

Bachelor of Theology

Designed as a broad and integrated theological qualification, the Bachelor of Theology prepares theologically informed graduates for engagement and service in the church, community, and world.

Graduates have access to a range of postgraduate courses at Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters levels.

How do I start?

If you would like course advice, contact the Academic Dean, Dr Stephen Haar (Deans.Office@alc.edu.au).

If you want to start immediately, simply visit the www.alc.edu.au/education/enrol/higher-education/enrolment-forms page, fill out the application for admission form and return to enrolments@alc.edu.au.



... be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God ...

Romans 12:2

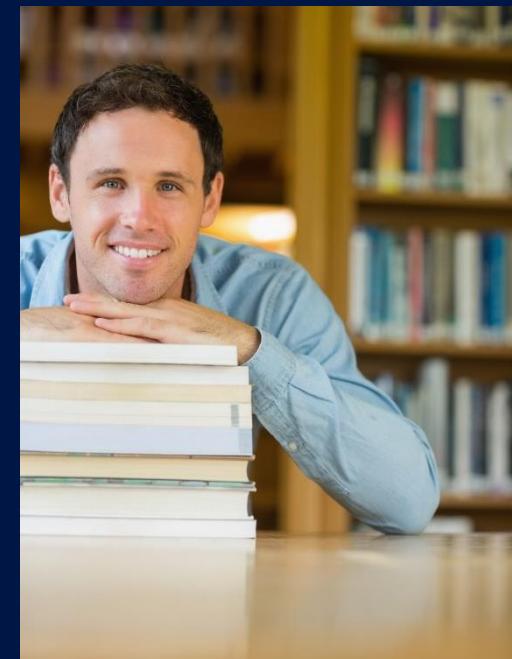


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A foundational degree

The Bachelor of Theology [BTheol] is an initial theological degree for students wishing to study theology at a tertiary academic level. The course provides general theological units for students preparing for employment in church and society. The Bachelor of Theology enables students to lay sound foundations in the key theological disciplines of Biblical Studies, Systematic Theology, Church History, Mission and Ministry.

Various options are available within the basic structure of the BTheol degree. While the degree is structured to provide a general introduction to theology, students are able to customise the degree through their choice of electives.

The BTheol is recognised by congregations, schools and agencies of the Lutheran Church of Australia as an initial qualification. Taken as a dual degree with the Bachelor of Ministry, it forms part of the normal academic requirements for candidates wishing to prepare for ordination in the Lutheran Church of Australia.

I commend the Bachelor of Theology as an excellent degree providing a broad, integrated introduction to theology in general, and Lutheran theology in particular.

Dr Stephen Haar
Academic Dean

What will I study?

The Bachelor of Theology is a three year full-time (or up to nine years part-time) course offered on campus at Australian Lutheran College.

What this course is about

The Bachelor of Theology critically examines life and faith through the study of scriptures, theological traditions and historical contexts. It aims to broaden self-understanding and facilitate cultural engagement.

The Bachelor of Theology assists students to develop knowledge across broad areas of theology and depth in particular areas of interest. It develops research and communication skills, and prepares graduates for further theological study.

It may be possible for students to undertake study in a ministry setting as part of the course.

Course outcomes

Graduates of the Bachelor of Theology:

- have a broad, coherent and critical knowledge of Christian theological traditions and methodologies, with focused knowledge in at least one area
- can articulate the knowledge they have acquired to generate insights and communicate them through clear reasoned argument
- are able to engage theological traditions and contemporary culture
- have a theologically informed basis for engagement and service in community and world.

Course structure

The BTheol consists of 432 points comprised of:

- 72 points in a discipline or disciplines in Field B (Biblical Studies) which must include at least 18 points in each Testament
- 36 points in the discipline of Church History
- 72 points in the discipline of Systematic Theology
- 36 points in a discipline or disciplines in Field D (Theology: Mission and Ministry)
- A further 216 points

Each course of study for the Bachelor of Theology:

- must not include more than 216 points at level 1
- must include at least 108 points at level 3 including 36 points at level 3 in either a discipline or disciplines in Field B (Biblical Studies) or in the discipline of Systematic Theology.

Entry requirements

Successful completion of Year 12 in an Australian secondary school, or equivalent.

When secondary education has not been completed, probationary admission to the course may be permitted. Please consult the Academic Dean.

Where the first language is other than English, the University of Divinity English language proficiency requirements apply.

ALC operates with a policy of credit transfer and recognition of prior learning.

Completion of admission includes a conversation with a course advisor.

Feel the call to become a church worker?

If you want to become an aged care chaplain, school chaplain, ministry worker, or youth worker, the Bachelor of Theology will provide you with a comprehensive and foundational qualification. Contact the Academic Dean for more information.

