



## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: BIBLE AND THEOLOGY

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### 1. PURPOSE

To specify the admission requirements for enrolment at Morling College in the Faculty of Bible and Theology for awards accredited by the Australian College of Theology.

### 2. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply for the purpose of this policy:

Key Term of Acronym	Definition
ACT	Australian College of Theology
BAT	Bible and Theology; the faculty of Bible and Theology
MC	Morling College

### 3. SCOPE

This policy applies to students, prospective students, student services staff and Bible and Theology staff at Morling College.

### 4. POLICY STATEMENT

Morling College (MC) offers courses in Bible and Theology (BAT) accredited through third party arrangements with the Australian College of Theology (ACT) (AQF 5-10). MC applies

the admission requirements set by ACT in the [Admissions information](#) and for each of their respective courses MC also has additional admission requirements.

## 5. PRINCIPLES

- 5.1 MC's vision is "equipping and shaping Christ-centred followers to impact the world." In keeping with this vision, and with the graduate outcomes we aim to see developed through our BAT courses, MC accepts applicants who:
  - 5.1.1 Hold theological convictions consistent with the teachings of Scripture, as understood within historic Christian orthodoxy, as stated in the Nicene Creed,
  - 5.1.2 Exhibit character and behaviours consistent with these convictions, and are willing to adhere to the Student Code for the duration of their studies at MC,
  - 5.1.3 Are active participants in a local church or faith community, or wish to enter into active participation in a local church or faith community; and
  - 5.1.4 Demonstrate through personal statement, references and interview (as required) that they exhibit the kind of personal and spiritual maturity which renders the proposed course of study suitable for them, at this stage of their life.

## EXEMPTIONS

- 5.2 Where a request is received for MC to assist with the theological education of ministerial candidates from a Christian denomination whose core beliefs and values differ materially on some point from those of MC, the Principal may authorise an exemption from one or more of the above requirements.
- 5.3 Any exercise of this discretion by the Principal should be undertaken on the advice relevant stakeholders, and should be on the proviso that any students admitted under it are able to demonstrate readiness to engage successfully with the course in which they are enrolling and willingness to acknowledge and respect the mission, values, ethos and beliefs of MC.

## 6. RELATED DOCUMENTS AND LEGISLATION

### INTERNAL

- Graduate Attributes

### EXTERNAL

- [ACT Admissions information](#)
- Higher Education Standards Framework 2021
- Higher Education Provider Guidelines 2023]

## 7. REFERENCES

Nil

## 8. VERSION HISTORY

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