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# Ageing Persons and Pastoral Care

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The unit will be offered online over six Saturdays in 2022:  
30 July; 13, 27 August; 17 September; 8, 22 October:  
10am to 12pm then 2pm to 4pm

Australians are living longer and our society is an ageing one. Ageing in Australia today has become an urgent and increasingly important public issue.

The recently concluded Royal Commission indicates some of the challenges and complexities in providing effective care for older citizens. Political, social and economic costs abound on the way forward. A Gospel perspective calls Christians to collaborate in the building of a just and compassionate society.

Commencing with the ancient Christian understanding of the "care of souls" the course unit explores the evolution of pastoral and spiritual care to the present day as they contribute to the personal, mental and social wellbeing of ageing persons in our society.

### Modules will explore:

- the **"care of souls"** in the Christian tradition and its evolution into current pastoral and spiritual care practices (Module 1);
- the care necessary for **personal and mental well-being** as we age (Module 2);
- the pastoral care essential for **social well-being** especially in later life (Module 3).

### Learning Options

This course is divided into three modules; each module involves sessions on two Saturdays:

- each Saturday requires 4 hours online learning (10-12 noon, 2-4pm)
- for personal enrichment or professional development you may choose to participate as an audit student taking one or more modules
  - Cost per module: \$220 or \$650 for all three
- for credit toward an academic award all three modules are required
  - Cost for unit: \$2,732

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### Presenter

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Navigating Ageing Project



Contact the Academic Records Office for enrolment information and appointments.

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