



AlphaCrucis University College

COURSE HANDBOOK

DIPLOMA OF LEADERSHIP

School of Ministry and Theology

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Overview

Diploma of Leadership	Program Director	Daniela Rizzo
	AQF Level	AQF Level 5 (Higher Education)
	Qualification	Diploma
	Subjects	8
	IELTS	6.0
	Languages of Instruction	English, Finnish, Spanish
	CRICOS Code	094097G
	ASCED Code	091703
	Accreditation	Self-accredited
	Course Length	1 year full time; up to 4 years part time
	Entry Requirements	https://www.ac.edu.au/awards/he-diploma-leadership/

COURSE OVERVIEW

The Diploma of Leadership provides an introductory body of knowledge and skills in ministry-focused leadership. The program is designed to produce graduates who can apply integrated technical and theoretical leadership concepts in a broad range of contexts from a Christian worldview, as well as embody integrity, professional knowledge and social skills, making a positive contribution to society.

The Diploma of Leadership introduces students at a foundation level to the sources and content of the discipline of ministry-focused leadership and provides training which emphasises vocational application in leadership. Graduates will have cognitive and communication skills to identify and analyse a range of leadership ideas and perspectives, specialist technical and creative skills to express those ideas, and will be able to demonstrate an ability to apply a body of knowledge in a range of contexts. Students will perform complex technical operations in real-life leadership contexts with personal responsibility and autonomy, and will demonstrate an ability to plan, design, implement and evaluate approaches to leadership problems and requirements.

AC is committed to providing academic pathways for students. The course of study allows flexibility for students who may wish to start with a short undergraduate course before committing to a Bachelor program, or for students who need to exit a Bachelor program earlier than intended, due to unforeseen personal or professional reasons.

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Course Structure

Note: Contact the Student Support Team for access to previous course version.

This structure applies to students admitted into the Diploma of Leadership from 2022.

The course structure is based on two semesters (each of 13 weeks duration), with four subjects taught in each semester.

To qualify for award of the degree of Diploma of Leadership a candidate shall accrue an aggregate of at least 80 credit points, including satisfactory completion of the core subjects noted below.

Content of the course of study		Credit points
Core Subjects	ACA001 Faith and Purpose BIB009 Old Testament Foundations or BIB010 New Testament Foundations EXP001 Professional Practice LEA004 Personal Leadership LEA005 Leadership Principles	5 x 10
Electives	3 subjects taken from accredited AQF Level 5, 6 or 7 subjects offered by AC.	3 x 10
Specialisations (optional)	Christian Studies BIB009 Old Testament Foundations or BIB010 New Testament Foundations THE005 Introduction to Theology 10 credit points of BIB/CCM/LEA/MIN/THE	3 x 10
Rules of progression	There are no additional rules of progression within this course of study	
Other protocols of the course	Students can complete up to four non-graded assessment subjects.	
Bridging/Nested courses	There are no nested courses within this course of study	

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Recommended Course Progression

Based on a full-time study mode

CORE	ELECTIVES
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First Year			
Semester 1		Semester 2	
ACA001	Faith and Purpose	EXP001	Professional Practice
BIB009	Old Testament Foundations	LEA005	Leadership Principles
LEA004	Personal Leadership	Elective Subject	(000 level or above)
Elective Subject	(000 level or above)	Elective Subject	(000 level or above)

Course Learning Outcomes

Graduates will be able to demonstrate:
• General understanding of key issues, recent scholarship and practices within the discipline area of leadership, consistent with a Christian worldview;
• Depth of understanding of practical fieldwork;
• Technical and theoretical understanding of basic research principles and methods, and knowledge of research approaches used in the
Graduates will be able to demonstrate the ability to:
• Identify, analyse and synthesise theoretical knowledge in the discipline area of leadership;
• Examine a complex problem or presenting issues using appropriate leadership methodologies and theories;
• Communicate technical and creative skills to express leadership ideas and perspectives
• Transfer knowledge and specialised leadership skills to peers and general audiences in diverse contexts
• Apply theoretical and technical knowledge and skills acquired within the specialist area of leadership in a range of professional contexts;
• Work independently, responsibly and with the level expected in a broad range of professional and leadership contexts;
• Collaborate in team projects to make a positive contribution toward social issues;
• Undertake self-reflection and evaluation of performance for the purpose of vocational development.

Work Integrated Learning

Work-Integrated Learning may be undertaken through various Professional Practice and Professional Experience subjects at AC. These subjects are designed to create a direct link between the learning, skills, and values explored in lectures and the reflection that occurs when these are applied in real-life settings. These work-based training subjects include instruction, academic assessment, and a workplace placement for each subject.

To qualify for the award of the Diploma of Leadership, a candidate must complete at least one subject (10 credit points) of Professional Practice. Students are usually required to find their own workplace, employer, or mentor, which must be approved by AC. In some cases, a new aspect of a student's current paid employment may be suitable as a work placement.

For further information related to Work-Integrated Learning please see the Professional Practice Handbook on Moodle or contact our [Student Support](#) team.

Other Course Information

For other course information, such as information on Professional Accreditation and available intakes, visit the course web page:

<https://www.ac.edu.au/awards/he-diploma-leadership/>

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Useful Links

AC WEBSITE



<https://www.ac.edu.au/>

ACADEMIC CALENDAR



<https://www.ac.edu.au/key-dates/>

HOW TO ENROL



Please see the [Timetable](#) for available subjects and contact [Student Support Team](#) for tailored academic advice before completing the enrolment form.

AC POLICIES



<https://ww1.ac.edu.au/ppm/>

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



Enrolled students will have access to AC's [LMS](#)

FEES



<https://www.ac.edu.au/fees-financing/>

STUDENT FORMS



<https://www.ac.edu.au/forms/>

GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES



<https://ww1.ac.edu.au/ppm/graduate-attributes-policy/>

Student Support

The Student Support team are available if you need assistance. Email the team via: studentsupport@ac.edu.au or book a phone or video call via: [Bookings](#)

Phone: (02) 8893 9005

<https://www.ac.edu.au/student-services/>

For disability support please contact dso@ac.edu.au

Appendix 1

COURSE PROGRESSION TRACKING TEMPLATE

Diploma of Leadership

Student:	
Student ID number:	
Year of commencement:	

Diploma of Leadership requirements:

- 50 credit points of compulsory core subjects, and
- 30 credit points of a specialisation OR electives.

50 cp Core subject Subject Code & Name	Subject Credit Points	Comments

30 cp specialisation OR elective subjects Subject Code & Name	Subject Credit Points	Comments