UNDERGRADUATE COURSE UNITS
(History)

H7100 Introduction to Christian History
This course unit introduces the student to the discipline of church history and provides an overview of significant historical periods and themes and the variety of methodological approaches to them.

At the end of this unit students will be able to
1. Demonstrate knowledge of a number of key events in the Church’s past
2. Understand a number of approaches to researching, constructing and interpreting the past
3. Distinguish between primary and secondary source materials and use such sources appropriately
4. Show how historical knowledge provides a necessary context for theological studies
5. Construct and support a coherent historical argument in written form, according to the methodological conventions of the discipline.

H7264 History of the Salvation Army
This course unit allows students to explore in detail the history of The Salvation Army, its doctrine, practice, and worship, from its inception to the present.

At the end of this unit students will be able to
1. display a comprehensive understanding of the context out of which The Salvation Army emerged in nineteenth century Britain
2. demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of the course of the Salvation Army’s history and global expansion
3. analyse the contributions of the key figures who have shaped the Army’s development
4. analyse the development of The Salvation Army’s ecclesiology, doctrine and practice
5. discuss the significance of The Salvation Army within the wider tradition of the Church.
H7268 History of Christianity in Australia

This course unit aims to examine the history of the Christian churches in Australia, from their colonial beginnings until the present time.

At the end of this unit students will be able to:

1. give an overview of the history of Christianity in Australia, identifying the key turning points and milestones in its story
2. identify the key events, personalities, and issues that have significantly shaped the development of the churches’ place in Australian society
3. demonstrate skills in responsible historical research
4. be aware of questions about the validity or otherwise of historical interpretations
5. value the contribution that historical perspective makes to the church’s contemporary self-understanding and mission.

H7363 History of the Wesleyan Holiness Movement

This course unit aims to examine the origins, history, growth and influences of the Wesleyan-Holiness Movement, and its importance as a continuing religious tradition.

At the end of this unit students will be able to

1. assess the eighteenth century origins of the Wesleyan-Holiness movement in the thought of John Wesley
2. critically evaluate the contributing factors in the emergence of the Wesleyan-Holiness movement in the context of nineteenth century American revivalism
3. narrate the development of the Wesleyan-Holiness movement into numerous sects, camp meeting associations, and churches, identifying the key personalities, ideas, turning points and milestones in its story
4. articulate the major features of Wesleyan-Holiness theological discourse
5. exercise critical skills in the interpretation of primary and secondary sources to construct a coherent and persuasive historical argument.