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## IHEA Congratulates Australian College of Theology as a New University

“IHEA congratulates the Australian College of Theology (ACT) for the significant achievement of registration as an Australian University”, said Independent Higher Education Australia (IHEA) CEO Dr Peter Hendy.

Today, the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA) announced that it has confirmed the registration of the Australian College of Theology in the Australian University category.

As Australia’s newest University, the ACT has a long history of teaching inter–denominational students. It was founded in 1891 and has approximately 3,000 students enrolled in courses in Theology, Ministry and Christian Studies. In total, the ACT offers over 30 courses to students at 16 colleges.

The Australian College of Theology was previously granted self–accrediting authority in 2010 and gained University College status in 2023.

The ACT is a long standing member of IHEA, having joined in 2002. The ACT has been a valued contributor and leader in the independent higher education sector.

Congratulations to all at the ACT and IHEA looks forward to continuing to work with you.

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