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Languages

Unit Code

A7110

Unit Name

Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to the basic elements of Biblical Hebrew. It enables students to read Hebrew Biblical texts with the use of dictionaries and grammars.

Unit Code

A7120

Unit Name

Introduction to New Testament Greek

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces the student to the elements of New Testament Greek and enables the student to begin to develop professional skills in New Testament exegesis and translation.

Unit Code

A7132

Unit Name

Ecclesiastical Latin

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit aims to provide the student with the basic grammatical and syntactical knowledge that will lead to a grasp of the Latin ecclesiastical writings.

Unit Code

A7160

Unit Name

Biblical Hebrew

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

A7110 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is a continuation of A7110 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew. It consolidates and builds on students' knowledge of Biblical Hebrew, enabling them to translate Hebrew Biblical texts.

Unit Code

A7170

Unit Name

New Testament Greek

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

A7120 Introduction to New Testament Greek

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on A7120 Introduction to New Testament Greek. It consolidates and develops students' knowledge of New Testament Greek and their ability to translate and exegete Greek texts.

Unit Code

A8510

Unit Name

Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to the basic elements of Biblical Hebrew. It enables students to read Hebrew Biblical texts with the use of dictionaries and grammars.

Unit Code

A8520

Unit Name

Introduction to New Testament Greek

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces the student to the elements of New Testament Greek and enables the student to begin to develop professional skills in New Testament exegesis and translation.

Unit Code

A8532

Unit Name

Ecclesiastical Latin

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit aims to provide the student with the basic grammatical and syntactical knowledge that will lead to a basic facility in understanding of the Latin ecclesiastical writings.

Unit Code

A8560

Unit Name

Biblical Hebrew

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

A8510 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is a continuation of A8510 Introduction to Biblical Hebrew. It consolidates and builds on students' knowledge of Biblical Hebrew, enabling them to translate and exegete Hebrew Biblical texts.

Unit Code

A8570

Unit Name

New Testament Greek

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

A8520 Introduction to New Testament Greek

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on A8520 Introduction to New Testament Greek. It consolidates and develops students' knowledge of New Testament Greek and their ability to translate.

Biblical Studies

Unit Code

B7110

Unit Name

Introduction to Biblical Studies

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Exclusions

B7120 Introduction to Old Testament and B7130 Introduction to New Testament

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to the Bible, its content, context and literary genres and to the methodologies of biblical reading, study and interpretation. It provides the basis for further study of the Biblical texts.

Unit Code

B7203

Unit Name

Hermeneutics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit aims to introduce students to the history, goals and general principles of biblical interpretation with attention paid to the recognition and interpretation of the various literary genres in the Bible.

Unit Code

B7214

Unit Name

Pentateuch

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on the foundation unit(s) by examining the forms and content of the Pentateuch. It does so in light of its historical, cultural and religious settings and explores the role of the Pentateuch within the canon and the life of Israel.

Unit Code

B7220

Unit Name

Old Testament Historical Books

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on any Biblical Studies foundational course unit and contributes towards the sub-major sequence in Biblical Studies. It examines the background and content of the historical books, Joshua, Judges, Samuel, and Kings, comparing them with the books of Chronicles.

Unit Code

B7229

Unit Name

Wisdom Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit explores the place of wisdom in Ancient Israel and the theological issues it raises within that faith community. Building on the skills developed in previous biblical studies, it develops the critical exegetical and analytical skills of the student through the examination of specific texts from Proverbs, Job or Ecclesiastes.

Unit Code

B7231

Unit Name

Prophetic Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on the knowledge and skills developed in the prerequisite Biblical Studies units. It examines the literary forms and theological content of Israel's prophetic books, with due consideration of their historical, cultural and religious settings/contexts.

Unit Code

B7254

Unit Name

Synoptic Gospels

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on any Biblical Studies foundational course unit and contributes towards the sub-major sequence in Biblical Studies. It enables students to develop the ability to research in Biblical Studies through reading the Synoptic Gospels in the light of relevant contemporary scholarly literature.

Unit Code

B7326

Unit Name

Psalms

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit studies Israel's poetic literature and practice of prayer and worship as represented in the Psalter. It provides an opportunity to develop exegetical skills in the analysis of Hebrew poetry

Unit Code

B7364

Unit Name

Pauline Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on the knowledge and skills developed in the prerequisite Biblical Studies units. It examines the historical context, literary forms and theological content of the New Testament literature associated with Paul.

Unit Code

B7368

Unit Name

Johannine Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds upon the knowledge and skills learned in the pre-requisite units. It examines the historical context, literary forms and theological content of the Gospel and Letters of John, and their application to a range of spiritual and pastoral concerns.

Unit Code

B7382

Unit Name

Hebrews and General Epistles

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to study of the later New Testament Letters, namely the Letters to the Hebrews and of James, 1 & 2 Peter and Jude. It enables an AQF level 7 student to complete a Biblical Studies sub-major or major.

Unit Code

B8510

Unit Name

Introduction to Biblical Studies

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Exclusions

B8520 Introduction to the Old Testament and B8530 Introduction to the New Testament

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit introduces students to the Bible, its content, context and literary genres and to the methodologies of biblical reading, study and interpretation. It provides the basis for further study of the Biblical texts.

Unit Code

B9603

Unit Name

Interpretation of the Bible

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit aims to introduce students to the history, goals and general principles of biblical interpretation with attention paid to the recognition and interpretation of the various literary genres in the Bible.

Unit Code

B9605

Unit Name

Old Testament Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to introduce a Biblical Theology approach to the theology of the Old Testament (as distinct from a Systematic Theology approach) by exploring the approaches of key scholars in the field, the major themes in the theology of the Old Testament and themes that bridge and unify the Old and New Testaments.

Unit Code

B9608

Unit Name

New Testament Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to: introduce a Biblical Theology approach to the theology of the New Testament (as distinct from a Systematic Theology approach); summarise the approaches of key scholars in the field; and, introduce the major themes in the theology of the New Testament.

Unit Code

B9610

Unit Name

Israel's Beginnings: the Books of Genesis and Exodus

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on the basic knowledge and skills of the foundational Biblical Studies unit, focusing in particular on the books of Genesis and Exodus, with special attention to their literary forms, theological content and historical, cultural and religious setting.

Unit Code

B9629

Unit Name

Wisdom and Poetry in Israel

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7 Students; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9 Students

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables the student to study at depth particular books and passages from Old Testament Wisdom Literature.

Unit Code

B9636

Unit Name

Isaiah

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7 Students; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9 Students

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides an opportunity to deepen one's knowledge of Israelite prophecy through an in-depth study of the book of Isaiah.

Unit Code

B9640

Unit Name

Jeremiah

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides an in-depth study of the book of Jeremiah with attention to its composition, structure, constituent literary genre and theological message as Israelite prophetic literature.

Unit Code

B9652

Unit Name

Apocalyptic Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7 Students; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9 Students

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides a basic foundation in apocalyptic studies and introduces the student to significant apocalyptic literature. It examines the theological issues of the Book of Revelation and other apocalyptic texts in the New Testament against the historical and literary background of the texts.

Unit Code

B9657

Unit Name

Lukan Literature

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

36 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7 Students; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9 Students

Curriculum Objectives

The course unit enables students to study the two volume work Luke-Acts which encompasses a gospel and an early Christian theological history. It can complete a Biblical major for students in AQF7 programs or advance Biblical Studies for students in AQF9 programs.

Unit Code

B9668

Unit Name

Gospel According to John

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, Exclusions

Prerequisite: 18 Credit Points in Biblical Studies; Exclusion: B7368 Johannine Literature

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds upon the knowledge and skills learned in the pre-requisite units. It examines the historical context, literary forms and theological content of the Gospel according to John, their application to Christian worship, teaching and spirituality.

Unit Code

B9672

Unit Name

Romans

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students to extend their critical abilities in Biblical research by studying in close detail one of the major texts of the New Testament. It enables student in AQF7 programs to complete a Biblical Studies major and students in AQF9 programs to advance beyond foundational Biblical Studies.

Unit Code

B9680

Unit Name

Dead Sea Scrolls

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF7; 9 Credit Points in Biblical Studies for AQF8 and AQF9

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to the history and theology of the major texts of the Dead Sea Scrolls. It enables student in AQF7 programs to complete a Biblical Studies major and students in AQF9 programs to advance beyond foundational Biblical Studies.

Christian Ethics

Unit Code

E7100

Unit Name

Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces students to theological reflection on the ethical aspects of Christian life and discipleship.

Unit Code

E7200

Unit Name

Methods in Christian Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or W7222 Moral Philosophy or 72 Credit Points at 7000 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces students to the methods and principles of Christian ethical reflection and moral theology. It provides a methodological basis for specialised studies in Christian ethics.

Unit Code

E7345

Unit Name

Justice, Human Life and Society

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or E7200 Methods in Christian Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This unit examines the ethical issues of human community, sociality and globalisation, with special focus on the requirements of social justice.

Unit Code

E7346

Unit Name

Marriage, Family and Sexual Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or E7200 Methods in Christian Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This unit explores the human, theological and ecclesial understandings of human sexuality, and their implications for personal relationships and Christian marriage.

Unit Code

E7347

Unit Name

Ethics of Peace and War

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or E7200 Methods in Christian Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This unit explores the theological issues raised by past and present Christian responses to the challenges of war and peace.

Unit Code

E7348

Unit Name

Environmental Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or E7200 Methods in Christian Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This unit examines Christian theological responses to the ethical issues raised by recognition of human responsibilities towards the natural and built environments.

Unit Code

E7350

Unit Name

Christian Anthropology and Biomedical Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E7100 Sources and Principles of Christian Ethics or E7200 Methods in Christian Ethics or W7222 Moral Philosophy.

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces the student to the ethical issues involved in contemporary medicine and health care, with a view to moral decision making in keeping with Christian principles.

Unit Code

E8501

Unit Name

Principles of Christian Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces students to theological reflection on the ethical aspects of Christian life and discipleship. It also provides the graduate student with a methodological basis for further studies in Christian ethics.

Unit Code

E9600

Unit Name

Themes in Fundamental Moral Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E8501 Principles of Christian Ethics or 36 Credit Points in Christian Ethics at 7000 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit enables the student to critically explore central methodological issues in Christian ethics, and Catholic moral theology in particular.

Unit Code

E9646

Unit Name

Justice and Peace

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E8501 Principles of Christian Ethics or 36 Credit Points in Christian Ethics at 7000 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit enables the student to explore the issues of justice in relation to issues of war and peace, including issues of personal spirituality in the context of violence and peace-making.

Unit Code

E9647

Unit Name

Human Life, Family, and Society

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Graduate

Prerequisites

E8501 Principles of Christian Ethics or 36 Credit Points in Christian Ethics at 7000 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit provides an advanced study of the ethical issues arising in the contemporary experience of marriage and personal relationships. Historical, sociological and theological insights will provide a context for examining Christian responses to family life today.

Unit Code

E9690

Unit Name

Case Study in Applied Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

E8501 Principles of Christian Ethics or 36 Credit Points in Christian Ethics at 7000 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit enables the graduate student to apply principles of Christian ethics and moral decision making to contemporary ethical issues.

Christian Spirituality

Unit Code

S7102

Unit Name

Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit develops a comprehensive introduction to, and overview of, the topic of Christian Spirituality focussing on its biblical, theological and historical premises and practice from a denominational perspective.

Unit Code

S7260

Unit Name

Formation in Prayer and Prayerfulness

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

S7102 Introduction to Christian Spirituality

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit focuses on the understanding and experience of prayer as a core element within the study of Christian Spirituality in a systematic and comprehensive way from a denominational perspective. The student will be introduced to the classic methods of Christian prayer.

Unit Code

S7350

Unit Name

Christian Spiritual Wisdom

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit presents a developed and critical survey of the major historical schools of spirituality and prayer within the Western Christian Spiritual Tradition with particular reference to their writers and texts and explores their contribution to their contemporary expression of Christian Spirituality.

Unit Code

S8502

Unit Name

Christian Spirituality

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit develops a comprehensive introduction to, and overview of, the topic of Christian Spirituality focussing on its biblical, theological and historical premises and practice from a denominational perspective.

Unit Code

S8559

Unit Name

The Christian Spiritual Tradition

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

S8502 Christian Spirituality

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit offers a student, either under supervision or in a class setting, to comprehensively and critically explore chosen themes or schools of the Christian Tradition. The selection may be historical writers, particular historical periods within the Tradition or contemporary expressions of the Christian spirituality pathway.

Unit Code

S8572

Unit Name

Spirit in Context: Australian Spirituality

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

Spirituality, along with the experience of faith, is shaped by the context in which it is engaged. This graduate course unit explores the notion of contextual spirituality and, in particular, the characteristics of spirituality within an Australian context.

Unit Code

S9645

Unit Name

Christian Spirituality in the 20th Century

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 Credit Points in Christian Spirituality

Curriculum Objectives

This advanced graduate course unit explores the paradigm shift in Christian spirituality that occurred through the 20th century through a denominational perspective. It examines the philosophical, theological and ecclesial factors contributing to the change. Students will be expected to research major spiritual writers of the century through engagement of both primary and secondary texts.

Church History

Unit Code

H7100

Unit Name

Introduction to the Study of Christian History

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces the student to the discipline of church history and provides an overview of significant historical periods and themes and the variety of methodological approaches to them.

Unit Code

H7110

Unit Name

History of the Early Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9 cpts

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide students with an overview and general understanding of the early centuries of Christian history.

Unit Code

H7240

Unit Name

History of the Church in the Middle Ages

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9 credit points

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisite

9 Credit Points in History at 7100 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide students with an accurate understanding of the key aspects of medieval Church history within its broader social, cultural and political settings, enabling them to appreciate a wider historical context surrounding their other theological studies.

Unit Code

H7350

Unit Name

The Reformers and the Reformation

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisite

9 Credit Points in History at 7100 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to the European Reformations of the sixteenth century as a development in history of universal importance. It also introduces students to the leading figures, theological concerns and key events of the period, and helps them to recognise the complexity of interpreting events shaped by differing religious, economic, social and political contexts.

Unit Code

H7360

Unit Name

History of the Church in the Modern Era

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisite

9 Credit Points in History

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide an overview of Christian history in the modern era. The term 'Church' can be understood as one or more Christian traditions. It will take note of the impact of the Enlightenment, the diversity of renewal movements, ecumenism, increased secularisation, and the shift in the strength of Christianity from the northern to the southern hemisphere.

Unit Code

H7382

Unit Name

Australian Catholics: Their Story

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisite

9 Credit Points in History

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides a survey of the history of the Catholic Church in Australia and a context for other theological studies relating to the Australian Church.

Unit Code

H7383

Unit Name

New Zealand Catholics: Their Story

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides a survey of the history of the Catholic Church in New Zealand and a context for other theological studies relating to the New Zealand Church.

Unit Code

H8501

Unit Name

Introduction to the Study of Christian History

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces the student to the discipline of church history and provides an overview of significant historical periods and themes and the variety of methodological approaches to them.

Unit Code

H8510

Unit Name

The Early Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide students with an overview of the early centuries of Christian history. It will furthermore equip them with the critical tools necessary in order to understand historical phenomena and circumstances related to the early Church.

Unit Code

H8571

Unit Name

Vatican II and its Reception

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisite

9 Credit Points in History

Curriculum Objectives

The Second Vatican Council is accepted as a landmark of the modern Catholic Church. This course unit surveys and examines the preparation, course, issues and documents of the Council, as well as its reception by Catholics in the following decades. It builds upon knowledge gained in introductory study of church history and provides a relevant background for theology units.

Unit Code

H9642

Unit Name

Christian Culture of the Middle Ages

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

18 credit points

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide graduate students with an appreciation and analysis of many of the key formative aspects of medieval life including social, cultural, literary, musical, artistic, and architectural.

Mission

Unit Code

M7110

Unit Name

The Evangelising Mission of the Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit shows how the understanding and practice of mission has evolved throughout the centuries in response to the changing needs of the world. It introduces students to the contemporary theological understandings and entry points for mission.

Unit Code

M8510

Unit Name

Evangelising Mission Today

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit shows how the understanding and practice of mission has evolved throughout the centuries in response to the changing needs of the world. It introduces students to the contemporary theological understandings and entry points for mission.

Unit Code

M8543

Unit Name

Introducing Islam

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit provides an in-depth introduction to Islam, the second largest religion in the world and in history and a significant part of the context in which Christian mission is carried out today. Accordingly it serves as a Foundational in Missiology. It enables students to acquire the historical background necessary for understanding the impact of Islam in the modern world and the importance of Christian-Muslim relations in contemporary society.

Unit Code

M9625

Unit Name

Faith, Mission and Culture

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

M8510 Evangelising Mission Today

Curriculum Objectives

This unit builds on M8510 Evangelising Mission Today by applying its insights to the question of culture. It is particularly concerned with the dynamic interaction between the faith of a community and its culture and with the critical need for inculturation if evangelisation is to be meaningful, deep and effective.

Unit Code

M9642

Unit Name

Interreligious Dialogue

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Mission at 8500 or 18 Credit Points at 7300 in Mission, Theology or Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This advanced graduate course unit treats Christian responsibility in building relations with believers from other world religions and is therefore a specialised unit in Missiology. Students will research interreligious dialogue as one of the constitutive dimensions of the evangelizing mission of the Church in responding to the challenges and opportunities of religious diversity and in contributing to world peace.

Unit Code

M9672

Unit Name

Justice in the Mission of the Catholic Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Mission at 8500 or 18 Credit Points at 7300 in Mission, Theology or Ethics

Curriculum Objectives

This advanced graduate unit explores justice as a constitutive dimension of the evangelising mission of the church, placing mission within the context of social relations. Students will acquire an advanced understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and the key concepts used in contemporary discussion on mission and justice, equipping them to develop innovative approaches to mission.

Pastoral Counselling

Unit Code

C7146

Unit Name

Introduction to Pastoral Counselling

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9 credit points

Type of Unit

Foundation

Prerequisites

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course introduces students to various models of pastoral counselling that are integral to the process of pastoral ministry. Emphasis will be on learning the function of basic pastoral counselling skills within ministry.

Unit Code

C7249

Unit Name

Human Development & Pastoral Counselling

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides for an understanding of the physical, social, psychological and spiritual dimensions of the human life cycle through all the stages from infancy to older age. As such, it provides knowledge of life experiences that can be addressed in pastoral care and counselling.

Unit Code

C8522

Unit Name

Pastoral Perspectives on Moral Decision Making

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course examines conscience within the Christian tradition. It assists students to see its significance in moral development, moral decision making, and pastoral care.

Unit Code

C8546

Unit Name

Pastoral Counselling in Ministry

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course introduces students to various models of pastoral counselling that are integral to the process of ministry and encourages critical reflection upon this. Emphasis will be both on learning the function of basic counselling skills within the pastoral context and on theological reflection upon this form of pastoral activity.

Unit Code

C8547

Unit Name

Pastoral Counselling in Context

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Regular/Extensive

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course introduces students to various models of pastoral counselling that are integral to the process of ministry. Emphasis will be on learning the function of basic counselling skills within the pastoral context

Pastoral Theology

Unit Code

P7101

Unit Name

Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is an introduction to practical theology for ministry. It is also an opportunity to overview the biblical and theological foundations of ministry. Common aspects of ministry will be considered.

Unit Code

P7205

Unit Name

Contextual Theology for Ministry

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit explores the dynamic relationship between the Christian tradition and contemporary social, cultural context. It presents models and case studies of the engagement between the two and inducts the student into the art of theological hermeneutics. The course unit illustrates how all theology can lead to pastoral action and transformation.

Unit Code

P7271

Unit Name

Supervised Ministry 1

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Workplace Learning Unit

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit incorporates learning experiences at a practical level as well as giving opportunity to reflect on both the practice and theory of ministry. This reflection occurs with both an appointed supervisor and mentor as well as the formal classroom situation. The mentoring would be with experienced ordained pastors or those in recognised specialist ministries.

Unit Code

P7334

Unit Name

Media, Culture and Ethical Value Systems

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

In an information technology driven society, this course unit aims at enabling the student to situate values from the Christian tradition and to dialogue with the social, economic, political and religious implications of post-modern culture.

Unit Code

P7362

Unit Name

Canon Law and the Sacraments

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

The course unit complements the accompanying unit in Canon Law. It demonstrates how general canonical principles and concepts apply in the area of the sacraments as these are studied in units in Systematic Theology, Liturgy and Pastoral.

Unit Code

P7363

Unit Name

Selected Themes in Canon Law

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit serves as the primary way of acquainting students with the canonical tradition of the Church in the non-sacramental areas of Church life. As such, it is a particular expression of the theology of Church studied in Systematic and Pastoral Theology.

Unit Code

P7371

Unit Name

Supervised Ministry 2

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Workplace Learning Unit

Prerequisites

P7101 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry and P7282 Supervised Ministry 1

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables the student to work in a supervised ministry context for an extended period of time gaining valuable practical ministry experience within an existing ministry team. The process of reflection on practice is developed through personal and theological reflection. The unit expands and develops the supervised ministry one experience of the student. The student will work with both an appointed supervisor and mentor for the duration of this placement.

Unit Code

P7378

Unit Name

Supervised Ministry: Hospital Chaplaincy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Workplace Learning Unit

Prerequisites

P7101, Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

B7110 Introduction to Biblical Studies

T7101 Introduction to Theology

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to develop the students' awareness of the challenges and opportunities involved in ministry in a variety of contexts and to utilise pastoral supervision and theological reflection in the practice of a ministry placement.

Unit Code

P7389

Unit Name

Capstone Unit in Pastoral Praxis and Future Ministry

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Capstone

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in Pastoral Theology at 7300 Level

Curriculum Objectives

The course unit aims to focus upon the vocational dimension of ministry, both lay and ordained, in all of its diverse manifestations. The unit highlights that Pastoral Theology is a matrix through which all theological endeavour, biblical tradition and lived experience bear fruit in the local and universal ecclesial community.

Unit Code

P8501

Unit Name

Introduction to Pastoral and Practical Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is an introduction to pastoral and practical theology for ministry. It is also an opportunity to overview the biblical and theological foundations of ministry. Common aspects of ministry will be considered.

Unit Code

P8580

Unit Name

Supervised Ministry: Hospital Chaplaincy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Workplace Learning Unit

Prerequisites

P8501 Introduction to Pastoral Theology and Ministry

B8510 Introduction to Biblical Studies

T8501 Introducing Theology

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to develop the students' awareness of the challenges and opportunities involved in ministry in a variety of contexts and to utilise pastoral supervision, theological reflection, biblical studies and sacramental theology in the practice of a ministry placement.

Unit Code

P9601

Unit Name

Practical Theology and Future Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

Building upon previous Pastoral Theology course units, this course unit aims to equip the student with advanced knowledge of post-Vatican II Catholic theology. Through the study of a diverse range of theologians, students will be encouraged to develop a deeper understanding of the interconnected nature of Christian thought, in the process utilising a complex level of theological reflection, hermeneutical analysis and engaging with current pastoral and practical initiatives.

Unit Code

P9634

Unit Name

New Paradigms of Christian Ministry

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9 credit points

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

The course aims to focus upon new paradigms of Christian ministry, both lay and ordained, in all of its diverse manifestations. This unit draws upon the human behavioural sciences, in a lived tension, to advance the future treatment of the care of souls. The unit explores liberation of the human spirit, through critical dialogue, with the knowledge of living experience. The unit highlights that Pastoral Theology is a matrix through which all theological endeavour, lived experience, and biblical tradition is inserted into the local and universal ecclesial community.

Philosophy

Unit Code

W7106

Unit Name

Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides an introduction to philosophy by considering its origins in Greek philosophy and its encounter with Christian thought during the early Middle Ages. Students will also be introduced to the nature of philosophical inquiry and will examine several philosophical texts, thereby gaining a sense of the history of ideas.

Unit Code

W7109

Unit Name

Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit covers the history of thought in the West during the Middle Ages and up to Locke. Students are introduced to several key texts and will learn how and why philosophical enquiry changes during the period.

Unit Code

W7207

Unit Name

Logic and Critical Thinking

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides structured, practical instruction in the nature of and skills of critical thinking.

Unit Code

W7220

Unit Name

Rhetoric, Truth and Knowledge

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit contributes to the programme by developing students' appreciation of the character of human knowledge in its various forms, including scientific understanding. It will enable students to appreciate the differing kinds of human communication in language and to acquire skills in using it. As ministers of the Word graduates will be called upon to speak publicly with sensitivity and with understanding of what they are doing.

Unit Code

W7222

Unit Name

Moral Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

Moral philosophy or ethics is one of the major branches of philosophy and part of the foundational sub-major in philosophy in the SCD. This unit will introduce students to the basic questions of, and most common approaches to, moral philosophy, with special reference to those ethical issues and approaches that are relevant to Christian Ethics or Moral Theology.

Unit Code

W7238

Unit Name

Reason, Faith, and God

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This early undergraduate unit examines the state of religious faith in the West, and the rise of new defences of atheism. The current debates about God are situated in relation to the relationship between faith and reason.

Unit Code

W7307

Unit Name

Greek and Roman Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This is a specialist unit that allows the student to engage more deeply with ancient western philosophy, both Greek and Roman. It will be relevant students wishing to major in philosophy.

Unit Code

W7308

Unit Name

Medieval Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This is a specialist unit that allows the student to engage more deeply with the thought of the great medieval philosophers and theologians such as Augustine, Avicenna, Averroes, Anselm, Thomas Aquinas, Bonaventure, Scotus and Ockham.

Unit Code

W7309

Unit Name

From Descartes to Kant

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit covers the history of thought in the West from the time of Descartes (early 17th century) to the time of Kant (end of the 18th century).

Unit Code

W7310

Unit Name

From Kant to Postmodernism

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This unit examines the critical tradition of philosophy in the modern period that has largely defined itself over and against religion and authority. This unit provides an important background for the study of modern theology.

Unit Code

W7312

Unit Name

Philosophy of Culture

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This unit examines philosophical questions of culture as it has a particular bearing upon life in the 21st century.

Unit Code

W7331

Unit Name

Metaphysics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit address the most fundamental questions at stake in our understanding of reality in all its forms, by considering the perennial questions of being and existence, God and the human soul. This unit complements those approaches to theology which are shaped by philosophical concepts and modes of reasoning.

Unit Code

W7332

Unit Name

The Human Person

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit examines the philosophical anthropology of major texts and thinkers from the history of philosophy. It takes in classical traditional accounts from a Christian perspective and critical accounts from psychological and other perspectives.

Unit Code

W7346

Unit Name

Political Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit engages students in fundamental thinking about society and its political constitution. It therefore provides a basis for thinking about such matters as social justice, authority and common goods.

Unit Code

W7351

Unit Name

Epistemology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This unit examines human knowledge from an Aristotelian-Thomistic perspective. The unit is specifically required by students proceeding to degrees in Roman universities.

Unit Code

W7358

Unit Name

Philosophical Psychology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

W7106 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy or W7109 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces the student to the idea of the ancient Greeks that philosophy is a way of life. The course looks at the Christian and secular transformations of this theme, the first in terms of the soul and its perfection, the second in terms of the discovery of the unconscious and the psychoanalytical sense of therapy.

Unit Code

W8506

Unit Name

Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides an introduction to philosophy for MA students, by considering its origins in Greek philosophy and its encounter with Christian thought during the early Middle Ages. Students will also be introduced to the nature of philosophical inquiry, to several key texts and to methods of argumentation. They will gain a sense of the history of ideas.

Unit Code

W8509

Unit Name

Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites

W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds upon W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and covers the history of thought in the West during the Middle Ages and up to Locke. Students are introduced to several key texts and will learn how and why philosophical enquiry changes during the period. At the end of this unit the student should be prepared to undertake more advanced studies in philosophy.

Unit Code

W8571

Unit Name

Readings in Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions.

Suitable students may undertake both W8571 and W8572 based on the reading of different philosophical texts. Prerequisites for W8571 and W8572 are completion of both W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W8509 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy, or equivalent.

Curriculum Objectives

This unit will enable Graduate students to critically read and engage with important philosophical texts. Building on the historical perspectives provided by W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W8509 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy it will enable students to reflect on the central issues in philosophy.

Unit Code

W8572

Unit Name

Readings in Philosophy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions.

Suitable students may undertake both W8571 and W8572 based on the reading of different philosophical texts. Prerequisites for W8571 and W8572 are completion of both W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W8509 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy, or equivalent.

Curriculum Objectives

This unit will enable Graduate students to critically read and engage with important philosophical texts. Building on the historical perspectives provided by W8506 Ancient and Early Medieval Philosophy and W8509 Medieval and Early Modern Philosophy it will enable students to reflect on the central issues in philosophy.

Unit Code

W9612

Unit Name

Religion and Modernity

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points in Philosophy at 7000 Level or 27 Credit Points in Philosophy at 8500 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This specialist unit studies religion and modernity through texts in philosophy of religion by Kant and Hegel and examines their legacy

Unit Code

W9624

Unit Name

Theories and Issues in Ethics

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points in Philosophy at 7000 Level or 27 Credit Points in Philosophy at 8500 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This advanced unit builds on the student's familiarity with the basic issues in moral philosophy, in order to explore contemporary debates in ethical theory, and their relationship to issues in Christian Ethics or Moral Theology.

Unit Code

W9640

Unit Name

Philosophical Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

36 Credit Points in Philosophy at 7000 Level or 27 Credit Points in Philosophy at 8500 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This post-graduate unit will allow the graduate student to address fundamental issues in philosophical theology, including the nature of God, freedom and grace, time and eternity, providence and evil.

Unit Code

W9651

Unit Name

Ways of Knowing

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

36 Credit Points in Philosophy at 7000 Level or 27 Credit Points in Philosophy at 8500 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This unit explores different modes of knowing and shows how discourse is possible in each. It attempts to underpin thinking in other disciplines.

Theology

Unit Code

T7101

Unit Name

Introduction to Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students into the nature and tasks of theology and to theological methodology. It provides a foundation for all future theology course units.

Unit Code

T7217

Unit Name

The Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T7101 Introduction to Theology or T7105 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This unit introduces students to a central theme of theology, viz. that faith is lived within a community of believers. It prepares students for later units in the church's sacraments and ministry.

Unit Code

T7231

Unit Name

The Person and Work of Christ

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T7101 Introduction to Theology or T7105 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit is designed to provide students with an understanding of the person and saving work of Jesus Christ. It seeks to explore this understanding in the light of contemporary Christian thought and life.

Unit Code

T7281

Unit Name

Early Church Fathers

Unit Weighting in Credit Points

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T7101 Introduction to Theology or T7105 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit engages the thought and methods of the early Church Fathers, investigating the major trends in Christian tradition to early fifth century. It assists students to understand the connection between historical circumstances, the spiritual life and the formulation of Christian theology.

Unit Code

T7320

Unit Name

Ministry in the Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students to explore what it means to minister in the Church in the modern world. It will assist them to reflect on the foundations for their own practise of ministry.

Unit Code

T7323

Unit Name

The Sacraments

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit builds on earlier units in Christology, soteriology and ecclesiology. It aims to develop a basic pattern for sacramental life and show its application in the individual sacraments.

Unit Code

T7326

Unit Name

The Eucharist

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit will help students deepen their appreciation of the connection between the doctrine of the Eucharist, worship and witness in the Christian life. In this sense it will help them integrate various aspects of the undergraduate programme, and develop appropriate attitudes and skills for ministry.

Unit Code

T7328

Unit Name

Theology of Priesthood

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit explores the history, theology and practice of ministry in the church in the sacrament of Holy Order. With baptism as a starting point the sacrament of Order is considered in relation to the saving ministry of Jesus in the church and the world.

Unit Code

T7333

Unit Name

The Trinity

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

The purpose of this unit is to focus exclusively on, and examine systematically, the Church's teaching on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, a doctrine that stands at the very heart of Christian belief. In so doing it will want to demonstrate the profound soteriological and existential consequences of this doctrine to the way Christians live their life.

Unit Code

T7337

Unit Name

Christian Anthropology and Grace

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to provide students with a theological understanding of the human person and the ability to relate Christian anthropology to the theology of grace. It enables students to begin to integrate their prior theological learning into a coherent framework based on a Christian vision of human persons and their orientation to the divine life.

Unit Code

T7339

Unit Name

Creation and Fulfilment

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 7200 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to provide students with an understanding of contemporary creation theology and eschatology. It also equips students to grasp the interrelations between creation theology and eschatology.

Unit Code

T8501

Unit Name

Introducing Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit introduces students to the nature and tasks of theology and to theological method. It provides a foundation for all future theology course units.

Unit Code

T8517

Unit Name

Ecclesiology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T8501 Introducing Theology or T8505 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate unit introduces students to a central theme of theology, viz. that faith is lived within a community of believers.

Unit Code

T8523

Unit Name

Theology of Sacraments

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T8501 Introducing Theology or T8505 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit aims to develop a basic pattern for sacramental life and show its application in the individual sacraments.

Unit Code

T8531

Unit Name

Christology and Soteriology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites

T8501 Introduction to Theology or T8505 Introduction to Christian Doctrines

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit is designed to provide students with a foundational knowledge of the person and saving work of Jesus Christ. It also explores the relevance of this understanding in the light of contemporary Christian thought and discipleship.

Unit Code

T9609

Unit Name

Theological Methodology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

27 Credit Points in Theology at 7300 or 8500 or 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit introduces students to the in-depth study of theological methodology. It equips students to explicitly employ theological method in their own theological research and to analyse the methods employed by theologians.

Unit Code

T9618

Unit Name

Collegiality and Primacy

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

27 Credit Points in Theology at 7300 or 8500 or 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit builds on the theology of the Church studied in the undergraduate program. It is concerned with an issue that is presently at the forefront of ecumenical dialogue.

Unit Code

T9631

Unit Name

Major Questions in Christology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

T7231 The Person and Work of Christ or T8531 Christology and Soteriology or equivalent

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students to build upon their prior theological learning via a study of significant questions in Christology.

Unit Code

T9633

Unit Name

Focused Study in Trinitarian Theology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

The purpose of this graduate unit is enable students to build upon their prior theological learning via a study of a significant issue in Trinitarian theology

Unit Code

T9639

Unit Name

Theological Perspectives on the Environment

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

9 Credit Points in Theology at 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit aims to introduce the students into the main characteristics of, and causes leading to, the environmental crisis. It will also look for possible solutions in light of the theory and practice of an ecclesial tradition together with contemporary witnesses and attitudes.

Unit Code

T9643

Unit Name

Mary: Disciple and Symbol of the Church

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

27 Credit Points in Theology at 7300 or 8500 or 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit addresses the foundational sources of marian theology within an ecclesial context. It explores influences of history, culture, and contemporary hermeneutical approaches to the theology of Mary, and considers the ecumenical significance of marian doctrine and dogma.

Unit Code

T9653

Unit Name

Faith and Theology in Context

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

27 Credit Points in Theology at 7300 or 8500 or 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students to understand the manner in which social and cultural context affects faith. It challenges students to develop explicit approaches to the task of expounding major doctrines in response to contemporary issues.

Unit Code

T9666

Unit Name

Readings in Selected Theologians

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Specialised

Prerequisites

27 Credit Points in Theology at 7300 or 8500 or 9600 Level

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students to appreciate, via a detailed study of the key works selected theologians, that theology is an evolving and historically embedded discipline.

Worship and Liturgy

Unit Code

L7100

Unit Name

Introduction to Christian Worship

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit introduces students to concepts that provide a foundation for the study of Christian worship.

Unit Code

L7220

Unit Name

Introduction to Preaching

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Intermediate

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit seeks to establish a theology of preaching that provides an adequate theoretical foundation to preaching practice and introduces students to the foundational skills needed for the preparation and delivery of homilies / sermons.

Unit Code

L8501

Unit Name

Introducing Christian Worship

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit introduces students to concepts that provide a foundation for the study of Christian worship.

Unit Code

L8510

Unit Name

The Practice of Worship

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Foundational

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit examines worship in varying developmental, social and cultural contexts.

Generic Units

Unit Code

X7391

Unit Name

Research Project

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

36 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline with a GPA of 1.5

Curriculum Objectives

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Unit Code

X7392

Unit Name

Research Project

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

36 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline with a GPA of 1.5

Curriculum Objectives

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Unit Code

X7393

Unit Name

Independent Guided Study

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students with initiative and creativity to pursue ideas and areas of interest in a subject area. It affords the student an opportunity to develop independent research and study skills.

Unit Code

X7394

Unit Name

Independent Guided Study

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students with initiative and creativity to pursue ideas and areas of interest in a subject area. It affords the student an opportunity to develop independent research and study skills.

Unit Code

X7395

Unit Name

Issues in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides students with an opportunity to focus at some depth on an area (the [Topic] of the unit) within a discipline or sub-discipline that is not available elsewhere in the curriculum. The particular topic might include: an examination of contemporary themes or current issues in the discipline; exploration of developments in research and theory; a consideration of the implications of developments in research and theory to a broad range of issues of current concern to Christian life, ministry or theology; an opportunity to learn new theories and skills and to apply them in practical or simulated circumstances.

Unit Code

X7396

Unit Name

Issues in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides students with an opportunity to focus at some depth on an area (the [Topic] of the unit) within a discipline or sub-discipline that is not available elsewhere in the

curriculum. The particular topic might include: an examination of contemporary themes or current issues in the discipline; exploration of developments in research and theory; a consideration of the implications of developments in research and theory to a broad range of issues of current concern to Christian life, ministry or theology; an opportunity to learn new theories and skills and to apply them in practical or simulated circumstances.

Unit Code

X7397

Unit Name

Seminar [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students to read or research in greater depth a particular topic, to present the results of this reading or research to their peers and to engage in analytical discussion on the topic. A seminar is a class of students and an academic staff member that meets regularly. A seminar has no lectures. Students discuss assigned readings or their research and take an active role in their learning.

Unit Code

X7399

Unit Name

Capstone Unit in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Capstone

Prerequisites

144 Credit Points

Curriculum Objectives

This capstone course unit provides an opportunity for students to integrate what they have previously learned in the major area of study, in other course units that formed part of the degree, and in their life experiences beyond the formal course of study. It enables students to demonstrate a broad mastery of learning across the curriculum, to consider its application in future life situations, and to plan further learning experiences designed to complement and extend their current levels of understanding. It normally introduces little new content although it may introduce new methodologies and techniques.

Unit Code

X8500

Unit Name

Research Methodology

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points in the Discipline of Research

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit introduces students to the procedures and skills required to research a topic, critically evaluate research materials, organise information, and prepare a research proposal. It is a prerequisite for X9692 Research Project, X9696 Research Essay, and X8598 Honours Thesis but may be taken by any qualified student. It focuses on the research, organisation, ethical issues, and writing skills that the student will need to prepare an acceptable research essay or thesis. Applicants for Sydney College of Divinity research degree programs are required to have completed this unit at distinction level or demonstrate equivalence in achievement.

Unit Code

X8595

Unit Name

Issues in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit provides students with an opportunity to focus, at an advanced level, on an area (the [Topic] of the unit) within a discipline or sub-discipline that is not available elsewhere in the curriculum. The particular topic might include: an examination of contemporary themes or current issues in the discipline; exploration of developments in research and theory; a consideration of the implications of developments in research and theory to a broad range of issues of current concern to Christian life, ministry or theology; an opportunity to learn new theories and skills and to apply them in practical or simulated circumstances.

Unit Code

X8597

Unit Name

Seminar [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites

None

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit provides an opportunity for honours students to deepen their understanding of, and to be inducted into, the culture of scholarship and research. This process includes opportunity for honours students to engage in scholarly activities and to present their research in progress.

Unit Code

X8598

Unit Name

Honours Thesis (20,000 words)

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

36

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites

Completion of the SCD BTh or equivalent

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students to develop already advanced knowledge and skills in a particular discipline by research that demonstrates their capacity to proceed to further professional or highly skilled learning.

Unit Code

X9690

Unit Name

Research Essay

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

36

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites

- The completion of 54 credit points in the Master of Arts or Master of Theology.
- At least 36 credit points in the discipline in which the Research Essay will be undertaken.
- A Grade Point Average across all coursework of at least 1.8 (72% average mark).
- X8500 Research Methodology

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students to develop specialised knowledge and skills in a particular discipline by research that demonstrates their capacity to proceed to further professional practice or highly skilled learning.

Unit Code

X9691

Unit Name

Research Project

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

X8500 Research Methodology

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit builds on the theological background, capacity and interests of a student and enables her or him to pursue broad research, often of a survey nature, into an area or topic within a discipline or across disciplines. This research cannot usually be done within the strictures of individual coursework units or the focused study of a particular topic.

Unit Code

X9692

Unit Name

Research Project

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites and co-requisites

X8500 Research Methodology

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit builds on the theological background, capacity and interests of a student and enables her or him to pursue broad research, often of a survey nature, into an area or topic within a discipline or across disciplines. This research cannot usually be done within the strictures of individual coursework units or the focused study of a particular topic.

Unit Code

X9693

Unit Name

Independent Guided Study

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students with initiative and creativity to pursue ideas and areas of interest in a subject area. It affords the student an opportunity to develop independent research and study skills.

Unit Code

X9694

Unit Name

Independent Guided Study

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

18 Credit Points in the Sub-Discipline

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students with initiative and creativity to pursue ideas and areas of interest in a subject area. It affords the student an opportunity to develop independent research and study skills.

Unit Code

X9695

Unit Name

Issues in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites, co-requisites or exclusions

None

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit provides students with an opportunity to focus, at an advanced level, on an area (the [Topic] of the unit) within a discipline or sub-discipline that is not available elsewhere in the curriculum. The particular topic might include: an examination of contemporary themes or current issues in the discipline; exploration of developments in research and theory; a consideration of the implications of developments in research and theory to a broad range of issues of current concern to Christian life, ministry or theology; an opportunity to learn new theories and skills and to apply them in practical or simulated circumstances.

Unit Code

X9696

Unit Name

Research Essay

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

18

Type of Unit

Generic (Research)

Prerequisites

- The completion of 54 credit points in the Master of Arts or Master of Theology.
- At least 36 credit points in the discipline in which the Research Essay will be undertaken.
- A Grade Point Average across all coursework of at least 1.8 (72% average mark).
- X8500 Research Methodology

Curriculum Objectives

This graduate course unit enables students to develop specialised knowledge and skills in a particular discipline by research that demonstrates their capacity to proceed to further professional practice or highly skilled learning.

Unit Code

X9697

Unit Name

Seminar [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Generic (Teaching)

Prerequisites

36 Credit Points

Curriculum Objectives

This course unit enables students to read or research in greater depth a particular topic, to present the results of this reading or research to their peers and to engage in analytical discussion on the topic. A seminar is a class of students and an academic staff member that meets regularly. A seminar has no lectures. Students discuss assigned readings or their research and take an active role in their learning.

Unit Code

X9699

Unit Name

Capstone Unit in [Topic]

Unit Weighting (Credit Points)

9

Type of Unit

Capstone

Prerequisites

72 Credit Points

Curriculum Objectives

This capstone course unit provides an opportunity for students to integrate what they have previously learned in the major area of study, in other course units that formed part of the degree, and in their life experiences beyond the formal course of study. It enables students to demonstrate a broad mastery of learning across the curriculum, to consider its application in future life situations, and to plan further learning experiences designed to complement and extend their current levels of understanding. It normally introduces little new content although it may introduce new methodologies and techniques.