

# How do I start?

## Find out more

Further information can be obtained from the ALC website [alc.edu.au/study/courses-for-in-service-teachers/](http://alc.edu.au/study/courses-for-in-service-teachers/) or email [enquiries@alc.edu.au](mailto:enquiries@alc.edu.au).

## Discuss your study plan

This brochure provides general course information. Speak to a course advisor at ALC to explore your enrolment options.

## Complete your application

Go to the study application section of the website [alc.edu.au/study/apply/](http://alc.edu.au/study/apply/) and send your application for admission to [enrolments@alc.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@alc.edu.au).



Know someone training to be a teacher?

ALC also offers programs which enable pre-service teachers to obtain a Christian Studies minor to enhance their teaching qualifications.

Contact us to find out more.



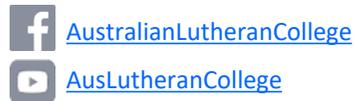
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# Postgraduate studies for teachers



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# Postgraduate studies

**ALC offers the following coursework awards applicable to teachers:**

- Graduate Certificate in Divinity
- Graduate Certificate in Education and Theology
- Graduate Certificate in Leadership
- Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education
- Graduate Certificate in Theology
- Graduate Diploma in Divinity
- Master of Education and Theology

## The University of Divinity

ALC is a College of the University of Divinity, a collegiate university comprising eleven Colleges who partner together under a central administration. This model is familiar in North America and Europe, the University of Cambridge being a well-known collegial university in the UK.

Our University was established by the *University of Divinity Act 1910* of the Parliament of Victoria. The Act was most recently amended in January 2017. It constitutes and incorporates the University and empowers it to confer degrees and award diplomas and certificates in Divinity and its associated disciplines. This means that in studying at ALC, you will receive a testamur which carries with it over 100 years of experience delivering awards like our education courses for teachers.

### Study options

All postgraduate units are available online. Most teachers combining work and study undertake one unit per semester. Summer semester options may be available.

## Why study education at ALC?

A College of the University of Divinity, ALC is the only tertiary institution in Australia equipped to enable a deep study of the ways in which theology informs the identity and educational practice of Lutheran schools and early learning facilities. ALC theologians and educators work in partnership with each other to deliver this unique service to students.

### Master of Education and Theology

This is the major award designed specifically for teachers.

#### Study focus

The award focus is the dialogue between education and theology in the context of a faith-based school or early learning facility. It considers how theology informs educational practice and how education applies theology.

#### Course structure

- Generally six units, typically
- Education and Theology in Dialogue
  - Biblical Theology for Educators
  - Leadership for a Christian Context or Teaching and Leading Christian Studies
  - Ethics, Values and Decision Making for Educators
  - An additional unit or two 12 point units

- A capstone unit (or minor thesis\*)
- \* 48 points = 2 standard units
- Early exit from the Master of Education and Theology with a graduate certificate is possible.

### Graduate Certificate in Education and Theology

#### Study focus

The award supports participants to develop a critical appreciation of the Christian faith and its implications for their work in a faith-based education context.

#### Course structure

Equivalent to 3 standard units but may be comprised of 6 half units. Credit will be given for successful completion of some LEA professional development programs.

### Graduate Certificate in Leadership

The Graduate Certificate in Leadership includes the formal study requirements for gaining accreditation as a leader in a Lutheran school.

#### Study focus

This graduate certificate focuses on a study of leadership and its application to a Christian education context.

#### Course structure

- Three units
- Leadership for a Christian context
  - Education and Theology in Dialogue
  - Ethics, Values and Decision Making for Educators

### Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education

This award is also a pathway to accreditation as a Christian Studies teacher in a Lutheran school. It is primarily undertaken by eligible pre-service teachers, teachers very early in their career and those not teaching in a faith-based school.

#### Study focus

This award focuses on foundational biblical and theological studies, the identity of a Lutheran school, and pedagogy in Christian Studies.

#### Course structure

- Three units
- Introduction to Lutheran Education
  - The Christ-centred School
  - Teaching in a Lutheran School Context

#### Additional awards

- Graduate Certificate in Divinity
- Graduate Diploma in Divinity

These flexible awards enable students to develop their own specialisation.

