

**School of Ecumenism 2019
In Dunedin**

***JOURNEY
TOGETHER
TOWARDS UNITY***

We are called as disciples to belong together in just and inclusive communities, in our quest for unity and on our ecumenical journey, ...

"Arusha Call to Discipleship"

Monday 30 September to Friday 4 October 2019

Venue:

**BURNS LODGE at Holy Cross Centre
89 Church Street, Mosgiel, Dunedin**

Jointly organised by

- ❖ **National Dialogue for Christian Unity Aotearoa New Zealand**
- ❖ **Centre for Ecumenical Studies, Charles Sturt University Canberra Australia**

CREDIT TOWARDS OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

- This course is offered both for students seeking accreditation towards a theology/ministry degree and for others wishing to participate as audits.
- On the successful completion of the course requirements students who seek accreditation will receive it from Charles Sturt University. Students may then apply to their university or college for credit toward their qualification.
- Those wishing to attend the course as audits are welcome to join the course. Audits attend all sessions, but no assignments are required.

OBJECTIVES

This course unit will introduce students to the study of ecumenism by:

- examining the biblical and theological basis for ecumenism
- studying the history of the modern ecumenical movement
- discussing issues pertaining to the Unity of the Church and to Mission
- exploring problems and possibilities relating to ecumenical worship
- considering matters relating to justice, reconciliation and ecology

OUTCOMES

Students will be enabled to:

- develop a critical understanding of the ecumenical mission of the Church
- give reasons for the modern ecumenical movement, drawing on the biblical and theological imperatives for Christian unity
- demonstrate a general knowledge of the development of the modern ecumenical movement: the origins of the movement, the formation of the World Council of Churches, Roman Catholic Church's engagement with ecumenism and how the movement has found expression in Aotearoa-New Zealand
- reflect on the theological issues with which the churches are currently grappling
- display an awareness of other key issues, such as inter-religious dialogue and matters of social justice
- engage critically with questions about the possibilities and future directions of the ecumenical movement
- appreciate the richness of diversity within the oneness of the Christian Church
- exercise critical and interpretative skills in the analysis of key ecumenical sources

CONTENT

The content of the course will include:

- A presentation of the biblical and theological foundations in the quest for the visible unity of the Church
- An overview of the history of the modern ecumenical movement
- An investigation of contemporary issues within the ecumenical movement in New Zealand
- A study of the outcome of dialogues, both multilateral and bilateral
- An examination of the current Faith and Order work and publications

SCHEDULE

Monday 30 September – Friday 04 October 2019

Session 1: 09.00 am – 11.00 am
Session 2: 11.30 am – 01.00 pm
Session 3: 02.00 pm – 03.30 pm
Session 4: 04.00 pm – 05.30 pm

A set of readings will be sent to students for some preparatory work prior to the course.

Assessment requirements will be stipulated in the book of readings

GUEST PRESENTERS

Cardinal John Dew

Archbishop of Wellington and Vice President of New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference. Conference Liaison for Holy Cross Seminary, the national seminary for formation of diocesan priests. Bishop for the Catholic Bishops Committee for Ecumenism. As Cardinal, the Holy Father has also appointed him to two Vatican entities; the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the Congregation for the Evangelisation of Peoples.

Details of other presenters will be notified when their attendance is confirmed

And Tutors from New Zealand

FEES

(Includes GST, lunch and morning and afternoon tea)

- **Undergraduate students \$ 375**
- **Audits \$ 250** (*No assignments required*)

Accommodation available at Burns Lodge. Bed & breakfast in Hostel Style rooms - \$ 240 for 4 nights.

Assessment Tasks

An Essay of 4000 – 4500 words (Undergraduate); Write an essay on one of the topics as given to the students, or negotiated, during the course.

APPLICATION FORM

Title: _____

Given Names: _____

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Preferred Telephone: _____

Uni / College / Church: _____

Fee Status [Please tick one only]

Undergraduate	<input type="checkbox"/>
Audit	<input type="checkbox"/>

Payment by: Cheque / Direct Debit
[Cheques payable to: *Methodist Mission and Ecumenical*]

Direct debit into BNZ account number:
02-0800-0766004-03 ref: your name + SoE

Send the completed application form to:

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