



LIDLAW
THEOLOGY

Graduate Diploma in Theology (GradDipTh)

Level 7, 120 credits

Flexible Study Options

Students can study towards the GradDipTh on campus in Henderson and Christchurch or by Distance Learning. Check the timetable at www.laidlaw.ac.nz/study-info/timetables.

This programme also allows for a range of flexible learning options, including a combination of on campus and Distance Learning courses, as well as part-time study.

The GradDipTh caters for

- Graduates with a non-theological degree who wish to study for a theological qualification with special emphasis on areas of personal interest;
- Graduates with qualifications in theology who wish to deepen their understanding of, and competence in, specific areas of ministry or theological study;
- Those who, although without a degree qualification, have a proven background in experience and academic study deemed to be equivalent to a degree;
- Those who have completed a degree in a non-theological area but who wish to bridge into postgraduate programmes in theology, such as the Master of Theology offered by the Laidlaw Graduate School.

2027 Fees

2027 fees will be confirmed in October 2026.

NOTE: annual fee may vary.

Programme Requirements

The GradDipTh is a one year full-time (or part-time equivalent) programme. It is made up of eight level 5, 6 and 7 courses of 15 credits each. For students in the GradDipTh programme, course pre-requisite and co-requisite regulations may be waived.

The programme requirements are as follows:

GradDipTh LEVEL 7	
LEVEL	CREDITS
5	Max 45 credits
6	
7	Min 75 credits
Must include at least 30 credits from Biblical Studies (100s) and 30 credits from Christian Thought and History of Christianity (200 – 300s).	
TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED	120

Courses

For a comprehensive list of courses that can be taken towards the GradDipTh, please refer to the Theology Handbook published on the website: <https://www.laidlaw.ac.nz/prospectus-and-handbooks/>

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READY TO APPLY? ANY QUESTIONS?

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