



TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO STUDENTS PRIOR TO ENROLMENT 2027

IMPORTANT: Students must sign the declaration on the last page of the Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College (CTC) enrolment form to acknowledge that they have received this information before enrolment as required by section 354(a-c) of the Education and Training Act 2022.

NZQA's External Evaluation and Review of Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College (2025) resulted in NZQA being Highly Confident in the Educational Performance and Highly Confident in the Capability in Self-assessment. Thus placing CTC in NZQA's **Category 1** (highest rating).

There are no material conflicts of interest of any of the governing members and management of Te Kupenga. The following members of the governance board have interests in other tertiary organisations:

- Mr John Gallaher is Board Chair at Otago Polytechnic and Chair at Te Kupenga Advisory Group
- Turi Ngatai is a Board Member of the Council of Te Wānanga o Aotearoa

NZQA Registration

Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College qualifications are registered on the National Qualifications Framework. We offer the following qualifications:

Programmes of study that are NZQA registered	EFTS	Credits
NQF Level 7		
PC9223 Bachelor of Divinity	3.00	360
111330 Graduate Diploma in Theology	1.00	120

Programmes of study that are NZQA registered	EFTS	Credits
NQF Level 6		
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (Christian Leadership)	1.00	120
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (Pastoral Ministry)	1.00	120
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies (Religious Education)	1.00	120
Management of Church Organisations (Micro-credential)	0.075	9
NQF Level 5		
NZ2771 New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies (Christian Ministry)	0.49	60
NZ2771 New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies (Religious Education)	0.67	80

Programmes of study that are NOT NZQA registered	EFTS	Credits
Certificate of Personal Interest	0.17	20
Safeguarding in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa NZ	0.067	8

The non-registered programmes use the same mechanisms for student protection and disclosure of information as the registered programmes. CTC reviews and assesses all courses.

Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College is the trading name of *Good Shepherd College - Te Heparā Pai*. *Good Shepherd College - Te Heparā Pai* remains the registered name of the PTE.

Course Fees 2027

All fees are in NZ dollars and are GST inclusive.

Level 7 Awards Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology		Tuition fee per paper	Enrolment deposit fee ¹	Late enrolment fee	
New Zealand citizens and residents	15 credits	\$940	\$100	\$35	
	7.5 credits	\$469.50	\$100	\$35	
International students ²	15 credits	\$966.75	\$100	\$35	
	7.5 credits	\$482.75	\$100	\$35	

¹ to be paid at the time of enrolment; forms part of the tuition fee.

² International students must be sponsored by a diocese or religious institution and meet admission conditions.

Level 5 and 6 Awards		Tuition fee per paper	Admin fee per paper
NZ2771 New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies – Christian Ministry			
NZ2771 New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies – Religious Education			
Level 5 10 credit course/paper		\$444	\$25
Level 5 20 credit course/paper		\$892.50	\$25
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies – Christian Leadership			
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies – Pastoral Ministry			
NZ2773 New Zealand Diploma in Christian Studies – Religious Education			
Level 6 15 credit course/paper		\$667.50	\$25
Micro-credential 9 credit course		\$416.50	\$25

Student's Claims

Student fees equal to or greater than \$500 are lodged with a trustee for the duration of the Refund Period. This arrangement meets the requirements of the Education and Training Act 2022 and the Student Fee Protection Rules 2022.

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops underwrite Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College; so, if CTC goes into liquidation or receivership, students will be refunded for the part of the course which is still undelivered after the course commences.

Withdrawal and Refunds

Specified Withdrawal Period for Level 7 Awards: BDiv and Grad DipTh	Last day to withdraw
Semester 1	26 February 2027
Semester 2	30 July 2027

Specified Withdrawal Period for Level 5 Certificates and Level 6 Diplomas / Micro-credentials	Last day to withdraw
Face-to-face course taught over six weeks	Two weeks from the start of the course
Face-to-face course taught intensive or block	Two calendar days from the start of the course
Online/distance taught over a semester	One month from the semester start date

A student may withdraw without penalty from a course only if the notice of withdrawal is received by the Registrar of Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College by 4.00 pm on the last withdrawal date, as indicated above. If the withdrawal occurs up to 4.00 pm of the final day of withdrawal, the course fee will be refunded (less the enrolment deposit fee for BDiv and Grad DipTh students and less the administration fee for NZCCS and NZDCS students). Beyond this time, fees will not be refunded.

Students who withdraw after the specified withdrawal period will receive an incomplete grade.

- For **BDiv and GradDipTh** students, an application can be made by the student to the University of Notre Dame Australia if there are grounds for a compassionate acceptance of the withdrawal.
- For **NZCCS and NZDCS** students, an application can be made by the student to the Dean Level 5 and 6 if there are grounds for a compassionate acceptance of the withdrawal.