



MELBOURNE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

MASTER OF ARTS (CHRISTIAN STUDIES)

KEY OBJECTIVE

To introduce graduate students to the sources and content of the Christian story and message, and to provide training which emphasises application of this story to life in the world, including professional and vocational life.

THE MASTER OF ARTS (Christian Studies) is ...

- involves interaction between Christian Studies and at least one other non-theological field of knowledge and understanding or life interest.
- reflects upon prior knowledge and experience in private and professional life.
- brings enhanced professional and vocational capacity to engagement with the challenges of contemporary Christianity, society and the wider world.
- shows readiness for research at a higher level through wide reading, analytical rigour and independent thinking.

THIS PROGRAM IS DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS WHO TYPICALLY...

- Are graduates of a non-theological degree.
- Are eager to gain understanding of the sources and content of the Christian story and message with a focus on their practical application to today's world.
- Feel called particularly to a professional practice in Islamic Contexts.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

Students undertake the Graduate Diploma of Christian Studies as the first year of the Master of Arts (Christian Studies).

The second year of study comprises:

- 1 integrative Studies unit.
- 3 elective units from any field.
- a research project of 12,000 words.

1. Compulsory Core Units

Integrative Studies: Units in the field of Integrative Studies teach students to apply what they have learned to key aspects of their life and practice.

2. Elective Units

A variety of electives are available within your area of interest.

3. Research Project

In depth research in an area of interest discovered in your studies.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must hold a 3-year non-theological undergraduate degree or equivalent.
- Language requirements for NESB: IELTS 7.0 overall with a minimum 7.0 in reading and writing, and 6.5 in listening and speaking.

DURATION

Full time study over 2 years. The maximum time allowed is 8 years.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Contact Dr. Peter Riddell, Program Leader for the Master of Arts (Christian Studies) at MST who will be glad to answer your questions.

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MST is an affiliated college with the Australian College of Theology (ACT). A detailed overview of this ACT course can be found online: [MACS02](#)