



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

Master of Arts (Theology)

School of Philosophy & Theology, Sydney Campus

Our Master of Arts (Theology) degree has been designed with subject alternatives to serve a wide range of professional needs and interests. This program has a particular appeal to teachers of religious education, and it will also resonate with students from other academic backgrounds. Completed in two years of full-time study (or the equivalent part-time), this program asks and offers answers to some of the big questions facing any Christian, such as the nature of God, the origins of human life and the nature of personal identity. Students become informed about the development of Catholic theology, in relation to philosophy, to history, and to the everyday lives of people of faith throughout the world.

Why study this degree?

Theology has always held a central place in the life and mission of the Church, by nurturing communities of believers as they come to understand their faith and explain it to others. As such, the Master of Arts (Theology) is a unique opportunity for students from a variety of backgrounds to learn the fundamentals of theology.

From a personal point of view, theology may be seen as faith's search for understanding; for an understanding of who God is, of who we are, and what we and our world can become in and through a relationship with God. The study of theology explores issues such as the nature of God, His revelation in Jesus Christ, the nature of personal identity and of humanity, human origins and destiny, Christian community and God's presence with us now in the Holy Spirit. Catholic theology develops a rich understanding of how humans respond to Scripture and Tradition.

The Master of Arts (Theology) can be completed in two years of full-time study or the equivalent as a part-time student. Assessment is by tutorial presentation, discussions, seminars and a research project. This program will be of particular interest to those already teaching religious education in NSW schools, but will also appeal to students from a wide range of backgrounds.

Program summary

Year One

- Reason and Revelation
- Christology
- Mystery of Christ: Church and Sacraments
- Foundations of Moral Theology
- Four Theology Electives

Year Two

- Supervised Research Project
- Five Theology Electives

Theology Electives may include:

- Scripture and Church
- Liturgy: Work of God and Work of God's People
- Eucharist
- Spirituality and the Challenges of Reconciliation
- Theology of Leadership
- Psalms and Wisdom
- The Prophets: Critics of the Status Quo
- The Johannine Literature
- Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles
- Scripture and Morality
- Pentateuch
- Modern Church History
- Fundamental Theology
- Introduction to the New Testament
- The Patristic Tradition
- The Theology and Practice of the New Evangelisation

- Trinity
- Christology
- Mystery of Christ: Church and Sacraments
- Marriage and Orders Eschatology: The Living Hope of Christians
- Sacraments in Catholic Tradition
- Marriage and Sexuality
- Bioethics
- Foundations of Moral Theology
- Personal Growth and Integration
- Special Topics in Theology
- Human Affectivity in Theology and Christian Living
- Pastoral Theology Foundations
- Theology of Today for Adults of Tomorrow
- Directed Individual Study

Full details of the program requirements are contained in the [Program Regulations](https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/421/of-Arts-Theology.pdf) (https://www.notredame.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/421/of-Arts-Theology.pdf).

Study Abroad

You will have the opportunity to complete part of your degree at one of our partner institutions through our exchange program. Get in touch with the Study Abroad Office to find out more about studying in Asia, Europe and North America.

Real-world experience

You will learn from academics who are industry leaders and you will gain real professional experience and make valuable contacts with potential employers.

Entry requirements

The program is open to applicants who have a recognised Bachelor's degree (Level 7 AQF) in any discipline.

Fees

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

FEE-HELP

The FEE-HELP loan scheme 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. Please note, from 1 January 2019, students studying an undergraduate program at the University of Notre Dame will no longer be charged the 25% FEE-HELP loan fee.

For further information, or for indicative fees for domestic or international students, please visit our [Fees page](https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees) (<https://www.notredame.edu.au/study/fees>).

More information

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

All international enquiries should contact the International Students Office on international@nd.edu.au (<mailto:international@nd.edu.au>).

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Duration: 2 years full-time or equivalent part-time

Campus: Sydney

Loan Scheme: FEE-HELP

Study mode: On Campus

Code: Program Code 5138, CRICOS Code 085833M

Commencement: Semester 1 or Semester 2

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