**Academic Educational Pathways – for pastoral practitioners**

**Catholic institutions**

**Australian Catholic University**

*(campuses in Adelaide, Ballarat, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, North Sydney, Strathfield)*

**Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies (Liturgy)**

Campus: (National, multi-mode)

2 years part-time


**Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture**

Campus: Melbourne, North Sydney (multi-mode)

1 year full time, (or equivalent part time)


**Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies**

Campus: Adelaide, Ballarat, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield (multi-mode), online

Duration: 1 year full time or equivalent part time


**Master of Theological Studies**

Campus: Adelaide, Ballarat, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield (multi-mode), online

Duration: 2 years full time or equivalent part time.


**Broken Bay Institute – The Australian Institute of Theological Education**


**Leadership and Theology Studies**

• Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Theology (0.5 years full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 40 credit points).
• Graduate Diploma in Leadership and Theology (1 year full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 80 credit points.)
• Masters in Leadership and Theology (2 years full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 160 credit points.)

Theological Studies:
http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/higher-education/Theological-Studies

• Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies (0.5 years full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 40 credit points.)
• Graduate Diploma in Theological Studies (1 year full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 80 credit points.)
• Masters in Theological Studies (2 years full-time, or part-time equivalent, amounting to 160 credit points.)

Short courses

• Other short courses which may be helpful including ethics (http://www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/Short-Courses)

Catholic Institute of Sydney (a member of the Sydney College of Divinity)

The Catholic Institute of Sydney offers a range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Diploma of Christian Studies

1-year full time or 3 years part-time

Associate Degree in Christian Thought and Practice

2 years full-time or 6 years part-time

Bachelor of Ministry

3 years full time or 9 years part-time

Bachelor of Theology
3 years full time or 9 years part-time

Graduate Certificate in Arts
6 months full time or 1.5 years part-time
http://www.cis.catholic.edu.au/courses-a-awards/graduate-certificate-in-arts

Graduate Diploma in Arts
1 year full-time or 3 years part-time
http://www.cis.catholic.edu.au/courses-a-awards/graduate-diploma-of-arts

Master of Arts
Category 1: 1 year full-time or 3 years part-time
Category 2: 1.5 years full-time or 4.5 years part-time

Catholic Theological College - Melbourne
(a member of the University of Divinity – Melbourne)
A number of courses are offered – both undergraduate and post-graduate:

Courses for beginning students (VCE or mature age entry)

• Diploma in Theology
• Advanced Diploma in Theology and Ministry
• Bachelor of Ministry
• Bachelor of Theology

Courses for Graduates or after 5 years’ relevant work experience

• Graduate Certificate in Theology
• Graduate Certificate in Ageing (Ethics and Pastoral Care)
• Graduate Certificate in Divinity
• Graduate Certificate in Guiding Meditation

Advanced Courses
• Graduate Diploma in Theology
• Specialised Graduate Diplomas
• Master of Arts (Theology)
• Specialised Masters degrees
• Master of Theological Studies
• Master of Theology (by research)
• Doctor of Philosophy
• Doctor of Theology

Holy Family Services


Holy Family Services is a privately operated Registered Training Organisation in Marayong
RTO ID 91448.

Our educators offer accredited training for nationally recognised qualifications in pastoral care.

Holy Family Services is accredited to offer the following courses:

• 91561NSW Diploma in Ageing and Pastoral Care
• CHC33015 Cert III in Individual Support (Aged Care)
• CHC42315 Certificate IV in Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care
• BSB42015 Cert IV in Leadership and Management

Our courses in Marayong and Melbourne can be studied:

• Face to Face
• Online
• Full time
• Part time

Jesuit College of Spirituality (a member of the University of Divinity – Melbourne)

Jesuit College of Spirituality offers units of study in the following awards:

• Graduate Certificate in Divinity
• Graduate Certificate in Ignatian Spirituality
• Graduate Certificate in Leadership
• Graduate Certificate in Spirituality
• Graduate Certificate in Supervision
• Graduate Diploma in Spirituality
• Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction
- Graduate Diploma in Theology
- Master of Arts (Spiritual Direction)
- Master of Arts (Spirituality)
- Master of Philosophy
- Doctor of Philosophy
- Arrupe Program

For more information, see: [http://jcs.edu.au/courses/](http://jcs.edu.au/courses/)

**Notre Dame University (Sydney and Fremantle courses)**

**Master of Arts (Chaplaincy Studies) – Sydney campus**


1.5 years full time/ 3 years part time

The Master of Arts (Chaplaincy Studies) is an innovative degree which has been designed for graduates who desire to develop knowledge, skills and competencies in the areas of chaplaincy and pastoral care. The program provides an entry level qualification, and hospital clinical pastoral education experience, for people who have a strong interest in chaplaincy, pastoral care, and pastoral associate positions. As part of the Master of Arts (Chaplaincy Studies) course students will complete two Clinical Pastoral Education placements (Capstone Units A & B) at St Vincent’s Hospital, Darlinghurst

**Master of Arts (Counselling) – Sydney and Fremantle**

[https://www.nd.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/115195/Master-of-Counselling.pdf](https://www.nd.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0004/115195/Master-of-Counselling.pdf)

2 years full-time or equivalent part-time

The Master of Counselling is an innovative degree which has been designed for graduates who desire to develop knowledge, skills and competencies in counselling practice. The program provides a professional qualification and real-life counselling expertise for people who have a strong interest in counselling.

**Bachelor of Arts (Counselling) – Sydney and Fremantle**


3 years full-time or equivalent part-time
The Bachelor of Arts (Major: Counselling) teaches students how to develop strategies to help find solutions to a range of social issues from a counselling perspective. Using a reflective practice approach, students develop an understanding of the relationship between individuals, community and society to provide insight into human social behaviour and organisations. The counselling practicum consolidates counselling theories and practice skills gained throughout the course.

**Graduate Certificate in Catholic Leadership – Fremantle**

http://www.nd.edu.au/fremantle/courses/postgraduate/business/gc-catholic-leadership

The Graduate Certificate in Catholic Leadership is designed for those wishing to gain a firm grounding in leadership and management principles, rooted in the Gospel mission and Catholic social teaching. Students are introduced to the best of current leadership and management scholarship, in a Catholic context, and have the opportunity to apply theoretical learning to workplace practice. The course is delivered through Notre Dame’s Schools of Business and Philosophy & Theology.

1 year part-time; blended learning; immersion

**Graduate Certificate in Liberal Arts – Pastoral Placement - Fremantle**

http://www.nd.edu.au/

This course is intended to provide students with philosophical and theological skills to enhance pastoral practice. The course includes units in philosophy, ethics, theology and a pastoral placement in an institutional setting. Students are required to complete the following:

1. 500 level Philosophy Unit
2. 500 level Theology Unit.
3. ET502 Ethical Issues in Professional Life
4. Pastoral Placement (18 hours)

Students can only undertake study part-time but may commence in either First Semester or Second Semester, subject to unit availability.

**Yarra Theological Union (a member of the University of Divinity – Melbourne)**

Undergraduate:

http://ytu.edu.au/courses/undergraduate/

As one of the colleges of University of Divinity, Yarra Theological Union teaches the required units for a number of Undergraduate Awards:
• Diploma in Theology
• Advanced Diploma in Theology and Ministry
• Bachelor of Ministry
• Bachelor of Theology

There are four fields of study for the awards:

• Field A  Humanities
• Field B  Biblical Studies
• Field C  Christian Thought and History
• Field D  Theology: Mission and Ministry.

Relevant Post-graduate:

http://ytu.edu.au/courses/postgraduate/

Graduate Diploma in Theology [Specialised]

(Specialisations: Biblical Languages, Biblical Studies, Liturgy, Ministry Studies, Missiology, Pastoral Care, Religious Education, Social Justice, Spirituality and Spiritual Direction)

Master of Arts

(Specialisations: Church History, Pastoral Care, Social Justice, Theology)

Other providers:

Adelaide College of Divinity (ecumenical) – has a range of courses at their campus and online/distance. They are linked with Flinders University.

https://www.acd.edu.au/

Undergraduate
Diploma of Ministry
1 year of full-time study or part-time equivalent

Associate Degree of Ministry
2 years of full-time study or part-time equivalent, and the

Bachelor of Ministry
3 years of full-time study or part-time equivalent.

Post Graduate
Graduate Diploma in Ministry
1 year of full-time study or 2 years part-time

Master of Ministry
2 years full time or 4 years of part-time study
**Doctor of Ministry**
3 years full time or 6 years of part-time study

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**VET course**

Certificate IV in Christian Life and Ministry (1-2 years)

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**Charles Sturt University (incorporating St Mark’s National Theological Centre) – Centre for Ageing and Pastoral Studies (CAPS)**

**Canberra based**

**Graduate Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Studies**

Two years part time (distance and some residential)


**Master of Ageing and Pastoral Studies:**

1.5 year full time; 3 years part-time


**Graduate Diploma in Pastoral Counselling**


Two years part-time;

**Master of Pastoral Counselling (with specialisation)**


Two years full-time; Four years part-time

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**Latrobe University Melbourne**

**Master of Health Sciences**

2 years full-time or part-time equivalent.

Latrobe University offers a Master of Health Sciences which includes the option to undertake a major in spiritual care. The course (with the spiritual care major) is designed for healthcare professionals who wish to develop their expertise in spiritual care for their own continuing practice, or who plan to transfer into the field. See:

Murdoch University, Perth WA

Theology Program (theology offered within a mainstream university)

Graduate Diploma in Theology (GradDipTheol) for 2017

1 year full time or part-time equivalent