



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Graduate Certificate in Religious Education (NSW)

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School of Philosophy & Theology

Are you a qualified teacher who would like to teach religious studies in NSW's Catholic school system? If so, the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education at The University of Notre Dame Australia has been specifically created to meet your needs. This degree, approved by Sydney Catholic Schools, consists of two compulsory courses and two electives and can be completed in six months of full-time study. Since classes are held during school holidays, weekends and evenings, the program will appeal to full-time teachers with limited study time.

Why study this program?

The Graduate Certificate in Religious Education from Notre Dame offers you the opportunity to achieve accreditation to teach Religious Education in a Catholic school as defined by Sydney Catholic Schools and the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta.

During your studies, you will develop a profound understanding of the essential elements of Catholic belief – the mystery of salvation through Christ, the nature of Revelation and sacramental theology.

Program summary

Core courses

- Critical Issues in Religious Education
- Scripture & Church

Plus Two Theology Electives (to be chosen from)

- Foundations of Moral Theology
- Liturgy
- Church & Sacraments
- Christology

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More information regarding courses can be found at the [course descriptions \(https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-philosophy-and-theology/sydney/course-descriptions\)](https://www.notredame.edu.au/about-us/faculties-and-schools/school-of-philosophy-and-theology/sydney/course-descriptions) page.

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the Program Requirements (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0027/289/Certificate-in-Religious-Education-NSW.pdf).

Entry requirements

Academic requirements for this program are outlined on our admission requirements (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/admission-requirements>) page. All applicants need to satisfy minimum requirements, including those relating to age and English Language Proficiency (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/applications-and-admissions/admission-requirements/english-language-requirements>).

Learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the Graduate Certificate in Religious Education, graduates will be able to:

1. Articulate an advanced body of knowledge, with depth in the underlying principles and concepts in the discipline of theology as a basis for independent lifelong learning
2. Critically analyse, consolidate, and synthesise knowledge
3. Demonstrate technical skills associated with an advanced understanding of knowledge
4. Exercise critical thinking and judgement for identifying and solving problems with intellectual independence
5. Communicate and present an advanced exposition of theological knowledge and concepts; and
5. Apply theological reflection, knowledge, and skills to

demonstrate autonomy, well developed theoretical and practical judgement, and ethical responsibility.

Career opportunities

A Graduate Certificate in Religious Education will give you the skills and knowledge to teach Religious Studies in Catholic primary and high schools.

Real-world experience

You will learn from our academics, who are leaders in their field. There are no practicum requirements for this program.

Fees and costs

This Program has the following loan scheme(s) available for eligible students:

Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP)

A Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP) is a place at a university where the Australian Government pays part of your fees. This part is a subsidy, not a loan, and you don't have to pay it back. However, this subsidy does not cover the entire cost of your study. Students must pay the rest, which is called the 'student contribution amount'.

In a Commonwealth Supported Place, your fees are subsidised by the Australian Government. Your fees will be split into two portions:

The Commonwealth contribution, which is the portion paid by the Australian Government.

The student contribution, which is the portion you pay. You may choose to pay upfront or defer your student contribution with a HECS-HELP Loan. The HECS-HELP loan scheme (<https://www.studyassist.gov.au/preview-link/node/106/5de65e70-6656-4297-a79d-19fd4a6deadd>) assists eligible students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your HECS-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

Eligible students will be offered a CSP – you do not need to apply.

Domestic Fee-Paying

A domestic fee-paying place is a place at university where the student is responsible for the full cost the program.

Eligible domestic fee-paying students may apply for the FEE-HELP loan scheme (<https://www.studyassist.gov.au/preview-link/node/108/a39069a0-c0d9-4ed5-ad8e-1df4d43a987a>) which assists eligible fee-paying students with the payment of all, or part, of their tuition fees, not including additional study costs such as accommodation or textbooks. Your FEE-HELP debt will be indexed each year in line with the Consumer Price Index.

For indicative fees and information on how to pay, including Government loan schemes and our online calculator, visit our Fees, costs and scholarships page (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees-costs-and-scholarships>).

More information

Considering your uni options?

Talk to one of our career advisors for a personalised advice session (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>). Our advisors provide support while choosing a program of study and completing our application process. **Book my session. (<https://calendly.com/d/dmr-5gg-c2h>)**

For more information, please call our Prospective Students Office on +61 2 8204 4404 or email sydney@nd.edu.au (<mailto:sydney@nd.edu.au>).

For more information, please email studyonline@nd.edu.au. (<mailto:studyonline@nd.edu.au>)

APPLY DIRECT ↗

Need help? Ask Notre Dame

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Duration: 0.5 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Duration type: Full time; Part time

Campus: Sydney

Study mode: External; Online; On campus; Blended

Commencement: Semester 1; Semester 2

Program code: 4115

Fee: Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP); Domestic Full
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