



# 2017

PROSPECTUS



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# ABOUT ST MARK'S

St Mark's is a scholarly Christian theological community that has been serving Australian society since 1957.

It is Anglican in foundation, ecumenical in ethos, biblically based, and centrally orthodox in theological outlook.

It pursues a mission which, in the words of its founder, Bishop Ernest Burgmann (1885—1967), is to engage the people of God with Australian society.

It fulfils its mission through its undergraduate and postgraduate courses in theology, ministry, pastoral counselling, and ageing and pastoral studies.

It prepares priests, deacons, and lay leaders from Anglican dioceses in Australia for a variety of ministries.

St Mark's offers courses in higher education and in the VET sectors. Its courses in the higher education provision (HEP) sector are offered through its partnership with Charles Sturt University (CSU), and in the VET sector via St Mark's own Registered Training Organisation (RTO).

St Mark's also has a historic commitment to public theology, which it seeks to strengthen.



# VOCATIONAL TRAINING

- Counselling
- Supervision
- Christian Ministry and Theology

## ABOUT THESE COURSES

St Mark's Registered Training Organisation (RTO) offers Nationally Recognised Training in Christian Counselling, Professional Supervision, Pastoral Counselling, and Ministry Training and Formation at Certificate, Diploma and Advanced Diploma levels under the auspices of the Australian Skills Quality Framework for VET qualification. St Mark's RTO is an Approved Delegate of the Australian Skills Quality Authority.

## FUNDING

VET FEE-HELP is no longer available due to the Commonwealth Government decision to end this scheme.

## KEY DATES

Closing date for Session 1 applications:  
31 October 2016

Final date for Session 1 late applications:  
24 February 2017

For the full calendar of important dates, visit  
[stmarks.edu.au/rto-fees-dates](http://stmarks.edu.au/rto-fees-dates)



CHC51015

# DIPLOMA OF COUNSELLING

The Diploma of Counselling will equip graduates with the listening and responding skills necessary to work effectively with their clients on personal and psychological issues using established counselling methods and practices. Graduates will learn to use communication, micro-counselling, and interviewing techniques, and draw on varied counselling therapies to assist others. The course will be delivered by experienced and qualified counsellors using experiential and inductive learning in small face-to-face training groups.

## COURSE DURATION

- 2 years part-time

## MODE

- Online and Classroom-based learning (offered in Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra, and Shoalhaven District)

## ADMISSION

Achieved level of education equal or above year 10

Candidates also required a letter from a Christian Minister testifying to their potential suitability as a counsellor.

## SUBJECTS/UNITS OF COMPETENCY

CHCCCS019 Recognise and respond to crisis situations

CHCCSL001 Establish and confirm the counselling relationship

CHCCSL002 Apply specialist interpersonal and counselling interview skills

CHCCSL003 Facilitate the counselling relationship and process

CHCCSL004 Research and apply personality and development theories

CHCCSL005 Research and apply learning theories in counselling

CHCCSL006 Select and use counselling therapies

CHCCSL007 Support counselling clients in decision-making processes

CHCCSM005 Develop, facilitate and review all aspects of case management

CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people

CHCDIV002 Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety

CHCLEG001 Work legally and ethically

CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice

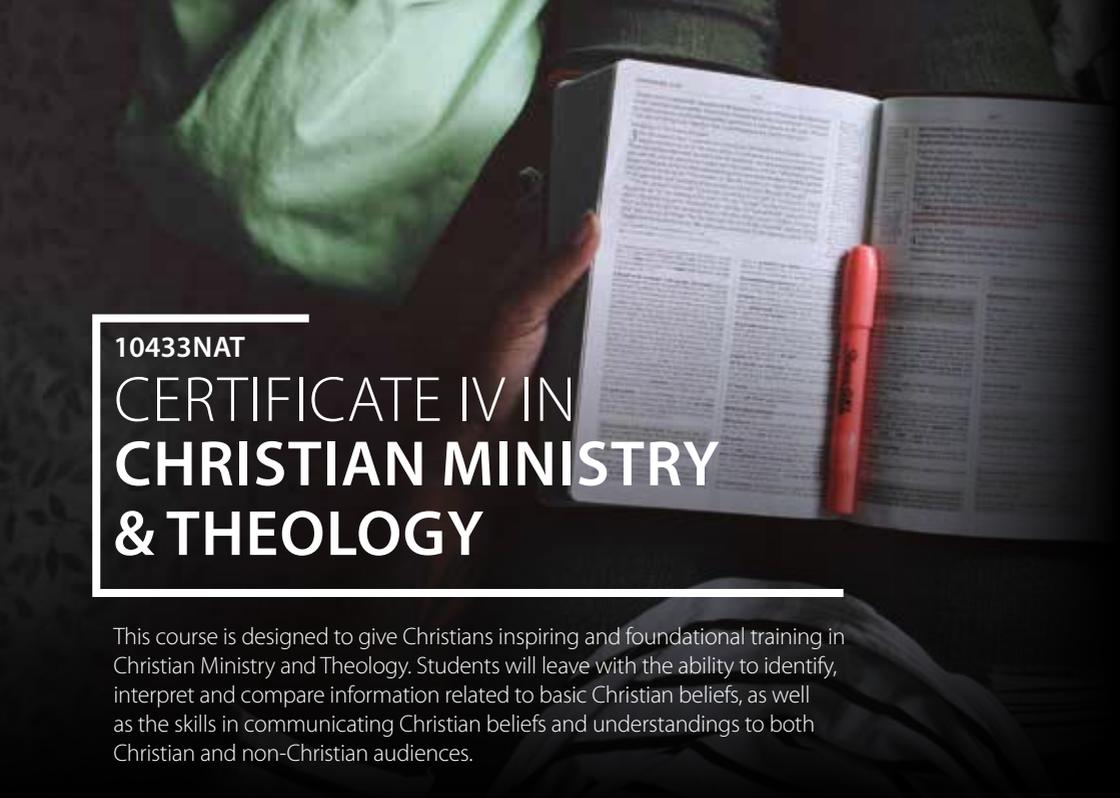
CHCCCS017 Provide loss and grief support

CHCPRT001 Identify and respond to children and young people at risk

CHCCCS003 Increase the safety of individuals at risk of suicide

CHCDFV001 Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence

**For more information on this program and individual subjects, visit [stmarks.com.au](http://stmarks.com.au)**

A close-up photograph of a person's hands holding an open Bible. The person is wearing a green long-sleeved shirt. A red highlighter is resting on the right page of the Bible. The background is dark and out of focus.

10433NAT

# CERTIFICATE IV IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY & THEOLOGY

This course is designed to give Christians inspiring and foundational training in Christian Ministry and Theology. Students will leave with the ability to identify, interpret and compare information related to basic Christian beliefs, as well as the skills in communicating Christian beliefs and understandings to both Christian and non-Christian audiences.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1 year part-time

## MODE

- Work-based and Classroom-based learning (offered in Brisbane)

## ADMISSION

There are no entry requirements for this qualification

## SUBJECTS/UNITS OF COMPETENCY

CMTTHE401A Discuss the nature of the Bible and present day Christian life and practice

CMTTHE402A Interpret theological data

CMTTHE403A Investigate information within a theological theme or issue

CMTTHE404A Gain new personal revelation

CMTMIN401A Explore ideas about God in relation to the way we live as Christians

CMTMIN402A Communicate theological information

CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice

BSBWOR404 Develop work priorities

SBCMM101 Apply basic communication skills

**For more information on this program  
and individual subjects, visit**

[stmarks.com.au](http://stmarks.com.au)

10434NAT

# DIPLOMA OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY & THEOLOGY

This course gives students foundational and inspiring training. It is designed to give Christians who are motivated to serve the church community with practical skills and relevant Biblical training.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1 year part-time

## MODE

- Online, Work-based, and 2-day intensives in Canberra

## ADMISSION

Prior to enrolment into this course, participants must provide evidence of meeting their State or Territory requirements for working with children and vulnerable people. (Example: WWVP card)

Participants must also show evidence in the form of a letter from a church minister indicating their intention to support the participant during on-the-job experience.

Participants will also be required to complete a Language Literacy and Numeracy indicator test prior to enrolment.

## SUBJECTS/UNITS OF COMPETENCY

### Reading the Bible

(CMTTHE502A Analyse and interpret theological data)

### Christian Beliefs

(CMTTHE501A Analyse and interpret theological beliefs in the light of current thinking)

### Communicating in a church community

(BSBCMM401 Make a Presentation)

### Beginning new team ministry

(CHCCDE002 Develop and implement community programs)

### Theological Wisdom

(CMTTHE504A Identify new theological information)

### Beyond Sunday

(CMTMIN501A Relate theological ideas to the Christian way of life)

### Researching Christian Beliefs

(CMTTHE503A Research and analyse information within a theological theme or issue)

### Welcome

(CHCCOM001 Provide first point of contact)

### Pastoral care

(CHCPAS002 Provide pastoral and spiritual care)

### Communicating the message of Jesus

(CMTMIN502A Communicate theology in a clear form)

**For more information on this program  
and individual subjects, visit**

[stmarks.com.au](http://stmarks.com.au)

10435NAT

# ADVANCED DIPLOMA CHRISTIAN MINISTRY & THEOLOGY

This course aims to provide students with a range of knowledge and skills to provide ministry leadership in the Church. This course is also a prerequisite for ordained ministry in a number of diocese across the Anglican Church of Australia.

## COURSE DURATION

- 2 years part-time

## MODE

- Online, Work-based, and Classroom-based learning

## ADMISSION

Prior to enrolment into this course, participants must provide evidence of meeting their State or Territory requirements for working with children and vulnerable people. (Example: WWVP card) Participants must also show evidence in the form of a letter from a church minister indicating their intention to support the participant during on-the-job experience. Participants will also be required to complete a Language Literacy and Numeracy indicator test prior to enrolment. It is recommended that participants hold the Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology 10434NAT or an acceptable equivalent qualification prior to enrolment.

## SUBJECTS/UNITS OF COMPETENCY

CMTTHE601A Analyse and critique religious traditions in the light of current thinking

CMTTHE602A Analyse and critique theological data

CMTTHE603A Analyse and critique data within a theological theme or issue

CMTTHE604A Critique new insights on theological information

CMTMIN601A Synthesise theological ideas and the Christian way of life

CMTMIN602A Communicate theology in substantial depth

CHCORG529B Provide coaching and motivation

CHCORG611C Lead and develop others in a community sector workplace

CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice

CHCORG610B Manage change in a community sector organisation

**For more information on this program  
and individual subjects, visit**

[stmarks.com.au](http://stmarks.com.au)

10348NAT

# GRADUATE CERTIFICATE PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION

(CLINICAL) (PASTORAL)

This course gives counsellors and ministry workers the opportunity to study the theory and practice of professional supervision within a theological framework. It is intended to train people to work as:

- Clinical supervisors of counsellors, therapists, social workers, youth and community workers
- Pastoral supervisors of clergy, church workers and pastoral carers
- Supervisors of pastoral care workers in hospitals and aged care facilities
- Supervisors of students in training.

This course will also allow for supervisors to upgrade their skills and knowledge, and individuals to qualify for membership of professional supervision associations.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1 year part-time

## MODE

- Online, Work-based, and Classroom-based learning (offered in Sydney, Melbourne, and Canberra)

## ADMISSION

All applicants must have a minimum 5 years' experience in their relevant field.

To gain entry into the Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision (Clinical) (Pastoral) a candidate must have an undergraduate degree or higher qualification in Counselling,

Psychotherapy, Psychology, Social Work, Social Science or equivalent.

OR

An accredited Diploma or Advanced Diploma level or higher qualification in Theology or Ministry or equivalent and demonstrated experience in a pastoral counselling environment involving the self-directed application of relevant knowledge and a range of communication and counselling skills.

Reasons for these entry requirements are:

- To ensure candidates have the necessary counselling and communication skills to conduct professional supervision for it is not possible to teach these within the duration of this program and they are therefore required knowledge

- For those wishing to proceed to PACFA accreditation as a clinical supervisor, they need to hold both a counselling qualification that meets PACFA training standards and have 5 years clinical experience
- Despite there currently being no accepted training standards for pastoral supervisors, consultations with church bodies indicate that a theological or ministry qualification would be considered an essential foundation for pastoral supervision

Participants are recommended to have language, literacy and numeracy skills suitable for a post graduate level of education for successful completion of the qualification.

## SUBJECTS/UNITS OF COMPETENCY

The course is comprised of two streams – clinical and pastoral. Each stream is made up of 6 core units plus one elective. The stream completed is determined by the relevant background of the applicant.

### Core (6)

SUPEMS801A Establish and manage the supervision relationship

SUPPPS801A Provide supervision

CHCCS505A Provide supervision support to community sector workers

CHCCS805B Undertake professional reflection

PSPGOV414A Provide workplace mentoring

CHCGROUP806B Plan group interventions

### Electives (choose 1)

Pastoral Stream: DEFCH002C Provide ethical and pastoral care

Clinical Stream: CHCCSL508B Apply legal and ethical responsibilities in counselling practice

**For more information on this program and individual subjects, visit [stmarks.com.au](http://stmarks.com.au)**

# UNDERGRADUATE & POSTGRADUATE

In partnership with



- Bachelor of Theology
- Graduate Diploma of Theology
- Master of Theology
- Doctor of Philosophy
- Master of Ministry
- Doctor of Ministry
- Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling
- Master of Pastoral Counselling
- Graduate Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Studies
- Master of Ageing and Pastoral Studies



## ST MARK'S PARTNERSHIP WITH CSU

St Mark's has been a partner in the School of Theology at Charles Sturt University (CSU) since 1996. Through this association, St Mark's offers a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate courses in theology, ministry, pastoral counselling, and ageing and pastoral studies. St Mark's and four other theological colleges comprise CSU's School of Theology. This prospectus introduces future students to CSU's School of Theology programs offered through St Mark's.

## FUNDING YOUR STUDY

### HECS-HELP Loan

HECS-HELP is a loan which allows you to defer paying fees until you are earning a salary. If you are eligible for and are offered a Commonwealth supported place, the majority of your tuition fees will be subsidised and you will only be required to pay a portion of the total amount, which can be deferred through HECS-HELP.

A HECS-HELP loan can cover all or part of your student contribution amount, and you repay it through the taxation system once you are earning a certain salary.

### Read more about Commonwealth Supported Places

[futurestudents.csu.edu.au/help-with-costs/fees-payment/csp](http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/help-with-costs/fees-payment/csp)

### FEE-HELP Loan

FEE-HELP is a loan scheme that assists eligible fee-paying students pay all or part of their tuition fees. It cannot be used for additional study costs such as accommodation or text books. The total amount of FEE-HELP a person can use is known as the 'FEE-HELP limit'.

### For more information see

[studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/help-payingmyfees/fee-help/pages/](http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/studyassist/help-payingmyfees/fee-help/pages/)

## **Annabel Charitable Foundation (ACF)**

ACF helps facilitate tax-deductible donations from supporters of students who are currently enrolled in ministry-related courses. This is done by ACF receiving donations with recommendations for a specific training institution and student. All donations received are levied a 10% service charge. Arrangements are then made with the bursary recipient as to appropriate payment frequency. The ACF also occasionally distributes bursaries from its own funds to endorsed candidates.

St Mark's students studying through CSU are eligible to apply to ACF to become endorsed candidates. Applications to ACF are welcome from both part-time and full-time students.

### **For more information see**

[theacf.org.au](http://theacf.org.au)

or

### **St Mark's contact, Bernard Doherty:**

[bdoherty@csu.edu.au](mailto:bdoherty@csu.edu.au)

## **KEY DATES**

We break up our academic year into two sessions.

Session 1: 27 February to 16 June 2017

Session 2: 10 July to 13 October 2017

### **Key application dates**

Closing date for Session 1 applications:  
31 October 2016

Final date for Session 1 late applications:  
24 February 2017

Applications open for Session 2:  
24 February 2017

Closing date for Session 2 Applications:  
28 April 2017

### **For the full calendar of important dates, visit**

[futurestudents.csu.edu.au/apply/application-dates](http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/apply/application-dates)

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## **HOW TO APPLY**

If you are a school leaver wanting to study on campus, you should apply through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC). Future students can also apply directly to CSU – an online application to CSU takes about 15 minutes to complete.

### **UAC Web**

[uac.edu.au/](http://uac.edu.au/)

### **CSU Web**

[futurestudents.csu.edu.au/apply](http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/apply)

# BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

(24 SUBJECTS)

CSU's Bachelor of Theology offers a thorough grounding in the four foundational areas of theology: Biblical Studies, Systematic Theology, Practical Theology and Church History.

The course has a strong basis in Biblical Studies and Systematic Theology, but students have opportunities to pursue a significant number of subjects in any of the four main areas. Although undertaken with the rigour of university studies, there is a strong commitment to a balance of theory and practice.

## COURSE DURATION

- 3 years full-time
- 6 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education
- On Campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

- Indicative ATAR is 65.00

## SUBJECTS

The full degree comprises 24 subjects, beginning with core subjects that introduce the four discipline areas and a biblical language subject. Higher-level subjects give more focus and deeper analysis in the discipline areas. It is possible to add up to four subjects from a non-theology discipline to this degree structure. Provided required core subjects are covered, students in this degree program may exit early either with an Associate Degree in Theology (16 subjects) or a Diploma of Theology (8 subjects).

## CORE SUBJECTS

### Biblical Studies

One Biblical Language subject chosen from:

- Introduction to Biblical Languages
- New Testament Greek 1
- Biblical Hebrew 1
- and
- Introduction to Old Testament Studies
- Introduction to New Testament Studies
- The Synoptic Gospels

### Systematic Theology

- Introduction to Christian Theology
- Being the Church
- Jesus the Christ

### Church History

- The Rise of Christianity to 600 CE
- The European Reformations 1400–1700

### Practical Theology

- Liturgical Theology
- Practical Theology

## EXIT POINTS

### Associate Degree in Theology (16 subjects)

- 10 core subjects
- 6 restricted electives

### Diploma of Theology (8 subjects)

- 4 core subjects
- 4 restricted electives

**For full course information and application details, visit**  
[csu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-theology](http://csu.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-theology)

# GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF THEOLOGY

(8 SUBJECTS)

CSU's Graduate Diploma of Theology offers a foundation in Biblical Studies, Church History, Practical Theology and Systematic Theology at a level appropriate to students with a prior undergraduate degree.

The course provides an essential component of training for ministry in the church and offers students the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the Bible and theology. The course consists of eight subjects (64 points), with six core subjects and two electives. Students can choose to exit with a Graduate Certificate in Theology upon completion of four subjects.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1 year full-time
- 2 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education
- On Campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

Applicants must hold an undergraduate degree from an approved tertiary institution, other than an undergraduate degree in Theology.

## SUBJECTS

The course consists of 64 credit points comprising 8 subjects (6 core subjects and 2 restricted electives):

### CORE SUBJECTS

- Introduction to Christian Theology
- Being the Church
- Jesus the Christ
- Introduction to Old Testament Studies
- Introduction to New Testament Studies
- The Rise of Christianity to 600 CE

### Restricted electives

- Hebrew 1
- New Testament Greek 1
- Introduction to Christian Ministry
- Reformation Church History

- The Diaconate in History and Contemporary Development
- Mission, Evangelism and Apologetics
- Anglican Foundations
- Uniting Church Studies
- New Testament Greek 2
- Hebrew 2
- The Practice of Cross Cultural Ministry in Australia
- Liturgical Theology
- Practical Theology

## EXIT POINT

### Graduate Certificate in Theology (4 subjects)

- 3 core subjects
- 1 restricted elective

**For full course information and application details, visit**  
[csu.edu.au/courses/graduate-diploma-of-theology](http://csu.edu.au/courses/graduate-diploma-of-theology)



# MASTER OF THEOLOGY

CSU's Master of Theology builds on previous theological study to develop an in-depth understanding of major issues in contemporary theology.

Students will emerge from the program with a sound knowledge base, well-honed critical skills, and a facility in theological methodologies. They will develop an advanced knowledge of at least one major theological sub-discipline.

This course provides a pathway to research higher degree studies in theology.



## COURSE DURATION

- 1.5 years full-time
- 3 years part-time

## MODE

- Distance Education
- On Campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

Students must:

- hold an undergraduate degree with no less than a Credit average in theology or its equivalent; or
- have obtained a Credit average or higher in the Charles Sturt University Graduate Diploma of Theology or equivalent.

## SUBJECTS

A 96-point subject program comprised of the following:

Two subjects (32 points) from sub-discipline area of

- Systematic Theology;

- Biblical Studies;
- Practical Theology; or
- Church History.

And either

- Coursework (Option 1); or
- or Research (Option 2)

### Option 1 includes

- Guided Research Subject (16) and
- three restricted electives (48 total)

### Option 2 includes

- one restricted elective subject and both Theological Hermeneutics (16) and
- the Theology Masters Coursework Dissertation (32)

**For full course information and application details, visit**

[csu.edu.au/courses/master-of-theology](https://csu.edu.au/courses/master-of-theology)



# DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

CSU's Doctor of Philosophy offers graduates who have an excellent academic record and proven research skills the opportunity to conduct research at a level that will contribute to the knowledge base of their discipline.

## COURSE DURATION

- 3 years full-time
- 6 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education
- On campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

### Special admission criteria

Applications with the area of research interest clearly stated may be lodged at any time during the academic year. Initial contact with the Course Coordinator is highly advisable.

### Admission criteria for PhD by research

The entry qualifications required for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy program are:

- a relevant Bachelor degree at Honours Class 1 or Honours Class 2 Division 1; or
- a relevant Master by Research; or
- enrolled in a Charles Sturt University Master by Research program and has demonstrated exceptional ability in the conduct of a research project which is clearly capable of being extended to a doctoral level; or
- a relevant coursework Master's degree with evidence of research at a Distinction level or above; or
- other qualifications acceptable to the Faculty of Arts and Education and the Research Advisory Committee.

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Students should contact the course coordinator or potential supervisor to discuss possible research topics. Students wishing to undertake research in an area strategically aligned with a designated University Research Centre should also contact the Director of that Centre.

In accordance with the University's Higher Degree by Research regulations, students will be assigned an appropriate supervisor who will assist the student to develop a research proposal and title for the research project, and guide the student during the research process and thesis preparation.

Each student will be allocated one of the following research subject codes, in which the student will enrol for the period of his or her candidature:

THL701/THL702 Doctoral Research (Theology)

Subjects are listed in both their full-time and part-time modes, where 701 = part-time and 702 = full-time.

### For full course information and application details, visit

[csu.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-philosophy-arts](http://csu.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-philosophy-arts)

# MASTER OF MINISTRY

CSU's Master of Ministry assists religious practitioners and other church leaders to upgrade their knowledge and skills at an advanced level. The course provides opportunities for professional development in the field of professional ministry. Students will develop a higher order of critical, creative, scholarly, sound and informed investigation of the profession.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1.5 years full-time
- 3 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education
- On Campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

Candidates for admission to the Master of Ministry shall:

- have an undergraduate degree in Theology from a recognised Australian university or equivalent; or hold the Graduate Diploma of Theology with a Credit average or higher; and
- have at least two years full-time professional experience in ministry.

## SUBJECTS

A 96-point subject program comprising two core subjects (32 points), restricted electives (32 points) and general electives (32 points):

### CORE SUBJECTS

- Foundations of Church Ministry
- Guided Research in Ministry (in the last session of study)

### Restricted electives

32 points chosen from one of the following fields of study

- Research in Ministry

- Pastoral Counselling
- Institutional Chaplaincy
- Mission and Leadership
- Religious and Values Education

### General Electives

32 points chosen from a list of elective subjects

### Credit

16 points of Transfer Credit will be granted for the completion of either:

- An advanced Unit of Clinical Pastoral Education; or
- The Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision

## EXIT POINT

### Graduate Diploma of Ministry (4 subjects)

- one core subject
- two restricted electives
- one General Elective or Guided Research in Ministry

**For full course information and application details, visit**

[csu.edu.au/courses/master-of-ministry](http://csu.edu.au/courses/master-of-ministry)



# DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

CSU's Doctor of Ministry aims to provide the opportunity for advanced critical reflection on professional practice in the discipline of Christian Ministry and closely related fields.

## COURSE DURATION

- 3 years full-time
- 6 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education
- On Campus – Canberra

## ADMISSION

Candidates admitted to the course will:

- hold a Class 1 or Class 2 Division 1 Bachelor (Honours) degree in theology or ministry, or a Master's degree by coursework in theology or ministry (attained at a course credit point average of 6.00 or better), or a Master's degree by research in theology or ministry (variation to admission requirements based on alternative academic qualifications will be assessed by the Course Coordinator in consultation with the Higher Degree by Research Admission Committee);
- have at least five years of full-time (or equivalent) practice in professional ministry or in a cognate area, a significant amount of which should be able to be shown to be current;
- meet the University's English language proficiency requirements; and
- be able to be assessed for variation to admission requirements based on RPL (recognised previous learning) which will be assessed by the Course Coordinator in consultation with the Higher Degree by Research Admission Committee.

These admission requirements are necessary to ensure that candidates have sufficient academic ability and professional experience to conduct research that leads to advanced, critical reflection on professional practice in the field of Christian Ministry.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

The course consists of four core coursework subjects and a dissertation of 128 points.

### Coursework Subjects

- Approaches to Enquiry in Ministry (16)
- Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Ministry (16)
- Literature Review in Ministry (16)
- Research Proposal in Ministry (16)

Up to 32 points of credit will be granted towards the Doctor of Ministry for students who have successfully completed the following subjects within the Charles Sturt University Master of Ministry:

- Approaches to Enquiry in Ministry (16)
- Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Ministry (16)

### Dissertation/Portfolio

The dissertation subject may not be taken until coursework subjects have been successfully completed.

- Doctoral Thesis in Ministry FT (128)  
or
- Doctoral Thesis in Ministry PT (128)

**For full course information and application details, visit**

[csu.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-ministry](http://csu.edu.au/courses/doctor-of-ministry)



# GRADUATE DIPLOMA PASTORAL COUNSELLING

CSU's Pastoral Counselling Diploma qualifies individuals to work as professional or highly skilled in the field of Pastoral Counselling in settings such as pastoral care, clinical counselling practice and community work, and ordained ministry.



## COURSE DURATION

- 2 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education

## ADMISSION

- Applicants should be able to demonstrate personal suitability to undertake professional practice as a pastoral counsellor, including self-awareness, relational capacity, personal ethical practice, being able to reflect on and learn from experience, and being open to positive and challenging feedback; and
- Applicants should hold an undergraduate degree in theology, psychology or equivalent. Applicants with degrees in any other disciplines are encouraged to apply; or
- Applicants without an undergraduate degree will be considered, with evidence that they are able to undertake tertiary studies in this area (such as a letter of motivation and two professional or academic references), as assessed by the Course Coordinator.

## SUBJECTS

- Pastoral Counselling Skills
- Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues
- Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss
- Pastoral Counselling: Crisis Intervention
- Pastoral Counselling: Relationship and Family
- Pastoral Counselling: Mental Health and Trauma
- Spiritual Direction in the Christian Tradition
- Applied Pastoral Theology

## EXIT POINT

### Graduate Certificate in Pastoral Counselling (4 subjects)

- Pastoral Counselling Skills
- Pastoral Counselling: Theory and Professional Issues
- Pastoral Counselling: Grief and Loss
- Applied Pastoral Theology

### For full course information and application details, visit

[csu.edu.au/courses/graduate-diploma-of-pastoral-counselling](https://csu.edu.au/courses/graduate-diploma-of-pastoral-counselling)

# MASTER OF PASTORAL COUNSELLING

The Master of Pastoral Counselling aims to qualify individuals from a variety of backgrounds in pastoral counselling, including churches, universities, schools, military service, corrective services, police, aged care facilities, and the general community.

Students will learn to apply advanced knowledge and skills (including knowledge of research principles and methods applicable to the field) in a range of professional pastoral counselling contexts, enabling them to develop a mastery of the field in their professional practice. The program integrates applied pastoral theology with advanced pastoral counselling theory and skills through in-depth understanding of the discipline through either clinical coursework or research, and serves as a pathway to further learning.

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## Professional recognition

The Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical) has been accredited by the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia (PACFA) as a post-graduate counselling training program. It satisfies the academic and professional training requirements for 'Intern

Registration' with PACFA Member Organisations. Further client and supervision hours will be required beyond the Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical) program to meet the 'Provisional Registration' (200/50 hours) and 'Clinical Registration' (750/75) categories with PACFA Member Organisations. Visit PACFA's website for full details.

## COURSE DURATION

- 4 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education

## ADMISSION

Applicants should:

- be able to demonstrate personal suitability to undertake professional practice as a pastoral counsellor, including self-awareness, relational capacity, personal ethical practice, being able to reflect on and learn from experience, and being open to positive and challenging feedback; and
- hold an undergraduate degree in theology, psychology or equivalent — applicants with degrees in other disciplines are encouraged to apply; or
- have successfully completed the Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling at CSU; or
- hold a Graduate Diploma of Counselling from another institution; if so they may be required to complete the Applied Pastoral Theology subject before being granted admission to the Master of Pastoral Counselling.

## SUBJECTS

### Master of Pastoral Counselling (12 subjects)

All of the Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling subjects plus

- Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16 points)
- Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies
- Pastoral Counselling Research Proposal
- Pastoral Counselling Dissertation (32 points)

### Master of Pastoral Counselling (Clinical) (13 subjects)

All of the Graduate Diploma of Pastoral Counselling subjects plus

Advanced Pastoral Counselling (16 points)

- Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions
- Pastoral Counselling Professional Practice (16 points)
- Reflective Practitioner Perspectives in Pastoral Counselling (16 points)
- Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies

### For full course information and application details, visit

[csu.edu.au/courses/  
master-of-pastoral-counselling](http://csu.edu.au/courses/master-of-pastoral-counselling)

# GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF **AGEING AND PASTORAL STUDIES**

The Graduate Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Studies will equip graduates to enhance their professional knowledge in the field of Ageing and Pastoral Studies to a range of residential and community aged care contexts.

It also prepares graduates to take management and leadership positions within community settings and in the aged care industry for the provision of pastoral and spiritual care.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1 year full-time
- 2 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education

## ADMISSION

Applicants should hold a relevant undergraduate degree in, for example, theology, social work or psychology.

## SUBJECTS

### Core

- Foundations for Pastoral and Spiritual Care of Older People
- Pastoral and Spiritual Care of Older People
- Theological and Ethical Issues for People in Later Life
- Ageing Bodies, Ageing Minds
- Loss, Grief and Palliative Care for Older People

### Electives

3 electives from the following list

- Pastoral Counselling Skills
- Applied Pastoral Theology
- Pastoral and Spiritual Care in Residential and Community Aged Care Settings
- Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions

- Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies
- Mental Health Challenges for Pastoral and Spiritual Care
- Pastoral Practice in Ageing: Politics, Policy and Principles

## EXIT POINT

### Graduate Certificate of Ageing and Pastoral Studies (4 subjects)

- Foundations for Pastoral and Spiritual Care of Older People
- Pastoral and Spiritual Care of Older People
- Theological and Ethical Issues for People in later Life

And either

- Ageing Bodies, Ageing Minds; or
- Loss, Grief and Palliative Care for Older People

### For full course information and application details, visit

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# MASTER OF AGEING AND PASTORAL STUDIES

The Master of Ageing and Pastoral Studies will qualify graduates to apply advanced knowledge, skills and research methods in the field of Ageing and Pastoral Studies to a range of residential and community aged care contexts.

It also prepares graduates to take management positions and provide thought leadership within community settings and in the aged care industry for the provision of pastoral and spiritual care. The research stream of the Master of Ageing and Pastoral Studies serves as a pathway to a higher degree by research.

## COURSE DURATION

- 1.5 years full-time
- 3 years part-time

## MODE

- Online (Distance) Education

## ADMISSION

Applicants should hold a relevant undergraduate degree in, for example, theology, social work or psychology.

## SUBJECTS

### Master of Ageing and Pastoral Studies (96 points)

- All of the Graduate Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral Studies Subjects plus
- Social Research Methods for Pastoral Studies

and either

- Professional practice (Option 1), or
- Research (Option 2)

### Option 1 includes

- Issues in Ageing: Project (16 points)
- 32 points from a list of restricted electives

### Option 2 includes

- Masters dissertation in Ageing and Pastoral Studies (32 points)
- 16 points from a list of restricted subjects

## Restricted electives

- Pastoral Counselling Skills
- Applied Pastoral Theology
- Pastoral and Spiritual Care in Residential and Community Aged Care Settings
- Theological Ethics for the Helping Professions
- Mental Health Challenges for Pastoral and Spiritual Care
- Pastoral Practice in Ageing: Politics, Policy and Principles
- Advanced Seminar in Chaplaincy

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