“Studying theology at ACU gave me the literacy and research skills I needed, and reaffirmed my core values. I now work for ACU’s Institute for Advancing Community Engagement – organising community work experience opportunities for current students. I love my job and the best part is hearing students reflect on how their time in the community was both academically and professionally enriching.

During my studies I was always impressed by the passion and energy of the lecturers, and the many opportunities to get involved in campus life.

I was also awarded a scholarship for my service to the community in my second year, which was really encouraging. ACU is a great place and I’m proud to have studied there and still be involved in the University’s work.”

DANIEL NELSON
GRADUATE, BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

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Both theology and philosophy ask the big questions of life: Where have we come from? What is the purpose of existence? Together these disciplines provide a rich set of resources for the search for meaning and purpose in life.

TACKLING THE BIG QUESTIONS:

Many of our theologians and philosophers have international reputations as scholars and teachers, and all are dedicated to quality teaching and enhancing the learning experience.

TEACHING & LEARNING EXCELLENCE:

The faculty has a strong research profile, nationally and internationally, and enjoys collaborative relationships with scholars around the world. Alongside research strengths in theology and biblical studies, there are four research centres focusing on contemporary Catholic thought, early Christianity, moral philosophy (ethics), philosophy of religion and philosophical theology.

RESEARCH SUCCESS:

As a Catholic university, we are enthusiastic about teaching biblical studies, theology, liturgy, Christian ethics and philosophy, and are committed to fostering a deep appreciation of the Christian tradition.

CATHOLIC:

Theology teaches critical reasoning and the close analysis of texts. Graduates in the discipline can pursue a range of careers in areas such as teaching, work in church agencies and ministries, chaplaincy, social inclusion, pastoral work, and social work. They can also pursue careers in other areas that utilise the skills they have acquired in their degree, such as research, journalism and media, administration, and public relations.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:
BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

Campus: Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield
Duration: 3 yrs FT (or equivalent PT)

You can pursue an in-depth program of studies in scripture, theology and philosophy, or choose a broader-based program that includes studies in other disciplines such as liberal arts, business or psychology. You will undertake a critical and detailed examination of Christian thought and practice, gaining insight into the history of Christianity, as well as the breadth of current theological scholarship.

Professional experience
Students undertake a unit of Christian Community Experience, which involves active engagement.

Career options
Graduates in theology can pursue a range of careers in areas such as teaching, work in church agencies and ministries, chaplaincy, social inclusion, pastoral work, and social work. They can also pursue careers in other areas that utilise the skills they have acquired in their degree such as research, journalism and media, administration and public relations.

Further study
A range of further studies is potentially open to graduates such as professional studies in teaching or social work, or higher degrees in theology.

Honours
BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY
(HONOURS)

Campus: Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield
Duration: 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

The Honours course includes coursework and writing a thesis, and allows you to specialise in a particular area and equips you for further study.

Further study
A range of further studies is potentially open to graduates, such as professional studies in teaching or social work, or higher degrees in theology.

Pathways
CERTIFICATE IN THEOLOGY

Campus: Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield, Ballarat (PT only)
Duration: 0.5 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

This is a non-award, UniAccess-Australia program. Students have the opportunity to pursue theology at an introductory level. After completing this course, a student may choose to apply for a place in the Bachelor of Theology.

DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY

Campus: Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne, Strathfield, Ballarat (PT only)
Duration: 1 yr FT (or equivalent PT)

In this course students have the opportunity to pursue an introductory program of studies in scripture, theology and philosophy. After completing this course, a student may choose to apply for a place in the Bachelor of Theology.

SAMPLE PROGRAM MAP - BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY
(Units vary between campuses and from year to year)

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Eligibility requirements
This prestigious double-degree program will be offered to high-achieving students.

Professional experience
Students will have the opportunity to study or work overseas in an area relevant to their studies and interests.

Career options
Graduates in the dual degree can pursue careers in areas such as teaching, work in church agencies and ministries, chaplaincy, social inclusion, pastoral work and social work. They can also pursue careers in other areas that utilise the skills they have acquired in their degree such as research, journalism and media, administration and public relations.

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY/ BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK
Campus: Brisbane, Canberra, Strathfield
Duration: 4 yrs FT (or equivalent PT)
This unique dual degree will provide you with an education in social work that is informed by the range of values specific to the Christian tradition, and an education in theology that is orientated to the professional values and practice of the social work profession. You will engage in critical reflection on the theological tradition of the Church and its relationship to social work theory and practice.

Eligibility requirements
The requirements for admission to the Bachelor of Social Work are met through the completion of the study of a mainly theological curriculum for two years.

Accreditation
Graduates of the program are eligible for membership of the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW).

Career options
Graduates in theology can pursue a range of careers in areas such as teaching, work in church agencies and ministries, chaplaincy, social inclusion, pastoral work and social work. They can also pursue careers in other areas that utilise the skills they have acquired in their degree such as research, journalism and media, administration and public relations.

Eligibility requirements
This prestigious double-degree program will be offered to high-achieving students.

Professional experience
Students will have the opportunity to study or work overseas in an area relevant to their studies and interests.

Career options
Graduates in the dual degree can pursue careers in the public sector, both local and international, government services, including diplomatic service, the United Nations system and other international organisations, social entrepreneurship and companies with a global outreach, international relations, journalism, including travel journalism, travel and tourism.

Course structure
Students are required to complete a total of 32 units (320cp) in the dual degree. Students complete four core units (40cp in total), an International study/exchange or internship (40cp) and four approved electives (40cp) as part of the Global Studies program.

Dual degrees