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ACU graduate



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Executive Dean's welcome

Welcome to theology and philosophy at ACU.

We take great pride in offering our students direct access to world-leading research, an extensive network of international partnerships, innovative and responsive curriculum design, extended overseas study opportunities, and a staffing profile that is the rival of any theological faculty in the world.

We offer theology and philosophy, suited to any stage of your life and career journey. There are short courses, certificate and bachelor opportunities, postgraduate coursework programs, professional and research degrees, international study tours, and a wide range of professional learning and in-service opportunities.

Our programs are conceived in collaboration with industry, community, and church leaders, and are designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills required to respond to the demands of an evolving, global and digital world. Shaped by a learning design that is always responsive to emerging questions and contextual need, we offer learning experiences that will equip you with a capacity to think theologically.

Providing for multiple points of engagement, and across any variety of delivery modes, our programs directly foster biblical and theological literacy.

I invite you to explore this guide, our website and the various options for study, and I encourage you to come and meet with our staff to discuss what might suit your individual or organisational needs and interests.

I look forward to welcoming you to our community.

Professor Dermot Nestor

Executive Dean, Faculty of Theology and Philosophy



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Think you know ACU?

You're just getting started.
It's education, but not as you know it.



Meaningful education, not mass production

At ACU, it's education, but with a bigger purpose. We're a university committed to standing up for people in need and causes that matter. If you've got the desire to make an impact, we'll give you the skills to change the world. And if you want to start making an impact now – you can. Research within our faculties and institutes tackles enduring and pressing issues in society, in Australia, and around the world.



We see the whole person

Everyone is welcome at ACU. We're inclusive and supportive of everyone, every day, and our students feel it – giving us five stars for overall experience, learner engagement, skills development and full-time employment.* We'll get to know you, and we will make sure you get the most out of your uni experience.

*Good Universities Guide 2019



Flexible study

Study needs to be flexible. We get that life changes fast, and you need to find the right balance of family, work and study. Many of our courses offer part-time and full-time options, as well as online learning, travel opportunities, intensive units, and flexible start dates.



We've got your back

Whether it's figuring out how to enrol, or finding the best coffee on campus, we'll help you out in person, online, by phone, live chat, or even SMS. And if you need support with your studies, career advice, or counselling services, we've got that covered too. acu.edu.au/askacu



Connections that count

Our partnerships around Australia and overseas provide rich learning experiences for our students. These relationships enhance student learning and provide opportunities for practical work experience and collaborative research.



The world is our campus

We're young, but we are making our mark. We're ranked in the top 50 of Generation Y universities worldwide* and in the top 10 Catholic universities** - alongside Georgetown University and Boston College in the US. We've got more than 200 partners on six continents, community engagement opportunities around the globe, and our campus in Rome, Italy.

*Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2018

**Times Higher Education World University Rankings 18/19, IFCU members



Scholarships

We know that balancing the cost of living and study can be tricky. So we offer nearly 400 scholarship opportunities which recognise academic achievement, community participation, and help out students from a range of backgrounds. See page 8.

Our neighbourhoods

We've got eight campuses around Australia, and a campus in Rome, Italy. Each one is unique, but they're all dynamic, inviting and great places to learn.

Head to acu.edu.au/locations to take a virtual tour of your campus.

BALLARAT

Our Ballarat Campus is located in the centre of Ballarat. Situated amid historical gardens, beautiful old buildings, and a block from Lake Wendouree, it has a lot to offer. Explore the grounds, enjoy a home-cooked meal at the canteen, and soak up the community vibe.

- Central location
- Free parking
- Situated amid historical gardens and beautiful old buildings

BRISBANE

Whether you want to get involved in campus life, create a professional network, or just find a quiet place to study — our Brisbane Campus has you covered. Set on 40 hectares of parklands, it offers many places to relax, like cafes and a swimming pool.

- Shuttle bus connections to public transport
- Ample free parking
- Modern learning facilities

CANBERRA

Just five kilometres from the city centre, our Canberra Campus has a lot on offer. With a campus lounge and swimming pool, you'll have plenty to keep you busy between classes.

- Free parking and accessible by light rail and bus
- Beautiful landscaped gardens
- Modern library and 300-seat lecture theatre

MELBOURNE

Our Melbourne Campus is right next to the cafes, art galleries and live music venues of Brunswick Street. Kick back with a coffee on our rooftop garden or hang out with friends in one of our cafes.

- Close to six tram routes, bus routes and Parliament Railway Station
- Award-winning library
- Art gallery

NORTH SYDNEY

Just across the Harbour Bridge from the city centre, our North Sydney Campus is a great place to study and relax.

- Close to North Sydney train station and many bus connections
- State-of-the-art learning facilities
- Cafes and dining options close to campus

STRATHFIELD

Our Strathfield Campus is set amid beautiful landscaped grounds and historical buildings, with excellent transport links. Whether you want to have a friendly match on our rugby and soccer ovals or take in a show at our art gallery, there's always something going on.

- Free parking
- Popular art gallery
- Shuttle bus from Strathfield train station

ADELAIDE

Our Adelaide Campus is one of our newest additions, and primarily offers postgraduate courses in theology.

ROME

Our Rome Campus is located on Janiculum Hill, a site that has a rich history dating back to the 3rd century. It sits on a sprawling property that boasts extensive gardens and terraces to enjoy beautiful views of the city.

- Close to the Vatican and popular tourist sites
- Modern, onsite residential accommodation
- Community engagement opportunities

BLACKTOWN

We've partnered with Blacktown City Council to open a new ACU campus in Blacktown, Western Sydney, in 2021.





IN AUSTRALIA

5 stars

FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT, OVERALL EXPERIENCE, LEARNER ENGAGEMENT AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

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IN THE WORLD

Top 3%

UNIVERSITIES

*Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018/2019**



Top 50

GENERATION Y UNIVERSITIES

Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2018



Top 10

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITIES

Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019, ranked IFCU members



RESEARCH

First in Australia and above world standard

RELIGION AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

Four-digit FoRs, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2018

Above world standard

PHILOSOPHY

Four-digit FoRs, Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) 2018

Numbers that count

*Percentage calculated as ACU's world rank as a proportion of the total number of universities in the world: *International Handbook of Universities 2018*, Palgrave MacMillan.

Postgraduate study pathways

In general, postgraduate study falls into two main categories: coursework and research.

Coursework

- Programs are generally six months to two years full-time (or equivalent part-time).
- You can expect classes (including online classes), units, and set assessments, similar to an undergraduate degree.
- To apply you usually need to have completed an undergraduate degree first. However, professional experience can also be taken into account.
- The graduate certificate, graduate diploma and masters degree are connected and can build on each other.
- If you're considering a masters degree but don't initially qualify, you may be accepted into the graduate certificate or diploma in the same area of study.
- If you choose to study a masters degree but your circumstances change, you may be able to exit the degree early with the relevant graduate certificate or graduate diploma.
- Coursework programs are ideal for gaining new skills and getting ahead in your career.

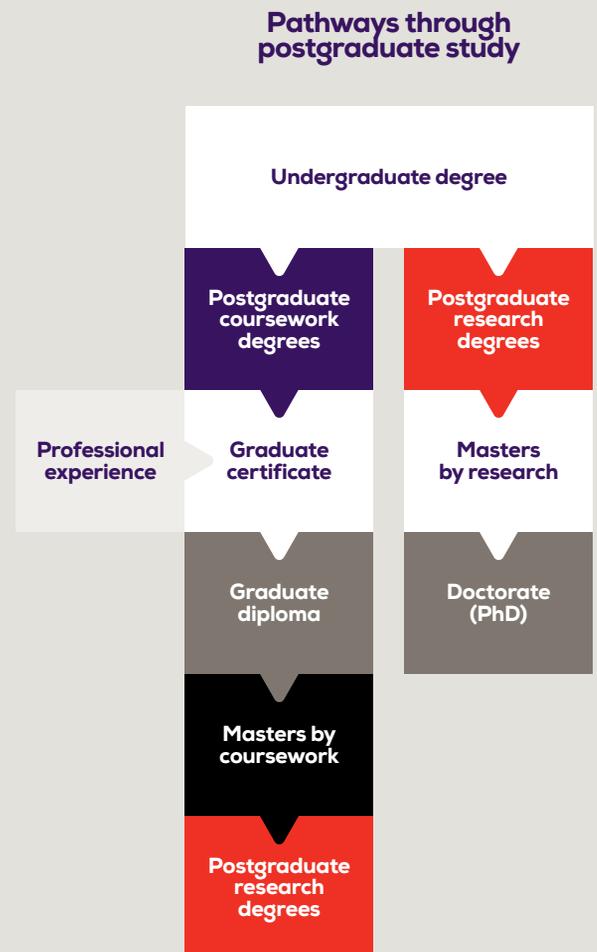
Research

- Programs are generally two to four years full-time (or equivalent part-time).
- You can expect independent research and exploration of original ideas under the guidance of a supervisor.
- To apply you usually need to have completed an undergraduate degree with honours or a masters.
- ACU offers supervised research at either masters or doctoral level.
- Research programs are ideal for making a new contribution to an academic field. They can be a pathway to research or an academic career, or help you get ahead at work.

Honours degrees are also available. They are a one-year degree for high-achieving students who have already completed a bachelor degree, and allow you to build upon your knowledge, develop research skills, and work closely with an academic expert. The main focus of the degree is to produce a research thesis under supervision from experienced academic staff.

If you're studying at another university and would like to switch to ACU, or you have relevant knowledge and skills acquired in the workplace, you may be able to get credit towards your degree.

acu.edu.au/priorlearning



Fees and scholarships

There are many options to help you manage the cost of study. Tuition fees depend on the course you enrol in, and there are two placement offer types: fee-paying place, and Commonwealth Supported Place (CSP).



FEE-PAYING PLACE

A fee-paying place is not subsidised by the government, so you pay the full cost of the course. As a domestic fee-paying student, you may be eligible to defer payment of your fees through the FEE-HELP government loan scheme. Repayment of the loan occurs through the tax system once your income exceeds the minimum threshold. Your employer may also consider assisting with the cost of study if the course is related to your current position.

studyassist.gov.au



COMMONWEALTH SUPPORTED PLACE (CSP)

A small number of postgraduate courses at ACU offer CSPs, where the government pays a proportion of tuition costs. The remainder of the fees are paid by the student, but eligible students can defer their payment through the HECS-HELP government loan scheme. Repayment of the loan occurs through the tax system once your income exceeds the minimum threshold.

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RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM FEES OFFSET SCHOLARSHIPS

If you are enrolling in a masters by research or doctorate program at ACU, you may be exempt from paying tuition fees. Our Research Training Program Fees Offset Scholarships are for high-achieving domestic students whose research proposal aligns with our priority areas.

acu.edu.au/research-scholarships



FACULTY ALUMNI REBATE

If you're an ACU graduate, you may be eligible for a 10 per cent rebate on postgraduate fees.

acu.edu.au/alumni-rebate



POSTGRADUATE COURSEWORK SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer scholarships to help support you financially during your studies. Use our online scholarships portal to find the ones that are right for you.

acu.edu.au/scholarships



RESEARCH TRAINING PROGRAM STIPEND SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer competitive scholarships with a stipend to help support you financially during your research, and to reward outstanding academic achievement. For international students, this includes a tuition fee waiver and an Overseas Health Care Policy.

acu.edu.au/research-scholarships

Got questions? We're waiting with the answers.

acu.edu.au/askacu

Applying to ACU

Postgraduate coursework degrees

-  Choose the course you would like to study by browsing this guide and visiting acu.edu.au/courses for more details.
-  Check important dates and application requirements carefully – some courses also require supporting documentation.
-  Check out the postgraduate scholarships available at acu.edu.au/scholarships
-  Apply online direct to ACU at acu.edu.au/courses
-  Accept your offer and enrol.

Postgraduate research degrees

Application to ACU higher degrees by research, including the Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy, is by direct application to Candidature Services at ACU.

-  Visit acu.edu.au/research/apply
-  Check the program requirements, application deadlines, and your eligibility.
-  Complete an application for admission and provide your documents.
-  Organise your two referee reports.
-  Submit the completed application.

For more information on how to apply for postgraduate coursework degrees, visit acu.edu.au/apply

For more information and to apply for postgraduate research degrees, visit acu.edu.au/research/apply

If you still have questions or need help with your application, visit acu.edu.au/askacu

The School of Theology

Our School of Theology is committed to a distinctive perspective on higher education, one that equips its students with the skills and knowledge to engage with the challenges of our contemporary world. Our graduates are leaders, defined by a unique set of values and an understanding of how high ethical standards in decision-making have a positive impact on organisational success, communities and society at large.

The School of Theology is led by Associate Professor Stephen Downs, and has a presence on every ACU campus. We offer learning opportunities informed by constructively aligned and innovative curriculum design, and internationally recognised research expertise. All of our programs are delivered by scholars whose capacity to facilitate engaging learning environments is well established.

We provide theology at any stage of your life and career journey. Theology at ACU is accessible at any level of study, and shaped by learning design that is always responsive to emerging questions and contextual need. Across our suite of learning opportunities we seek to equip you with a capacity to think theologically.

We offer:

- short courses in theology
- certificate and undergraduate courses

- postgraduate coursework degrees
- higher degree research
- international tours and learning abroad opportunities
- professional learning, consulting and in-servicing.

Courses are offered in a variety of modes to suit busy lifestyles – from face-to-face to fully online, and from intensive delivery to networked classrooms providing real-time interaction across different campuses.

Learning and teaching is supported with a range of resources, readings, and activities designed to enable you to achieve your desired learning outcomes. For postgraduate students, coursework programs are offered as fully online programs, while also providing opportunities for real-time engagement and cross-campus networking.



Theology at ACU

Theology is for those who are curious about the origin, the nature, and the future role of religion in society. It is for the enquiring mind, for those eager to probe the foundations of the Christian faith, the development of its central teachings and philosophies, and its relationship with the modern world. You will be encouraged to explore the purpose of existence and living, and to uncover the meaning of faith seeking understanding.

Areas of study across our undergraduate, postgraduate and higher degree research programs include: ancient languages, Biblical studies, church history, constructive theology, liturgy and sacraments, moral theology, practical theology and ministry, religious education, studies of religion, and systematic theology and Christian thought.
acu.edu.au/school/theology

Religious education: fostering religious literacy and thinking theologically in our contemporary world

Our academic programs draw deeply from the Catholic theological tradition and are designed to support you in understanding, assessing, and enhancing the Catholic identity of your school. Our programs are conceived and developed in collaboration with Catholic education partners, community, and church leaders and are designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills required to respond to the demands of an evolving, global, diverse, and digital world. They also help you to address the needs of students, staff and your broader school community by exploring contextual approaches to theology and scripture. We offer a range of purpose-built and tailored academic and professional learning opportunities, each designed

to strengthen your capacity to respond to the possibilities and challenges of enriching the Catholic identity of your current setting.

Providing for multiple points of engagement, and across any variety of delivery modes, our programs directly foster biblical and theological literacy that can:

- support and strengthen leadership capabilities
- affirm the nexus of school and parish community
- develop a deep appreciation of a relationship with God as defining the unique vision and central mission of Catholic education.

Xavier Centre for Theological Formation

Director: Dr Maeve Louise Heaney VDMF

Through our Xavier Centre, we offer theological formation and tailored professional learning opportunities for lay persons, religious and clergy across Australia. With multiple points of engagement, and across a variety of delivery modes, these opportunities directly support pastoral leaders, associates and planners, health care, educational and welfare professionals, public juridic persons, dioceses, seminaries and leaders of diocesan agencies, and all who contribute to religious and parish life in Australia. Framed by an engagement with scripture, theology, spirituality and leadership, each point of engagement provides an opportunity to reflect on how to address the many challenges and opportunities of our contemporary world and church.

Our current initiatives include:

- Leadership for Mission, a joint project of the Council for Australian Catholic Women, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, Catholic Mission and ACU. This leadership program for young women across Australia provides a series of educational and

formative encounters, bringing together the leadership experiences of women in the Church within the context of an academic and collaborative learning environment.
acu.edu.au/leadershipformission

- the Xavier School of Mission, in partnership with the Holy Spirit Seminary, Brisbane. This School of Mission aims to equip and form leaders in evangelisation at the service of Dioceses of Queensland. It is aimed at placing the Church's mission to evangelise at the heart of the Holy Spirit Seminary's formative process. Participants are equipped with the practical and theoretical tools to respond to their calling in their particular context.
- a series on women and leadership in the church exploring: what might the church look like in the future? What kind of leadership does that imply? What changes might need to occur? What roles do women have and what roles might they need to have to support change?

acu.edu.au/xaviercentre
seminary.catholic.net.au/xavier-school-of-mission

ACU Centre for Liturgy

Director: Professor Clare Johnson

The ACU Centre for Liturgy provides specialist expertise, teaching, research and formation in liturgical studies, sacramental theology, and the sacred arts. Formative education is offered at every level, from training programs for parish ministers through to doctoral degrees for higher degree research students.

Our academic programs include units in liturgical studies and sacramental theology within the Bachelor of Theology

and Bachelor of Theology/Bachelor of Philosophy, and named specialisations within the Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies (Liturgy) and the Master of Theological Studies (Liturgy).

acu.edu.au/centreforliturgy



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Fethullah Gülen Chair in the Study of Islam and Muslim-Catholic Relations

Chair: Associate Professor Salih Yucel

The Fethullah Gülen Chair in the Study of Islam and Muslim-Catholic Relations is a partnership with the Australian Intercultural Society, a non-government organisation aimed at promoting greater dialogue between Australia's various faith communities. It provides academic leadership in research, teaching and community engagement in relation to the study of Islam, and has been founded with full recognition of the plurality and

diversity of Islam itself. The Chair conducts leading-edge, internationally competitive research, assists in developing academic programs, and works towards promoting greater mutual understanding between Muslims and Catholics both in Australia and throughout the Asia-Pacific region.

We offer opportunities for higher degree research in the area of Islamic studies through the Master of Theology (Research) and the Doctor of Philosophy.



ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR ROBYN HORNER

Associate Professor Robyn Horner is a teaching and research academic within the School of Theology, and a member of the Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry. From 2010 to 2015, she held the position of Associate Dean (Learning and Teaching) of the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy. The aim of her research is to find new ways of thinking about Christian phenomena within contemporary western contexts, characterised as such contexts are by the immense cultural challenges of secularisation, pluralisation, and detraditionalisation.

She investigates this area both theoretically (especially through the use of hermeneutic phenomenology, together with a variety of post-structuralist tools of critique), and practically (in collaboration with researchers in Belgium who have developed scales for measuring individual and communal religious expressions of identity—the Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project).

Associate Professor Horner is currently working on a monograph on revelation, and as part of a major project: *Atheism and Christianity: Moving Past Polemic*. She teaches and supervises in the area of enhancing Catholic identity, and theological recontextualisation.



DR CHRISTIAAN JACOBS-VANDEGEER

Dr Christiaan Jacobs-Vandegheer is the Director of Stakeholder Relations, course coordinator and teacher within the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, and a researcher in the Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry at ACU's Melbourne Campus.

He earned his doctorate in theology from the University of St Michael's College in Toronto before joining ACU in 2011. Dr Jacobs-Vandegheer has published articles in international journals and with Professor Neil Ormerod published *Foundational Theology: A New Approach to Catholic Fundamental Theology* (Fortress Press, 2015).

He is a chief investigator in a major research program titled, *Atheism and Christianity: Moving Past Polemic*. His primary areas of research interest are fundamental theology, the theology of grace, interreligious dialogue, and the thought of Bernard J F Lonergan.

Research at ACU

ACU has prioritised research intensification. The work within our faculties and institutes tackles enduring and pressing issues in society, in Australia, and around the world. The following institutes are linked to the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, and provide opportunities for research collaboration.

Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry

Director: Professor Peter Howard

The Institute for Religion and Critical Inquiry (IRCI) promotes interdisciplinary and collaborative research on religion and some areas of philosophy (continental) from multiple disciplinary perspectives, including theology, religion, history, and literature. Focusing on Christian thought and practice from antiquity to today, we explore inter-relationships between religion and its cultural contexts, and contribute to contemporary theological, philosophical, ethical, and political debates. In this way, the IRCI aims to advance understanding of our world and imagine ways to improve it.

The IRCI comprises three research programs which provide a vibrant hub for higher research degrees: Biblical and Early Christian Studies, Medieval and Early Modern Studies, and Religion and Theology. The institute houses research projects on Texts, Traditions and Early Christian Identities; Modes of Knowing and the Ordering of Knowledge in Early Christianity; Atheism and Christianity: Moving Past Polemic; Redeeming Autonomy: Agency, Vulnerability, and Relationality, and Moral Disagreements. These projects include chief investigators from leading international universities such as Durham, KU Leuven, Boston College, and Yale.

irci.acu.edu.au

Dianoia Institute for Philosophy Queensland Bioethics Centre

Director: Professor Stephen Finlay

The *Dianoia* Institute for Philosophy has been established to achieve a world-leading position for philosophical research in the analytic tradition. The institute aspires to excellence in the central areas of philosophical inquiry, including metaphysics, epistemology, ethics and metaethics, logic, social and political philosophy, aesthetics, history of philosophy, and the philosophy of mind, language, religion and science.

With a dedicated focus on research and emphasis on productive collaboration with an international community of scholars and institutions, the institute will play an important role in furthering ACU's commitment to philosophy, as central to the University's Mission.

Director: Dr David Kirchhoffer

The Queensland Bioethics Centre (QBC) is a collaboration between the Archdiocese of Brisbane and ACU, together with other funding partners. The QBC focuses on high-quality research, education, and consultancy in the area of bioethics, with engagement and impact locally, nationally and internationally. This collaboration provides a platform for truly interdisciplinary research to address the bioethical issues of the day, informing education, and sound advice to key stakeholders, including the Archdiocese of Brisbane, the bishops of Queensland, and Catholic health and aged care agencies.

acu.edu.au/bioethics

Research success



IRCI researchers have won Australian Research Council (ARC) grants in History and Philosophy: **Professor Peter Howard**, *the Sistine Chapel and the Visual Art of Preaching*; **Professor Pauline Allen (co-CI)**, *Memories of Utopia: Destroying the Past to Create the Future*; **Dr Matthew Crawford**, *Religious Belief and Social Cohesion*; and **Dr Steve Matthews** (Plunkett Centre for Ethics), *Dementia, Moral Agency and Identity*.

In the most recent Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) assessment, our research in philosophy and in religion and religious studies was rated above world standard.

The School of Philosophy

Our School of Philosophy provides a world class program of coursework and research in this exciting field, as we look to bring the riches of ancient wisdom into serious thinking about our contemporary world. We seek to arouse a sense of wonder in our students as we tackle some of the most fascinating and tough questions wrested with by great minds throughout history.

We will help you develop highly valuable skills in clarity of thought, rigour of argument, and a focus on issues that matter. In our research we pride ourselves on the genuine contribution we make – especially in the fields of ethics, the philosophy of religion, and the history of philosophy. The school also runs regular research-related workshops, seminars and public lectures.



Philosophy at ACU

The word philosophy literally means 'the love of wisdom' and explores the search for wisdom about things we generally take for granted. Philosophy is both an ancient tradition of thought and a cutting-edge contemporary discipline that provides you with the skills to think deeply and critically. It's transformative for every life and every profession. That's because studying philosophy helps to deepen and improve your thinking, enhancing your ability to analyse and understand complex and important ideas and issues.

Philosophy at ACU will introduce you to a world of new ideas, and will broaden and enrich your studies. It's an opportunity to challenge your thinking and to critically examine the 'big questions'.

Areas of study across our undergraduate and postgraduate programs include: epistemology and hermeneutics, ethics and applied ethics, history of philosophy, logic, metaphysics, philosophical anthropology, philosophy of mind, philosophy of religion, and social and political philosophy.

acu.edu.au/school/philosophy



DR RICHARD COLLEDGE

Dr Richard Colledge has been a teaching and research academic with ACU's School of Philosophy since 2009, and has been Head of the School since 2011. He teaches across various areas in contemporary philosophy, the philosophy of religion and the history of philosophy on ACU's Brisbane Campus. Dr Colledge's postgraduate studies in philosophy came after a varied early career in education and psychology, based in Queensland and the United Kingdom. He completed a Licentiate (MA) in Philosophy from the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), with a thesis on Søren Kierkegaard's metaphysics of the self, and a PhD through the University of Queensland in 2006 on Martin Heidegger's understanding of being. Prior to joining ACU in 2009, he led the philosophy program and served as Academic Dean at St Paul's Theological College, Brisbane.

Dr Colledge's research and publications address several areas, including (mainly German) phenomenology and hermeneutics (with a particular focus on Heidegger and Hans-Georg Gadamer); the history of metaphysics (especially Aristotle and Aquinas); the philosophy of religion (focusing especially on religious language and the problem of evil); as well as questions in meta-philosophy, and philosophical psychology. He is currently working on a book manuscript on the writings of Martin Heidegger.

Plunkett Centre for Ethics

Director: Associate Professor Bernadette Tobin

The Plunkett Centre for Ethics is a joint centre of ACU, St Vincent's Health Australia, NSW Facilities and Calvary Health Care. Studying ethical issues in health care and biomedical research, the centre works to promote the values of compassion and fellowship, intellectual and professional excellence, and fairness and justice. Its primary focus is on the realisation of these values in the provision and the allocation of health care. This commitment is expressed through research, teaching, community engagement, by conducting ethical reviews of professional practice, offering an ethics consultation service, and by participating in public discussion, including through its annual Plunkett Lecture.

acu.edu.au/plunkettcentre



DR STEVE MATTHEWS

Dr Steve Matthews has been part of the Plunkett Centre for Ethics located at St Vincent's Hospital, NSW since 2011. He is a Senior Research Fellow, undertaking research mainly in theoretical and applied ethics. His previous positions include appointments to Macquarie University, Charles Sturt University, and Monash University.

An important focus of one of Dr Matthews' research topics has been the intersection of moral psychology and applied ethics. Specifically, he is interested in the ethical issues arising from impairments that are the result of certain psychiatric conditions or vulnerabilities. He was chief investigator on an Australian Research Council (ARC) funded Discovery Project on the ethics of addiction between 2010 and 2016.

In 2017, Dr Matthews was awarded another Discovery Project on the ethics of dementia. The project is titled *Dementia, Moral Agency and Identity: Respecting the Vulnerable*, and will run from 2018 to 2020. The project will examine and evaluate the capacities those with dementia retain for social agency, valuing and relationships, and make recommendations for new and ethical approaches to policy on dementia.



Pierre-Cedric
MBA (Executive) graduate

EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

A NEW CLASS OF LEADERSHIP FOR A NEW KIND OF LEADER

Just as tomorrow's challenges will bear little resemblance to those of today, great leaders will look nothing like the models we've become familiar with.

That's because the environment is one of constant unknowns, rather than familiar patterns. Innovative future leaders will thrive in uncertainty, succeed in business, and excel in life.

ACU Executive Education is about developing innovative leaders who are eager to redefine business, move forward effectively and are ready to make a real difference to their organisations and the world. We do this through a range of exceptional masterclasses, short courses and executive

postgraduate qualifications uniquely created for today's busy professionals.

Alternatively, we can create leadership programs that are designed specifically for your organisational needs.

We believe standing still is not an option. We want to encourage you to be curious as you pursue your journey of personal growth, and pave your own way through the complexity to make a difference.



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Influence people
Negotiation leadership
Senior leaders' program



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Leadership and Catholic culture
Management of not-for-profit organisations
Psychology of risk
Family and systemic therapy



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We're here to help

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