



In line with DOBCEL policy re ***Sponsorship for Higher Education Priorities***, if intending to undertake study for ***Accreditation to Teach Religious Education or Lead in a Catholic School***, the following courses are recommended for sponsorship support:

<https://dobcel.catholic.edu.au/prof-learning/sponsorship/>

NB. Diocesan sponsorship for all courses closes October 25th

1. **The Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education (GCTRE) provided jointly by Yarra Theological Union (YTU) and Catholic Theological College (CTC);** see the flyer with details [here](#).

The GCTRE is an online course. If this course is your choice, please apply for Diocesan Sponsorship first and once confirmed, register for the GCTRE via details provided in the flyer. CEB will be bulk billed for this course, there is no up-front payment.

2. **The Graduate Certificate in Religious Education provided by ACU.**

The GCRE is an online course. If this course is your choice, please apply for Diocesan Sponsorship and once confirmed, register for the GCRE; see the details [here](#).

The required units for 2026:

202530	Semester 1	Unit 1 THBS563	INTRODUCING THEOLOGY
202530	Semester 2	Unit 2 THCT562	INTRODUCING THE SCRIPTURES

If the GCRE provided by ACU is the preferred course, the cost of units undertaken will be invoiced to students who will pass the invoice to their respective schools for payment. Schools involved will then apply for reimbursement from CEB, *as per Diocesan Sponsorship guidelines*.

3. **REAP (RE & Pedagogy)**

If you have already completed the first year of the REAP course (2025) with Gina Bernasconi, you will have to ***reapply*** for Diocesan Sponsorship for 2026 and re-enrol with ACU for the 2026 year and completion of the course.

Dates for the REAP course in 2026 are:

- 27-28 February and 1-2 May
- August 14 – 15 and Oct 9 -10

Please note, the REAP option will not be available again until a new course cycle in 2027. If you have any questions, please email Gina: gbernasconi@ceoballarat.catholic.edu.au

For other priority courses please see the DOBCEL website: dobcel.catholic.edu.au/prof-learning/sponsorship/