



Learn to Engage with People from Different Faiths

Trinity College Theology School 2017

Two subjects to help you learn to engage with people of different faiths. These can be taken by members of the public as Audit units, or by enrolled students (undergraduates may take these units, but this will be at the postgraduate level of fees and assessment).

AR800T Introduction to Interfaith Engagement – Semester 1

Tuesday Evenings 6:00-9:00pm

Lecturers: Mark Lindsay and Rabbi Fred Morgan

Living in a multicultural context both locally and globally, we are constantly interacting with people of different faiths and traditions. One of the greatest theological challenges that faces us today is to make sense of this diversity of faiths, to grasp their meaning both for others and for ourselves, and to determine our ethical relationship to those whose values and behaviours are in contrast to our own.

The aim of this unit is to explore some of the ways in which selected religions have interacted throughout history, to articulate both the difficulties and the benefits associated with entering into relationship with faiths that are not our own, to analyse the issues involved in interfaith engagement and to consider the potential impact of interfaith engagement on our personal theology.

AR820T Practicum in Interfaith Engagement – Semester 2

Tuesday Evenings 6:00-9:00pm

Lecturers: Mark Lindsay and Rabbi Fred Morgan

This unit builds on the unit 'Introduction to interfaith Engagement' by giving students a practical opportunity to engage in interfaith activity. Each student will work with a supervisor to construct a functional model of interfaith engagement. The student will then apply the model to create a relationship with a selected faith community which is not their own, entering into the worship space of the other faith, joining the adherents in their religious practices and ultimately thinking reflexively about the experience, thus enabling the other faith tradition to impact on his or her personal theology. Each student will share experiences and reflections with the other students in the class, in order to sharpen understanding of the process and potential rewards of interfaith engagement.

Study Options:

You can: Audit (sit in and take part) for \$300.00 per unit **OR** enrol in the units toward a Postgraduate Award such as the *Graduate Certificate in Divinity* and then choose other units from across the various disciplines within theology toward a degree or diploma.

For more information:

Unit guides are available on the Trinity College website: www.trinity.edu.au/theology

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