Whitley College

Bridging the gap
and equipping leaders for a different world

Start Now, Semester 2, 2015
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Preparing
Are you looking to grow in your understanding of faith and ministry? Are you ready and equipped for the challenges of ministry in your neighbourhood? Whitley College offers a wide range of learning opportunities and courses to prepare you to serve, whether it be in your workplace or local community, or for service in much wider spheres. Prepare yourself through studying at Whitley College, where you can be part of a learning community equipping leaders for a different world.

Exploring
Many of the heroes of the Christian faith set out on a journey, following the call of God, not knowing what the journey or the destination might hold. They stepped out in faith. Courses at Whitley College provide opportunity for you to explore this rich tradition of faith – to encounter and learn from the great people, communities and moments in the life of the church since the time of Jesus, and reflect on the implications for life and ministry today. Join us in a journey of exploration at Whitley College, where you can be part of a learning community equipping leaders for a different world.

Flourishing
The Psalmist talks of the person who is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither, and whose actions lead them to prosper (Psalm 1:3). Studying at Whitley College provides you with the resources and opportunity to flourish in your faith. Through the study of scripture, exploration of theology and church history, and through many practical ministry and mission subjects at Whitley College you can be part of a learning community equipping leaders for a different world.

Caring
Human challenges vary from the intensely personal to the global. Demonstrating Christian care in a hurting world is God’s call upon his church. Studying at Whitley College you have opportunity to reflect on and be equipped for the ministry of care: from personal health and relationship challenges through formation of local communities to the global questions of asylum seekers, climate change. Learn to show the love of God through learning how to care, through studying at Whitley College – where you can be part of a learning community equipping leaders for a different world.
10 reasons to study Theology at Whitley

Theological study at Whitley College offers almost limitless possibilities;

1. Accredited and highly respected diplomas and degrees.
2. A pathway to further studies in Australia and around the world.
3. A complete range of theological studies: Bible, Theology, History, Ministry and Mission practice, and more.
4. Classes available not-for-credit, or as part of a variety of awards through to Masters level.
5. A diverse student demographic.
6. Flexible study times and methods, both on campus and via distance learning.
7. An interdenominational context: classes can also be taken at other Colleges in the University of Divinity.
8. Austudy (student living allowance) and FEE-HELP is available to eligible students.
10. Opportunities exist for Research students at Masters and Doctoral level, and for International Students to study at Whitley.

Stepping off on the next adventure:

What’s the best starting point for you?

1. TransFormation (for students from a non English Speaking background)
2. Diploma Studies (integrative studies of Bible and mission)
3. Degree Studies (critical engagement with faith)
4. Postgraduate Studies (critical and analytical studies)
5. Research (Chart your course for new horizons)

Current Fees

Student fees are set each year by the University of Divinity and are uniform across all the teaching institutions. Unlike other universities, the University of Divinity is not Commonwealth-funded for its coursework degrees.

Fees are charged on the basis of a ‘unit fee’, which covers the teaching for one unit of study for one semester. This fee is all-inclusive: it covers tuition, library usage, and student facilities.

Undergraduate and Postgraduate fees are payable directly to University of Divinity at the time of enrolment.

FEE-HELP and Austudy are available for most diploma and degree courses.

Fees for Domestic Students for 2015 are as follows:

- Unit Fee (Undergraduate degree/diploma) $1,320
- Unit Fee (Postgraduate) $2,052

More Information regarding current fees can found at http://www.divinity.edu.au/study/fees/
Semester 2

Pre-Semester 2

Spirituality of Everyday life
June 29 – July 3 | Simon Holt
DS2/3021W | DS9021W
Exploring connections between spirituality and the issues, contexts and experiences of life. A strong focus on encountering God in the midst of the ordinary practice of living.

Caring for Others and Ourselves
June 29 – July 3 | Gary Heard | DP0139W
This unit provides an introduction to the theory and practice of pastoral care – with a focus on developing understanding of your own identity as a carer, and equipping with basic skills for care.

Micah Mandate
July 6-10 (at TEAR, 4 Solwood Lane, Blackburn) | Steve Bradbury
DM2/3031W | DM9031W
Develop advocacy skills to respond to the needs of the global poor. Steve Bradbury has many years of experience throughout the world in engaging with communities seeking justice and wellbeing and exploring how we can support them in constructive and sustainable ways.

Leading Change: Peace or Conflict?
July 13 – 16 and July 20 - 23 | David Brubaker
DP2/3013W | DP9013W
This unit builds on the keynote and electives of the School of Ministry, 13-14 July. Additional presentations and class time will be held 9:00am - 1:00pm Wed-Thurs 15-16 July, 9:00am - 1:00pm Mon-Thurs 20-23 July. The learning program will involve both lectures and student seminars.

Semester 2

Supervision Foundations
July 15 + August 1 + September 5 + October 3 + October 31 | Anne Mallaby | DP9077W
Develop your skills as a supervisor to students preparing for ordination, particularly through Supervised Theological Field Education.

Pastoral Care in Grief & Loss, Living and Dying
Jul 20, 21, 22 Aug 3 + Sep 21, 22 | Gary Heard
DP2/3004W | DP9004W
This unit provides personal and pastoral frameworks for understanding the impact of loss, the importance of grief, and the phenomenon of dying as part of life. Teaching will engage at the personal level, and provide theological, spiritual, pastoral, cultural and other resources for pastoral care.

Beginning Theological Studies
Aug 1, 8, 15, 22 + Sep 5, 12, 19 | Jason Goroncy
CT1001W | CT8001W
Discover how our faith relates to our understanding of the world, ourselves and our communities today.

The Gospel of Luke
September 21 – 25 (at Camp Wilkin, Anglesea) | Mike Esbensen | BN0146W
Exploring the Gospel of Luke with a view to preaching and teaching, and using interpretive resources to develop understanding.

Rural Ministry
August 12-14 and September 16-18 in Bendigo | Geoff Leslie
DM_CT3010W | DM_CT9010W
This unit includes exploration of the needs and opportunities for rural ministry; theological reflection on agriculture, the land, social and family life, the environment and economics in a rural setting; and developing and evaluating appropriate models for pastoral care, church life and community involvement.

Online Units

Promised Land & Exile
Mark Brett
Also offered on campus
BA3704W | BA9704W

Introducing the Hebrew Bible
Mark Brett
Also offered on campus
BA8701W

Paul: Life and Letters
Keith Dyer
Also offered on campus
BN2/3722W | BN9722W

History and Theology of the Baptist Movement
Marita Munro
CH2/3704W | CH9704W | CT2/3704W | CT9704W

Pastoral Care: Communal Response
Anne Mallaby
Also offered on campus
DP2/3703W | DP9703W | DL2/3703W | DL9703W

Pioneering Leadership
Darren Cronshaw
DM2/3726W | DM9726W

Mission in the Australian Context
Les Henson
DM2/3751W | DM9751W
New Testament Greek B
Stephen Field (AL1/8012W)
Regular Unit: Mon 10.00 AM to 1.00 PM
Delve into the language in which the New Testament was first written. “Greek B” deepens this knowledge and introduces intermediate level grammar and vocabulary and applies this knowledge in translating passages of the New Testament. Some principles of textual criticism are also introduced.

Introducing the Hebrew Bible
Mark Brett (BA1/8001W)
Regular Unit: Wed 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM
Introduces the history and diversity of the Old Testament, particularly in relation to key themes like creation, covenant, government, suffering, ethnicity and hope.

Promised Land & Exile
Mark Brett (BA2/3/9004W) (Also offered online)
Regular Unit: Mon 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM
Explores two of the most central themes in Old Testament theology, and relates these to contemporary struggles today.

Preaching and Teaching the Old Testament
Mark Brett (BA_DL3/9015W)
Regular Unit: Tues 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM
Explores the most effective and responsible ways to teach and preach the Old Testament in church contexts.

Paul: Life and Letters
Keith Dyer (BN2/3/9022W)
Regular Unit: Wed 9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
(Also offered online)
Students studying Paul are usually divided fairly evenly between those who love him and those who loathe him, and that doesn’t include those who won’t even go near such classes! Why is this so? How can Christians have such diverse responses to the one person? Come and have a fresh look at the Paul of the NT, rather than the Paul you think you know, and explore the earliest writings of this remarkable missionary pastor in context.

The Book of Revelation
Keith Dyer (BN2/3/9042W)
Regular Unit: Thur 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM
No Biblical book has suffered more abuse, nor caused more abuse, than the Apocalypse (‘revelation’) to John. Explore the first century context of this remarkable text as a basis for reading Revelation responsibly, and asking how it still might challenge and transform our lives today.

Interpreting the New Testament
Oh-Young Kwon (BN1/8001W)
Regular Unit: Tues 6.00 PM to 9.00 PM
The focus of this unit is on doing interpretation, rather than just learning about it, or giving the background to, or a survey of, the New Testament. Experience the insights and limitations of different ways of reading and analysing selected NT texts, then put it into practice yourself in shared exegetical workshop papers and your own longer essay.

Mission in the New Testament
Siu Fung Wu (BN_DM2/3/9064W)
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Discipleship through the Time Machine
Marita Munro (CH_CT0145W)
Regular Unit: Mon 2.00 PM to 5.00 PM
What did it mean to be followers of Jesus in a world and time very different from our own? What challenges did they face? Where did they find their hope and inspiration? This unit will explore these questions and more.

Christianity Through the Centuries: Reformation
Marita Munro (CH1/8012W)
Regular Unit: Wed 9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
Explore the personalities, ideas and revolutions that have shaped the church.

Church: The Quest for Christian Community
Jason Goroncy (CT2/3/9020W)
Regular Unit: Fri 9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
This thing called ‘church’ is a strange creature, perhaps the strangest of them all. This unit is an invitation to reflect more deeply on its strange nature and mission in light of God’s equally strange loving passion for the world, and to do so in conversation with voices both past and contemporary.

Bibliical Practices
Anne Mallaby (DA_BS0005W)
Regular Unit: Wed 6.00 PM to 9.00 PM
Living life fully in God invites us to a creative journey where we live out our faith in the public square.

Pastoral Care: Communal Response
Anne Mallaby (DP_DL2/3/9003W)
Regular Unit: Tue 6.00 PM to 9.00 PM
(Also offered online)
Discover the links between pastoral care and communal expressions of meaning-making and ritual.

Church: The Quest for Christian Community
Jason Goroncy (CT2/3/9020W)
Regular Unit: Thu 9.30 AM to 12.30 PM
For many reasons, the name ‘John Calvin’ evokes a mixed reception. This unit is designed to help such reception to be an informed one. It provides an introduction to the theological and historical contexts of, and developments in, the reformer’s thought, and considers the legacies that his vision encourages.

Global Mission Today
Bruce Newnham & Mark Holt (DM2/3/9036W)
Regular Unit: Wed 6.00 PM to 9.00 PM
Explore new and emerging ways that we can best work across cultures and communities in global mission.

Youth Spirituality
Roslyn Wright/ Rowan Lewis (DP/CT1010W)
Regular Unit: Thu 6.00 PM to 9.00 PM
Introducing significant developments in youth spirituality research, and assisting them to begin to formulate their own mature theological, anthropological, soteriological, and ecclesiological and pastoral responses to the subjects of such.

Academic Calendar, 2nd semester 2015

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Do you want to explore your faith at a deeper level, but you’re not sure about studying at degree level?

In 2015 Whitley introduced a diploma-level program that integrates practice and reflection. The program extends across 8 new units and provides an innovative and integrative way to begin your journey in theological education. This integrative model of learning offers a fresh way into theological learning, that is practical, stimulating and enriching.

These diploma units can help prepare you for ministry in your local setting, deepen your own understanding of what it means to be a follower of Jesus, connect you with others who want to further explore the implications of discipleship, or further equip you to read the Bible and live out its teachings. Part discipline and part exploration, these studies will enrich and enliven your faith and passion for ministry.

The complete diploma (Diploma in Theology) will consist of 8 semester units to be taught initially in 2015–16, accredited through the University of Divinity. It integrates the challenges of academic study with personal and ministry formation.

At Whitley College, we are committed to living the gospel, equipping Bible-shaped communities and engaging society in the freedom and responsibility of the Baptist tradition.

Our primary educational focus is on the formation of missional leaders and disciples in the Asia-Pacific region, in church and society.

Semester 2, 2015

“Discipleship through the Time Machine” with Marita Munro

Followers of Jesus have grappled with the challenges of discipleship in many different times and places. Understanding the challenges they faced, and the inspiration and strength they found provide hope and direction for us as we seek to shape our lives around Christian ideas, attitudes and practices.

“Biblical Practices” with Anne Mallaby

Integrating life around worship, prayer, hospitality, ethics and creative expressions of faith is a challenge. The links between private, personal and public expressions of faith are the focus of our learning in this unit.
TransFormation program involves:
Sessions on 10 Saturdays per year for 3 years at Whitley College.
Sessions run from 9.30am – 4.00pm.

The program is taught in English but allows time for questions and sharing in your own language groups where possible.
The program is open to women and men from a non-English speaking background, from all denominations, who have their Church’s support and encouragement.
Students are accepted at the beginning of each year.
The TransFormation program has a variety of assessment tasks and includes study in the following areas: Theology, Spiritual Growth, Old Testament, New Testament, Evangelism & Mission, Church History, Worship & Preaching, Baptist Principles & Practice, Pastoral Care, Church Leadership & Administration.

TransFormation 2015 will be offered on the following Saturdays:
28 February, 21 March, 18 April, 16 May, 13 June, 25 July, 22 August, 12 September, 10 October and 7 November


Fiona (Chinese Background)
“God loves me so much and God is so good to me. So, I would like to know more about Jesus Christ. All teachers helped me a lot and my English skill has been improved and grown. I learned why Jesus came to this world and he died to save us. I love Whitley College and I am really enjoying the learning at Whitley. We are from different countries and I met really good friends here.”

Wilson Dahn (African Background)
“I arrived in Australia 3 years ago. If you want to learn about the leadership in your church, I believe the TransFormation is a really good course for you because we can learn to understand each other from different cultures. What I am enjoying in this course is the knowing about cultures and backgrounds in Christianity in both Australia and the world.”

NEXT is a truly unique experience of spiritual formation and personal development tailor-made for emerging and young adults.

NEXT develops faith through carefully structured experiences of spirituality, cultural discernment, purposeful living and justice seeking opportunities. Practical experience can also be gained through a placement with one of our missional partners or a church-based internship.
The NEXT Core experience is set over two days per week where students engage in a mix of study, small group work, personal coaching and action-reflection experiences. The NEXT Core focuses upon Spiritual Formation, Theological Exploration, Bible Investigation as well as Personal and Leadership Development. Electives allow students to personalize their NEXT experience by focusing on faith and justice, creativity and spirituality, advanced biblical studies or missional engagement.

Flexible study options include full-time or part-time study over 1 or more years. Finish with the Diploma in Theology or go on to complete an Advanced Diploma or Bachelor. Fee Help is available.

12 WATTS Internship Program
This program has been set up to offer a Gap year to VCE Students before entering University or the work place but also for any young person searching after finishing VCE. This program is run in conjunction with Whitley College and Victorian Fitness Academy. This course is amazing, it is challenging, rewarding, and it will push you in body, mind and spirit with time for reflection. They will be trained in outdoor activities (Certificate 4 Sport & Recreation, grounds, Business admin), first year diploma of theological study (5 subjects, diploma in theology), and live with team at the Anglesea centres.

The Diploma in Theology is for people who have completed their secondary education or equivalent. It involves studying eight units over one to two years.
Please contact us to discuss the opportunities to study and grow at Whitley College

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