with disabilities are asked to make their specific needs known to the College Registrar at the time of enrolment so that every effort can be made to accommodate their needs.

The Centre for Theology & Ministry building which houses the Pilgrim Theological College and Dalton McCaughey Library is fully wheelchair accessible, with disabled bathroom facilities located near the library foyer. A disabled parking space is available upon request for holders of a disability parking permit. Contact the receptionist on +61 3 9340 8800 to arrange for parking prior to your attendance.

Distance learning

Pilgrim Theological College offers a flexible, ecumenical, world-class standard of theological distance education for students through the Internet. For information and advice regarding availability of courses and the support provided to distance students please contact the Registrar or Coursework and Research Co-ordinator.

Accommodation

Maclean House is provided to the Uniting Church community by the Centre for Theology & Ministry and is located in the picturesque grounds of Ormond College, Parkville.

Maclean House provides a range of comfortable double and twin share rooms over two levels. All linen is included, there’s on-site parking, a self-serve light breakfast, comfortable living room and desks in every room, while free wi-fi enhances your stay. Discounts are available for longer stays.

When you arrive at the Centre for Theology & Ministry please park near the entrance to the car park and visit the reception area for check-in, where you’ll receive your key and car park pass.

Check-in is available after 2pm, and check-out is 11am.

Please email macleanhouse@ctm.uca.edu.au or call +61 3 9340 8800 for more information or to book a room.

CTM Resourcing

CTM Resourcing is wholly committed to assist in sourcing and selling up-to-date, quality theological material. This includes standard Uniting Church in Australia resources for groups, presbyteries and individuals, whether they are lay or ordained.

Many of the college courses’ required texts are available through CTM resourcing. Visit ctm.uca.edu.au/resources/books-materials/ctm-resourcing for details and to order.

Scholarships and grants

There are a number of grants and scholarships available through the Centre for Theology & Ministry, which, alongside the Synod of Victoria and Tasmania, has oversight of some financial resources and scholarships available for those participating in study. Some of these funding opportunities are available for both ordained and lay people, as well as individuals and groups. Some of these funds have been donated by generous individuals and the Uniting Church in Australia, the Synod, and the Centre for Theology & Ministry are thankful for the generous support of these people.

Other funding sources are available in recognition of the need to encourage and assist people in their ongoing learning for ministry and research endeavours. Details of the grants and scholarships available through the Centre for Theology & Ministry, forms and guidelines are available in the resources section of the website: www.ctm.uca.edu.au

Health and safety

The Centre for Theology & Ministry and Pilgrim Theological College have procedures in place to keep all staff and visitors to the building safe.

Please be aware that there are site-specific evacuation maps throughout the building and please make yourself aware of the best evacuation routes in the event of an emergency.

In the unlikely event of a fire, or if you see or smell smoke you should report this to reception immediately, and re-join your fellow students for further instructions if it is safe to do so. In an emergency an evacuation alarm may sound. If this happens when you’re in the building stay together as a group with your fellow students and follow your lecturer or tutor’s instructions. If required, the lecturer may need you to evacuate to one of the Centre for Theology & Ministry’s two assembly point locations.

The primary assembly point is the Centre for Theology & Ministry’s car park on College Crescent, while the secondary assembly centre is under the verandah at the University Oval clubrooms at the rear of the building.

There is a first aid kit located at reception, and a defibrillator at the base of the stairs near the lift.
Important telephone numbers
Chief Warden: Danny Failla +61 3 9340 8802 or 0447 784 045
First Aid Officer: Merryn Gray +61 3 9340 8815
Emergency: (Fire/Police/Ambulance): 000

Reporting maintenance issues
As part of the Centre for Theology & Ministry’s vibrant community, Pilgrim Theological College students are encouraged to report any potential safety issues they come across. This may include faulty IT or AV equipment, wet floors, frayed cords, doors or windows that aren’t opening or closing properly and kitchen equipment that might not be operating effectively. Issues can be reported to reception for further action.

The Centre for Theology & Ministry is a well-designed and maintained learning space and the College encourages you to help keep it that way by sharing in the responsibility of building maintenance.

Student lockers
Dalton McCaughey Library users can make use of a locker for a day to store personal items. A locker key can be requested from the loans desk of the library and must be returned at the end of the day. Use of lockers is free of charge.

Internet access
Wireless Internet access is provided for student use throughout the college. Details on accessing the Internet and passwords can be obtained from reception.

Student email
Students use their own personal email. It is mandatory for students to provide their email address upon application or re-enrolment. The provided email address is used in accessing the Learning Management System (ARK) to access online resources and submit assignments. The same email address is used to access the University of Divinity database, TAMS, to check results.

The dissemination of information is generally done by email. It is essential for students to check their emails regularly and to report to the Registrar any change to their email address as soon as possible.

Theological Academic Management System (TAMS)
TAMS is the University of Divinity’s Academic Management System, by which you can access your enrolment summary and results.

To access your unit’s webpage you first need a username and password. Your username will be the same as your email address registered with the University of Divinity on TAMS. New students will be notified of their username and password by the Registrar when their enrolments are processed.

ARK Learning Management System
ARK is the University of Divinity’s learning management system. Every on-campus and online unit has a webpage on ARK. You will find course notes, activities and a place to submit your assignments for your units.

To access your unit’s webpage on ARK you first need a username and password. These are exactly the same as for your TAMS account.

Academic Skills Program
Pilgrim Theological College provides a program for supporting students in the development of academic skills, study skills and support for academic writing. Contact the Registrar for details.

Examinations and Assessments Policy
All students at Pilgrim Theological College should familiarise themselves with the University of Divinity Examinations and Assessments Policy available on the University’s website.

Extensions
Before requesting an extension please refer to the Extensions and Special Consideration Policy available from the University of Divinity.

Request a Lecturer’s extension using the editable .docx Lecturer’s Extension Application Form. This is to be used for an extension request of up to 14 days after the original due date but no later than the final day of the examination period for the semester.
For an extension request requiring more than 14 days beyond the original due date and beyond the final day of the examination period for the semester please request a Dean’s extension using the editable .docx Dean’s Extension Application Form.

Additional information about requesting extensions can be found on the forms themselves.

**Pilgrim Assessment Task Guidelines**

Additionally, all students at Pilgrim Theological College should download the Pilgrim_Assessment_Task_Guidelines document at this address:


This document provides detailed information on:

- Assessment
- The skills of writing essays
- Referencing and the dangers of plagiarism
- Policies and materials of relevance
- Presentation and submission of assignments

**Essay submission**

Turnitin is the University’s plagiarism-checking software system. Assignments must be submitted electronically only through the unit on ARK and in the relevant assessment task.

Pilgrim students please note that there is an essay coversheet available from the student information section of the Pilgrim website that must be used in the event that Turnitin is not available. The coversheet must only be used for all written assignments submitted in hard copy form or via email in the event that plagiarism checking software Turnitin is not available.

**Student ID card**

A Student ID card template will be provided to students upon enrolment as part of the enrolment pack. Students need to sign and affix a photo to the template which will be sent directly by the student to the University. The Student ID Card template provides instruction on how to process the student card and to which address this will be sent to.

The University of Divinity will sign, laminate and return the card to the student’s home address provided that the fees have been paid for the current semester or a Fee-Help form has been submitted.

A student card is issued to new students upon enrolment and is renewed every year.

**Student concession card**

A full-time undergraduate student of the University of Divinity is eligible to apply for a Victorian Public Transport Concession Card. Please refer to the link for conditions of eligibility and further information on public transport concession cards: ptv.vic.gov.au/tickets/concessions/students/

Students may request a hard copy of the application form from any Melbourne Train Station or download the form from the Public Transport Victoria (PTV) website.

Please bring the completed form and two passport size photos to the Registrar’s Office for validation. Lodgement of the application will be done by the student to any of the designated offices of Public Transport Victoria.

**ENROLMENT INFORMATION**

**Entrance requirements**

To enter the undergraduate awards, a successful completion of Year 12 or equivalent generally fulfils the requirement. A probationary admission can be made available to approved mature aged applicants aged 21 or greater who have not completed Year 12.

Detailed information on entry requirements for specific Undergraduate and Postgraduate awards can be accessed online at www.divinity.edu.au/study/our-courses

All students at the University of Divinity must enrol through one of its Colleges, attend an interview (this may be conducted by phone or email), and complete an admission or re-enrolment form.

You may wish to consult the Admissions Policy and the Enrolment Policy.
How to enrol

Select a course
The University offers a wide variety of awards, from diplomas to doctorates. Finding the right course of study will depend partly on your prior academic qualifications and partly on your objectives.

Attend an interview
It is a requirement that all students attend an admissions interview with the Coursework and Research Co-ordinator. The interview may be conducted by telephone or email or similar means. The purpose of the interview is to help you choose the right course, to ensure you meet the admission requirements, and to plan a program of study appropriate to your course and your needs.

Complete a form
Visit the University of Divinity and download the Application for Admission form if you are new to the University or are enrolling in a new course. If you are a re-enrolling student, download the Re-enrolment form.

Complete the form and submit it the Registrar together with supporting documents (either originals or certified copies).

Pay your fees
See the tuition fees section of this Handbook on pages 39-43 for details.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT INFORMATION

International students / student visa holders
Pilgrim Theological College is a diverse hub of people from different cultures, denominations and ages interested in studying theology for a variety of reasons.

Students who hold a student visa to study in one of the awards of the University will follow the same entry requirements as stipulated in the specific course regulation, but with the addition of evidence of English Language proficiency.

English language requirements for student visa holders
Apart from requirements for admission, a student visa holder must satisfy the English language requirement of the award.

For undergraduate and postgraduate coursework study
An International English Language Testing System (IELTS Academic) score of at least 6.5 with no individual band score under 6.0.

For Higher Degrees by Research
An IELTS Academic score of at least 7.0 with no individual band score under 6.5.

Apart from IELTS, there are other accepted English language tests such as Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL Academic, iBT® and PBT™), Pearson Test of English (PTE Academic) and equivalent results in an English language test as approved by the Academic Board.

For further details on the English language requirements of the University please download the English Language Requirements Policy: divinity.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2013/12/English-Language-Requirements-Policy.pdf

Student visa information
Student visa requirements vary depending on the country of origin of the applicant. It is helpful to check with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (DIBP) to find out the requirements and conditions of the visa that a student will apply for.

Please refer to the DIBP link below for more information regarding student visa and studying in Australia in general:


The University of Divinity had also outlined information on how to apply, obtain and maintain a student visa on its website:

www.divinity.edu.au/study/international-student-resources/applying-for-student-visa

Pilgrim Theological College will conduct a separate orientation for Student Visa Holders to acquaint them with the University policies, requirements, and expectations governing their visa and study. The orientation will also assist them to familiarise with the facilities of the College and make the transition into the Australian way of life smoother.

Overseas student support services
Australia’s education system is highly regarded all over the globe. Due to this, a large number of students from various parts of the world travel to Australia for study.
For information on support services available to student visa holders in Australia, please refer to www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/global/live-in-australia/support-services

The University of Divinity has a range of services for student visa holders to help and to support them in their study. These services will be delivered through the home college.

Further information about these services can be found at:

www.divinity.edu.au/study/international-student-resources/overseas-student-support/


THE DALTON MCCAUGHEY LIBRARY

The Dalton McCAughey Library formed at Ormond College in the late 1960s with the unification of the collections of the Jesuit Theological College and Ormond's Theological Hall. When the Uniting Church came into being the new library received valuable additions from Queen's College and the theological hall of the Victorian Congregational Church.

As the Joint Theological Library, the library occupied buildings in Ormond until January 2007, when it moved to its present location on College Crescent, and adopted its present name, in honour of its creators.

The Rev Dr Davis McCAughey was Master of Ormond College, and Fr Bill Dalton was Principal of the Jesuit Theological College, when the Joint Theological Library formed.

Address and contact details

29 College Crescent
Parkville VIC 3052
Phone: +61 3 9340 8888
Fax: +61 3 8669 4418
www.dml.vic.edu.au

Email contacts

General inquiries: info@dml.vic.edu.au
Loans and renewals: loans@dml.vic.edu.au
Interlibrary loans: ill@dml.vic.edu.au
Reference: reference@dml.vic.edu.au
Off-campus students: offcampus@dml.vic.edu.au
Cataloguing: cataloguing@dml.vic.edu.au
New acquisitions: acquisitions@dml.vic.edu.au
Web site inquiries: webmaster@dml.vic.edu.au

After hours

To contact staff outside of opening hours please email loans@dml.vic.edu.au for loan renewals, info@dml.vic.edu.au for general inquiries, or leave a voice message on +61 3 9340 8888.

Hours of operation

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Library hours during mid-semester breaks are 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. Please check the Library website for the most up-to-date information regarding opening hours.
Staff

**Stephen Connelly**  
Management, reference  
Email: reference@dml.vic.edu.au

**Sabine Voermans**  
Loans, general inquiries, off-campus students  
Email: info@dml.vic.edu.au

**Ria McMahon**  
Periodicals, acquisitions  
Email: acquisitions@dml.vic.edu.au

**Carlos Lopez**  
Cataloguing, IT  
Email: webmaster@dml.vic.edu.au
UNIVERSITY OF DIVINITY POLICIES

The University of Divinity has a range of policies which apply to all members of the University. The full range of policies and procedures can be viewed on the University of Divinity website at www.divinity.edu.au/university-of-divinity/governance/policies-and-procedures. Key policies are featured below.

Statement of rights, responsibilities, and conduct of members of the University

1. All members of the University must adhere to the highest standards of academic learning, integrity, fairness and honesty. All forms of cheating, plagiarism, or other academic fraud are strictly forbidden.

2. All members of the University are entitled to be treated fairly in all academic and administrative matters. All members of the University are entitled to appeal a decision made by the University or its Colleges or to seek resolution of a grievance in accordance with University policies without disadvantage. No decision of the University in regard to academic or administrative matters may discriminate against a member of the University of an applicant for admission to the University on the grounds of age, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, religion, colour, race, ethnicity or country of origin.

3. All members of the University have the right to be safe and to feel safe in University and College environments. Bullying or harassment in any form – spiritual, sexual, or discriminatory – is wrong and not permitted.

4. Academic staff and examiners are to grade all assessment in a timely manner and without regard to any personal knowledge of, or relationship with, any student or group of students.

5. Students are expected to participate actively in all classes and to have consideration for staff and other students and their learning.

6. Students are expected to comply with reasonable and lawful directions from University and College staff.

7. Students must not behave in a way that disrupts or interferes with any teaching or academic activity of the University.

8. All officers of the University undertake to treat personal information given to the University or Colleges in confidence and to use it only for the purpose for which it was given. Personal information may only be accessed by people or agencies entitled to do so.

9. Each student who has been admitted to a University award is assured that educational and financial resources are in place to ensure the award may be completed. In the highly unlikely event that the University cannot deliver a course for which a student has paid fees, these will be refunded, or a place at another higher education provided arranged by the University.

Discrimination and harassment

Pilgrim Theological College and the University of Divinity uphold the right of all persons to freedom from any form of discrimination or harassment. All members of the college are expected to respect this right.

Procedures for dealing with situations of discrimination and harassment are set out on the University of Divinity’s website: www.divinity.edu.au

Appeals and grievances

Pilgrim University is committed to a fair and just environment for all its members. It has separate processes for managing grievances and appeals.

Appeals

An appeal is a matter in which a student, staff member, or applicant for admission to the University seeks review of a decision made by the University or by one of its Colleges. Appeals may include the mark given to a piece of assessment, refusal of admission to a course, or refusal to confer an award. The Appeals Policy establishes a three-stage process of hearing the appeal, an appeals panel, and external review. It includes procedures dealing with the most common types of appeal and setting out time limits on appeals and notice of the outcome of appeals.

Grievances

A grievance is a matter in which a student, staff member, or applicant for admission to the University believes the conduct of a member or members of the University towards him or her has not been in accordance with the Statement of Rights, Responsibilities and Conduct of Members of the University. The Grievances Policy establishes a three-stage process of mediation, grievance panel, external review. In most cases, grievances are raised at the college level and a support officer is provided to assist a person through the grievance process. In situations where mediation may not be possible, such as bullying or harassment, a grievance may proceed directly to a panel (Stage 2) without prior mediation.
Support
If you require support in making an appeal or a grievance, you should contact your college in the first instance and seek advice from a college support officer.
More information and relevant forms are available online at
www.divinity.edu.au/study/appeals-grievances/

TUITION FEES AND OTHER COSTS

Tuition fees

Audit Unit (These fees cannot be paid through FEE-HELP)
- Standard audit enrolment fee: … $350 per 15-point unit
- Enhanced audit enrolment fee: $550 per 15-point unit

Single Unit (These fees cannot be paid through FEE-HELP)
- Undergraduate: … $1,548 per 15-point unit
- Postgraduate: … $2,400 per 15-point unit

Undergraduate Coursework
- Coursework: … $1,548 per 15-point unit

Postgraduate Coursework
- Coursework: … $2,400 per 15-point unit

Postgraduate Research
- Masters Research: … $16,788* total course cost at 2018 rates
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  (*minor thesis plus two 15-point post-graduate units; ^major thesis)
- Doctoral Research … $16,752 per annum (full-time)
  $8,376 per annum (part-time)

More details are available at the University of Divinity’s website:
https://www.divinity.edu.au/study/fees/

TUITION FEES AND OTHER COSTS

Invoices and statements (Domestic students)
All fees, except Audit enrolment, are payable to the University of Divinity.

Payment of fees, except Audit enrolment, can be done by paying upfront or through FEE-Help.

Upfront payment can be in the form of cheque/money order, BPAY payment, a sponsor statement, or by providing a credit card number. Upfront payment must be made in full prior to the commencement of the semester.

FEE-Help forms and FEE-help booklets are available at the Registrar’s Office. Students who will be using FEE-Help are required to provide their Tax File Number. The completed FEE- Help form must be submitted along with the application form upon enrolment.

Current Students who have been on FEE-Help or are not changing course or College are not required to complete the form every re-enrolment.

To check on eligibility criteria and conditions of using FEE-Help, please refer to the FEE-Help Booklet or visit www.studyassist.gov.au

Students may also call the FEE-Help enquiry hotline on 1800 020 108.

University of Divinity overseas student fee
Application Fee for Overseas Students … $300
TUITION FEES AND OTHER COSTS

Refunds
Students who withdraw before the census date (see the dates on page 4) receive a full refund of the unit fee. Those who withdraw after the census date receive no refund.

However, audit students who withdraw before the census date receive a full refund of the unit fee. For those who withdraw after the census date, refund of fees is negotiated with the Academic Dean. After the census date $200 of the audit fee is not refundable.

The policy is detailed in the following document:

AUSTUDY and Youth Allowance
Full-time students in the following coursework degrees are eligible for AUSTUDY and/or the Youth Allowance. Students should apply directly through Centrelink.
- Bachelor of Theology
- Graduate Certificates and Diplomas
- Master of Theological Studies
- Master of Arts (Theology)


FEE-HELP

Students in any University of Divinity course can have their tuition fees met by a loan from the Commonwealth Government (conditions apply).

The scheme is called the Higher Education Loan Program: Fee-Help for short. The following are correct at the time of printing and are subject to change. Legislation is currently before parliament.

Am I eligible for Fee-Help?
You are eligible for Fee-Help if you:
- Are an Australian citizen or permanent humanitarian visa holder (resident in Australia)
- Have an Australian Tax File Number
- Have not exceeded the Fee-Help limit $100,879 (2017 figure) Note that holders of permanent resident visas are not entitled to Fee-Help

How much can I borrow?
You can borrow up to a maximum of $100,879 (2017 figure) over your lifetime

Is there a loan fee?
Undergraduate students: the Government adds a one-off 25 per cent loan fee to your tax liability: a 15-point unit costing $1,320 will thus incur a tax liability of $1,650.
Note: The loan fee does not count towards your Fee-Help limit.
Postgraduate students: no further charge applies.

How do I apply?
You must fill in the Government form and hand it in to the Registrar, who will then forward it to the University of Divinity. Fee-Help Forms and the Fee-Help Information 2018 Booklet are available from the Registrar’s Office.

How do I repay my FEE-Help loan?
Students repay their loan through the tax system once their income is above the minimum threshold (2016-17: $54,869)
You can also make voluntary payments off your Fee-Help debt. See the FEE-Help Information 2018 booklet for more information.
Fee-HELP

Fee-HELP and Privacy
The University of Divinity and Pilgrim Theological College take your right to privacy seriously, and only use information you provide for the purpose for which you give it. The top page of the Fee-HELP form includes your Tax File Number (TFN), which is seen by only two people in the University of Divinity office; Pilgrim Theological College retains a copy of the second page, which does not include your TFN.

Students If you participate in Fee-HELP, your details will be listed in Department of Education’s Higher Education Information Management System (HEIMS), and you will receive a Commonwealth Higher Education Student Support Number (CHESSN), which remains unique to you for life.

Further information
• Read the Fee-HELP Information 2018 booklet*
• Visit the Study Assist website at www.studyassist.gov.au
• Call the Fee-HELP enquiry line on 1800 020 108

The government sets a census date for each unit. All enrolments in relation to Fee-HELP loans must be finalised at Pilgrim Theological College by this date. For 2018 census dates see the Academic Calendar on page 4 of this handbook.

*Please note, information contained here is in reference to 2017 information available at the time. Please visit the Study Assist website for the most up-to-date information.
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Other Units

Supervised Reading Units                               As required

As required
AL1100P Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part A

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This unit introduces students to the original language of the New Testament. It provides sufficient knowledge of the vocabulary, grammar and syntax to enable them to begin to translate and interpret the New Testament from the Greek text. Several short passages from the New Testament will be translated.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Translate simple sentences and passages from New Testament Greek into English.
2. Translate simple sentences from English into New Testament Greek.
5. Apply their knowledge of Greek to the exegesis of passages in the New Testament.

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Lecturer
Sunny Chen

Recommended reading
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AL2200P Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part B

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit continues on from AL1000P. It provides further instruction in Greek syntax, grammar and vocabulary, using the same textbook as in the previous semester. About a third of the unit will be devoted to the translation of extended portions of the Greek New Testament (e.g., chapters from 1 John), prepared in advance by the students. These selected passages will be studied for syntactical grammatical analysis and translation into English, but also to see how engaging with a biblical text in its original language can assist in its interpretation.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Begin to translate complex sentences and passages from NT Greek into English.
2. Translate simple sentences from English into NT Greek.
3. Demonstrate a NT Greek vocabulary of 400 words or more.
4. Analyse the grammar and syntax of complex sentences in NT Greek.
5. Apply their knowledge of Greek to the exegesis of lengthy NT passages.

Assessment
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Two-hour written examination (2000 word equivalent) ... 50%

Pre-requisite
AL1100P: Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part A, or equivalent

Lecturer
Sunny Chen

Recommended reading
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AP1000P Philosophy for Understanding Theology

Semester I: Weekly

Description
This unit explores the philosophical underpinnings of some key theological turns in Christian history. Variants of Platonism provide the background against which the Hellenistic elements in the New Testament can be interpreted; subsequent Platonist developments inform Augustine’s thought, and thereby, much later, Luther’s. Similarly, Aristotle sets the scene for Thomas Aquinas; Kant for Schleiermacher and the nineteenth century liberal theologians; Hegel, in a different way, for Kierkegaard and Barth; Heidegger for Bultmann and Rahner. The unit gives the student an engagement with the philosophers concerned, both in their own right and as they provide a background for scriptural and theological contemporaries and successors.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Explain the difference between philosophical and theological approaches to exploring truth.
2. Discuss the ways in which the particular philosophers studied have extensions of their philosophical claims that are essentially theological.
3. Identify and describe the issues involved in assessing the theological merits and demerits of the various philosophical positions studied.
4. Describe the relationship between the philosophers studied and the theological responses and reactions they generated in others.
5. Outline the ways in which secular-philosophical and religious-theological currents have flowed together in Christian history.

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Lecturer
John Martis

Recommended reading

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AP2720P / AP3720P Greek Sources of Western Thought

Semester 1: weekly

Description
Western philosophy, as it provides context for later theological developments, has its roots in the Greece of the sixth through fourth centuries BCE, becoming most definitively cast in the work of Plato and his successor Aristotle. These two thinkers tower over fourth-century BCE Athens. In tandem or in tension, they shape the schools which will later in significant part interact with Christian theology at the points of its origin and development. This unit gives detailed philosophical consideration to Plato and Aristotle in turn, not neglecting the pre-Socratic philosophers upon whom they build, and their respective contributions to the art of reasoning itself.

Learning outcomes – Level 2
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Locate the thought of Plato and Aristotle in relation to that of pre-Socratic philosophers.
2. Compare and contrast the approaches of the two philosophers to key questions of being, truth and ethics.
3. Outline and assess the arguments by which they respectively arrive at various philosophical definitions.
4. Identify basic ways in which their respective philosophies reflect theological stances.

Learning outcomes – Level 3
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 3 students will be able to:
1. Discuss the thought of Plato and Aristotle in relation to that of pre-Socratic philosophers
2. Show insight into the approaches of the two philosophers to key questions of being, truth and ethics.
3. Outline and thoughtfully assess the arguments by which they respectively arrive at various philosophical definitions.
4. Identify and discuss the ways in which their respective philosophies reflect basic theological stances.

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Pre-requisite
For AP2720P: 15 points in Philosophy/For AP3720P: 15 points in Philosophy at Level 2.

Lecturer- John Martis

Recommended reading
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AP2750P /AP3750P Belief after Philosophy: Postmodernism and Religious Faith

Semester 2: weekly

Description

Is postmodernist suspicion an ally of religious faith, or its deadly enemy? How can anyone doubt the value of foundations and still speak meaningfully of God, or religious faith? Alternatively, does the notion of God as foundation amount to limitation of the divine, or even idolatry? This unit looks at how postmodern thinking bids to rework some traditional connections between faith and philosophy.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:

1. Explain the meaning(s) of the term postmodern, in relation to and differentiation from the terms classical and modern, as these are understood philosophically.
2. Show understanding of the interrelatedness between the postmodern claims for the death of God, death of the self, end of history, and ‘closure of the book’.
3. Explain and evaluate Taylor’s postmodern advocacy of an a/theological faith, with its relationship to anonymous subjectivity and an erring Word.
4. Describe and assess alternatives to Taylor which remain cognisant of postmodernism: Jean-Luc Marion’s God without Being, and also the Radical Orthodoxy school.
5. Demonstrate awareness of the significant philosophical commitments expressed in the divergent approaches above. (Level 3)

Assessment

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Level 3 Classroom-based: ... ... ... Weighting
Essay (3000words) ... ... ... ... ... 50%
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Pre-requisites: For AP2750P: 15 points in Philosophy; For AP3750P: 15 points in Philosophy at Level 2

Lecturer: John Martis

Recommended Reading

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AP2/3600P Hermeneutics

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit explores issues in hermeneutics from a philosophical perspective, keeping in mind the engagement of that perspective with the theological in the interpretation of biblical and other texts. Following a survey of traditional hermeneutic models, the unit addresses modern developments, considering Schleiermacher, Dilthey, Heidegger, Gadamer and Ricouer, and the contributions of structuralists, poststructuralists and others, while engaging the following questions. What meanings of the term "hermeneutics" link antiquity to modernity? What accounts of truth and meaning emerge from the definitions of hermeneutics that modern philosophy has sequentially offered? Included here are issues of how textual meaning might be authoritatively determined, and whether an adequate "explanation of explanation" is to be had.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Articulate fundamental issues attending textual interpretation.
2. Distinguish modern interpretive approaches from traditional methods.
3. Discuss the particular challenges confronting biblical interpretation.
4. Identify a range of interpretive approaches to texts.

Additional outcome at 3rd level:
5. Critically discuss the relationship between theological stances and interpretive approaches.

Assessment

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Lecturer - John Martis

Recommended reading

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AR2/3110P The Art of Belief

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

Students will explore the symbolic world of European and Australian art (including work by Aboriginal artists) to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of the representation of selected key aspects of Christian belief. Drawing specifically on the collection of the National Gallery of Victoria in dialogue with other images, we will consider how various artistic approaches illuminate changing perspectives on diverse themes in order to resource theological conversation.

Learning outcomes –

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify significant dates, movements and symbols in religious art in the Christian tradition, including the impact of European and Aboriginal traditions of art in Australian Christianity; = set texts recommended for purchase
2. Apply key principles of artistic and theological interpretation to a range of art works;
3. Evaluate the interplay of context and tradition (both artistic and theological) in the work of a visual artist;
4. Communicate an understanding of the treatment of a central Biblical and/or theological theme in the work of a visual artist;
5. (Level 3 only) Analyse the significance of religious belief in the work of an artist represented in the National Gallery of Victoria.

Assessment

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Essay (2500 words) ... ... ... 40%
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Level 3: ... ... ... Weighting
Essay (800 words) ... ... ... 30%
Essay (3000 words) ... ... ... 40%
Presentation (1200 words) ... ... ... 30%

Lecturer- Katharine Massam and Howard Wallace

Recommended reading

Sherman, Louise, and Christobel Mattingley. Our Mob, God’s Story: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Artists Share Their Faith. 2017.
BA1010P / BA1019P / BA2010P / BA2019P Life, History and the People of God in the Hebrew Scriptures

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This course will introduce the Old Testament (Hebrew Bible) and critically examine its contents for insight into the life, the history and faith of the people of God in ancient Israel. The unit will survey the contents of the Old Testament which formed and established a people's identity; the historical contexts; the diversity of genres; theological positions and of the OT books. The unit will equip the student to assess the meaning of the texts in their ancient Near Eastern environment; to understand the development of Hebrew religion through the 2nd temple period; and the relation of the OT texts to issues of contemporary faith.

Learning outcomes – Level 1
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 1 students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate understanding of the textual, cultural, historical, literary, religious, and theological aspects of the Old Testament.
2. Describe the historical and socio-cultural contexts of the ancient Near Eastern world in which the books of the Old Testament emerged.
3. Develop a framework for reading and interpreting the diverse contents of the Old Testament.
5. Discern the significance and relevance of the Old Testament in our times and places.
6. Interpret the significance and relevance of the Old Testament in our times and places. (Level 2)

Assessment

Level 1: Classroom-based
- A short exercise (1000 words)...
- An Essay introducing a book of the OT (1500 words)...
- An Exegetical essay (1500 words)...

Level 1: Online
- Short tutorial exercises (1000 words equivalent)...
- Essay introducing a book of the OT (1500 words)...
- Exegetical essay (1500 words)...

Level 2: Classroom-based
- One short exercise (1000 words)...
- Essay introducing a book of the OT (2000 words)...
- Exegetical essay (2000 words)...

Level 2: Online
- Short tutorial exercises (1000 words equivalent)...
- Essay introducing a book of the OT (2000 words)...
- Exegetical essay (2000 words)...

Lecturer
Monica Jyotsna Melanchthon

Recommended reading
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BA2040P / BA3040P Gender, Justice and Empire: Contextual Readings of the Old Testament

Semester 2: Intensive

Description

This course explores the relationship between issues of gender, justice and empire in Old Testament interpretation. Through a study of a number of Old Testament texts, particularly those which narrate the experience of women within the wider social and imperial contexts, we will consider how these themes are configured and related within biblical traditions.

We will engage in a close reading of a range of primary Old Testament texts and contemporary feminist/womanist and other (culturally diverse) scholarship about these texts and will also examine how these hermeneutical perspectives engage and critique traditional exegetical approaches. The approach will be interdisciplinary and will provide students opportunity to study these texts alongside contemporary women’s experiences and portrayals of women in other media such as art, film, poetry, and law.

Learning outcomes – Level 2

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate familiarity with the Old Testament narratives of Biblical women and knowledge of relevant issues of gender, justice and empire in relation to these texts and the Old Testament overall.
2. Recognize the liberational and the oppressive potential of biblical stories.
3. Understand, and appreciate these new and emerging approaches, namely feminist/womanist; postcolonial; liberation; and Dalit perspectives and use them in their interpretation of biblical texts.

Learning outcomes – Level 3

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

4. Demonstrate in-depth familiarity with the Old Testament narratives of Biblical women and knowledge of relevant issues of gender, justice and empire in relation to these texts and the Old Testament overall.
5. Articulate the liberational and the oppressive potential of biblical stories arising out of and in relation to hermeneutical approaches and polyvalence of meaning.
6. Understand, appreciate and critically engage these new and emerging approaches, namely feminist/womanist; postcolonial; liberation; and Dalit perspectives in their treatment of biblical texts.
7. Develop a comparative and global framework in the study of the Old Testament and to foster appreciation and respect for other/diverse perspectives.

Assessment

Level 2: 

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| Short Essay on Reading Material (1000 words) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20% |
| Exegetical Essay based on student class presentation (2000 words) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40% |

Level 3:

| Essay exploring a particular hermeneutical approach to an OT text (2500 words) | ... | ... | ... | ... | 40% |
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Pre-requisite- 15 points in Old Testament studies

Lecturer- Monica Jyotsna Melanchthon

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase


West, Gerald, ed. *Reading Otherwise: Socially Engaged Biblical Scholars Reading with their Local Communities*. Atlanta: SBL, 2007
BA/BS3050P/ BA/BS3059P Reading and Interpreting Isaiah
Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit will attend to Isaiah the prophet, the cultural and historical settings of the various parts of Isaiah and the book as a whole, and its theology. It seeks to provide knowledge of the diverse genres of literature within the book, its theological themes, and its interpretation by engaging in exegesis and critical analysis of select texts from the three parts of Isaiah. Participants will engage their readings of Isaiah in the context of real world situations.

Upon successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate an understanding and advanced knowledge of the Book of Isaiah and its contents.
2. Discuss the cultural, social, historical, literary, religious, and theological issues pertaining to the Book of Isaiah.
3. Assess the relevance of the messages of Isaiah to the contemporary context of church and society by interpreting select texts in Isaiah

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Essay on the book of Isaiah (2500 words) ... ... ... 50%
Exegetical Essay (2500 words) ... ... ... 50%

Lecturer
Monica Melanchthon

Recommended reading:
BA3060P Thematic Study of the Old Testament
Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit will guide students in the study of significant social and theological themes within the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament. Themes such as creation, covenant, family, the body, the poor, gender, food, land, justice, the state, power, hope, spirituality, to name a few. These themes will be examined within their original literary, historical and cultural contexts and evaluated for their relevance to contemporary times and practice.

Upon successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:
1. Articulate some critical issues relating to the study of selected theological themes in the Hebrew Bible.
2. Describe the cultural, social, historical, literary, religious contexts in which these themes originated.
3. Analyse scholarly interpretations of these themes.
4. Articulate the relevance of these themes to the contemporary context of church and society.

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Lecturer
Monica Melanchthon

Recommended reading:


Note: detailed reading suggestions will be provided based on the selection of themes in any given year.
BN1010P / BN1019P / BN2010P / BN2019P Earliest Christianity: Stories, Texts, Beliefs

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit provides an introduction to New Testament history, texts and theology. Beginning with the letters of Paul as the earliest extant Christian literature, and surveying the development of gospel literature as well as other forms of early Christian writing, it considers the rise of the early Christian movement and explores the range of developing theological beliefs that characterised the first two generations of early Christianity. In using the New Testament texts as the main source for investigation, the unit draws attention to the diversity of texts, genres, theologies and perspectives within the New Testament itself, and considers a number of critical historical, literary and theological issues that emerge from the study of New Testament texts.

Learning outcomes – Level 1
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 1 students will be able to:
1. Identify the different genres of New Testament literature and the forms of critical analysis appropriate to their interpretation.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the New Testament texts, the historical development of early Christianity, and emerging theological convictions within the Christian movement.
3. Write a critical historical analysis of one episode in early Christian history.
4. Write a critical exegetical study of one early Christian text, exploring the historical, literary and theological issues raised by the text.

Learning outcomes – Level 2
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Use their understanding of the genres of New Testament literature to offer critical analysis appropriate to their interpretation.
2. Articulate the relationship between the New Testament texts, the historical development of early Christianity, and emerging theological convictions within the Christian movement.
3. Write a critical historical analysis of one episode in early Christian history, informed by a range of scholarly resources.
4. Write a critical exegetical study of one early Christian text, exploring the historical, literary and theological issues raised by the text.

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Pre-requisites
Level 1: None/ Level 2: 15 points of Biblical Studies

Lecturer- Sean Winter

Recommended reading
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BN2/3040P Cross and Resurrection in Early Christianity

Semester 1: Weekly

Description

This unit investigates the meanings attributed to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in a variety of texts from the early Christian movement. Consideration will be given to the development of Christian understandings of atonement, the nature of early claims about the resurrection of Jesus, and the relationship between cross and resurrection in Pauline texts, the Gospels, and a number of non-canonical early Christian texts (including texts from Nag Hammadi and the Apostolic Fathers). The centrality of early claims about the death and resurrection of Jesus in relation to the development of Christian theology, community, and ethics will be explored.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe the main features of the understanding of the death and resurrection of Jesus in a number of early Christian texts.
2. Identify the historical, sociological, literary, and theological factors that contributed to the development and diversity of early Christian understandings of the death and resurrection of Jesus.
3. Articulate, through detailed exegesis, the way that one early Christian text treats the death and resurrection of Jesus and its ecclesial, missional, or ethical implications.
4. Compare significant scholarly debates over the meaning of the death of Christ and/or the nature of the resurrection in early Christianity (Level 3 only).

Assessment

Level 2:

Exegetical Essay on a New Testament text (2500 words)........ Weighting
OR
Preparation of Liturgical Materials for either Good Friday or the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday informed by the theology of one New Testament writer (2500 words)........... 60%
Essay on a non-canonical early Christian text (2000 words)........ 40%

Level 3:

Exegetical Essay on a New Testament text (3000 words)........ Weighting
OR
Preparation of Liturgical Materials for either Good Friday or the Easter Vigil or Easter Sunday informed by the theology of one New Testament writer (3000 words)........... 60%
Essay on a non-canonical early Christian text (2000 words)........ 40%

Lecturer- Sean Winter

Recommended reading

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BS1030P / BN1039P Biblical Theology of Mission

Semester 1: Classroom-based

Description
This unit provides an overview of the biblical witness to the centrality of mission for Christian theology and discipleship. Moving beyond traditional appeals to texts which command missionary activity, the course will help the student to understand how the theological and hermeneutical issues related to mission are explored in the canonical texts. These include: God’s relationship to the world in creation and salvation; the vocation of God’s people in relation to the nations and creation; the complex relationship between biblical faith and culture. Throughout, the unit will explore the ways that a critical understanding of the biblical text shapes mission and Christian discipleship in a complex world.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Compare and contrast the different depictions of mission across a range of biblical texts
2. Outline recurring major biblical themes which inform a theology of mission
3. Identify significant scholarly shifts in construing the biblical theology of mission
4. Apply a missional hermeneutical for the reading of scripture

Assessment  Weighting
Develop a learning resource (sermon or bible study materials) using a missional hermeneutic (2000 words)  50%
Essay comparing the similarities and differences in understanding mission using two biblical texts (2000 words)  50%

Lecturer – Sean Winter

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

BS3020P Sex and the Bible

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit (1) examines the diverse views in the Bible on sex and sexuality and (2) considers ways in which biblical interpretation could be enriched by taking into account the matters of sex and sexuality. The unit will stress the richness of the Bible, and of the tasks of biblical interpretation, by the study of selected texts and the discussion of questions such as, What makes a perspective on sexuality biblical? What to do, and how, when biblical perspectives contradict? How might one assess the ways that biblical texts have been used as authoritative resources for discussing and regulating sexual ethics, identity and practice? How do changing notions of sex and sexuality impact the way biblical texts are interpreted? What may we do to make biblical interpretation more sexy?

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. analyse various biblical views on the matters of sex and sexuality;
2. assess different interpretations of biblical texts on sex and sexuality;
3. develop a sexy-reading of selected biblical texts;
4. utilise awareness of methodological and exegetical resources on selected biblical texts.

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Lecturer - Jione Havea

Recommended reading

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CH1000P Memory, History, and the Historians

Semester I: Weekly

Description
This subject is focused on the historians and other writers who have told the story of Christianity at key times in the past. We draw on writings (and some other sources such as music, images, buildings, public addresses) to trace changes and continuities in Christian self-understanding, and set the men and women who wrote, and their approaches to history, in the context of their own times.

We will also explore what it means to ‘think historically’. In the context of the Christian story we will consider the role that historical writing has played; we will explore how memories of people and events have been shaped, and how historians can draw on a range of sources to enrich and enliven understandings of the past, and to continue to relate understandings of the past to our experience today.

Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Outline a chronology of key events in the history of the Christian churches from the Jesus movement to the present.
2. Describe the significance of major events within the Christian community over time as they have shaped the historical accounts given by Christian writers.
3. Articulate the principles of interpretation of a range of historical evidence (including varieties of documents, artefacts, music, and art).
4. Discuss the implications of historical understanding for ministry in the contemporary Christian church.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Source exercise (1000 words) | 40%
Essay (2000 words) | 40%
Book review (1000 words) | 20%

Lecturer
Katharine Massam

Recommended reading
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Semester 1: Weekly

Description

This subject explores the quest for “fullness of life” in classic Christian spiritual writings. It sets the sources in the context of the writers’ own times in order to consider images of God, understandings of holiness and faithful living, that have informed the Christian community. Discussion is focussed around “desert”, “cloister”, and “marketplace” as distinctive, but interconnected locations for and styles of Christian spirituality, each with Australian dimensions and implications. We will use the tools of social and cultural history to examine the interconnectedness of “spirituality” and “doctrine”, to explore the methodological challenges of holding together “love” and “knowledge” as partners in a Christian understanding of “fullness of life”.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify key writers and prevailing themes within a broad chronology of Christian spirituality.
2. Set those key writers and themes in the context of the international literature on the history of Christian spirituality.
3. Draw appropriately on a range of historical sources to develop historical and theological arguments.
4. Articulate the relationship between theological and spiritual concerns in the work of at least one writer in the Christian tradition.
5. Articulate the relationship between theological and spiritual concerns in a sample of contemporary writing.

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Pre-requisite- 15 points in Field CH

Lecturer- Katharine Massam

Recommended reading

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CH/AR1/2120P Reason and Revival

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit examines the history of Protestantism in the eighteenth to mid-twentieth centuries through the lens of religious literature and music. Using a wide variety of texts including poetry, novels, hymns and songs, drama and memoirs, the unit seeks to explore trends in the development of Protestant belief and spirituality around the world, with a special emphasis on the Australian experience. Topics include the Enlightenment, conversion and revival, social activism, nature, writing for children, and the life of the church.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:

1. Identify significant dates, people and themes in the history of Protestantism in the 18th-mid-20th centuries
2. Apply key principles of historical interpretation to a range of primary sources
3. Demonstrate an understanding of how an aspect of practice or belief has developed over time within Protestantism
4. Communicate an understanding of the history of Protestantism to audiences both in the local church and the academy
5. (Level 2 only) Evaluate the influence of Protestantism in the 18th to mid-20th century on a particular aspect of the contemporary church

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Lecturer- Kerrie Handasyde

Recommended reading

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This unit explores the life, thought and spirituality of the twelfth-century Benedictine nun, visionary, philosopher, composer and religious leader, Hildegard of Bingen (1098 – 1179). Drawing on her extensive writings, images and musical compositions, we will examine her formative years and how they shaped her outlook, her visions and her self-image as prophet, the major themes and concerns of her works, and her role as a spiritual leader. An important focus of this unit will be to explore critical issues associated with the interpretation of Hildegard’s life and her writings, which we will examine within the religious, political and social context of the twelfth century. We will also trace how Hildegard and her image have been interpreted historically and the continued relevance of her thought and spirituality in contemporary society.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Identify and discuss the major influences that shaped Hildegard of Bingen’s outlook and spirituality
2. Describe the critical issues associated with the interpretation of sources about Hildegard’s life and her writings
3. Discuss Hildegard’s writings in their social, religious and political contexts
4. Discuss the major theological and ethical themes in Hildegard’s writing and their contemporary significance.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 3 students will be able to:
1. Identify and evaluate the major influences that shaped Hildegard of Bingen’s outlook and spirituality
2. Appraise the critical issues associated with the interpretation of sources about Hildegard’s life and her writings
3. Analyse Hildegard’s writings in their social, religious and political contexts
4. Interpret the major theological and ethical themes in Hildegard’s writing and their contemporary significance.
5. Formulate a sustained argument on an aspect of Hildegard’s life or thought.

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Pre-requisite- 15 points in Field CH

Lecturer- Julie Hotchin

Recommended reading

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CH3010P/ DS3010P Discernment and Authority in Christian Tradition

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This subject explores the nature and processes of discernment in the Christian tradition, and the relationship of discernment to authority in the Christian community. Taking examples of Christian leadership from within and beyond the church, students will develop definitions of authentic leadership and identify strategies for building the capacity of groups and individuals to make good choices (discernment) and the foundations required for their implementation (authority).

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify and evaluate the principles and processes of discernment described in six key texts of the Christian tradition.
2. Identify and evaluate the understanding of authority and the style of leadership advocated by six key authors in the Christian tradition.
3. Analyse a contemporary example of decision making in the public realm in light of these traditions of authority and processes of discernment.

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Pre-requisite
15 points in CH, 15 points in CT

Lecturer - Katharine Massam

Recommended reading

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CT1000P Christianity's Big Ideas

Semester I: Weekly

Description
This unit introduces the Church’s doctrinal tradition, both generally and specifically. It will offer a general overview of the relationships between faith, belief, theology, confessions, creeds, doctrine and the disciplines of systematic theology. Specifically, it will explore the doctrines of God, creation, humanity, Jesus Christ, salvation, church and hope. It will explore the role of scripture, tradition, reason and context in shaping these doctrines. Particular attention will be paid to the impact on specific doctrines of modern and post-modern thought in the West whilst also exploring the appropriation of the doctrinal tradition in contemporary non-Western Christianity. Against this background the roles of doctrine in shaping the imagination of the Church and of local churches will be noted.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Describe the relationship between faith, belief and doctrine.
2. Identify the main doctrines of the Christian faith.
3. Articulate the ways scripture, tradition, reason and context shape doctrinal development.
4. Communicate the ways doctrine forms a Christian imagination though retrieval, polemic and construction.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Essay (800 words) ... ... ... ... ... ... 20%
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Lecturer – Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading
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CT2020P Jesus, Discipleship and Justice

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit will explore historical and contemporary discussions about Jesus Christ. It will begin with the New Testament witness to his life, death and resurrection, and the messianic interpretation of those events. The appropriation of that witness in ancient creeds, contemporary theological controversies and proposals, and the lives of his followers will be critically examined. The connections between the Church’s proclamation of Christ, patterns of discipleship, and practices of reconciliation and justice will be explored.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Identify the key interpretations of Jesus in the New Testament
2. Articulate the defining Christological issues of the patristic period
3. Outline the issues in contemporary Christological controversies
4. Explore the connections between the proclamation of Jesus Christ and the forms of life which it evokes

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Prerequisites: Either CT1000P Faith, Theology and Doctrines or CT1010P Culture, Beliefs and Theology

Lecturer – TBA

Recommended Reading

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CT2080P / DA2080P / DM2080P The Living People of God: Local, Global and Mission

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit will explore the roots of the church in the messianic ministry of risen, crucified Jesus Christ and the sending of the Spirit. Attention will be given to the classical marks of the church (one, holy, catholic and apostolic) as well as to the particular marks noted by the Reformers (preaching and sacraments). Church-dividing disputes around sacraments and ministry will be noted. The character and history of minority ancient Christian communities (e.g. India, China, Ethiopia) will also be addressed. Attention will turn to the twentieth-century emergence of churches in the global south and the post-Christendom realities faced by mainline churches in lands marked by “Western culture” (with particular reference to the Uniting Church in Australia). Consideration of these developments will assist our critical examination both of classical ecclesiologies and of developing contemporary approaches to the body of Christ.

Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe the origins of the church in the messianic ministry of Jesus.
2. Explain the classical and the Reformed marks of the church.
3. Describe the shifts in ecclesiological reflection prompted by the emergence of the non-Western churches during the twentieth century.
4. Communicate the ways a post-Christendom ecclesiology can be developed in the context of a global church.

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Pre-requisite - CT1000P or CT1009P

Lecturer – Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading

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Pilgrim Theological College Handbook

CT3000P/CT3009P Trinity, Society and Dialogue

Semester I: Weekly

Description
This unit will explore the controversial developments which led from the biblical witness to Jesus as Lord to the later Trinitarian doctrine of God as one substance in three persons. The foundations of this development and the controversies which accompanied it will be studied. Against this historical background, the re-emergence of the doctrine of the Trinity in the twentieth century will be explored through reference to several contemporary texts. Attention will be paid to the role which this doctrine is playing in the church’s encounter with modern atheism, religious pluralism and theological politics.

Learning outcomes
1. Identify the key developments in the emergence of the doctrine of the Trinity
2. Articulate the sense(s) in which the doctrine can be described as ‘biblical’.
3. Understand the different trajectories of the doctrine in the Eastern and Western traditions of Christianity.
4. Summarise the reasons for the re-emergence of the doctrine in the twentieth century.
5. Explain the potential contributions of this doctrine to the church’s dialogue with one or more of modern atheism, religious pluralism or politics.

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Pre-requisite
Either CT1000P Faith, Theology and Doctrines or CT1010P: Culture, Beliefs and Theology and one level 2 CT or CH unit.

Lecturer – TBA

Recommended reading
*B = set texts recommended for purchase
**CT3020P/CT3029P Doctrine, Truth and Pluralism**

**Semester 2: Intensive**

**Description**

Some significant theological responses to modernity were coy about doctrine. Much recent systematic theology has, however, been involved in a retrieval of the doctrinal tradition and its truth-claiming functions. Yet this retrieval has been simultaneous with the growing influence of ideologies of pluralism in Western culture. This unit will explore how, in this context, doctrinal discourse makes public truth-claims and how such discourse functions within the church. Doctrine will be brought into conversation with analogy, metaphor, narrative, and drama. In any given semester, the pastoral, apologetic and community-defining roles of two classical areas of doctrinal enquiry will be critically explored (e.g. any two of creation, atonement, resurrection, pneumatology, eschatology etc.). Students will also study the way doctrine and specific doctrines function in a community of faith known to them.

**Learning outcomes**

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the nature and force of modernity’s critique of Christianity’s doctrinal tradition.
2. Identify the challenges posed to Christian doctrine by the ideologies of contemporary pluralist cultures.
3. Articulate the relationship between doctrine, analogy, metaphor, narrative and drama.
4. Identify and assess the various doctrines explicitly and implicitly shaping the life of a particular Christian community.
5. Describe the development and the ecclesial function of one specific major area of Christian doctrine.

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**Pre-requisite** - CT1000P or CT 1009P and one level 2 CT unit

**Lecturer** – Geoff Thompson

**Recommended reading**

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CT3170P Sex, Gender, and Christian Doctrine

Semester 1: Intensive

Description
The unit will explore the questions of sex, sexuality and gender from an explicitly doctrinal perspective. It will explore the way various doctrinal loci (e.g., creation, Christology, eschatology) shape specifically Christian understandings of sex, sexuality and gender. It will do so by an intentional dialogue, often neglected in ecclesial discussions of these issues, between biblical exegesis, hermeneutics and doctrine. It will also proceed on the assumption that Christian doctrine is not only an expository or confessional discipline, but also interrogative and constructive. In exposition, attention will be given to received anthropologies and classical Christian understandings of sex and gender, including the strong nexus between creation and order. In construction, the relationship of the doctrinal tradition to insights from biology, sociology and philosophy will be explored. Also in construction, it will draw on the biblical witness to creation’s inscrutability (e.g. Job and Ecclesiasties), and early Christian eschatology.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Describe the understandings of sex and gender in classical Christian teachings
2. Analyse the doctrinal structure of the classical understandings of sex and gender.
3. Explore the relationship between Christian doctrine and non-theological disciplines in general and in regard to contemporary theological discussions of sex and gender.
4. Discuss and evaluate various proposals for revised theological understandings of sex and gender.

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Pre-requisite – 15 points in CT

Lecturer – Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading
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Brownson, James V. *Bible Gender and Sexuality: Reframing the Church’s Debate on Same-Sex Relationships*. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 2013.


DA1015P Children and Families Ministry: Core Issues in Diverse Contexts

Semester 1: Intensive

Description

This unit examines the theological, developmental and methodological resources for contextual children and families ministries across the spectrum of Australian church based, community based and para-church expressions. Addressing the theology, spirituality and sociology of the child in relation to family, church, faith, culture, technology, history and philosophical discourse, the unit develops critical skills for evaluating and designing robust, contextual processes for discipleship, pastoral care, safe practice, mission and leadership with children and their families.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

2. Articulate the interaction between child development, theology, social discourse and learning paradigms.
3. Identify ecclesiological, missional, religious education and discipleship structures and evaluate the place of child within these.
4. Identify and articulate best practice procedures regarding protective behaviors to safeguard the welfare of children, practitioners and the community.
5. Critically evaluate different methodologies in ministry with children and their families.

Assessment

Classroom-based/Online: ...

- Theology of Child literature review (1000 words) ...
- ‘World of the Child’ Observation Journal Reflections (2 x 500 words) ...
- 20 question short-answer quiz on duty of care issues and safe practice (500 words) (must pass)
- Core Issues Essay (1500 words) ...

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- Theology of Child literature review (1000 words) ...
- ‘World of the Child’ Observation Journal Reflections (2 x 500 words) ...
- 20 question short-answer quiz on duty of care issues and safe practice (500 words) (must pass)
- Core Issues Essay (1500 words) ...

Weighting

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- ‘World of the Child’ Observation Journal Reflections (2 x 500 words) ...
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Lecturer

Beth Barnett

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase

Semester 2: Intensive

Description

This unit explores the historical and current interest in the spiritual life and the spiritual development of children. It examines links between Scripture, theological thought, spiritual and psychological development, neurobiology and ministry with children. The unit seeks to develop more informed ministries of protection and respect in pastoral care and religious education.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an awareness of and informed critique of a range of views relating to the nurture and development of spirituality in children.
2. Reflect theologically on aspects of ministry in protection, respect and valuing of children through pastoral care and religious education.
3. Recognize, articulate and integrate within a practice framework the pastoral significance of love for the self, the other, the environment and the Divine as part of spirituality in the life of the child.
4. Integrate spiritual experiences in life from childhood to the present.
5. Articulate a sound educational theory and theories of faith development (third level).

Assessment

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Essay (2500 words) ... ... ... ... 50%
Response to Scripture (1000 words) ... ... ... 25%

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Lecturer

Vivian Mountain

Recommended reading

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DE/DS1/2001P The Art and Practice of Oral Storytelling

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
The Spiritual discipline implicit in the telling of sacred stories rests in narrative theology. This unit considers performance, contemplative listening and storytelling tools of memory and recollection. These tools will be developed and applied, drawing on a repertoire of sacred narratives, sacred texts and poetry drawn from major religious traditions. Students will engage in reflective practice within the process of story selection and application to context. The unit addresses performance skills, contemplative listening and tools for storytelling from memory. There will be the opportunity to apply these tools in field work and in-class storytelling. Attention will be paid to verbal and non-verbal elements, building students’ confidence and capacity to create storytelling events and engage their audiences.

Learning outcomes – Level 1
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify appropriate passages from Christian scripture and other sources and convey their meaning in small and large groups.
2. Identify and apply learning practices in kinaesthetic, visual and auditory modes to map and recall stories.
3. Develop a critical awareness of context and appropriate choice of story material for audience engagement.
4. Understand how to modulate for different audiences and contexts in vocal delivery and non-verbal communication.
5. Recognise within existing texts the language elements that work for memorability and audience connection.

Learning outcomes – Level 2
1. Identify appropriate passages from Christian scripture and other sources and convey their meaning in small and large groups.
2. Identify and apply learning practices in kinaesthetic, visual and auditory modes to map and recall stories.
3. Develop a critical awareness of context and appropriate choice of story material for audience engagement.
4. Understand how to modulate for different audiences and contexts in vocal delivery and non-verbal communication, and offer peer feedback on these elements.
5. Recognise within existing texts the language elements that work for memorability and audience connection.
6. Describe the reciprocity of telling and listening in self-reflection and peer review.

Assessment
Level 1:
Report – review storytelling performance
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Field Work Report (1500 words) … … … … 40%

Lecturer
Julie Perrin with Christina Rowntree (CTM)

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
DM1000P/DM1009P Developing a Mission Theology for Today

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
In this unit, students will be introduced to the field of mission studies. It will be divided into three main sections: the biblical foundations of mission; the ground and practice of mission through Christian history; key themes shaping the theology and practice of mission today.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Articulate a range of expressions of mission represented in the biblical text.
2. Explain and critique approaches to mission in various epochs of church history.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the key themes informing the theology and practice of mission today.

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Pre-requisite
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Lecturer
John Flett

Recommended Reading
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DP 1000P Self and Other in Pastoral Relationships

Semester 1: Intensive

Description
In this unit the student will have the opportunity to explore the notion of ‘self’ as part of their identity in pastoral and other relationships. The development of notions of self will be examined theologically and theoretically, the impact on self-identity will be explored from social, familial, and cultural contexts, and a variety of human emotions will be considered as they impact on relationships with others. The implications of understandings of self and emotion will be explored and examined to deepen understanding and practice of healthy pastoral relationships.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Explain theological and theoretical notions of self as a way of locating their own self-identity.
2. Identify social, familial, and cultural influences on their own identity.
3. Understand how notions of self-impact on relationships with ‘other’ especially within pastoral relationships.
4. Identify a variety of human emotions as they impact on pastoral relationships.
5. Understand the importance of maintaining emotionally healthy relationships including strategies for the use of supervision, Spiritual direction, peer groups, and ethical boundaries.

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Lecturer - TBA

Recommended reading
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DP1900P Supervised Theological Field Education

As required

Description
This unit will introduce students to the process of field education and theological reflection. Students will be placed in a field placement with an accredited placement supervisor. They will engage in contextual ministry practice and through theological reflection, further reading, self-reflection, and supervision develop skills and competencies in the practice of ministry. Placements available are wide ranging within both metropolitan and rural contexts. Attention will be given to the development of foundational skills in ministry and leadership within the 21st century church.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate competencies in ministry practice in the field placement ministry context.
2. Theologically reflect on ministry practice and ministry context.
3. Document evidence of learning about ministry and self-awareness that has resulted from the field placement.
4. Develop goals and demonstrate key ministry practice skills required within a Field Placement context.
5. Reflect critically on the contribution of the field placement to their spiritual and personal development and ministerial identity.

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Co-requisites
This unit accompanies or follows immediately on from engagement in an approved Field Education Placement.

Lecturer
Sue Withers

Recommended reading
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DP2900P Further Supervised Theological Field Education

As required

Description
This unit will extend students' skills in ministry practice and theological reflection. Students will be placed in a field placement with an accredited placement supervisor. They will engage in contextual ministry practice and through theological reflection and supervision develop skills and demonstrate advanced core competencies in the practice of ministry. Placements available are wide ranging within both metropolitan and rural contexts. Attention will be given to the development of skills in ministry and demonstrated leadership within the 21st century church. Attention will be given to the integration of placement learning and classroom learning.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Develop and demonstrate competencies in ministry leadership in the context of a field placement.
2. Demonstrate the ability to theologically reflect on their practice of ministry and ministry context.
3. Document the learning about ministry and self-awareness that has resulted from the field placement.
4. Create and evaluate goals in the context of the field placement.
5. Reflect critically on the contribution of the field placement to their spiritual and personal development and ministerial identity.
5. Evaluate their developing skills in ministry practice and theological reflection.

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Co-requisites
This unit accompanies or follows immediately on from engagement in an approved Field Education Placement.

Lecturer
Sue Withers

Recommended reading
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DP2500P Theology of Pastoral Care

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit explores the theological nature of pastoral care and the relationship between theology and pastoral skills. It aims to help students develop a reflective basis for pastoral practice that is grounded in Christian theology and Biblical studies. Consideration will be given to the uniqueness of ‘pastoral’ care, to some of the challenging questions raised in situations of crisis, and to the appropriate use of prayer and Scripture in pastoral situations. Scope will be given for students to explore a range of contextual issues and questions in pastoral ministry.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate an understanding of the biblical and theological foundations of pastoral care.
2. Articulate the integrative connections between theology and pastoral practice.
3. Integrate theology and skills in their own pastoral practice.

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Pre-requisites
15pts in each of Biblical Studies and Theology

Lecturer – Randall Prior

Recommended reading
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- Dykstra, R. Images of Pastoral Care. St Louis, US: Chalice Press 2005
- Lyall, D. The Integrity of Pastoral Care. Ottawa: Novalis, 2002
- Pembroke, N. Renewing Pastoral Practice: Trinitarian Perspectives on Pastoral Care and Counselling. Aldershot: Ashgate,2006
DP3805P Effective Christian Leadership and Ministry

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit explores the personal, spiritual, professional and ecclesial aspects of ordained and lay ecclesial ministry. Designed to strengthen participants’ ability to collaborate and communicate more effectively, the unit seeks to integrate the collective wisdom of the Christian tradition with personal praxis in contemporary ministry contexts. The diverse and constantly changing demands of life in our twenty-first century church and world call for a baptismal commitment that opens us to deeper and more inclusive understandings of ecclesial leadership. Students will examine the implications of understandings of baptism, vocation, and commitment for shaping Christian identity and community life, and in particular how such understandings shape effective leadership in the twenty-first century Church.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Critique models of faith leadership for effectiveness within their particular faith community.
2. Reflect critically on their exercise of team leadership as appropriate within their particular field of ministry.
3. Demonstrate integration of theological and pastoral understandings of ministry in their own context.
4. Analyse and communicate the effectiveness of collaboration with other ministers and co-workers in their area of ministry.

Assessment
Essay (5000 words) 100%

Pre-requisites
15 points in Biblical Studies and 15 points in Systematic Theology

Lecturer
Maryanne Confoy

Recommended reading
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Supervised Reading Units

Students wishing to study an appropriate topic otherwise available on the regular unit timetable can undertake a Supervised Reading Unit.

In consultation with a Faculty member or approved lecturer, the student must prepare a bibliography for the Reading unit and complete the required application form. These should be sent to the Coursework and Research Co-ordinator who, in consultation with the Academic Dean, approve the supervisor, program of study and assessment tasks.

The student is to maintain regular contact with their supervisor throughout the semester in which the reading unit is taken. The usual length of a reading unit assessment task is 6000 words or equivalent and is worth 15 credit points towards an undergraduate award.

Supervised Reading units are available in the following areas:

- BS3415P  SRU Biblical Studies
- CH3415P  SRU Church History
- CT3415P  SRU Systematic Theology
- DA3415P  SRU Mission and Ministry

In certain circumstances it may be possible to take a reading unit of 12,000 words, worth 30 points towards an undergraduate award.

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AH9100P Thinking Otherwise: Feminist Theologies

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit explores the contribution of feminist scholarship to Christian theology. It surveys the history of feminism as a term, charts the growth of significance within theological discourse since the 1980s and of resistance to it. It considers the significance of feminist methods, hermeneutics and approaches to reading and interpreting Scripture, and the consequent impact on feminist theologizing, analysis of Christian doctrine, and the understanding Christian tradition and liturgical life. It pays particular attention to the intersection of feminism with other theologies of liberation, against structures of oppression. Considering a range of contemporary social issues, this unit examines the actual and potential contribution of feminist insights to shaping nuanced and vibrant theological perspectives.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Summarise key principles of feminist thought and interpretation of biblical narrative in relation to particular historical periods and particular theological disciplines;
2. Evaluate changing definitions of feminism in relation to their implications for the contemporary church;
3. Analyse the argument of one or more key contributions to the literature of feminist theology in English;
4. Assess the contribution of feminist thought to theological discussion in Australia and elsewhere;
5. Formulate a response to a contemporary social question drawing on principles of feminist theology.

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Lecturer- Katharine Massam and Monica Melanchthon

Recommended reading

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AL8100P Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part A

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This unit introduces students to the original language of the New Testament. It provides sufficient knowledge of the vocabulary, grammar and syntax to enable them to begin to translate and interpret the New Testament from the Greek text. Several short passages from the New Testament will be translated. Some attention will also be given to other writings in Greek that were important for early Christians, such as the Septuagint or non-NT Christian texts from the first and second centuries.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Translate simple sentences and passages from New Testament Greek into English.
2. Translate simple sentences from English into New Testament Greek.
5. Apply their knowledge of Greek to the exegesis of passages in the New Testament.
6. Translate simple passages from other Greek texts important to early Christians.

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Lecturer: Sunny Chen

Recommended reading
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AL8200P Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part B

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit continues on from AL8100P. It provides further instruction in Greek syntax, grammar and vocabulary, using the same textbook as in the previous semester. About a third of the unit will be devoted to the translation of extended portions of the Greek New Testament (e.g., chapters from 1 John), prepared in advance by the students. These selected passages will be studied for syntactical grammatical analysis and translation into English, but also to see how engaging with a biblical text in its original language can assist in its interpretation. Furthermore, there will be some opportunities to translate passages from other writings in Greek that were important for early Christians.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Begin to translate complex sentences and passages from NT Greek into English.
2. Translate simple sentences from English into NT Greek.
3. Demonstrate a NT Greek vocabulary of 400 words or more.
4. Analyse the grammar and syntax of complex sentences in NT Greek.
5. Apply their knowledge of Greek to the exegesis of lengthy NT passages.
6. Translate simple passages from other Greek texts important to early Christians.

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Pre-requisite
AL8100P: Introduction to New Testament Greek: Part A, or equivalent

Lecturer
Sunny Chen

Recommended reading
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AP8000P Philosophy for Understanding Theology

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This unit explores the philosophical underpinnings of some key theological turns in Christian history. Variants of Platonism provide the background against which the Hellenistic elements in the New Testament can be interpreted; subsequent Platonist developments inform Augustine's thought, and thereby, much later, Luther's. Similarly, Aristotle sets the scene for Thomas Aquinas; Kant for Schleiermacher and the nineteenth century liberal theologians; Hegel, in a different way, for Kierkegaard and Barth; Heidegger for Bultmann and Rahner. The unit gives the student an engagement with the philosophers concerned, both in their own right and as they provide a background for scriptural and theological contemporaries and successors. It challenges the student to address critically the question of whether there exists a theoretical limit to fruitful engagement between philosophical and theological approaches to discovering ultimate meaning.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Explain the difference between philosophical and theological approaches to exploring truth.
2. Discuss the ways in which the particular philosophers studied have extensions of their philosophical claims that are essentially theological.
3. Recognise the issues involved in assessing the theological merits and demerits of the various philosophical positions studied.
4. Critically evaluate, with reference to original texts, the coherence of the philosophical positions studied as these bid to inform theological positions.
5. Demonstrate understanding, through focus on a particular philosopher or philosophy, of the deeper issues uniting and dividing secular-philosophical and religious-theological approaches.

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Pre-requisites
N/A

Lecturer
John Martis

Recommended reading


AP9720P Greek Sources of Western Thought

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
Western philosophy, as it provides context for later theological developments, has its roots in the Greece of the sixth through fourth centuries BCE, becoming most definitively cast in the work of Plato and his successor Aristotle. These two thinkers tower over fourth-century BCE Athens. In tandem or in tension, they shape the schools which will later in significant part interact with Christian theology at the points of its origin and development. This unit gives detailed philosophical consideration to Plato and Aristotle in turn, not neglecting the pre-Socratic philosophers upon whom they build, and their respective contributions to the art of reasoning itself.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Offer coherent reflection, after research, upon the thought of the pre-Socratic philosophers.
2. Show insight into the approaches and arguments which Plato and Aristotle bring to key questions of being, truth and ethics.
3. Discuss Platonic and Aristotelian philosophy in their respective broad influences upon theological stances.
4. Reflect, with emphasis on particular philosophers, upon the legacy bequeathed by Greek philosophy to our own era.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Reflection-integration exercise (1200 words)   20%

Pre-requisite - A previous unit of philosophy at any level

Lecturer - John Martis

Recommended Reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
Belief after Philosophy: Postmodernism and Religious Faith

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

Is postmodernist suspicion an ally of religious faith, or its deadly enemy? How can anyone doubt the value of foundations and still speak meaningfully of God, or religious faith? Alternatively, does the notion of God as foundation amount to limitation of the divine, or even idolatry? This unit looks at how postmodern thinking bids to rework some traditional connections between faith and philosophy. Canvassing the questions above, it takes the student towards the deeper question of whether theology as such can be said to help, rather than hinder, philosophical approaches to the divine.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Explain the philosophical meaning(s) of the term postmodern, as it informs interrelated postmodern claims for the death of God, death of the self, end of history, and ‘closure of the book’.
2. Explain and evaluate Taylor’s postmodern advocacy of an a/theological faith, situated in relation to alternatives, such as Jean-Luc Marion’s God without Being, and the Radical Orthodoxy school.
3. Discuss the significant philosophical commitments found expressed in the divergent approaches above, and the echo in these of historically radical philosophical disagreements.
4. Show a critical awareness of the theological dimensions associated with the philosophical positions studied.
5. Debate the claim that postmodern believers’ philosophico-theological premises intersect with those of agnostics and atheists.

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Pre-requisites: For AP2750P: 15 points in Philosophy; For AP3750P: 15 points in Philosophy at Level 2

Lecturer: John Martis

Recommended Reading

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AP9600P Hermeneutics

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit explores issues in hermeneutics from a philosophical perspective, keeping in mind the engagement of that perspective with the theological in the interpretation of biblical and other texts. Following a survey of traditional hermeneutic models, the unit addresses modern developments, considering Schleiermacher, Dilthey, Heidegger, Gadamer and Ricouer, and the contributions of structuralists, poststructuralists and others, while engaging the following questions. What meanings of the term "hermeneutics" link antiquity to modernity? What accounts of truth and meaning emerge from the definitions of hermeneutics that modern philosophy has sequentially offered? Included here are issues of how textual meaning might be authoritatively determined, and whether an adequate "explanation of explanation" is to be had.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. articulate fundamental issues attending textual interpretation.
2. distinguish modern interpretive approaches from traditional methods.
3. discuss the particular challenges confronting biblical interpretation.
4. identify a range of interpretive approaches to texts.
5. critically discuss the relationship between theological stances and interpretive approaches.
6. Develop a written argument for an interpretive approach to a text or texts.

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Lecturer - John Martis

Recommended reading

*= set text(s) recommended for purchase
AR/BS/CT/DA9080P Watching for God: Theology, the Bible, and Film  

Semester 2: Intensive

Description  
This unit provides an opportunity for students to explore philosophical, theological, and biblical issues, as well as aspects of spirituality and cultural hermeneutics through exposure to the medium of film. The course will introduce some of the key tools appropriate to the interpretation of visual representation, drawing on insights from film studies. Five ‘core’ films will be watched and be the basis for seminar reflection and further reading. Students will be prepared to engage in their own independent research on film(s) of their choice. As well as providing a general framework for interpreting the relationship between Christian faith and film, students will be encouraged to develop a more in depth understanding of either the religious, theological, biblical, pastoral, spiritual or missiological aspects of film as a specific manifestation of the visual arts.

Learning outcomes –  
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Provide a critical review of the key elements of film analysis in relation to selected examples of contemporary filmmaking.
2. Identify and reflect upon the explicit and implicit presence of biblical and theological themes, motifs, allusions, and treatments in at least two examples of contemporary film making.
3. Integrate their prior theological learning into the study of film, and articulate the nature of this integration explicitly in both oral and written environments.
4. Develop independent research and critical theological reflection on a selected film.

Assessment

Critical analysis of a film (3000 word equivalent) … ... 50%
Seminar presentation on a chosen film (3000 words) … ... 50%

Lecturer – Sean Winter

Recommended reading

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AR9110P The Art of Belief
Semester 2: Weekly

Description
Students will explore the symbolic world of European and Australian art (including work by Aboriginal artists) to develop a deeper appreciation and understanding of the representation of selected key aspects of Christian belief. Drawing specifically on the collection of the National Gallery of Victoria in dialogue with other images, we will consider how various artistic approaches illuminate changing perspectives on diverse themes in order to resource theological conversation.

Learning outcomes –
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify significant dates, movements and symbols in religious art in the Christian tradition, including the impact of European and Aboriginal traditions of art in Australian Christianity.
2. Apply key principles of artistic and theological interpretation to a range of art works;
3. Evaluate the interplay of context and tradition (both artistic and theological) in the work of a visual artist;
4. Communicate an understanding of the treatment of a central Biblical and/or theological theme in the work of a visual artist;
5. Critically evaluate the significance of artistic expression of religious belief for the contemporary churches in Australia.

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Lecturers- Katharine Massam and Howard Wallace

Recommended reading
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BA8010P/BA8009P Life, History and the People of God in the Hebrew Scriptures

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This course will introduce the Old Testament (Hebrew Bible) and critically examine its contents for insight into the life, the history and faith of the people of God in ancient Israel. The unit will survey the contents of the Old Testament which formed and established a people’s identity; the historical contexts; the diversity of genres; theological positions and of the OT books. The unit will equip the student to assess the meaning of the texts in their ancient Near Eastern environment; to understand the development of Hebrew religion through the 2nd temple period; and the relation of the OT texts to issues of contemporary faith.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Critically analyse the textual, cultural, historical, literary, religious, and theological aspects of the Old Testament.
2. Assess the relevance of the historical and socio-cultural contexts of the ancient Near Eastern world in which the books of the Old Testament emerged.
3. Develop a comprehensive framework for reading and interpreting the diverse contents of the Old Testament.
5. Articulate the significance and relevance of the Old Testament in our times and places.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Lecturer
Monica Jyotsna Melanchthon

Recommended reading
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BA9040P Gender, Justice, Empire: Contextual Readings of the Old Testament

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This course explores the relationship between issues of gender, justice and empire in Old Testament interpretation. Through a study of a number of Old Testament texts, particularly those which narrate the experience of women within the wider social and imperial contexts, we will consider how these themes are configured and related within biblical traditions. We will engage in a close reading of a range of primary Old Testament texts and contemporary feminist/womanist and other (culturally diverse) scholarship about these texts and will also examine how these hermeneutical perspectives engage and critique traditional exegetical approaches. The approach will be interdisciplinary and will provide students opportunity to study these texts alongside contemporary women’s experiences and portrayals of women in other media such as art, film, poetry, and law.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate in-depth familiarity with the Old Testament narratives of Biblical women and knowledge of relevant issues of gender, justice and empire in relation to these texts and the Old Testament overall.
2. Articulate the liberational and the oppressive potential of biblical stories arising out of and in relation to hermeneutical approaches and polyvalence of meaning.
3. Engage critically with the feminist/liberational/postcolonial critique of traditional fields of knowledge, biblical methodology and hermeneutics and integrate these methodological perspectives into creative thinking and study of the Old Testament.
4. Develop a comparative and global framework in the study of the Old Testament and to foster appreciation and respect for other/diverse perspectives.

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Pre-requisite- 15 points in Old Testament studies

Lecturer- Monica Melanchthon

Recommended Reading
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BA/BS9050P/ BA/BS9059P Reading and Interpreting Isaiah
Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit will attend to Isaiah the prophet, the cultural and historical settings of the various parts of Isaiah and the book as a whole, and its theology. It seeks to provide knowledge of the diverse genres of literature within the book, its theological themes, and its interpretation by engaging in exegesis and critical analysis of select texts from the three parts of Isaiah. Participants will engage their readings of Isaiah in the context of real world situations.

Upon successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:
1. Exhibit an understanding and advanced knowledge of the Book of Isaiah and its contents.
2. Demonstrate critical awareness of the cultural, social, historical, literary, religious, and theological issues pertaining to the Book of Isaiah.
3. Critically analyse the primary and secondary literature
4. Apply methodological skills in Old Testament interpretation
5. Assess the relevance of the messages of Isaiah to the contemporary context of church and society

Assessment
Essay on the book of Isaiah (3000 words) 50%
Exegetical Essay (3000 words) 50%

Recommended reading:
BA9060P Thematic Study of the Old Testament
Semester 2: Intensive

Description

This unit will guide students in the study of significant social and theological themes within the Hebrew Bible/Old Testament. Themes such as creation, covenant, family, the body, the poor, gender, food, land, justice, the state, power, hope, spirituality, to name a few. These themes will be examined within their original literary, historical and cultural contexts and evaluated for their relevance to contemporary times and practice.

Upon successful completion of this unit, students will be able to:
1. Provide a critical and coherent analysis of selected theological themes in the Hebrew Bible.
2. Demonstrate detailed knowledge of the cultural, social, historical, literary, religious contexts in which they originated.
3. Critically evaluate scholarly interpretations of these themes.
4. Exhibit the ability to relate the study of the selected themes to a broader understanding of the texts and theology of the Hebrew Bible.
5. Critically analyse the relevance of these themes to the contemporary context of church and society.

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Lecturer
Monica Melanchthon

Recommended reading:


Note: detailed reading suggestions will be provided based on the selection of themes in any given year.
BN8010P/BN8019P Earliest Christianity: Stories, Texts, Beliefs

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit provides an introduction to New Testament history, texts and theology. Beginning with the letters of Paul as the earliest extant Christian literature, and surveying the development of gospel literature as well as other forms of early Christian writing, it considers the rise of the early Christian movement and explores the range of developing theological beliefs that characterised the first two generations of early Christianity. In using the New Testament texts as the main source for investigation, the unit draws attention to the diversity of texts, genres, theologies and perspectives within the New Testament itself, and considers a number of critical historical, literary and theological issues that emerge from the study of New Testament texts.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Identify the different genres of New Testament literature and the forms of critical analysis appropriate to their interpretation.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of the relationship between the New Testament texts, the historical development of early Christianity, and emerging theological convictions within the Christian movement.
3. Demonstrate an awareness of scholarly debate on early Christianity, identifying strengths and weaknesses in scholarly argument.
4. Write a critical historical analysis of one episode in early Christian history.
5. Write a critical exegetical study of one early Christian text, exploring the historical, literary and theological issues raised by the text.

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Lecturer - Sean Winter

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase

BN9040P Cross and Resurrection in Early Christianity

Semester 1: Weekly

Description

This unit investigates the meanings attributed to the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ in a variety of texts from the early Christian movement. Consideration will be given to the development of Christian understandings of atonement, the nature of early claims about the resurrection of Jesus, and the relationship between cross and resurrection in Pauline texts, the Gospels, and a number of non-canonical early Christian texts (including texts from Nag Hammadi and the Apostolic Fathers). The centrality of early claims about the death and resurrection of Jesus in relation to the development of Christian theology, community, and ethics will be explored.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Critically analyse the main features of the understanding of the death and resurrection of Jesus in a number of early Christian texts, with reference to their overall genre, contents and purpose.
2. Discuss the historical, sociological, literary, and theological factors that contributed to the development and diversity of early Christian understandings of the death and resurrection of Jesus.
3. Articulate, through detailed exegesis, the way that one early Christian text treats the death and resurrection of Jesus and its ecclesial, missional, or ethical implications.
4. Compare significant scholarly debates over the meaning of the death of Christ and/or the nature of the resurrection in early Christianity.
5. Develop a seminar presentation based on independent research on a topic related to the unit content.

Assessment

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Lecturer- Sean Winter

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase


BS8030P / BN8039P Biblical Theology of Mission

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This unit provides an overview of the biblical witness to the centrality of mission for Christian theology and discipleship. Moving beyond traditional appeals to texts which command missionary activity, the course will help the student to understand how the theological and hermeneutical issues related to mission are explored in the canonical texts. These include: God’s relationship to the world in creation and salvation; the vocation of God’s people in relation to the nations and creation; the complex relationship between biblical faith and culture. Throughout, the unit will explore the ways that a critical understanding of the biblical text shapes mission and Christian discipleship in a complex world.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Compare and contrast the different depictions of mission across a range of biblical texts
2. Articulate the relationship between recurring major biblical themes which inform a theology of mission
3. Critically discuss significant scholarly shifts in construing the biblical theology of mission
4. Apply a missional hermeneutical for the reading of scripture
5. Demonstrate a critical understanding of mission drawn from the biblical text

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Lecturer – Sean Winter

Recommended reading

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BS9020P Sex and the Bible

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit (1) examines the diverse views in the Bible on sex and sexuality and (2) considers ways in which biblical interpretation could be enriched by taking into account the matters of sex. The unit will stress the richness of the Bible, and of the tasks of biblical interpretation, by the study of selected texts and the discussion of questions such as, What makes a perspective on sexuality biblical? What to do, and how, when biblical perspectives contradict? How might we assess the ways that biblical texts have been used as authoritative resources for discussing and regulating sexual ethics, identity and practice? How do changing notions of sex and sexuality impact the way biblical texts are interpreted? What may we do to make biblical interpretation more sexy?

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. analyse biblical views on the matters of sex and sexuality;
2. assess different interpretations of biblical texts on sex and sexuality;
3. develop skills in queer and sensual reading of selected biblical texts;
4. utilise methodological and exegetical resources on selected biblical texts;
5. articulate a critical understanding of the rich views in the Bible on sex and sexuality.

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Lecturer- Jione Havea

Recommended reading
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CH8000P Memory, History, and the Historians

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This subject is focused on the historians and other writers who have told the story of Christianity at key times in the past. We draw on writings (and some other sources such as music, images, buildings, public addresses) to trace changes and continuities in Christian self-understanding, and set the men and women who wrote, and their approaches to history, in the context of their own times.
We will also explore what it means to ‘think historically’. In the context of the Christian story we will consider the role that historical writing has played; we will explore how memories of people and events have been shaped, and how historians can draw on a range of sources to enrich and enliven understandings of the past, and to continue to relate understandings of the past to our experience today.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Outline a chronology of key events in the history of the Christian churches from the Jesus movement to the present.
2. Describe the significance of major events within the Christian community over time as they have shaped the historical accounts given by Christian writers.
3. Articulate the principles of interpretation of a range of historical evidence (including varieties of documents, artefacts, music, and art).
4. Demonstrate the ability to interpret a range of historical sources.
5. Identify central features of the context and method of at least one writer on the Christian tradition.
6. Discuss the implications of historical understanding for ministry in the contemporary Christian church.

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Lecturer
Katharine Massam

Recommended reading
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CH9000P/ DS9000P Fullness of Life: Spirituality in Christian Tradition

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This subject explores the quest for “fullness of life” in classic Christian spiritual writings. It sets the sources in the context of the writers’ own times in order to consider images of God, understandings of holiness and faithful living, that have informed the Christian community. Discussion is focussed around “desert”, “cloister”, and “marketplace” as distinctive, but interconnected locations for and styles of Christian spirituality, each with Australian dimensions and implications. We will use the tools of social and cultural history to examine the interconnectedness of “spirituality” and “doctrine”, to explore the methodological challenges of holding together “love” and “knowledge” as partners in a Christian understanding of “fullness of life”.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify key writers and prevailing themes within a broad chronology of Christian spirituality.
2. Set those key writers and themes in the context of the international literature on the history of spirituality.
3. Draw appropriately on a range of historical sources to develop historical and theological arguments.
4. Analyse and articulate the relationship between theological and spiritual concerns in the work of at least one writer in the Christian tradition.
5. Analyse and articulate the relationship between theological and spiritual concerns in a sample of contemporary writing.

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Pre-requisite - 15 points in Field CH

Lecturer - Katharine Massam

Recommended Reading
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CH8020P/AR8120P  Reason and Revival

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit examines the history of Protestantism in the eighteenth to mid-twentieth centuries through the lens of religious literature and music. Using a wide variety of texts including poetry, novels, hymns and songs, drama and memoirs, the unit seeks to explore trends in the development of Protestant belief and spirituality around the world, with a special emphasis on the Australian experience. Topics include the Enlightenment, conversion and revival, social activism, nature, writing for children, and the life of the church.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:
1. Identify significant dates, people and themes in the history of Protestantism in the 18th-mid-20th centuries
2. Apply key principles of historical interpretation to a range of primary sources
3. Demonstrate an understanding of how an aspect of practice or belief has developed over time within Protestantism
4. Communicate an understanding of the history of Protestantism to audiences both in the local church and the academy
5. Critically assess the influence of Protestantism in the 18th to mid-20th century on a particular aspect of church or society

Assessment

Critical Review (1500 words)  30%
Research essay (3000 words)  40%
Presentation (1500 words)  30%

Lecturer- Kerrie Handasyde

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase

CH9040P/DS9040P The World of Hildegard of Bingen

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit explores the life, thought and spirituality of the twelfth-century Benedictine nun, visionary, philosopher, composer and religious leader, Hildegard of Bingen (1098 – 1179). Drawing on her extensive writings, images and musical compositions, we will examine her formative years and how they shaped her outlook, her visions and her self-image as prophet, the major themes and concerns of her works, and her role as a spiritual leader. An important focus of this unit will be to explore critical issues associated with the interpretation of Hildegard’s life and her writings, which we will examine within the religious, political and social context of the twelfth century. We will also trace how Hildegard and her image have been interpreted historically and the continued relevance of her thought and spirituality in contemporary society.

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that Level 2 students will be able to:

1. Analyse critically the major influences that shaped Hildegard of Bingen’s outlook and spirituality
2. Engage with critical debates about interpreting the sources for Hildegard’s life and her writings
3. Analyse critically Hildegard’s writings in their social, religious and political contexts
4. Articulate and evaluate the major theological and ethical themes in Hildegard’s writing and their contemporary significance.
5. Formulate a sustained argument on an aspect of Hildegard’s life or thought.

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Pre-requisite- 15 points in Field CH

Lecturer- TBA

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase


**CH9010P/ DS9010P Discernment and Authority in Christian Tradition**

**Semester 2: Weekly**

**Description**
This subject explores the nature and processes of discernment in the Christian tradition, and the relationship of discernment to authority in the Christian community. Taking examples of Christian leadership from within and beyond the church, students will develop definitions of authentic leadership and identify strategies for building the capacity of groups and individuals to make good choices (discernment) and the foundations required for their implementation (authority).

**Learning outcomes**
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe and evaluate the principles and processes of discernment described in six key texts of the Christian tradition.
2. Describe and evaluate the understanding of authority and the style of leadership advocated by six key authors in the Christian tradition.
3. Analyse a contemporary example of decision making in the public realm in light of these traditions of authority and processes of discernment.
4. Articulate strategies for building capacity for leadership in Christian communities, in light of these traditions of authority and processes of discernment.

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**Pre-requisites** – 15 points in CH, 15 points in CT

**Lecturer** – Katharine Massam

**Recommended reading**

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CT8000P Christianity's Big Ideas

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
This unit introduces the Church’s doctrinal tradition, both generally and specifically. It will offer a general overview of the relationships between faith, belief, theology, confessions, creeds, doctrine and the disciplines of systematic theology. Specifically, it will explore the doctrines of God, creation, humanity, Jesus Christ, salvation, church and hope. It will explore the role of scripture, tradition, reason and context in shaping these doctrines. Particular attention will be paid to the impact on specific doctrines of modern and post-modern thought in the West whilst also exploring the appropriation of the doctrinal tradition in contemporary non-Western Christianity. Against this background the roles of doctrine in shaping the imagination of the Church and of local churches will be noted.

Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe the relationship between faith, belief and doctrine.
2. Outline the main doctrines of the Christian faith.
3. Evaluate the ways scripture, tradition, reason and context shape doctrinal development.
4. Analyse particular ways doctrine functions in the church.
5. Formulate proposals for doctrinal development in particular contexts.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Lecturer – Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase


CT8020P Jesus, Discipleship and Justice

Semester 2: Weekly

Description

This unit will explore historical and contemporary discussions about Jesus Christ. It will begin with the New Testament witness to his life, death and resurrection, and the messianic interpretation of those events. The appropriation of that witness in ancient creeds, contemporary theological controversies and proposals, and the lives of his followers will be critically examined. The connections between the Church’s proclamation of Christ, patterns of discipleship, and practices of reconciliation and justice will be explored.

Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe the key interpretations of Jesus in the New Testament
2. Appraise the defining Christological issues of the patristic period
3. Assess the issues in contemporary Christological controversies
4. Evaluate the significance of classical Christology for contemporary Christology
5. Articulate the connections between the proclamation of Jesus Christ and the forms of life which it evokes.

Assessment

Assessment: Classroom-based ... ... Weighting
Essay (2500 words) ... ... ... 40%
Essay OR group study resource (2500 words) ... ... ... 40%
Tutorial Paper (1000 words) ... ... ... 20%

Prerequisites: Either CT 8000P: Faith, Belief and Doctrine or CT8010P: Culture, Beliefs and Theology

Lecturer- TBA

Recommended Reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase
Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit will explore the roots of the church in the messianic ministry of risen, crucified Jesus Christ and the sending of the Spirit. Attention will be given to the classical marks of the church (one, holy, catholic and apostolic) as well as to the particular marks noted by the Reformers (preaching and sacraments). Church-dividing disputes around sacraments and ministry will be noted. The character and history of minority ancient Christian communities (e.g. India, China, Ethiopia) will also be addressed. Attention will turn to the twentieth-century emergence of churches in the global south and the post-Christendom realities faced by mainline churches in lands marked by “Western culture” (with particular reference to the Uniting Church in Australia). Consideration of these developments will assist our critical examination both of classical ecclesiologies and of developing contemporary approaches to the body of Christ.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Describe the origins of the church in the messianic ministry of Jesus and the origins of ecclesiology in the biblical witness.
2. Explain the classical marks of the church, their origin and significance.
3. Explain the major ecclesiological issues which emerged at the Reformation.
4. Assess the shifts in ecclesiological reflection prompted by the emergence of the non-Western churches during the twentieth century.
5. Produce the outline of a post-Christendom ecclesiology in the context of a global church.

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Pre-requisite - CT1000P or CT1009P

Lecturers - Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase

Description
This unit will explore the controversial developments which led from the biblical witness to Jesus as Lord to the later trinitarian doctrine of God as one substance in three persons. The foundations of this development and the controversies which accompanied it will be studied. Against this historical background, the re-emergence of the doctrine of the Trinity in the twentieth century will be explored through reference to several contemporary texts.
Attention will be paid to the role which this doctrine is playing in the church's encounter with modern atheism, religious pluralism and theological politics.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Identify the key developments in the emergence of the doctrine of the Trinity.
2. Evaluate the sense(s) in which the doctrine can be described as 'biblical'.
3. Explain the different trajectories of the doctrine in the Eastern and Western traditions of Christianity.
4. Explain the reasons for the re-emergence of the doctrine in the twentieth century.
5. Evaluate the key ideas of one significant contemporary text on the Trinity.
6. Assess the contributions of this doctrine to the church's encounter with one or more of modern atheism, religious pluralism or politics.

Assessment: Classroom-based
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Journal of learning from set readings (1500 words) ... ... 25%
Essay on the biblical origins of the doctrine (1500 words) ... ... 25%
Essay on the contribution of doctrine (3000 words) ... ... 50%

Assessment: Online
Assessment ... ... ... ... ... Weighting
Online blog journal of learning from set readings (1500 words) ... ... ... ... 25%
Essay on the biblical origins of the doctrine (1500 words) ... ... ... ... 25%
Essay on the contribution of doctrine (3000 words) ... ... ... ... 50%

Pre-requisite
Either CT 8000P: Faith, Belief and Doctrine or CT8010P: Culture, Beliefs and Theology

Lecturers- TBA

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
CT9020P/CT9029P Doctrine, Truth and Pluralism

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
Some significant theological responses to modernity were coy about doctrine. Much recent systematic theology has, however, been involved in a retrieval of the doctrinal tradition and its truth-claiming functions. Yet this retrieval has been simultaneous with the growing influence of ideologies of pluralism in Western culture. This unit will explore how, in this context, doctrinal discourse makes public truth-claims and how such discourse functions within the church. Doctrine will be brought into conversation with analogy, metaphor, narrative, and drama. In any given semester, the pastoral, apologetic and community-defining roles of two classical areas of doctrinal enquiry will be critically explored (e.g. any two of creation, atonement, resurrection, pneumatology, eschatology etc.). Students will also study the way doctrine and specific doctrines function in a community of faith known to them.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the nature and force of modernity’s critique of Christianity’s doctrinal tradition.
2. Interpret contemporary debates about the nature and function of Christian doctrine.
3. Identify the challenges posed to Christian doctrine by the ideologies of contemporary pluralist cultures.
4. Articulate the relationship between doctrine, analogy, metaphor, narrative and drama and the difference between them.
5. Identify and assess the various doctrines explicitly and implicitly shaping the life of a particular Christian community.
6. Analyse and articulate the criticisms, development and the ecclesial function of one specific major area of Christian doctrine.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Essay (1500 words) | 25%
Tutorial Journal (1500 words) | 25%
Research Essay (3000 words) | 50%

Assessment: Online

Assessment | Weighting
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Essay (1200 words) | 20%
Tutorial Journal (1200 words) | 20%
Research Essay (3000 words) | 50%
Online participation in set tutorials (600 words) | 10%

Pre-requisites - CT1000P or CT1009P and one level 2 CT unit

Lecturer - Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

CT9040P/CT9049P A Changed Climate for Theology

Semester 1: Weekly

Description
The ecological phenomenon of climate change relates to the essentially religious question of who we are and how we are to live. The unit examines the question of what an ecological context and approach means for Christian theology and praxis. It identifies some of the challenges this presents for questions of faith and understanding, and explores a number of significant ecological resources in the rich Christian tradition.

The unit adopts an interdisciplinary stance which integrates, and draws into mutual dialogue, three main components. 1) an ecological survey which focusses primarily on the question of climate change as well as the issues which are intricately connected with it (e.g. population, energy use, deforestation). 2) An introduction to ecological philosophy and principles (e.g. human-centredness vs bio-centredness, social vs ecological justice, animal ethics). 3) Exploration of a number of Christian texts (including Scripture, Augustine, Aquinas, and contemporary ecological theology).

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Identify and articulate key features of climate change and express the relationship between climate change to other key ecological issues.
2. Expound some key ecological principles and philosophies and explain how they relate to the present ecological context.
3. Identify and critically evaluate the primary compatibilities and challenges raised by an ecological ethos for Christian understanding and practice.
4. Identify and describe a particular ecological issue, explore it in relation to an aspect of ecological philosophy, and then critically analyse and interpret a Christian text or idea in light of it.

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Pre-requisite - 15 points in systematic theology

Lecturer - Deborah Guess

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

CT9170P Sex, Gender, and Christian Doctrine

Semester 1: Intensive

Description
The unit will explore the questions of sex, sexuality and gender from an explicitly doctrinal perspective. It will explore the way various doctrinal loci (e.g., creation, Christology, eschatology) shape specifically Christian understandings of sex, sexuality and gender. It will do so by an intentional dialogue, often neglected in ecclesial discussions of these issues, between biblical exegesis, hermeneutics and doctrine. It will also proceed on the assumption that Christian doctrine is not only an expository or confessional discipline, but also interrogative and constructive. In exposition, attention will be given to received anthropologies and classical Christian understandings of sex and gender, including the strong nexus between creation and order. In construction, the relationship of the doctrinal tradition to insights from biology, sociology and philosophy will be explored. Also in construction, it will draw on the biblical witness to creation’s inscrutability (e.g. Job and Ecclesiastes), and early Christian eschatology.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Articulate the understandings of sex and gender in classical Christian teachings.
2. Analyse the doctrinal structure of the classical understandings of sex and gender.
3. Explore and evaluate the relationship between Christian doctrine and non-theological disciplines in general and in regard to contemporary theological discussions of sex and gender.
4. Articulate the significance of and distinctions between the confessional, interrogative and constructive modes of doctrinal discourse.
5. Evaluate various proposals for revised theological understandings of sex and gender.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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Pre-requisite – 15 points in CT

Lecturer – Geoff Thompson

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

DA8015P Children and Families Ministry: Core Issues in Diverse Contexts

Semester 1: Intensive

Description

This unit examines the theological, developmental and methodological resources for contextual children and families ministries across the spectrum of Australian church based, community based and para-church expressions. Addressing the theology, spirituality and sociology of the child in relation to family, church, faith, culture, technology, history and philosophical discourse, the unit develops critical skills for evaluating and designing robust, contextual processes for discipleship, pastoral care, safe practice, mission and leadership with children and their families.

Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

2. Articulate the interaction between child development, theology, social discourse and learning paradigms.
3. Identify ecclesiological, missional, religious education and discipleship structures and evaluate the place of child within these.
4. Identify and articulate best practice procedures regarding protective behaviors to safeguard the welfare of children, practitioners and the community.
5. Critically evaluate different methodologies in ministry with children and their families.
6. Integrate, in reflection and practice, theories of child spirituality, child theology and child development (postgraduates)

Assessment

Classroom-based/Online:  ...  ...  ...  ...  Weighting
Theology of Child literature review (1500 words)  ...  ...  25%
‘World of the Child’ Observation Journal Reflections (3 x 500 words)  ...  25%
20 question short-answer quiz on duty of care issues and safe practice (500 words) (must pass)  ...  10%
Core Issues Essay (2500 words)  ...  40%

Lecturer
Beth Barnett

Recommended reading

* = set texts recommended for purchase
DA/DS 9040P/DA/DS 9049P The Nurture and Spiritual Guidance of Children

Semester 2: Intensive

**Description**
This unit explores the historical and current interest in the spiritual life and the spiritual development of children. It examines links between Scripture, theological thought, spiritual and psychological development, neurobiology and ministry with children. The unit seeks to develop more informed ministries of protection and respect in pastoral care and religious education.

**Learning Outcomes**
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate an awareness of and informed critique of a range of views relating to the nurture and development of spirituality in children.
2. Reflect theologically on aspects of ministry in protection, respect and valuing of children through pastoral care and religious education.
3. Recognize, articulate and integrate within a practice framework the pastoral significance of love for the self, the other, the environment and the Divine as part of spirituality in the life of the child.
4. Integrate spiritual experiences in life from childhood to the present.
5. Articulate a sound educational theory and theories of faith development (third level).
6. Critique and integrate, in reflection and practice, sound educational theory and theories of faith development (postgraduates).

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**Lecturer**
Vivian Mountain

**Recommended reading**
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DE/DS8001P The Art and Practice of Oral Storytelling

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
The spiritual discipline implicit in the telling of sacred stories rests in narrative theology. This unit considers performance, contemplative listening and story telling tools of memory and recollection. These tools will be developed and applied, drawing on a repertoire of sacred narratives, sacred texts and poetry drawn from major religious traditions. Students will engage in reflective practice within the process of story selection and application to context. The unit addresses performance skills, contemplative listening and tools for storytelling from memory. There will be the opportunity to apply these tools in field work and in-class storytelling. Attention will be paid to verbal and non-verbal elements, building students’ confidence and capacity to create storytelling events and engage their audiences.

Learning outcomes – Level 8
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Integrate appropriate passages from Christian scripture and tradition as well as other sources to convey their meaning in small and large groups;
2. Identify and apply learning practices in kinaesthetic, visual and auditory modes to map and recall stories;
3. Critically evaluate various contexts for oral story telling and explain the selection of appropriate material for audience engagement;
4. Analyse the strategies of vocal delivery and non-verbal communication that modulate a text for different audiences and contexts in vocal delivery and non-verbal communication;
5. Analyse the language elements within texts in order to identify triggers that enable memorability and audience connection;
6. Describe and analyse the reciprocity of telling and listening in self-reflection and peer review.

Assessment
Level 8: 
Report – review storytelling performance using rubric (1000 words) … … … … … … Weighting
2 X 15 mins oral presentation from memory (2000 words) … … … … … … 10%
Report (1000 words) … … … … … … 40%
Case Study Report (2000) … … … … … … 10%

Lecturer
Julie Perrin with Christina Rowntree (CTM)

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
DM8000P/DM8009P Developing a Mission Theology for Today

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
In this unit, students will be introduced to the field of mission studies. It will be divided into three main sections: the biblical foundations of mission; the ground and practice of mission through Christian history; key themes shaping the theology and practice of mission today.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Articulate a range of expressions of mission represented in the biblical text.
2. Explain and critique approaches to mission in various epochs of church history.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of the key themes informing the theology and practice of mission today.
4. Articulate their own theologically informed understanding of a central theme within mission studies.

Assessment: Classroom-based
Assessment ... ... ... ... ... ... Weighting
Critical book review (1000 words) ... ... ... ... ... 20%
Research essay (5000 words) ... ... ... ... ... 80%

Assessment: Online
Assessment ... ... ... ... ... ... Weighting
Online participation: regular postings indicating critical engagement with the content material.
This may take the form of questioning, drawing implications setting biblical/historical/theological sections in conversation with other courses within these disciplines (1000 words equivalent) ... ... ... ... ... 20%
Research essay (5000 words) ... ... ... ... ... 80%

Pre-requisites
N/A

Lecturer
John Flett

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
DP8000P Self and Other in Pastoral Relationships

Semester 1: Intensive

Description
In this unit the student will have the opportunity to explore the notion of ‘self’ as part of their identity in pastoral and other relationships. The development of notions of self will be examined theologically and theoretically, the impact on self-identity will be explored from social, familial, and cultural contexts, and a variety of human emotions will be considered as they impact on relationships with others. The implications of understandings of self and emotion will be explored and examined to deepen understanding and practice of healthy pastoral relationships.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:

1. Explain theological and theoretical notions of self as a way of locating their own self-identity.
2. Identify social, familial, and cultural influences on their own identity.
3. Understand how notions of self-impact on relationships with ‘other’ especially within pastoral relationships.
4. Identify a variety of human emotions as they impact on pastoral relationships.
5. Understand the importance of maintaining emotionally healthy relationships, including strategies for the use of supervision, spiritual direction, peer groups, and ethical boundaries.
6. Research and resource their ongoing learning by identifying relevant texts and resources.

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Lecturer – TBA

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
DP8900P Supervised Theological Field Education

As required

Description
This unit will introduce students to the process of field education and theological reflection. Students will be placed in a field placement with an accredited placement supervisor. They will engage in contextual ministry practice and through theological reflection, further reading, self-reflection, and supervision develop skills and competencies in the practice of ministry. Placements available are wide ranging within both metropolitan and rural contexts. Attention will be given to the development of foundational skills in ministry and leadership within the 21st century church.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate competencies in ministry practice in the field placement ministry context.
2. Theologically reflect on ministry practice and ministry context.
3. Document evidence of learning about ministry and self-awareness that has resulted from the field placement.
4. Develop goals and demonstrate key ministry practice skills required within a Field Placement context.
5. Reflect critically on the contribution of the field placement to their spiritual and personal development and ministerial identity.
6. Integrate their wider theological reading into theological reflection on the placement context.

Assessment
Learning Agreement and Evaluations (2000 words) 40%
Essay: Theological reflection on pastoral situation from Field placement (3000 words) 40%
Participation in and presentation to Theological Reflection Seminar (1000 words equivalent) 20%

Co-requisites
This unit accompanies or follows immediately on from engagement in an approved Field Education Placement.

Lecturer
Sue Withers

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase


DP9000P Further Supervised Theological Field Education

As required

Description
This unit will extend students' skills in ministry practice and theological reflection. Students will be placed in a field placement with an accredited placement supervisor. They will engage in contextual ministry practice and through theological reflection and supervision develop skills and demonstrate advanced core competencies in the practice of ministry. Placements available are wide ranging within both metropolitan and rural contexts. Attention will be given to the development of skills in ministry and demonstrated leadership within the 21st century church. Attention will be given to the integration of placement learning and classroom learning.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Develop and demonstrate competencies in ministry leadership in the context of a field placement.
2. Demonstrate the ability to theologically reflect on their practice of ministry and ministry context.
3. Document the learning about ministry and self-awareness that has resulted from the field placement.
4. Create and evaluate goals in the context of the field placement.
5. Reflect critically on the contribution of the field placement to their spiritual and personal development and ministerial identity.
6. Integrate their wider theological reading into theological reflection on the placement context.

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Co-requisites
This unit accompanies or follows immediately on from engagement in an approved Field Education Placement.

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

DP8500P Theology of Pastoral Care

Semester 2: Weekly

Description
This unit explores the theological nature of pastoral care and the relationship between theology and pastoral skills. It aims to help students develop a reflective basis for pastoral practice that is grounded in Christian theology and Biblical studies. Consideration will be given to the uniqueness of ‘pastoral’ care, to some of the challenging questions raised in situations of crisis, and to the appropriate use of prayer and Scripture in pastoral situations. Scope will be given for students to explore a range of contextual issues and questions in pastoral ministry.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate an understanding of the biblical and theological foundations of pastoral care.
2. Articulate the integrative connections between theology and pastoral practice.
3. Integrate theology and skills in their own pastoral practice.

Assessment: Classroom-based

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<td>Two 500 word book reviews (1000 words equivalent)</td>
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<td>A reflective paper on the integration of theology and ministry in a particular ministerial context (3000 words)</td>
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Pre-requisites
15pts in each of Biblical Studies and Theology

Lecturer:
Randall Prior

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase

Dykstra, R. Images of Pastoral Care. St Louis, US: Chalice Press 2005
Lyall, D. The Integrity of Pastoral Care. Ottawa: Novalis, 2002
Pembroke, N. Renewing Pastoral Practice: Trinitarian Perspectives on Pastoral Care and Counselling. Aldershot: Ashgate, 2006
DP9805P Effective Christian Leadership and Ministry

Semester 2: Intensive

Description
This unit explores the personal, spiritual, professional and ecclesial aspects of ordained and lay ecclesial ministry. Designed to strengthen participants' ability to collaborate and communicate more effectively, the unit seeks to integrate the collective wisdom of the Christian tradition with personal praxis in contemporary ministry contexts. The diverse and constantly changing demands of life in our twenty-first century church and world call for a baptismal commitment that opens us to deeper and more inclusive understandings of ecclesial leadership. Students will examine the implications of understandings of baptism, vocation, and commitment for shaping Christian identity and community life, and in particular how such understandings shape effective leadership in the twenty-first century Church.

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Critique models of faith leadership for effectiveness within their particular faith community.
2. Reflect critically on their exercise of team leadership as appropriate within their particular field of ministry.
3. Demonstrate integration of theological and pastoral understandings of ministry in their own context.
4. Analyse and communicate the effectiveness of collaboration with other ministers and co-workers in their area of ministry.

Assessment
Essay (6000 words)...

Weighting
100%

Pre-requisites
15 points in Biblical Studies and 15 points in Systematic Theology

Lecturer
Maryanne Confoy

Recommended reading
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Supervised Reading Units

Students wishing to study an appropriate topic otherwise available on the regular unit timetable can undertake a Supervised Reading Unit.

In consultation with a Faculty member or approved lecturer, the student must prepare a bibliography for the Reading unit and complete the required application form. These should be sent to the Coursework and Research Co-ordinator who, in consultation with the Academic Dean, approve the supervisor, program of study and assessment tasks.

The student is to maintain regular contact with their supervisor throughout the semester in which the reading unit is taken. The usual length of a reading unit assessment task is 6000 words or equivalent and is worth 15 credit points towards an undergraduate award.

Supervised Reading units are available in the following areas:
BS941SP      SRU Biblical Studies
CH941SP      SRU Church History
CT941SP      SRU Systematic Theology
DA941SP      SRU Mission and Ministry

In certain circumstances it may be possible to take a reading unit of 12,000 words, worth 30 points towards an undergraduate award.

For all enquiries regarding admission, enrolment, courses and units, please contact us on via email study@pilgrim.edu.au
XX9990P Capstone Integrative Project

Semester 2: Four seminars held throughout the semester

Description
This unit is offered in order to enable postgraduate students to fulfil the capstone requirements related to their award and is intended to be taken in the student’s final year. It aims to direct, support and encourage the integration of student learning across the theological disciplines by means of participation in an integrative seminar and completion of a project that draws on the student’s prior learning and directs it towards an integrative treatment of a chosen topic. Topics may be related to a particular theme identified in advance by Faculty. Projects must include explicit engagement with methodologies, concepts, and content from more than one Field and show awareness of the issues related to creative and effective communication of theological ideas. Seminars will provide an overall framework for integrative learning, but specific content will be largely determined by the participants’ own interests and experience. Students will be expected to present their ideas to their peers and members of Faculty and to engage in critical interaction and feedback within the seminar process and at a Colloquium before a wider group.

In 2017 the theme chosen for the seminar is: TBC

Learning outcomes
Upon successful completion of this unit, it is expected that students will be able to:
1. Demonstrate a critical and sophisticated understanding of the methodologies, concepts and key issues from at least two fields of study explored in their prior learning.
2. Articulate points of synthesis and integration between different fields of theological study (biblical, historical, systematic, philosophical, practical).
3. Direct their understanding towards the generation of new questions and insight in relation to a chosen project that relates to at least two fields of theological study.
4. Present integrated theological ideas coherently, creatively and effectively, taking into account critical feedback from peers.
5. Plan and execute a substantial integrative project, drawing on advanced skills in research, writing and presentation.

Assessment

| Attendance at and documented engagement in four seminars comprising intentional, reflective and critical interaction | 10% |
| 20 minute seminar presentation of chosen project with due weight given to the critical integration of ideas and peer feedback | 30% |
| Integrative project of 6,000 words or equivalent | 60% or 90%* |

*NB If the mark is higher than that attained for Assignment 2

Pre-requisites
Required postgraduate foundational units and at least 50 per cent of elective units relevant to the award. The capstone unit will usually be taken during the last two semesters of a Coursework Masters Degree.

Lecturers
Selected from Pilgrim Theological College Faculty with relevant expertise.

Recommended reading
* = set texts recommended for purchase
Ghiloni, Aaron J., ‘On Writing Interdisciplinary Theology’, Practical Theology 6 (2013), 9–33