

Conference Venue

(Re)Discovering Childhood will be held in the Christ Lecture Theatre at the St. Patrick's campus of Australian Catholic University National, in the inner-city suburb of Fitzroy.

The campus at Fitzroy was established in 2000 after the two Melbourne campuses (Mercy and Christ) amalgamated.

The campus neighbourhood has important associations with the earliest years of Catholic life and education in Melbourne. The site is adjacent to historic Central Hall, formerly Cathedral Hall, which has stood at 20 Brunswick Street, near the Victoria Parade corner, since 1904. Cathedral Hall was built by the Catholic community of Melbourne and given to Archbishop Carr. The main campus building is a multi-storey complex that has been totally renovated to provide students and staff with purpose-built facilities.

The campus is conveniently located on the fringe of Melbourne's Central Business District (CBD) (see Conference Location and Travel for more information). It is within a short walk to the popular retail strips of Brunswick Street and Smith Street with their variety of cafés, shops and art galleries. Some of Melbourne's finest parks, gardens and recreational facilities are also within easy walking distance from the campus. The campus is also positioned close to a number of places of worship, namely St. Peter's Eastern Hill, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the City of Melbourne Synagogue in Albert Street.

At the St. Patrick's campus, we offer academic programs in arts, business, education, exercise science, information systems, midwifery, nursing, music, philosophy, psychology, social science and theology.