

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

The Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Australian Catholic University offers courses leading to awards at both undergraduate and postgraduate level at the University's six campuses, and at offshore locations within the humanities, social sciences, creative arts, legal studies, the natural sciences, informatics and business.

The Faculty comprises two institutes and five schools. The Institute of Business has a national school with staff located in Brisbane, North Sydney and Melbourne. The Institute of Legal Studies is a national unit with a focus on research, postgraduate courses and continuing legal education. In addition, there are three Schools of Arts and Sciences located in Brisbane, Strathfield and Melbourne/Ballarat and the national Schools of Psychology and Social Work.

Within the Faculty, discipline areas include Australian studies, Asian studies, behavioural science, business, communication, counselling, design and technology, drama, economics, environmental science, geography, history, information systems, legal studies, literature, mathematics, media, music, philosophy, psychology, social science, social work and visual arts.

The Faculty offers undergraduate and postgraduate courses that are both challenging academically and responsive to society's rapidly changing demands. The goals of the Faculty are closely linked to and emanate from the Mission of the University and the Faculty aspires to be a community characterised by free inquiry and academic integrity. Our graduates are employed in management and administration, in advertising, the arts, public relations, business and commerce, social work, church agencies, private enterprise, journalism, teaching and community services.

The Faculty is committed to the conduct of research that expands human knowledge and deepens human understanding, especially in the area of social justice. To these ends, it actively encourages and supports the achievement of scholarly research and creative works by its staff and students. Faculty staff supervise students enrolled in research degrees of Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy and in professional doctorates. We invite those who are already graduates to consider such possibilities at this University.

If you are about to undertake tertiary studies for the first time, and are reading this guide as an aid in selecting a field of tertiary study, you have a wealth of choices at the start of a great intellectual adventure. Whatever you choose to do, I wish you well and I assure you of a warm welcome from the staff and students of the Faculty.

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