LAIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wananga Amorangi

351.715 Research Topic 1: Christian Thought and History Course Outline

NQF Level: 7 Credit Value: 15

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an opportunity for preparing an extended research paper of 6,000 - 8,000 words on a topic not specifically covered elsewhere in a student's programme of study. It requires the development of research skills and the ability to present a sustained argument on an issue of some complexity. A Research Topic may be proposed in any of the following subject areas: Bible, Theology, or History. The research topic may only be undertaken with the approval of the head of school or delegate.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

By the end of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Formulate a well-crafted research proposal appropriate to the context of time and other resources available.
- 2. Show skill in planning and executing appropriate research strategies.
- 3. Demonstrate a high level of competence in critically engaging with alternative viewpoints.
- 4. Demonstrate the employment of biblical, theological, or historical resources in a scholarly way.
- 5. Demonstrate an ability to engage in extensive research and writing.