

Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Theology

Administered by the Faculty of Arts at Monash University (Clayton campus) and Melbourne College of Divinity (Monash course code: 0002)

Total credit points required: 192 (equivalent) • 4 years full-time, 8 years part-time • Managing faculty: Arts (in conjunction with Melbourne College of Divinity)

Course location and study mode

- On-campus (Clayton)

Course Description

This double award course is offered in conjunction with the Melbourne College of Divinity (MCD) and enables students to take out both degrees after four years of study. Students who complete the course will demonstrate an understanding of different approaches to theology, both in the contemporary world and historically, the ways in which theology relates to its cultural context, and the ways in which different disciplines in the humanities influence theological reflection. In addition to this, students will also be able to demonstrate an understanding of the sources of theological reflection, the historical development of Christian doctrines, the circumstances and contexts in which these doctrines were formulated, and the rhetoric which today, and historically, has influenced the formulation and communication (both written and verbal) of theological reflection. Students will also achieve a demonstrable capacity to themselves formulate and communicate (in both oral and written form) their own theological understanding in the various areas of theology.

Course structure

The requirements for the Bachelor of Theology are completed on one of the campuses of the MCD while the requirements for the Bachelor of Arts are completed at the Clayton campus of Monash University. Some of the theology units may be take at the Monash Clayton campus (depending upon staffing).

Arts component

Students must complete:

- (a) arts discipline major (48 credit points)
- (b) arts discipline minor (24 credit points)
- (c) an additional arts discipline first-year sequence (12 credit points)
- (d) a further 12 credit points of arts units (12 credit points).

By combining some of the core Arts requirements students can complete a double major in two different Arts disciplines: for more details on this option see information on reverse.

Theology component

To satisfy the theology component of the double degree, students must complete 24 semester units (15 credit points each) or 12 units (30 credit points each). Majors and/or sub-majors must also be completed. For full details, contact the Melbourne College of Divinity.

Students can not graduate from either degree until they have satisfied the above requirements and successfully completed studies to the value of 144 credit points. Students undertaking the above double degree program are permitted to count up to 48 credit points of the other faculty's component towards those 144 credit points. Students must also complete at least 36 credit points at third-year level to meet Bachelor of Arts requirements. Students have a maximum of ten years to complete this course.

Majors and other studies

For information on specific disciplinary requirements of all Arts majors and minors, please refer to the 'Areas of study' section on the Arts faculty website at www.arts.monash.edu.au/current/coursework/study_areas/.

A **discipline** is an area of study, e.g. Anthropology. A variety of disciplines are taught in each School.

A **first-year level sequence** consists of two related first-year units in the same discipline (normally taken in first and second semester of the same year). An example of a first year level sequence is CHI1010 'Chinese 1' (a first semester unit) and CHI1020 'Chinese 2' (a second semester unit).

A **minor** is units in a single discipline, totalling 24 credit points (normally four units taken over two years), including no more than 12 credit points at first year level.

A **major** is three years of study in a single discipline (eg, Politics). For a major, students must complete at least 48 credit points including a first-year level sequence (12 credit points) AND EITHER 12 credit points of second-year level studies (normally two units) and 24 credit points of third-year level studies (normally four units) OR 18 credit points of second-year level studies (normally three units) and 18 credit points of third-year level studies (normally three units).

Contact details

Inquiries: telephone +61 3 9905 2107, email coursework@arts.monash.edu.au, or visit www.arts.monash.edu.au . For more information on the Melbourne College of Divinity (MCD) visit: www.ctcmelb.vic.edu.au/ .

A Sample Scheme of Unit Options (as from 2000)

This sample scheme shows you how to map your degree so as to complete all degree requirements. It should be used as a guide only.

There are several ways to structure your Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Theology double award degree.

<i>First Year</i> (48 points)	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline B</i>	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline B</i>	30 points* 1 st year studies in a Theology discipline (Field B)	30 points* 1 st year studies in a Theology discipline (Field C)
<i>Second Year</i> (48 points)	6 points Second year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points Second year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline C</i>	6 points First year Arts unit <i>Discipline C</i>	30 points* 1 st year studies in a Theology discipline (Field C)	30 points* 1 st year studies in a Theology discipline (Field D)
<i>Third Year</i> (48 points)	6 points Second year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points Second or Third year Arts unit* <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points Second year Arts unit <i>Discipline B</i>	6 points Second year Arts unit <i>Discipline B</i>	30 points* 2 nd year studies in a Theology discipline (Fields B or C)	30 points* 2 nd year studies in a Theology discipline (Fields D or C or further 1 st year studies in Field D)
<i>Fourth Year</i> (54 points)	6 points Third year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points Third year Arts unit <i>Discipline A</i>	6 points Second or Third year level Extra Arts	6 points Second or Third year level Extra Arts	30 points* 3 rd year studies in a Theology discipline (Fields B or C)	30 points* 2 nd year studies in a Theology discipline (Fields B or C)
192 points	96 points			240 points (equivalent to 96 Monash points)		

* Equivalent to 12 points of Monash studies

The compulsory or 'core' requirements of Arts component of your double award are shown in bold. These are:

<p>Model One – Arts single major</p> <p>An Arts Major – <i>discipline A</i> (48 credit points) An Arts Minor – <i>discipline B</i> (24 credit points) Another First Year Level Arts Sequence – <i>discipline C</i> (12 credit points) A further 12 Arts credit points (1st, 2nd or 3rd year level)</p>	<p>Model Two – Arts double major</p> <p>An Arts Major (48 credit points) An Arts Major (48 credit points)</p> <p>If you require more information on this option, please contact the Faculty Office on your home campus.</p>
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***IMPORTANT:** Requirements for a major/minor can vary. Students should consult the Areas of Study document available on line at www.arts.monash.edu.au/current/coursework/study_areas/, to determine the structure of majors and minors in each discipline.

While the above information was correct at the time of its publication, Monash University reserves the right to alter this information should the need arise.

If you are still unsure of course requirements after reading this flyer you should contact the relevant faculty office (November 2004).