# DETAILS FOR WORLDVIEWS AND EDUCATIONAL PRACTICE

# Quick Info

• Currently offered by Alphacrucis/National Institute: Yes

Course code: EDU501Credit points: 10

• Subject coordinator: Dr Rod Thompson, PhD

• Lecturers:

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## **Prerequisites**

The following courses are prerequisites:

• EDU400—Biblical Foundations of Education

# Awards offering Worldviews and Educational Practice

This unit is offered as a part of the following awards:

- Master of Education
- Graduate Certificate in Education

#### **Unit Content**

#### Outcomes

- 1. Express how underlying pre-theoretical worldview assumptions are formed and their effect on education theory and practice;
- 2. Describe the relationship between the Christian Scriptures and worldviews;
- 3. Summarise and critically evaluate the role of worldview liturgies in the development of human virtues, practices, and relationships;
- 4. Compare and contrast the contours of contending worldviews within current mainstream culture and their implications for educational vision and practice;
- 5. Critically appraise one's own educational practices in light of the Christian Scriptures, worldview grounds, and cultural contours.

### **Subject Content**

- 1. Beyond perspectives: What is this thing called "worldview"?
- 2. Beyond ideas and rationality: We are what we love
- 3. Beyond Scripture: The Bible, the gospel and worldview formation
- 4. Contending worldviews: Formation and counter-formation in a time of "secular" liturgies
- 5. From worship to worldview: Christian worship and the formation of desire
- 6. Christian education for lovers: Desire, direction and education
- 7. Re-Imagining the World

## This course may be offered in the following formats

- Distance/ Global Online
- Face-to-Face
- Intensive (5 days of classes/7 hours per day followed by 85 hours reading, writing and assignments)
- Extensive (5 days spread over the semester)

Subject available each semester. If you wish to enquire about this subject please contact <a href="mailto:admin@nice.edu.au">admin@nice.edu.au</a>

#### **Assessment Methods**

- Forum posts (10%)
- Essay (25%)
- Critical Analysis (25%)
- PowerPoint, Overview and Evaluation (40%)

#### Prescribed Text

Smith, J. K. A. (2009). *Desiring the kingdom: Worship, worldview, and cultural tradition*. Baker Academic

Goheen, M. W., & Bartholomew, C. G. (2008). *In Living at the Crossroads: An introduction to Christian Worldview*. Baker Academic.