

REGULATION 53

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SPIRITUALITY



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53.1 Admission and Enrolment

53.1.1 A person may apply to the Academic Board to enrol as a candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality if he or she:

- a) has obtained or is qualified to obtain a Bachelor degree from the University of Divinity or from a university or college recognised by the Academic Board; or
- b) has a minimum of five years of relevant work experience or relevant professional attainment to a standard recognised by the Academic Board.

53.1.2 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Regulation, the Academic Board may require an applicant to demonstrate fitness for admission by carrying out such work and sitting for such examinations or meeting such other standards as the Academic Board may decide.

53.1.3 An applicant who meets the requirements of the Academic Board may be admitted as a candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality in a College of the University.

53.1.4 Every candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality must be enrolled during the period of candidature at a College of the University, and must comply with the requirements of that College and of the University. Candidates may study units offered at other Colleges of the University.

53.1.5 The Academic Board may discontinue the candidature of any person whom it deems to have made unsatisfactory progress.

53.2 Course Structure

53.2.1 The standard full-time duration of the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality is six months. The Graduate Certificate in Spirituality must be completed in not less than six months and not more than two years from the date on which the course is commenced, not including any approved periods of leave of absence, unless the Academic Board decides otherwise.

53.2.2 Every course of study for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality must consist of 72 points.

53.2.3 The Academic Board must establish course outcomes for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality.

53.2.4 The Academic Board must decide the number and type of units required to complete the course of study and to meet the course outcomes for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality.

53.2.5 No candidate for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality may enrol in more than 72 points in any one semester, unless the Academic Board decides otherwise.

53.3 Credit

53.3.1 The Academic Board may grant credit of up to 36 points towards the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality. The Academic Board may establish specific credit arrangements for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality. Where credit is granted, the minimum term for completion of the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality is reduced accordingly.

53.4 Award

53.4.1 When a candidate has completed the requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality, the Academic Board may recommend that the award be made to the candidate. A candidate to whom such an award has been made is entitled to use the letters 'GCSp' as a suffix to his or her name.

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GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SPIRITUALITY



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53.2 Course Structure

53.2.3 Statement of Rationale and Course Outcomes

The Graduate Certificate in Spirituality allows students to understand personal spiritual experience through introductory study of themes and approaches in Christian spirituality. It serves as a foundation for further study in spirituality or spiritual direction. Graduates are able to articulate insights for Christian practice and identity.

Graduates of the Graduate Certificate in Spirituality:

1. have engaged with personal spiritual experience in light of foundational themes and approaches in spirituality and / or spiritual direction;
2. have knowledge of the dynamics of the spiritual life through reflection on personal experience, integrated with foundational themes and approaches in spirituality and / or spiritual direction;
3. apply the insights of Christian spirituality to understanding life, work and community.

53.2.4 The Graduate Certificate in Spirituality consists of 72 points at postgraduate level comprised of one of the following programs.

53.2.4.1 Program 1:

- a) DS8201W Art of Contemplative Practice
- b) A further 48 points in the disciplines of Spirituality or Spiritual Direction.

53.2.4.2 Program 2:

Candidates must complete the unit:

- a) DS9000P or DS9009P Fullness of Life: Spirituality in Christian Tradition

Candidates must also complete 48 points selected from the following units:

- b) DS8010P Early Monastic Wisdom: The Desert and the City
- c) DS9300P Medieval Monastic Wisdom
- d) DS8400P Lent and Easter: Forty Days and Fifty Days
- e) DS8405P Prayer and Hospitality: Benedictine Spirituality in Australia
- f) DS9030P The Wisdom of St Benedict: The Rule and its Sources

53.2.4.3 Program 3:

- a) DS8003C Christian Spirituality A
- b) DS8004C Christian Spirituality B
- c) A further 24 points in the disciplines of Spirituality or Spiritual Direction

53.2.4.3 Program 4: Dayspring

Candidates must complete the units:

- a) DD8740Z Contemplative Stance and Soul Care
- b) CH8740Z History of Contemplative and Apophatic Spirituality
- c) A further 24 points in the disciplines of Spirituality or Spiritual Direction

53.3 Credit

- 53.3.1 Credit may be granted in accordance with the Credit Policy of the Academic Board.

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