## THE AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF THEOLOGY LIMITED ACN: 127 429 083

## STATEMENT OF TUITION ASSURANCE

Under the provisions of the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* (HESA) and the associated HEP Guidelines the Australian College of Theology (the First Provider) is required to provide a tuition assurance arrangement for Australian citizens or holders of an Australian permanent humanitarian visa who are enrolled in higher education courses it offers. This requirement is to protect a student in the event that the Australian College of Theology ceases to provide a course of study in which a student is enrolled. The meaning of 'ceasing to provide a course of study' is set out in the HEP Guidelines (http://www.backingaustraliasfuture.gov.au/guidelines/hep\_guide.htm).

In the event that the Australian College of Theology ceases to provide a course of study in which a student is enrolled the student is entitled to a choice of:

a) an offer of a place in a similar course of study with a Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any student contribution or tuition fee for any replacement units. If the Australian College of Theology is unable to provide a course of study, the student will be contacted by the most appropriate or convenient of the second providers, which will make all of the arrangements necessary (this is known as the "**Course Assurance Option**");

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b) a refund of his or her up-front payments for any unit of study that the student commences but does not complete because the Australian College of Theology ceases to provide the course of study of which the unit forms part (this is known as the "Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option").

If the Australian College of Theology ceases to provide a course of study, the Dean & CEO of the Australian College of Theology will send a student enrolled in the course of study a Written Tuition Assurance Offer (the Offer) advising the student of the options available under the tuition assurance requirements. The Offer will include directions that the student must follow in order to notify the Dean & CEO of the Australian College of Theology of the choice they have made for each affected unit. The Dean & CEO of the Australian College of Theology will provide this offer within 20 business days after it knows, or should know by reasonable enquiries, that the Australian College of Theology has ceased to provide a course of study.

#### The Course Assurance Option

The Australian College of Theology has met the course assurance option requirement of the HESA through a Deed/s of Course Assurance with the Second Provider/s listed below. If the Australian College of Theology is unable to provide a course of study the Second Provider/s will make all the arrangements necessary to ensure that a student enrolled in that course of study is able to enrol in a similar course of study with that Second Provider.

The following alternative course/s of study will be offered in the event that the Australian College of Theology is unable to deliver its higher education courses:

If a student accepts a place in a course offered by a Second Provider named above he/she will receive full credit for units of study completed towards the same or comparable qualification with the Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any student contribution or tuition fee for any replacement units.

The Second Provider may have different contribution amounts or tuition fees to the amounts or fees the student would have paid for units of study which were part of the course of study the Australian College of Theology ceased to provide.

A student is not obliged to enrol in an offered course of study with a Second Provider under the Course Assurance Option. However, if he/she enrols with any other provider there is no obligation on that provider to offer full credit transfer for the units of study completed with the Australian College of Theology or to offer a replacement/s unit free of charge.

The Provider Course	Qualification to which the Provider Course leads	Course of study offered by the Second Provider as a replacement for the Provider Course	Qualification to which the Second Provider's course of study leads
Associate Degree of	Associate Degree of	Associate Degree of	Associate Degree of
Theology	Theology	Ministry	Ministry
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Arts (Biblical Studies)	Bachelor of Arts (Biblical Studies)
Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Arts (Ministry)	Bachelor of Arts (Ministry)
Graduate Certificate of	Graduate Certificate of	Graduate Certificate in	Graduate Certificate in
Christian Studies or	Christian Studies or	Theology	Theology
Graduate Certificate of	Graduate Certificate of		
Ministry	Ministry		
Graduate Diploma of	Graduate Diploma of	Graduate Diploma of	Graduate Diploma of
Christian Studies or	Christian Studies or	Theology	Theology
Graduate Diploma of	Graduate Diploma of		
Ministry	Ministry		
Master of Arts (Ministry)	Master of Arts (Ministry)	Master of Arts (Ministry)	Master of Arts (Ministry)
Doctor of Ministry	Doctor of Ministry	Doctor of Ministry	Doctor of Ministry

## Harvest Bible College

## **Moore Theological College**

Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course	Qualification to which Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course leads	Course of Study offered by the Second Provider as a replacement	Qualification to which the Moore Theological College's (Second Provider) course of study leads
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology (3 year)	Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	Bachelor of Divinity (4 year, non-graduates)	Bachelor of Divinity
Master of Divinity / Graduate Diploma of Theology	Master of Divinity / Graduate Diploma of Theology	Bachelor of Divinity (4 year, graduates)	Bachelor of Divinity
Master of Arts (Theology)	Master of Arts (Theology)	Master of Arts (Theology) coursework	Master of Arts (Theology)
Master of Theology	Master of Theology	Master of Theology (research)	Master of Theology
Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Bible and Missions	Diploma of Bible and Missions

Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Bible and Ministry	Diploma of Bible and Ministry
Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Bible and Youth Ministry	Diploma of Bible and Youth Ministry

# Avondale College

Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course	Qualification to which Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course leads	Course of Study offered by the Second Provider as a replacement	Qualification to which the Avondale College Limited's (Second Provider) course of study leads
Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology/Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Theology/Bachelor of Ministry
Graduate Diploma of Divinity Master of Arts (Theology)	Graduate Diploma of Divinity Master of Arts (Theology)	Graduate Diploma in Theology Master of Arts (Theology)	Graduate Diploma in Theology Master of Arts (Theology)
Master of Theology Associate Degree of Theology	Master of Theology Associate Degree of Theology	Master of Theology Associate Degree in Theological Studies	Master of Theology Associate Degree in Theological Studies
Graduate Diploma of Christian Studies Bachelor of Ministry	Graduate Diploma of Christian Studies Bachelor of Ministry	Graduate Diploma in Ministry Bachelor of Theology	Graduate Diploma in Ministry Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology
Doctor of Theology	Doctor of Theology	Doctor of Philosophy (topics in the field of theology)	Doctor of Philosophy
Bachelor of Ministry (Honours)	Bachelor of Ministry (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology/Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Theology/Bachelor of Ministry
Bachelor of Christian Studies	Bachelor of Christian Studies	Bachelor of Arts with a religious studies major	Bachelor of Arts
Master of Arts (Ministry)	Master of Arts (Ministry)	Master of Arts (Theology)	Master of Arts (Theology)

# MCD University of Divinity

Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course	Qualification to which Australian College of Theology (First Provider) course leads	Course of Study offered by the Second Provider as a replacement	Qualification to which the Melbourne College of Divinity's (Second Provider) course of study leads
Master of Divinity	Master of Divinity	Master of Divinity	Master of Divinity
Associate Degree of Theology	Associate Degree of Theology	Advanced Diploma in Theology	Advanced Diploma in Theology
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology

Bachelor of Christian Studies	Bachelor of Christian Studies	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Theology (Hons)	Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology (Hons)	Bachelor of Theology (Hons)
Bachelor of Ministry (Hons)	Bachelor of Ministry (Honours)	Bachelor of Theology (Hons)	Bachelor of Theology (Hons)
Advanced Diploma of Ministry	Advanced Diploma of Ministry	Advanced Diploma in Theology	Advanced Diploma in Theology
Advanced Diploma of Theology	Advanced Diploma of Theology	Advanced Diploma in Theology	Advanced Diploma in Theology
Doctor of Ministry	Doctor of Ministry	Doctor of Philosophy	Doctor of Philosophy
Doctor of Theology	Doctor of Theology	Doctor of Theology	Doctor of Theology
Doctor of Philosophy	Doctor of Philosophy	Doctor of Philosophy	Doctor of Philosophy
Graduate Certificate of Divinity	Graduate Certificate of Divinity	Graduate Certificate in Theology	Graduate Certificate in Theology
Graduate Diploma of Ministry	Graduate Diploma of Ministry	Graduate Diploma in Theology	Graduate Diploma in Theology
Graduate Diploma of Theology	Graduate Diploma of Theology	Gradua te Dipl oma in Theo logy	Graduate Diploma in Theology
Graduate Certificate of Christian Studies	Graduate Certificate of Christian Studies	Gradua te Certi ficat e in Theo logy	Graduate Certificate in Theology
Graduate Certificate of Theology	Graduate Certificate of Theology	Gradua te Certi ficat e in Theo logy	Graduate Certificate in Theology
Graduate Certificate of Ministry	Graduate Certificate of Ministry	Gradua te Certi ficat e in Theo logy	Graduate Certificate in Theology
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Christian Studies	Christian Studies	Theology	Theology
Master of Theology	Master of Theology	Master of Theology	Master of Theology
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Theology (First	Australian College of	by the Second Provider	the Perth Bible College's
Provider) course	Theology (First	as a replacement	(Second Provider) course
	Provider) course leads		of study leads
Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry (4	Bachelor of Ministry
(Honours)	(Honours)	years)	
Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry	Bachelor of Ministry (3 years)	Bachelor of Ministry
Advanced Diploma of	Advanced Diploma of	Advanced Diploma in	Advanced Diploma in
Ministry	Ministry	Christian Ministry	Christian Ministry
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Ministry (3	Bachelor of Ministry
		years)	
Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Theology	Bachelor of Ministry (4	Bachelor of Ministry
(Honours)	(Honours)	years)	
Advanced Diploma of	Advanced Diploma of	Advanced Diploma in	Advanced Diploma in
Theology	Theology	Christian Ministry	Christian Ministry
Diploma of Ministry	Diploma of Ministry	Advanced Diploma in	Advanced Diploma in
		Christian Ministry	Christian Ministry
Diploma of Theology	Diploma of Theology	Advanced Diploma in	Advanced Diploma in
		Christian Ministry	Christian Ministry
Associate Degree of	Associate Degree of	Bachelor of Ministry (3	Bachelor of Ministry
Theology	Theology	years)	
Bachelor of Christian	Bachelor of Christian	Bachelor of Ministry (3	Bachelor of Ministry
Studies	Studies	years)	

## Sydney College of Divinity

The Provider Course	Qualification to which the Provider Course leads	Course of study offered by the Second Provider as a replacement for the Provider Course	Qualification to which the Second Provider's course of study leads
Diploma of Theology	DipTh	Diploma of Theology (Pathway 1)	DipTh
Bachelor of Theology	BTh	Bachelor of Theology	BTh
Bachelor of Ministry	BMin	Bachelor of Theology	BTh
Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	BTh (Hons)	Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	BTh (Hons)
Bachelor of Ministry (Honours)	BMin (Hons)	Bachelor of Theology (Honours)	BTh (Hons)
Diploma of Christian Studies	DipChSt	Diploma of Theology (Pathway 2)	DipTh
Associate Degree of Christian Thought and Practice	AssocDegChThPr	Associate Degree of Theology	AssocDegTh
Graduate Certificate in Arts	GradCertArts	Graduate Certificate of Divinity	GradDCertDiv
Graduate Diploma of Arts	GradDip Arts	Graduate Diploma of Divinity	GradDipDiv
Master of Arts	MA	Master of Arts (Christian Studies)	MA (Christian Studies)
Master of Philosophy	MPhil	Master of Theology	MTh
Master of Divinity	MDiv	Master of Divinity	MDiv
Master of Theology	MTh	Master of Theology	MTh
Doctor of Ministry	DMin	Doctor of Ministry	DMin
Doctor of Theology	ThD	Doctor of Theology	ThD
Doctor of Philosophy	PhD	Doctor of Philosophy	PhD

#### **Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option**

The Australian College of Theology has met the Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option requirement through a Repayment Deed of Guarantee with each affiliated college of the Australian College of Theology as listed below.

If a student chooses the Student Contribution/Tuition Fee Repayment Option, the affiliated college undertakes to pay the student the total of any up-front payments already paid by the student for any units of study the student has commenced but not completed. Students selecting this option will also get their SLE or FEE-HELP balances re-credited for uncompleted units.

Affiliated colleges of the Australian College of Theology that have signed Repayment Deeds of Guarantee:

- (1) Anglican Youth and Education Diocese of Sydney (for Anglican Youthworks College)
- (2) Bible College of Queensland Limited (Brisbane School of Theology)
- (3) Bible College of South Australia Incorporated
- (4) Baptist Union of Queensland (Malyon College)
- (5) Anglican Deaconess Ministries Limited (Mary Andrews College)
- (6) Melbourne School of Theology Limited
- (7) Baptist Union of New South Wales (Morling College)
- (8) Presbyterian Church of Queensland (Queensland Theological College)

(9) The Presbyterian Church of Australia in the State of New South Wales Theological Education Committee (Christ College)

- (10) Presbyterian Church of Victoria (Presbyterian Theological College)
- (11) Reformed Theological College Limited
- (12) Ridley College Limited
- (13) Sunshine Coast Theological College Incorporated
- (14) Sydney Missionary and Bible College Incorporated
- (15) Trinity Theological College Limited
- (16) Baptist Union of Western Australia (Vose Seminary)

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