



CAMPION



Providing a Catholic Tertiary Education in the Liberal Arts



After graduating from Campion in 2014, I completed a Masters of Occupational Therapy. Upon learning that my undergraduate was neither psychology nor health science, many people ask if I “regret” my Campion degree. Absolutely not! Through studying the liberal arts I developed the ability to think critically, creatively and rationally and these skill have undeniably assisted me in developing strong clinical reasoning skills. Furthermore, it instilled in me a thorough and grounded understanding of ethics, something that will guide my everyday practice with clients and assist me in navigating the complex cases when they inevitably arise. The liberal arts has enriched my understanding of humanity, society and culture and cultivated in me the desire to search for and uphold the good, true and beautiful in every person and every thing.

Anna Matthai
Class of 2014



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**We must know
where we have
been in order to
know where we
are going**

St Edmund Campion

Introduction

Located in Western Sydney, Campion College is Australia's first Catholic tertiary college dedicated to the liberal arts. Students from all across the country are drawn to our unparalleled study environment which is characterised by the centrality of the Catholic faith in both our academic program and all aspects of campus life.

Campion exists to provide a foundational education at undergraduate level that integrates the insights of faith and reason. Students are exposed to the richness of the Church's intellectual, spiritual, moral and cultural traditions in all facets of our curriculum. This curriculum entails systematic study across a broad array of disciplines, stimulating genuine freedom of thought by opening the mind to the discovery and

embrace of truth.

Our goal is to foster both the intellectual and personal development of students, producing graduates with the capacity to think logically, analyse critically and find morally responsible solutions to problems. Together with the centrality of theology in our academic program, these goals of self-reflection and moral responsibility aid students in the development of the knowledge, skills and virtuous qualities that will sustain them in this life and the next.

We genuinely believe we have something special on offer which helps our graduates stand out from the crowd and hope you will come to appreciate the true value of a Catholic tertiary education in the liberal arts.

Liberal Arts Education

A liberal arts education is a traditional program of learning in Western higher education. Since its inception in the era of classical antiquity, its aim has been to produce articulate, virtuous and well-rounded graduates with transferable skills and knowledge across a broad range of subjects.

Liberal arts at Campion entails core units in history, literature, philosophy and theology (course outline pictured right). Students considering gap year studies or an introduction to the liberal arts are drawn to our one-year Diploma. The majority of our students study with us for three years and graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in the Liberal Arts. We also offer units in science, mathematics, Latin and Ancient Greek.

A degree in the liberal arts is

not designed to train you for a specific career. Instead, the goal is to give you the foundation to adapt and thrive in an ever-changing world. Liberal arts graduates possess superior 'soft skills' to carry you through multiple job changes throughout your lifetime. A liberal arts degree will also stand out on your resume, giving you a competitive edge in the job market.

A typical liberal arts graduate will complete further studies to obtain the technical skills needed for a particular profession. Our graduates have gone into a number of fields including teaching, business, law, medicine, politics, academia and evangelisation.

Visit our website or request a copy of our prospectus for further information.

1st Year/Diploma Core Units

History

Ancient
Greece to the
Roman
Republic



Literature

Ancient
Literature of
the Western
World



Philosophy

Introduction
to Philosophy
and
Metaphysics

Theology

Scripture,
Christology
and
Revelation



2nd Year Core Units

History

Early Church
to Medieval
World



Literature

Medieval and
Renaissance to
Modern

Philosophy

Medieval and
Moral
Philosophy



Theology

Sacramental
and Moral
Theology

3rd Year Elective Units

History

Renaissance,
Enlightenment
Europe,
Australian
History and
the 20th
Century



Literature

Australian and
20th Century
Literature, the
Catholic
Imagination
and
Shakespeare

Philosophy

Philosophy of
Language,
Politics,
Modern
Thought in
the 20th
Century



Theology

Bioethics,
Catholic Social
Teaching,
Post-conciliar
Theology and
Moral
Integrity



Spiritual Life on Campus

On-campus Chapel

The Chapel of Our Lady and St Bernard is available to students for personal prayer and reflection.

Campus Chaplain

Fr Piotr Kruk OP, known as Fr Peter, is a Polish Dominican, ordained in Kraków, Poland, in 2011. He has been serving at Campion since 2016 and is passionate about helping students to deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith and mature in Christian life.

Daily Mass

Holy Mass is the high point of the daily life of the college. Mass is celebrated in the Ordinary and Extraordinary Forms on weekdays and in the celebration of key points in the academic calendar. Residential students are encouraged to

participate in the life of the local parishes by attending Sunday Mass off campus.

Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is regularly available.

Eucharistic Adoration

There are scheduled periods of Eucharistic Adoration each week for students to visit the Lord Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament.

Campion Choir

The Campion College Schola is a four-part mixed voice choir, headed by the Director of Music for the Diocese of Parramatta. Sung Mass and Benediction are performed by the schola once a week. The schola also sings at St Patrick's Cathedral in Parramatta and St Mary's Cathedral in Sydney.



Student Passion Play

Faith Development

Throughout each semester, the Chaplaincy team offers a variety of ways to help you develop your faith.

Retreats

Overnight and evening retreats or spiritual reflections are scheduled throughout the year.

Guest Speakers

Campion welcomes a number of local, national and international guest speakers throughout the year to discuss a broad range of social and moral issues.

Chaplaincy Events

The chaplaincy hosts a number of events including Adoration Under the Stars, Passion plays and Feast Day celebrations.

Evangelisation Opportunities

Students are encouraged to awaken their missionary zeal

and respond to opportunities for evangelisation. Many students are pro-life advocates.

Community Outreach

Aware of the many gifts and blessings that they have received in their lives, students have the opportunity to give to others in need through Vinnies and other local initiatives.

Spiritual Direction

Spiritual direction is available on campus for those students seeking personal guidance.

Vocational Discernment

Many students make the most of their time at Campion to discern God's calling. Several graduates have become Dominicans, Benedictines and Oratorians primarily, with others still discerning their vocation into the priesthood and religious life.

Communal Living

Located in the heart of Western Sydney, the beautiful grounds and charming buildings of Campion College provide a peaceful and warm home for students wishing to reside on campus. With public transport providing easy access to Parramatta, the Blue Mountains and Sydney, the college is a hidden treasure and the ideal environment for study, reflection and communal Christian living.

Campion provides single-sex accommodation in two dormitory wings located in the main building of the college and residential houses located on-site. Depending on availability and demand, students in the houses will reside in a single or double room with an en suite. All dormitories are single rooms with communal bathrooms.

Campion students of all year levels are housed in each type of accommodation. The integration of students from across year levels fosters personal growth and maturity, deepening of relationships and development of Christian virtues. It also provides leadership opportunities for senior students.

Each house and dormitory is assigned a Residential Assistant who is a senior student of the college. Their primary role is to assist with the personal formation of each student and ensure that accommodation is safe, secure and harmonious. Residential Assistants are supported by staff on the Student Wellbeing Team.

Please visit our website for accommodation rates and additional information.



Adoration Under the Stars

FAQ

What is the special value of a Catholic tertiary education?

A faithful Catholic college provides an open and healthy environment for serious consideration of ideas free from the influence of forced relativism. A Catholic tertiary education encourages intellectual engagement with the faith. This translates to a vibrant Catholic culture on campus that respects Catholic moral teaching and promotes spiritual development.

Does *Campion* support and abide by *Ex corde Ecclesiae*?

Ex corde Ecclesiae is the Apostolic Constitution on Catholic higher education issued by Pope John Paul II in 1990 which identifies what constitutes Catholic identity at colleges and universities. *Campion* enthusiastically adopts its guidelines.

I'm more of a "doer" than a "thinker". Is a liberal arts education really for me?

Absolutely! By engaging with the writers and thinkers who have influenced Western thought, you will develop soft skills highly sought after by employers. A liberal arts degree will set you apart from other graduates whilst giving you the best foundation for understanding and living life.

Should I place higher value on attending larger or more widely known institutions?

Not necessarily. What is most important is whether your faith can be strengthened or at least maintained. You should also consider where you will most enjoy your undergraduate experience and whether you will have the opportunity to develop friendships on the basis of shared values.



After graduating from Campion in 2011 I took a gap year before pursuing further studies in Literature. I completed my Honours in Literature at Monash University, and am currently working on a PhD looking at the influence of Medieval Catholicism on Shakespeare's conception of psychology. I am so grateful to Campion for giving me the skills and inspiration to pursue this topic. The Campion course, with its integrated approach to texts and traditions and the way they 'talk' to each other, gave me the perfect foundation for my current research. I am also grateful for the college's holistic approach to the human person which extends beyond the course and into each student's spiritual and social life. This has encouraged me to pursue beauty, truth and goodness not only in my research but in every aspect of my life.

Angela Schumann
Class of 2011



Looking for more information?

Visit www.campion.edu.au or
request a copy of our prospectus

Got questions? We've got answers!

Contact our Student Recruitment Manager on
(02) 9896 9303 or email study@campion.edu.au

Interested in Campion events?

Each year we host a number of information sessions
and guest lectures, as well as Open Day, the Campion
Ball and our popular Summer and Winter Programs.
Keep an eye on our website and social media channels
for further details.

Joining us for a campus tour?

Call ahead to arrange a time, then meet us at
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