

Masterclass on ‘Any Catholic University’

Australian Catholic University (ACU) has released a free and publicly available [Masterclass on Any Catholic University](#). In it, Professor Hayden Ramsay – Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Coordination) and Professor of Catholic Philosophy – delivers 12 lessons, in the form of short videos and articles.

The video series was released to mark the [30th anniversary of *Ex Corde Ecclesiae*](#), St John Paul II’s Apostolic Constitution on Catholic Universities, celebrated by Catholic universities worldwide. The Masterclass follows this document in sharing a vision for a Catholic university with lessons devoted to each university area from student life and learning, to teaching and research, finance, human resources, marketing, as well as branches of professional and administrative staff.

Introducing the series Professor Ramsay notes “Catholic universities are places for people, they are places of faith, reason, value and meaning...We have a great opportunity to think together what a Catholic university looks like in 2020.” Professor Ramsay develops further reflections in the accompanying article for each lesson, where he also answers common questions about the role of departments and staff members working in any Catholic university.

The [Masterclass](#) is available on ACU’s new [Ethics Hub website](#), a forum for highlighting and linking ethics initiatives and learning opportunities across ACU, as well as spearheading new projects, seminars and resources.

In 2021 the Ethics Hub will have a focus on the philosophy of education and Catholic schools, bioethics, and public policy, complementing and supporting ACU’s existing efforts with the Plunkett Centre for Ethics, the Queensland Bioethics Centre, and the PM Glynn Institute. The Ethics Hub’s major digital development in 2021 will be the **Ethics Finder website**. It will give the University and wider community a major online resource in Catholic ethics and identity and the debates it engages in the world today.

Further initiatives featured on the Ethics Hub consolidate the University’s strength in combining the values of human dignity, the common good and the pursuit of knowledge and provide engagement with ethical questions for the public, as well as students and researchers.

The Masterclass on Any Catholic University is available [here](#) on the ACU Ethics Hub.

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