

Introducing ISCAST:

The rapid development of science has left many either to follow blindly where science is taking them or to crawl into a mindset that just as blindly rejects the new insights being discovered. ISCAST believes there is a third way: a dynamic dialogue, critically reviewing both science and religion, allowing each to influence our understanding of the other.

ISCAST is an institute of academics, scientists, professionals, theologians and others who engage in this dialogue from within the context of the Christian faith.

Our Mission:

To develop and advocate a Christian perspective in the science-religion dialogue within the science community, the Christian community and society generally in Australasia and internationally.

Our Vision:

To see a healthy interactive relationship between science and the Christian faith within the Australasian community.



Our Core Values:

- **Christian commitment**

We affirm the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the Bible and outlined in the Nicene Creed as central to our faith.

- **Scientific commitment**

We are committed to scientific and technological research; particularly the insight this gives to our understanding of our creator and the benefits it brings to our planet and humanity.

- **Biblical interpretation**

We seek to interpret the Bible within the mainstream evangelical tradition while respecting the stance of others.

- **Moral accountability**

We are committed to understanding and working within the limits of human knowledge and seek to maximise the benefits and minimise the adverse impacts of the application of our science and technology.

- **Theological and academic safe space**

We will encourage people to be free to explore new areas of understanding without fear of unfair or inappropriate criticism or theological ostracism.

- **Mode of debate**

We seek to speak the truth in love and firm humility while being open to new ways of thinking and without rejecting the insights of the past.

What we do:

1. Appoint suitably qualified Fellows¹ as the main source of expertise and leadership.
2. Provide membership for associate and corporate members.
3. Promote the production and publication of papers for the online journal “*Christian Perspectives on Science and Technology*”.
4. Assist in the circulation of the academic journal “*Science and Christian Belief*” (www.scienceandchristianbelief.org).
5. Establish active chapters throughout Australia for discussion, mutual support and engagement.
6. Manage the ISCAST website, Facebook page and Twitter account.
7. Seek affiliation with appropriate partner organisations in pursuit of our aims.
8. Provide support for Christians who are in or who are entering scientific and theological vocations.
9. Promote and conduct public lectures, seminars and courses in science and the Christian faith.
10. Cultivate relations with the media to engage in debate in the public arena.
11. Produce a biennial conference on science and Christianity (COSAC).

¹ Fellows are appointed by the ISCAST Board as suitably qualified and experienced people committed to ISCAST’s mission and who can provide leadership and support to the institute.

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ISCAST Chapters

Currently ISCAST has Chapters in:

- Adelaide
- Bathurst / Orange
- Brisbane
- Canberra
- Gippsland
- Hobart
- Melbourne
- Sydney

We also have fellowship with colleagues in Western Australia, New Zealand, the UK, and the United States of America.

Do you want to join a Chapter?

Fill in the return slip attached to this brochure and become a member of ISCAST.

Do you want to start a Chapter?

Contact the ISCAST office on the number below to discuss.

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