

Master of Theological Studies

The Master of Theological Studies is made up of 12 standard units.

The Graduate Diploma in Theology is an exit point of the Master of Theological Studies and is made up of six standard units.

How do I start?

Contact the Academic Dean to discuss your study options, then fill out the [Application for Admission form](#) from the ALC website and return to enrolments@alc.edu.au.



For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.

Matthew 7:8



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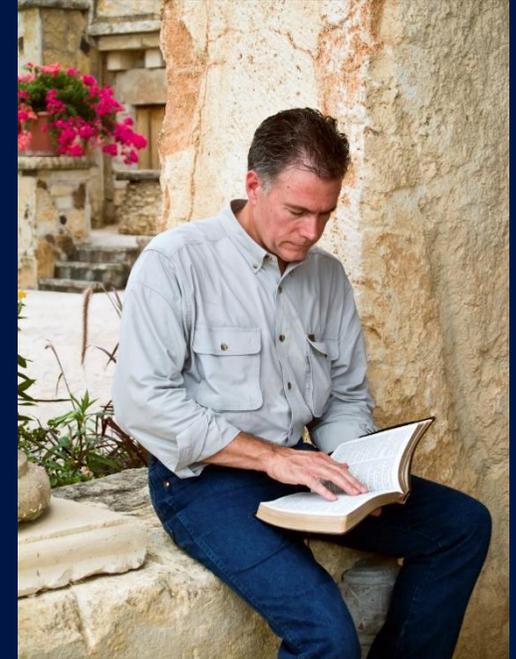
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Postgraduate studies

The wide range of postgraduate studies at ALC makes study in theology accessible to students with varying undergraduate backgrounds and diverse interests.

Students with a primary degree in theology can undertake further, specialised study through coursework and research.

Students with a primary degree in a discipline other than theology can commence theological studies through a coursework degree program at postgraduate level.

ALC offers a number of postgraduate courses to more fully equip those who are serving in various areas of ministry within the Lutheran Church of Australia, Lutheran churches overseas, and in ministries in other Christian denominations.

The following courses are offered:

Postgraduate by coursework

[Graduate Certificate in Divinity](#)

[Graduate Certificate in Leadership](#)

[Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education](#)

[Graduate Certificate in Theological Education](#)

[Graduate Certificate in Theology](#)

[Graduate Diploma in Divinity](#)

[Graduate Diploma in Theology](#)

[Master of Education and Theology](#)

[Master of Theological Studies](#)

[Master of Theology \(Coursework\)](#)

Postgraduate by research

[Master of Philosophy](#)

[Master of Theology \(Research\)](#)

[Doctor of Philosophy](#)

[Doctor of Theology](#)

Master of Theological Studies

Emphasis

The Master of Theological Studies [MTS] enables students to apply an advanced body of knowledge in theology and its associated disciplines. Students broaden their knowledge and skills and deepen their engagement with select areas of study to prepare them for professional practice and further learning.

Course structure

The MTS consists of 288 points (normally 12 units) comprised of:

- 72 points of Foundational units in three disciplines from at least two fields
- 120 points of Elective units
- Either one Capstone unit of at least 24 points or a Research Essay
- Further Foundational, Elective, Praxis or Capstone units.

Foundational requirements

The following units are offered to complete foundational requirements of the MTS:

- Bible Then and Now
- Pastoral Care in Context 1
- Pastoral Care in Context 2
- The Christian Faith in Modern Context

Other units may be available, including possible cross-institutional study opportunities with other Colleges of the University of Divinity.

Contact the Academic Dean for more information.

Elective requirements

The following additional units are offered to complete the requirements of the MTS:

- Biblical Texts and Traditions
- Biblical Theology for Educators
- Leadership for a Christian Context
- Capstone Project
- 16,000 word research essay

Areas of interest

- Talk with us about your special interests and we will work with you to design supervised units of study.

Eligibility requirements

Successful completion of an undergraduate degree.

Where the first language is other than English, refer to the English language proficiency requirements in the University's [Admissions Policy](#).

Pathway

Students who complete this award by including a Research Essay to a specified standard may be eligible for admission to higher degrees by research.

Fields of study

Units of the MTS are taken in four general areas of theological study:

Field A—Humanities

Field B—Biblical Studies

Field C—Christian Thought and History

Field D—Theology: Mission and Ministry

How long will my course take to complete?

The MTS is two years full-time, or up to 6 years part-time.

