

Graduate Certificate in Theology & Graduate Diploma in Theology

The Graduate Certificate in Theology [GCTheol] is an exit point of the Graduate Diploma in Theology and is made up of three standard units.

The Graduate Diploma in Theology [GDTTheol] consists of six standard units.

How do I start?

Discuss your study plan

Contact the Academic Dean to discuss your study options.

Complete your application

Fill out the Application for Admission form from the ALC website (see www.alc.edu.au/education/enrol/higher-education/enrolment-forms) and return to enrolments@alc.edu.au.



*Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the one who takes
refuge in him*

Psalm 34:8



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The wide range of postgraduate studies at ALC makes further 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](#)

What will I study?

These graduate courses are a great way to begin your theological studies, building upon an undergrad degree in an area other than theology. If your first language is other than English please see the English language proficiency requirements in the University of Divinity's [Admissions Policy](#).

Graduate Certificate in Theology

ALC offers the **Graduate Certificate in Theology** primarily as an opportunity for those with a degree in a discipline other than theology to engage in theological study.

The Graduate Certificate will introduce you to the study of theology—or deepen your knowledge—through an engagement in selected theological disciplines such as Biblical Studies, Systematic Theology, Church History, Pastoral Theology and Ministry Studies.

Course structure

72 points (generally three standard units) in Foundation studies, introducing candidates to three theological disciplines (typically from Old Testament, New Testament, Systematic Theology, Church History, Ethics, Spirituality, Pastoral Theology) in at least two fields.

Eligibility requirements

Successful completion of an undergraduate degree, or an approved equivalent.

Graduate Diploma in Theology

ALC offers the **Graduate Diploma in Theology** primarily as an opportunity for those with a degree in a discipline other than theology to engage in theological study.

The Graduate Diploma in Theology provides a substantial foundation in selected theological disciplines such as Biblical Studies, Systematic Theology, Church History, Pastoral Theology and Ministry Studies, and allows students to explore areas of interest in theology.

Course structure

144 points of study are required. At least 72 points (three standard units) must be in Foundation studies, introducing candidates to three theological disciplines (typically from Old Testament, New Testament, Systematic Theology, Church History, Spirituality, Pastoral Theology and Ministry Studies) in at least two fields.

Eligibility requirements

Successful completion of an undergraduate degree or a Graduate Certificate in Theology.

How long will my course take to complete?

The Graduate Certificate in Theology is one semester full-time, or up to 3 semesters part-time.

The Graduate Diploma in Theology is one year full-time, or up to 3 years part-time.

