

LIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wananga Amorangi

COURSE OUTLINE

LIDLAW GRADUATE SCHOOL

MASTER OF THEOLOGY

R223.830 Theology and Media

NQF Level: 8

Credit Value: 30

1. DELIVERY MODE

Mode 3: Thirty lecture hours in non-consecutive blocks of intensive teaching, normally of one week each, with reading and assignments prior to and following teaching sessions over the equivalent of one semester.

2. COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course critically examines key areas of religious communication including the coverage of religion by mass media, how religious communities interact with the media, and how mass media shape perceptions of religion. Particular emphasis will be placed upon the interaction between Christianity and media in both local and global contexts.

3. LEARNING OUTCOMES

At the completion of this course students will be able to

1. Demonstrate a critical understanding of how religion and media interact
2. Demonstrate a critical understanding of media in its various forms
3. Demonstrate theological skills in critical engagement with media
4. Critically identify how aspects of religion are communicated and mediated in historical and contemporary contexts, including those in Aotearoa New Zealand