



THCT606: RECONTEXTUALISATION: THE CHALLENGE FOR AUTHENTIC TRANSFORMATION

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The Enhancing Catholic Schools Identity (ECSI) Project from Leuven relies on the capacity of teachers and others to witness authentically to Christian faith while bringing it into rich and open dialogue with persons of all ages and faith perspectives—including atheistic perspectives—in contemporary contexts. This inherently theological task is known as “recontextualisation.” In this unit, participants will explore key Christian beliefs and ways in which they have been and can further be recontextualised to promote personal transformation and meaningful dialogue in their Catholic or other Christian contexts.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

On successful completion of this unit, students should be able to:

- Analyse and evaluate the theological implications of the ECSI project, including the implications for authentic Christian witness (GA4; GA5);
- Explain key Christian beliefs in terms reflecting the frameworks for belief and thought of different historical and cultural contexts (GA4; GA5);
- Recontextualise and communicate key Christian beliefs with attentiveness to the contexts of those with whom they may be in dialogue (including factors, for example, such as developmental readiness, religious affiliation and so on) (GA4; GA9).

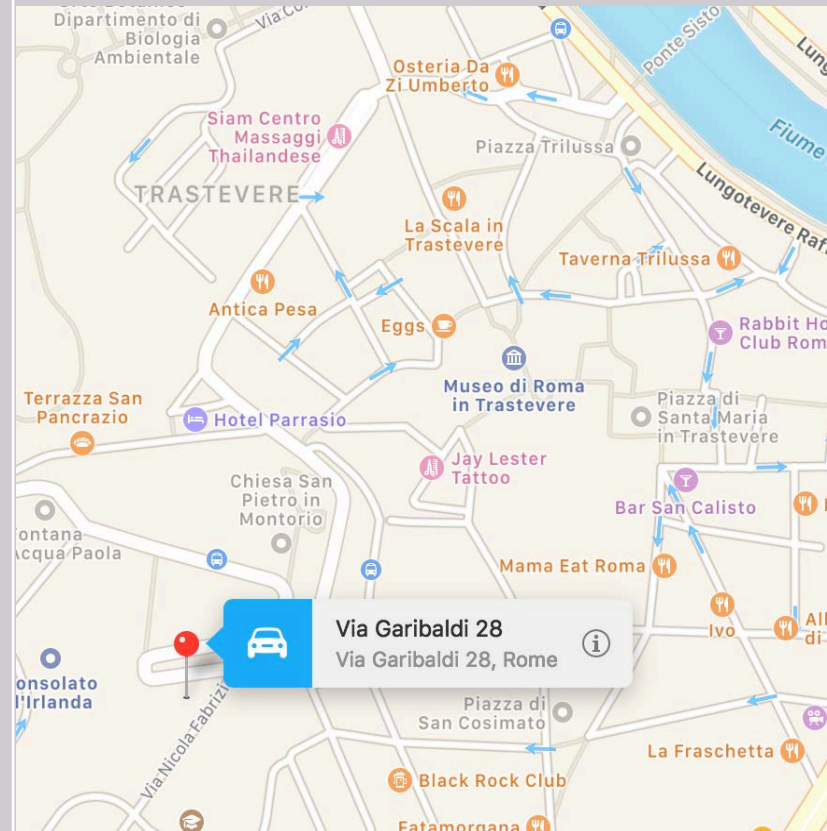
Organisation and Costs

| ITEM | INFORMATION | COST |
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| Enrolment & Pre-requisites | <i>Contact Robyn Horner for advice about enrolling in this unit. You need to have completed THCT605 or equivalent, and other studies in theology. When you enrol through Student Connect, you will pay the 2020 unit fee.</i> | \$1990* |
| OPTIONAL ADDITIONAL CREDIT | If you would like to undertake study in Rome for 20cp, you will also need to enrol in a 10cp Special Studies unit (THEL620 Special Studies in Theology A or THEL640 Special Studies in Theology B); OR a 10cp Project unit (THEL621 Theology Project A or THEL622 Theology Project B). Please discuss with your Course Coordinator PRIOR to enrolment. | (\$1,990*) |
| Travel FLIGHTS | In order to allow for maximum flexibility and to minimise your costs, you will need to reserve your own flight. You might choose to arrive in Rome earlier than the unit begins and or to depart later, but please arrive at your accommodation no later than 3pm Sept 27. Your earliest departure date and time will be October 9, 5pm. | \$1400-\$2500 |
| GROUND TRANSFERS | To allow for flexible arrivals and departures, you will need to arrange ground transfers to and from your hotel. Check with other members of the group to see when they are arriving, as you may be able to share a cab. Taxis can be engaged on arrival, or pre-booked and paid for using PayPal (see Romecabs.com; check the name of your arrival and departure airport). | \$80-\$85 x 2 |
| Sightseeing | There is no organised sightseeing, but there is plenty of free time to explore the sights of Rome (and make a trip overnight to Assisi?). In addition, there are a number of group excursions and activities. | Up to you |

***NB these are unit costs for 2019; unit costs in 2020 are yet to be advised by the University but will be marginally higher**

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| <p>Accommodation</p> | <p>Please book your own accommodation, <u>within a short walk of the ACU Campus, via Garibaldi 28, Trastevere, 00165, Rome, Italy.</u></p> | |
| <p>HOTEL OR AIRBNB</p> | | <p>Anywhere from \$1000 to \$5000</p> |
| <p>STAYING ON CAMPUS BED AND BREAKFAST</p> | <p>It is sometimes possible to stay on the ACU Rome campus at a cost that is lower than other options. Please note that this is undergraduate-style accommodation. There are some individual rooms and also shared rooms. Bathrooms are shared. If you would like to know whether a vacancy is available, please contact Robyn Horner prior to October 31 2019.</p> | |
| <p>SHARING COSTS</p> | <p>Consider sharing accommodation with a friend in the unit to reduce costs.</p> | |
| <p>Overseas offering levy</p> | <p>Levies cover use of the Rome Centre facilities and additional costs incurred for the provision of expert staff members, including special guests. All lunches and two dinners are included.</p> | <p>\$1600</p> |



Draft Schedule

| | Morning | Lunch | Afternoon | Evening |
|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|
| Sun Sept 27 | Arrival and Hotel check-in | | | Dinner |
| Mon Sept 28 | Prayer; Seminars 1 & 2 | Lunch on campus | Free afternoon and evening | |
| Tues Sept 29 | Prayer; Seminars 3 & 4 | Lunch on campus | Free afternoon and evening | |
| Wed Sept 30 | Mass and Vatican area** | Lunch on campus | Seminars 5 & 6 | Free evening |
| Thurs Oct 1 | Site visit** | Lunch on campus | Seminars 7 & 8; Prayer; | Free evening |
| Fri Oct 2 | Prayer; Seminars 9 & 10 | Lunch on campus | Free afternoon and evening | |
| Sat Oct 3 | Free day and evening | | | |
| Sun Oct 4 | Free day and evening | | | |
| Mon Oct 5 | Free morning | Lunch on campus | Seminars 11 & 12 | Free evening |
| Tues Oct 6 | Prayer; Seminars 13 & 14 | Lunch on campus | Free afternoon and evening | |
| Wed Oct 7 | Site visit** | Lunch on campus | Seminars 15 & 16; Prayer | Free evening |
| Thurs Oct 8 | Prayer; Seminars 17 & 18 | Lunch on campus | Site visit** | Dinner |
| Fri Oct 9 | Prayer; Seminars 19 & 20 | Lunch on campus | Departure | |

****Visits in previous years have included selections from the following sites:** Mass at St Peter's, Congregation for Catholic Education, Vatican Media, San Egidio community, Catacombs of Prescilia, Pontifical Council for Inter-religious Dialogue, Pontifical Academy for Life, Australian Embassy to the Holy See, Methodist Ecumenical Office Rome, Collegio San Colombano.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This schedule is only DRAFT. Final schedule will change according to available bookings.

Scholarships

ACU students may be eligible for financial assistance to support the cost of travel and incidentals. Read more about available [financial support](#) on the ACU student portal (please note, you will need an ACU student login to access this information).

Registration

REGISTER NOW: Contact robyn.horner@acu.edu.au to register your interest.

A non-refundable deposit of \$1500 must be paid by March 31, 2020 to confirm your place.



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