

Australian College of Theology

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

1. ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN THEOLOGY (AssDegTh)

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| Duration: | Two years full-time or equivalent. |
| Credit points: | 64 |
| Purpose: | This award may form the framework for a suitable form of training for a variety of avenues of Christian service and leadership such as a teaching or pastoral ministry as part of a ministry team. |
| Admission: | Applicants are expected to have at least a Higher School Certificate, or equivalent, with UAI of 65, or, for mature age entry, to be 21 and to satisfy the Faculty that they are in a position to study at the level of the course. |
| Modes: | Full-time, Part-time. |
| Austudy: | Available to qualifying students. |
| FEE HELP: | Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees |
| Overseas students: | Available to overseas students. |

2. BACHELOR OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES (BChrStuds)

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| Duration: | Three years full-time or equivalent. |
| Credit points: | 96 |
| Purpose: | This award integrates Biblical and theological study with other disciplines to enable students to gain a broad Christian understanding for their professional or academic career. |
| Admission: | See ACT Undergraduate Manual for admission criteria. |
| Austudy: | Available to qualifying students. |
| FEE HELP: | Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees |
| Overseas students: | Available to overseas students. |
| Course structure: | One year (32 cps) is undertaken in a non-theological area at a University. The remaining units are drawn from the 300 and 400 pool offered at the PTC. See the ACT Undergraduate Manual for course details and see our unit descriptions |

3. BACHELOR OF MINISTRY (BMin)

Duration: Three years full-time or equivalent.

Credit points: 96

Purpose: This award may provide a suitable form of training for a variety of avenues of Christian service and leadership such as pastoral ministry, chaplaincy, overseas missions and cross-cultural ministry, youth ministry, evangelism and teaching.

Admission: Applicants are expected to have at least a Higher School Certificate, or equivalent with UAI of 75, or, for mature age entry, to be 21 and to satisfy the Faculty that they are in a position to study at the level of the course. Students admitted to the BTh course are accepted provisionally and are reassessed after the first year. Students who fail twice in the same unit will be required to show cause why they should continue in the course.

Austudy: Available to qualifying students.

FEE HELP: Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees

Overseas students: Available to overseas students.

Course structure: See the ACT Undergraduate Manual for course details and see our unit descriptions for 300 and 400 level units. All units listed below are 4 cps unless stated. A maximum of 40 cps of 300 level units (excluding languages) may be counted.

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| Core units 28 cps needed | |
| LA003A | Biblical Hebrew A |
| or LA004A | New Testament Greek A |
| OT301 | Formative OT Traditions |
| OT302 | From Israel to Judea |
| NT301 | Content and Setting of Gospel Tradition |
| NT302 | Early NT Church |
| TH402 | Doctrine of God & Work of Christ |
| CH305 | Early Church History (40-451) |
| or CH302 | The Church from 1550 to Modern Times |
| Old and New Testaments - 12 cps needed. Students must take at least one OT and one NT unit from this group. | |
| OT420 | Pentateuch (English) |
| OT425 | Apocalyptic & Post-exilic Prophecy (English) |
| OT426 | Psalter (English) |
| NT424 | Fourth Gospel (English) |
| NT429 | Romans (English) |
| Other options are available for OT and NT exegesis (Hebrew and Greek) provided that LA003 or LA004 has been passed. | |

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| Theology - 8 cps needed | |
| TH401 | Knowledge of God |
| TH403 | Doctrine of Grace & Eschatology |
| TH404 | Church, Sacraments & Ministry |
| TH410 | Westminster Confession of Faith |
| Church History - 4 cps needed | |
| CH424 | Reformation |
| CH425 | History of Evangelical Christianity |
| PNC41 | Australian Presbyterianism in its International Context |
| Ministry & Practice - 24 cps needed including Supervised Experience Based Learning with a minimum of 4 cps from at least each of two fields | |
| EM324 | Evangelism Principles |
| PC301 | Ministry Formation |
| PC315 | Christian Worship |
| PC403 | Pastoral Skills and Methods |
| PC441 | Principles of Homiletics |
| PC442 | Congregational Field Education or other Field Education |
| PC449 | Spiritual Development (SEBL) A and B |
| DM411 | Youth in the Churches |
| Electives - 20 cps needed - select from any unit not counted above, and | |
| PE310 | Christian World View |
| PE325 | Philosophy of Religion |
| PE402 | Theological Ethics |
| ++490 Project ++ May be from any field. | |
| Plus any other units which have not been counted towards the requirements of another field. | |

4. BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (BTh)

Duration: Three years full-time or equivalent.

Credit points: 96

Purpose: This award may provide a suitable form of training for a variety of avenues of Christian service and leadership such as pastoral ministry, chaplaincy, overseas missions and cross-cultural ministry, youth ministry, evangelism and teaching.

Admission: Applicants are expected to have at least a Higher School Certificate, or equivalent with UAI of 75, or, for mature age entry, to be 21 and to satisfy the Faculty that they are in a position to study at the level of the course. Students admitted to the BTh course are accepted provisionally and are reassessed after the first year. Students who fail twice in the same unit will be required to show cause why they should continue in the course.

Modes: Full-time, Part-time.

Austudy: Available to qualifying students.

FEE HELP: Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees.

Overseas students: Available to overseas students.

Course structure: See the ACT Undergraduate Manual for course details and see our unit descriptions for 300 and 400 level units. All units listed below are 4 cps unless stated. A maximum of 40 cps of 300 level units (excluding languages) may be counted.

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| Core units- 32 cps needed | |
| LA004A&B | New Testament Greek A&B (4 cps each) |
| OT301 | Formative OT Traditions |
| OT302 | From Israel to Judea |
| NT301 | Content & Setting of the Gospel Tradition |
| NT302 | Early NT Church |
| TH402 | Doctrine of God & Work of Christ |
| CH305 | Early Church History (40-451) |
| or CH302 | The Church from 1550 to Modern Times |
| Old and New Testaments - 24 cps needed: Select from | |
| OT420 | Pentateuch (English) |
| OT421 | Former Prophets (English) |
| or OT431 | Former Prophets (Hebrew) |
| OT425 | Apocalyptic (English) |
| or OT435 | Apocalyptic (Hebrew) |
| OT426 | Psalter (English) |
| or OT436 | Psalter (Hebrew) |
| OT430 | Pentateuch (Hebrew) |
| NT430 | Synoptic Gospels (Greek) |
| NT438 | Other Writings (Greek) |
| NT424 | Fourth Gospel (English) |
| or NT434 | Fourth Gospel (Greek) |
| NT429 | Romans (English) |
| or NT439 | Romans (Greek) |
| Theology - 12 cps needed | |
| TH401 | Knowledge of God |
| TH403 | Doctrine of Grace & Eschatology |
| TH404 | Church, Sacraments & Ministry |
| TH410 | Westminster Confession of Faith |
| Church History - 4 cps needed | |
| CH424 | Reformation |
| CH425 | History of Evangelical Christianity |
| PNC41 | Australian Presbyterianism in its International Context |
| Electives - 24 cps needed - select from any units not counted above, and: | |
| LA003A&B | Biblical Hebrew A & B (4 cps each) |
| EM324 | Evangelism Principles |
| PE310 | Christian World View |

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| PE402 | Theological Ethics |
| PC315 | Christian Worship |
| PC325 | Philosophy of Religion |
| PC301 | Ministry Formation |
| PC403 | Pastoral Skills and Methods |
| PC441 | Principles of Homiletics |
| PC442 | Congregational Field Education or other Field Education |
| PC449 | Spiritual Development (SEBL) |
| DM411 | Youth in the Churches |
| ++490 Project ++ May be from any field | |

5. BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY/MINISTRY (HONOURS) [BTh (Hons)/BMin(Hons)]

Duration: One year full-time or equivalent following a BTh or BMin.

Credit points: 32 after 96 cps in BTh/BMin

Purpose: Besides equipping for Christian ministry, the honours degree prepares students for postgraduate study in theology. The honours year allows scope for specialisation in a chosen field of study.

Admission: See ACT Undergraduate Manual for admission criteria. Admission to the Honours year requires a GPA of at least 2.8, with at least 2.8 in the chosen field of study.

Austudy: Available to qualifying students.

FEE HELP: Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees

Overseas students: Available to overseas students.

Course structure: See ACT Undergraduate Manual for course structure. The PTC offers units in some fields of study. Research Methods (++495) in the chosen field is required. units to be available at honours level are not necessarily restricted to those appearing in the units listing. Interested students are advised to consult the Registrar by the second year of their course to plan a program of study. It is expected that it will be feasible for capable students to complete the Honours degree concurrently with the four-year Diploma of Theological Studies as there is some overlap in the requirements of the two awards.

6. COMBINED BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY AND ADVANCED DIPLOMA OF MINISTRY (BTh AdvDipMin)

Duration: Four years full-time or equivalent.

Credit points: 128

Purpose: As for the component awards.

Admission: As for the component awards.

Modes: Full-time, Part-time. Some units may be taken by distance.

Austudy: Available to qualifying students.

FEE HELP: Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees

Overseas students: Available to overseas students.

Course structure: This combined award covers the full curriculum of the Bachelor of Theology and a telescoped curriculum of the Advanced Diploma of Ministry. It may be a suitable combined award to pursue in conjunction with the PTC Diploma of Theological Studies. See the ACT Undergraduate Manual for details on the requirements.

7. COMBINED BACHELOR OF ARTS AND BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY (BA BTh)

Duration: Five years full-time or equivalent.

Purpose: As for the component awards.

Admission: As for the component awards.

Modes: Full-time, Part-time. Some units may be taken by distance.

Austudy: Available to qualifying students.

FEE HELP: Available to qualifying students. For more information go to Fees.

Overseas students: Available to overseas students.

Course structure: Offered in association with some Universities in Sydney. Alternatively, credit may be granted towards some University degrees for units of the BTh completed at the PTC.