

LIDLAW COLLEGE
Te Wananga Amorangi

921.615 Theology of Suffering & Hope
Course Outline

NQF Level: 6
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

Auckland and Christchurch

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course explores questions about human suffering and the God who engages with humans at the level of their despair. It engages with how the scriptures acknowledge human suffering, and looks at hope from a biblical/theological/anthropological/relational perspective.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. Evaluate a range of theological models that account for human suffering and the concept of God's goodness.
2. Articulate the relevance, and demonstrate the application, of the Psalms for contemporary life situations and experience.
3. Reflect critically on the nature of suffering as discussed in classic and contemporary literature and film.
4. Evaluate key elements of a theology of hope that engages with key biblical texts and both classic and contemporary theological works.