



2020 Annual ANZATS Member Report

1. Name of Member Institution	University of Otago
2. Member's Institutional Category	Category B (Full member)
3. Name of Member submitting the Report	The Revd. Dr. James E. Harding (Acting Head of Programme)
4. I give ANZATS permission to post this report on its website:	Yes

5. Please specify any major initiatives, especially in the following areas:

(a) **Research**

The [Centre for Theology and Public Issues](#) (CTPI) is in the final year of its 2018-2020 international research project "[When Did We See You Naked?](#)"

The CTPI began two further research projects this year: "[Love, Conscience and Christian Ethics: Intersections between Faith and Public Life](#)" (Dr Greg Marcar) and "Theology and the Environment" (Dr Andrew Shepherd).

(b) **Major Publications**

Publications by current members of the Theology programme in 2019-2020 include the following. Several members of the Theology programme (James Harding; Don Moffat; Paul Trebilco) contributed to a Festschrift in honour of the Revd. Dr. Tim Meadowcroft ([Holding Forth the Word of Life: Essays in Honor of Tim Meadowcroft](#) (eds. J. de Jong and C. Saisill; Australian College of Theology Monograph Series; Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2020).

Chris Holmes has published the following: "The Holy Spirit," in *The Oxford Handbook to Dietrich Bonhoeffer*, ed. Michael Mawson and Philip G. Ziegler, 168–178. New York: Oxford University Press, 2019; "Learning Jesus' Prayer: Joseph Ratzinger on Christology," in *Benedict XVI: An Evangelical Appreciation of the Theology of Joseph Ratzinger* (ed. Tim Perry; Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2019), 126-141; "Thomas F. Torrance and the Trinity," in *T&T Clark Handbook to Thomas F. Torrance* (eds. Myk Habets and Paul D. Molnar; London: Bloomsbury T&T Clark, 2020), 161–172.

(c) **Learning and Teaching**

We now have the following suite of qualifications, which can be taken on campus or by distance:

Bachelor of Theology
Bachelor of Theology (Honours)
Postgraduate Certificate in Chaplaincy
Postgraduate Diploma in Theology
Postgraduate Diploma in Ministry
Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy
Postgraduate Diploma in Faith-based Leadership and Management
Diploma for Graduates
Master of Theology
Master of Ministry
Master of Chaplaincy
Master of Faith-based Leadership and Management
Doctor of Philosophy



This is also the first year that a NZQA level 6

(d) Conferences held

The conference “*Te Tumu Whakapono: The Foundations of an Indigenous Māori Theology*” was held at the University of Otago, November 21-22, 2019.

The university also hosted, jointly with New Zealand Christians in Science, the conference “Beyond Conflict: Evolution, Science, and God,” August 30-31, 2019.

(e) Significant Staff Appointments

In July 2020, we were able to appoint the Revd. Wayne Te Kaawa, shortly to receive his PhD from Otago, to a three-year position as Lecturer in Māori Theology.

Also in July 2020, we were able to appoint the Revd. Dr. Fele Nokise to the position of Honorary Fellow in the Theology Programme.

(f) Significant Achievements

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(g) Other

Until February 2019, the Theology programme at Otago was part of a Department of Theology and Religion. We are now separate programmes within a School of Arts and a School of Social Sciences respectively. This enables Theology to focus more squarely on providing a forum for biblical and theological scholarship that more clearly reflects the notion of *fides quaerens intellectum*.

