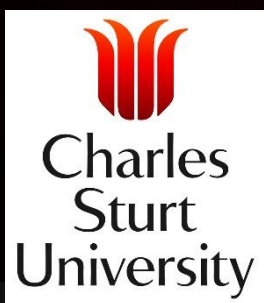


Looking *Beyond* Division

Introduction to Ecumenism: A Five Day
Spring School in Brisbane
24th to 28th September 2018

By the Centre for
Ecumenical
Studies

(Australian Centre for Christianity
and Culture, Charles Sturt University)



Held at Australian Catholic
University

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The Centre for Ecumenical Studies is delighted to present “Looking Beyond Division” a five-day intensive introduction to ecumenism to be held at ACU in Brisbane for the first time in six years.

Christian Unity is a crucial challenge for today’s Church.

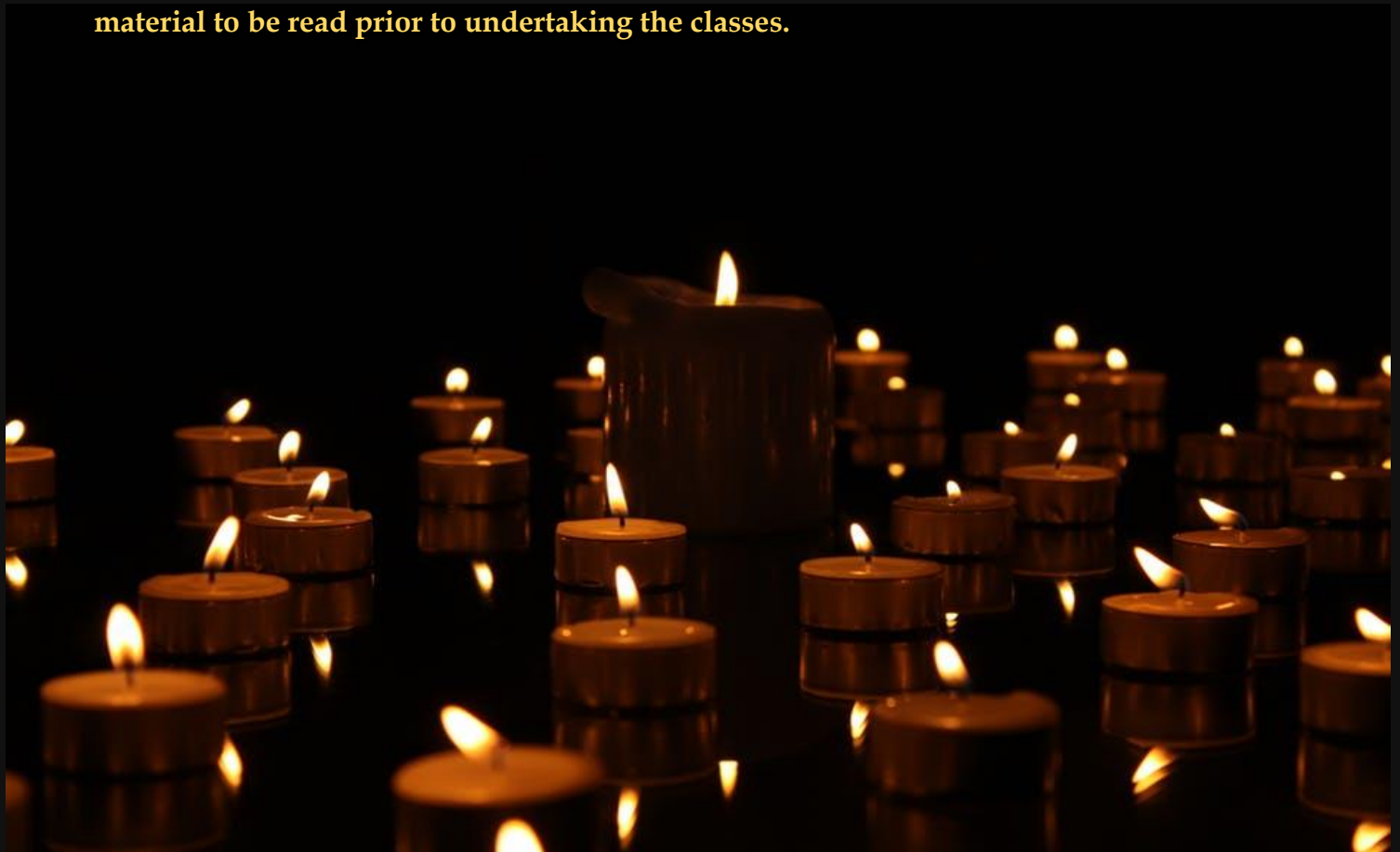
“I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one – as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.” John 17:21

Course Description:

This course will introduce participants to the study of ecumenics through a rigorous investigation of the following topics:

- The biblical and theological foundations for the quest for the visible unity of the Church
- The history of the modern ecumenical movement; of ecumenical developments in the Roman Catholic Church; and of the Orthodox Churches, with a visit to a local parish
- Contemporary issues within the ecumenical movement
- The outcome and significance of ecumenical dialogues, both multilateral and bilateral
- The theological grounds for inter-religious dialogue and its practice
- Examining the current Faith and Order work and publications
- Contemporary approaches to ecumenism, such as Receptive Ecumenism

Students will be provided with a selection of readings, some of which are preparatory material to be read prior to undertaking the classes.



Completing this course will enable you to:

- demonstrate an understanding of, and engage critically with, the ecumenical mission of the Church
- identify the key biblical and theological imperatives for Christian unity
- demonstrate a thorough knowledge of the modern ecumenical movement, both internationally and within Australia
- display an awareness of current issues with which churches are grappling ecumenically
- exercise critical and interpretative skills in the analysis of sources
- appreciate the richness of diversity within the oneness of the Christian Church.
- be sensitive to issues relating to inter-religious dialogue
- critically reflect on the challenges facing ecumenism, especially in Australia
- critically consider how to approach ecumenism today, especially in relation to contemporary ecumenical approaches such as Receptive Ecumenism

CREDIT TOWARDS OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

The course is offered both for students seeking accreditation towards a theology/ ministry degree and for others wishing to participate as auditors.

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Theology program at Australian Catholic University may cross-institutionally enrol into this unit, receiving 10cp for a Special Study ACU Unit.

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Theology program at Charles Sturt University may receive 8cp for THL341 Guided Research.

Students reading for undergraduate or post-graduate awards from Trinity College or other academic institutions can also apply for credit for this course.

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ASSESSMENT:

- A Reflective Journal
- A Tutorial Paper
- An Extended Essay

COSTS

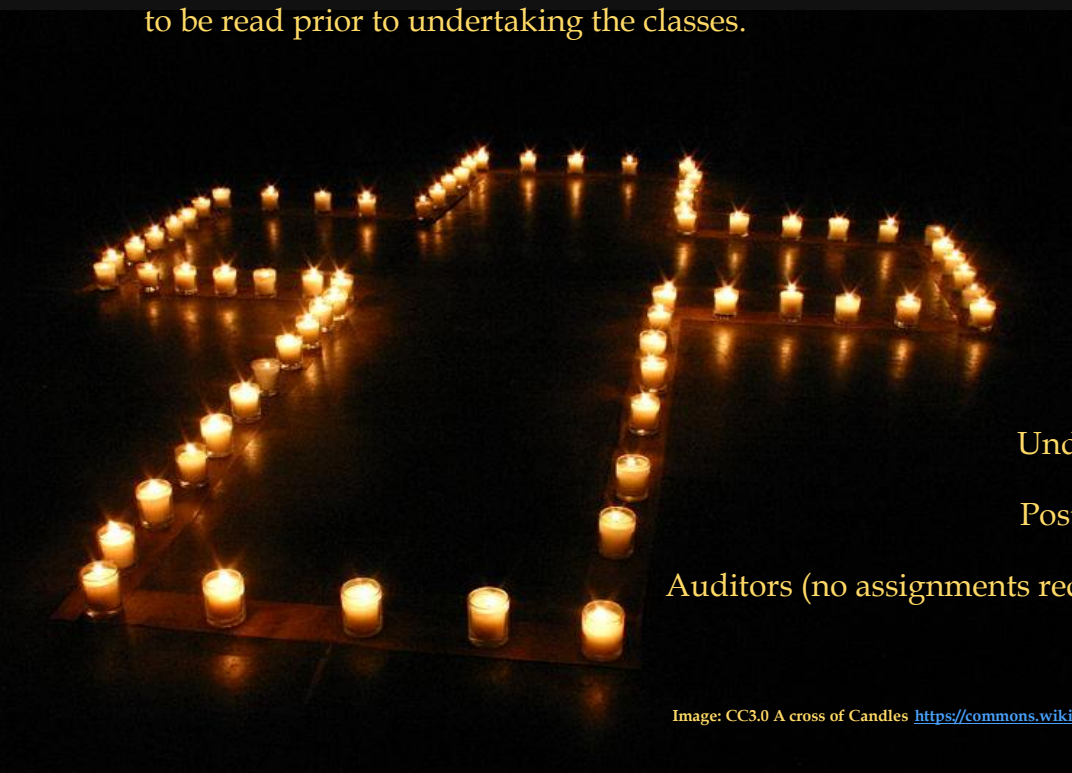
Undergraduate students: \$ 800.00

Postgraduate students: \$1,500.00

Auditors (no assignments required): Full course: \$ 320.00*

Single day attendance: \$20

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ACADEMIC COORDINATOR

The Reverend Dr Ray Williamson

Dr Williamson was the General Secretary of the NSW Ecumenical Council for many years and Secretary of the NCCA Faith and Unity Commission. He has taught at St John's Theological College Morpeth and at St Andrew's Greek Orthodox Theological College Sydney. He was co-founder of the Centre for Ecumenical Studies and is its Director.

OTHER PRESENTERS INCLUDE:

The Right Reverend Professor Stephen Pickard

He is the Executive Director of the Australian Centre for Christianity & Culture and Professor of Theology, Charles Sturt University. He was Head of CSU's School of Theology 1998 – 2006, and has served as a Bishop in the Anglican Diocese of Adelaide, and a Visiting Fellow Ripon Theological College, Oxford.

Dr Antonia Pizzey

She is a Lecturer in Theology at Australian Catholic University (Brisbane campus) and presented one of the keynote lectures at the Fourth International Conference on Receptive Ecumenism. She serves on the Brisbane Catholic Archdiocese's Council for Ecumenism and Interreligious Relations. She is in the process of publishing a book on Receptive Ecumenism.

The Reverend Canon Richard Tutin

He is the General Secretary of Queensland Churches Together. He has taught at St John's Theological College Morpeth, where he was Vice-Principal and Acting Principal, and he is teaching at St Francis' College Brisbane. He is also an adjunct lecturer in the School of Theology at Charles Sturt University.

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Applications due by Friday, 31st August 2018

