



2022 CESA hosted ACU Master Unit THCT605:
Enhancing Catholic Identity – Introducing the Leuven Project
Brochure and CESA Application

The ACU Master Unit THCT605 *Enhancing Catholic Identity – Introducing the Leuven Project* is a theological formation program developed in collaboration by Australian Catholic University (ACU) and the Catholic University of Leuven (KUL). The unit explores contemporary theology in the area of Catholic school identity, and in particular focuses on the theology, methodology and pedagogy of the *Enhancing Catholic School Identity Project* (Leuven Project) as developed by KUL. It can be undertaken as part of a Master Degree at ACU or as an interest-based professional learning activity.

The CESA-hosted program is being offered specifically for colleagues in CESA as well as interstate colleagues. It would be of particular interest to leaders and teachers wanting to learn about the issues, theology and strategies for enhancing Catholic identity and those considering their school's participation in the next CESA rounds of ECSI in 2022 or 2023. The unit will be facilitated by lecturers from the ACU Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, including Associate Professor Robyn Horner, together with CESA personnel who have experience in working with schools with ECSI.

When, Where and Mode

- **Part 1: Residential – McCracken Country Club, Victor Harbor**
Wednesday 20 July: 2 pm for 3 pm session, through to 4 pm Friday 22 July 2022
- **Part 2: Two days non-residential - CEO Conference Centre, Thebarton**
Friday 9 – Saturday 10 September 2022, 9am – 4.30pm.

Topics include:

- Views of the contemporary situation: detraditionalisation and pluralisation
- Theology and tradition
- The nature and purpose of the Catholic School
- The hermeneutic-communicative model
- Undertaking the ECSI survey
- Theoretical and methodological frameworks for the ECSI instruments
- Interpreting the ECSI data
- Conditions for authentic dialogue
- Theology as recontextualisation
- Enhancing Catholic School identity: What do I do now?

Further information about this unit is found at this ACU [site](#)

Costs **University unit fee:** enrolment \$1990 (or Audit \$990)

CESA Residential fee (accommodation and meals): \$650 (with individual rooms) TBC

Subsidy options: see overleaf

Contextual Offering: This program is part of the ACU's suite of Enhancing Catholic School Identity offerings that can be found at www.acu.edu.au/ecsi.


Participation Options: (*enrolment details on pages 3 &4*)

1. Course admission and enrolment. This unit is part of the [Master of Professional Studies in Theology](#), an ACU program designed for teachers in Catholic Schools and other Church agencies who need to enhance their theological knowledge in order to promote faithfully and with credibility the mission, identity and ethos of the Catholic Church. The full course comprises 120 credit points (18 months full time or equivalent); this unit constitutes 10 credit points. Enrolled students can undertake a second, more advanced unit on the ECSI project in the future. Students in the **Master of Professional Studies in Theology (MPST)** can enrol directly in this unit if it fits in their course map. Students enrolled in the **Master of Theological Studies (MTHST)**; should consult the Course Coordinator for approval via ftp@acu.edu.au
2. Enrolment for credit towards other Master courses.
 - a. Students enrolled in the Master of Religious Education (MRE) should approach their Course Coordinator to apply for approval via ftp@acu.edu.au
 - b. Students enrolled in the Master of Educational Leadership (MEdLead) should approach their Course Coordinator to apply for approval via ftp@acu.edu.au
3. Individual unit enrolment. Participants are also welcome to enrol in an [individual unit](#) (in which case, you complete the assessment but do not enrol in a course at this time. You may seek to credit the unit to a relevant course in which you enrol in the next few years).
4. Audit. Participants are welcome to audit the unit and will not be required to complete the assessment. Please note, preference will be given to applicants seeking academic credit for the unit; the assessment tasks are designed to ensure that participants are able to read and interpret the ECSI research surveys with confidence.

Assessment for those seeking academic credit for the unit (TBC):

1. **Task 1 (2500 words)** asks participants to: describe the theological background, aims and purposes of the ECSI Project; define its key terms; analyse data from the three ECSI scales; and discuss some of the challenges posed by the ECSI Project in the contemporary context. Where possible, participants are given the opportunity to work with their own school or diocesan data.
2. **Task 2 (2500 words)** asks participants to: reflect on their personal Catholic identity in light of the aims and purposes of the ECSI Project; identify ways in which their understanding of, and identification with, Catholic identity has changed as a result of their learning in the unit; and to reflect critically on the personal and professional implications and challenges of ECSI.

Subsidies

For ACU Unit Enrolment Fee: SIP and CATLEP funding are available for this unit and application close on **29 November 2021**, there may be a further CATLEP option available after this date up to 31 October 2021.  [SIP and CATLEP](#) (For CATLEP and other relevant forms and guidelines). For further information: **Juanita Lieschke** ph 8301 6885). CATLEP funding can be sought with CESA before applying to attend and enrolling with ACU. These programs do not cover the CESA residential fee for meals and accommodation, nor the ACU Audit fee. Some Renewal Programs may also cover course fees.

- **For CESA Residential Fee (for meals and accommodation) and ACU Audit Fee (if applicable):** (these *may* also cover the ACU Unit course fee)
 - [Principals and DPs Renewal Leave](#) (contact [Paula Raul](#)) – applications close 7 February 2022.
 - APRIM Renewal and Enrichment Leave and Religious Leadership Formation Program (Contact [Christina Lagozzino](#); ph 8301 6659).
 - School's professional learning funds.

Application Process has 2 steps:

Step 1: a) CESA application

To apply to register a place in this unit please complete the attached **CESA application form** and submit it **by Friday 11 March 2022**. It is not possible to enrol with the ACU until as place is secured with CESA.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Vial, Coordinator Religious Education, on 08 8301 6659 or michael.vial@cesa.catholic.edu.au



b) seek subsidy/ies

Please note the attached CESA application form is **not** a subsidy application. Please use the subsidy's application form. See p.2 for details and links.

Interested participants are encouraged seek the relevant subsidy/ies as soon as possible; this can be done before applying to attend and enrolling.

Step 2: ACU enrolment

Once you have received confirmation from CESA that a place has been reserved for you, CESA will advise the ACU, and you are then asked to follow the relevant admission and/or enrolment procedures for your desired pathway. Please note that the four pathway options are;

1. Course admission (for Master of Professional Studies in Theology) and unit enrolment
2. Enrolment for credit towards another Master course (for students currently enrolled at ACU in one of the following courses):
3. Applying for an Individual Unit (Non-Award):
4. Audit

Please contact Christina Jonas for CESA information with detailed advice on the four options.

Payment Process

- **ACU enrolment or audit fee** is paid directly by the participant to the ACU as per ACU communication.
- **The CESA Residential Cost (accommodation and meals for part 1):** CESA will invoice the participant in May for payment during term 2. Further details will be made available in email correspondence from CESA.
- **Reimbursements:** If the participant has a subsidy program support for the ACU enrolment fee, audit fee and/or residential cost, the participant seeks reimbursement according to the subsidy program's procedures.



CESA APPLICATION FORM
2022 CESA hosted ACU Master Unit
Enhancing Catholic Identity – Introducing the Leuven Project (THCT605)
July (Victor Harbor) & September (Adelaide) 2022

Please submit by **Friday 9 March** to apply for a place in this unit (prior to ACU enrolment) to:

Catholic Education SA
 Attn: Christina Jonas (ACU ECI Masters unit)

- Email to [Christina Lagostino](#) (Please contact Christina Lagostino: 8301 6659 if an acknowledgement is not received within two business days)

Name		
Workplace and Role		
Home address		
Best telephone contact		
Email address		
I am seeking to undertake this unit for: <i>I understand that I will proceed to enrol with ACU once I have received CESA acceptance.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Course admission and enrolment into MPST	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Enrolment for credit towards another masters course: _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Individual unit enrolment	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Audit	
Accommodation	<input type="checkbox"/> Single Room	
I have sought financial support for please note this form is not a subsidy application– please use the subsidy's application form.	University unit fee <input type="checkbox"/> Yes program/source _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No	CESA Residential Fee for Part 1 (& audit cost if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes program/source _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No
	Signatures Applicant Name Date Sign	Applicant's Employer Name Date Sign