

10743NAT DIPLOMA OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY AND THEOLOGY

1. TRAINING CENTRE

This course is delivered at LoveWorld Leadership College Pty Ltd, 11/1-11 Bryants Road, Dandenong VIC 3175 under the auspices of Unity College Australia RTO 6330.

2. AIMS

The 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology course is designed to provide students with the ability to live an effective Christian life, communicate the Gospel and serve their community and work. This course will train potential leaders in a range of Christian ministry activities relevant to the local church, Christian organisation and workplace.

3. OUTCOMES

This course will give students:

- An increased capacity to hear from God and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit
 - A deepened understanding of the Bible and its application
 - Further skills in theological reasoning and ethical decision-making
 - Enhanced communication (especially in communicating biblical concepts), conflict-resolution and people management skills
 - Enhanced pastoral, leadership and ministry skills with a heart for God and people
 - Opportunities for the development of specialised ministry skills
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4. OVERVIEW

Qualifications are fully competency based and while knowledge and some aspects of competency are assessed within the realms of each subject, completion of a ministry project demonstrating all areas of competency will need to be completed to graduate.

The student will obtain practical experience by undertaking various field activities and work experience at their local church and / or with a Christian ministry or community service organisation. This practical experience is to be gained in an area that complements the assessment project and the immediate goals of the student.

A full-time student would normally undertake a study load of 5 subjects at any one time. Individual subjects may be delivered on a week by week basis or by intensives.

5. DURATION

One-year full time. Part-time study options are also available for domestic students.

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6. COSTS 2021

APPLICATION FEE

For students wishing to study at credit level there is a one off non-refundable enrolment application fee.

Domestic students (Australian permanent residents, on-shore applicants)	\$150
International students	\$300

ACADEMIC FEES

Fees for full-time students of the 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry & Theology course are:

Domestic Students	\$6,000
International Students	\$7,200

- Fees cover some costs associated with Australian field trip expenses including mission trips. The balance of field trip costs are covered through personal and college-organised fundraising activities as part of course training.
- Individual subject costs are available on enquiry (domestic students only).

Note: Loveworld Leadership College Pty Ltd reserves the right to alter fees prior to the start of each academic year.

GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE

Government study assistance such as Austudy, Abstudy and Youth Allowance is NOT available to domestic students for this course. Visit www.studyassist.gov.au for more details about courses that are eligible for the offer of assistance.

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7. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & PROCEDURE

There is no formal prerequisite for entry to the Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology. However, a student applying for the course would usually have completed a Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology or be able to demonstrate equivalent prior knowledge and experience.

For entry into this course, it is expected that the student is a committed Christian and actively involved in a local church or Christian community.

General requirements for entry are:

- A completed student application form & payment of the application fee
- Two references (i) from a local church pastor or leader and (ii) from another Christian leader unrelated to yourself
- A successful interview with the Director or representative (where possible)
- Satisfactory completion of Year 12 is recommended but students without this formal educational level will be considered. Minimum entry age is 17 years (18 years for international students).
- Satisfactory English language skills. International students must have English language skills to at least the level of IELTS 6.0 or equivalent across each aspect of testing. If students do not have satisfactory English language skills, they may be required to take additional English tutoring. Students evidencing concerns in the area of Language, Literacy and Numeracy will be provided with assistance as appropriate.
- Students should have basic computing skills including the ability to use a word processing package at an elementary level and be able to access the internet.

Students should in good conscience be able to subscribe to the college's statement of beliefs that are found in the tenets of mainstream Christianity (refer to the college website and/or handbook).

8. TRAINING PROCESS

The course entails an average of 5-6 hours per week of class contact for each subject plus private study time. International Students must attend a minimum of 20 hours/week. Training delivery will be face to face with online delivery via video link used as an alternative (eg if face to face training is affected by COVID-19 travel restrictions). At the training centre, video conferencing facilities are available and extensively used.

Co-Curricular activities are integral to the Course and require extra hours of field related activities, such as local Christian community work, various projects with local churches, and short-term missions possibly of about 10 days. Fundraising projects for these Missions assists in achieving more than one competency for the course.

The college uses a wide variety of training methods appropriate to the course context.

The college adopts adult-learning principles, and all students are treated as adult learners.

Therefore participants in this program are expected to take charge of their own learning process. It is expected that each selected participant will be committed to meeting the requirements of the course and will attend all relevant classes and activities including co-curricular activities, and complete all work required for assessment on time.

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An orientation session is held for all students at course commencement. This covers both academic and environmental aspects.

It is expected that all program participants will have access to a computer. This is mandatory for successful course completion.

Delivery mode for this course may be modified temporarily due to unforeseen circumstances, such as to be compliant with current government legislation (for example the COVID-19 pandemic). Alternative delivery modes may need to be implemented such as online, virtual classroom and self-paced study.

9. COURSE COMPETENCIES

Australia has a system of national standardisation of training for many industry areas. This system is implemented through the use of training packages (groups of courses) and individual units of competency within a course. Students are able to get automatic recognition across all registered government and private training organisations for relevant studies undertaken at any one of them.



This course is an accredited course which is different to a national training package. Accredited courses are approved by and registered with the Australian government. This course is common to many Christian Colleges in Australia. As such relevant units would, in most cases, receive automatic recognition. The 6 core units of competency fall into this category. In addition, any individual units of competency included in the course from other training package courses will receive national recognition.

This course requires a total of 10 Units of Competency to be successfully completed: 6 Core Units plus 4 additional Units.

The following Christian Ministry Core competencies are achieved through successful completion of the 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology:

National Code	Competency
CMTTHE501	Analyse and interpret Christian Scripture and Theology
CMTTHE502	Utilise the analysis of theological data
CMTTHE503	Research and analyse information within a theological theme or issue
CMTTHE504	Analyse and apply new theological insights
CMTMIN501	Facilitate personal or social change through the application of theological ideas
CMTMIN502	Present theological beliefs and their implications

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The following 4 additional nationally recognised competencies are achieved on successful completion of this course.

National Code	Competency
BSBATSIL503	Manage conflict
PSPGEN035*	Provide workplace mentoring
CHCCCS016*	Respond to client needs
BSBLDR414*	Lead team effectiveness

* These units are undertaken as part of the course requirements.

10. COURSE STRUCTURE

The above competencies for the 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology course are achieved through the study of the following subjects. The course is full time for one year and has five full streams of study equivalent to 10 semester subjects.

Subject Code	Name	Subject length	Core/ elective	Unit of competency
BBS130	Search The Scriptures – Acts/Romans	Semester 2	Core	CMTTHE502(pt)
CMM104	Ministry Planning A	Semester 1	Core	BSBLDR414(pt) CMTMIN502(pt) PSPGEN035(pt) CHCCCS016(pt)
CMM105	Ministry Planning B	Semester 2	Core	BSBLDR414(pt) CMTMIN502(pt) PSPGEN035(pt) CHCCCS016(pt)
CSF114	Win, Build, Send	Semester 1	Core	CMTMIN501 CMTTHE504 (pt)
COM130	Words of Life	Semester 1	Core	CMTMIN502(pt)
MWV102	Worldviews	Semester 2	Core	CMTTHE502(pt) CMTTHE503(pt) CMTTHE504(pt)
LDR102	Leading Effectively	Semester 2	Core	BSBLDR414(pt) PSPGEN035(pt)
THE106	Theology That Works	Semester 1	Core	CMTTHE501 CMTTHE502(pt)
WPP102	Worship - Advanced Insight	Semester 1	Core	CMTTHE503(pt)
WPP112	Praying Effectively - Advanced Insight	Semester 2	Core	CMTTHE504(pt)
COM103	Manage Conflict (Intensive)	Term 3/4	Elective	BSBATSIL503

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11. ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

Assessment in each subject involves:

- attendance and participation
- written assignments, exercises, tutorial/seminar presentations, tests as applicable
- practical field experience as applicable
- journal/process diary completion as applicable

Competency-based assessment criteria apply to grading. Final assessment for each subject/unit studied will be shown as:

C	Competent
NYC	Not Yet Competent

Final Academic Transcripts/Statement of Results will show results only for subjects/units assessed as Competent.

Students who successfully complete the following requirements will be recommended for graduation:

- Satisfactory completion of all relevant academic requirements
- Payment of all outstanding fees owing to the college
- Return of all college resources including library books
- Maintained a satisfactory level of Christian conduct during his/her time at college
- Completion of co-curricular requirements including student/community participation

12. PATHWAYS

This course lends itself to being preparatory training for a range of other courses at the Diploma and higher levels. Examples of pathways are as follows:

Christian Ministry:

- 10744NAT Advanced Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology
- Bachelor of Theology
- 10745NAT Graduate Certificate of Christian Ministry and Theology
- 10746NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

Community Services and Leadership:

- Certificate IV in Community Services (various streams)
- Diploma of Community Services (various streams)
- Advanced Diploma of Community Service (various stream)
- Diploma of Leadership and Management

Non-particular pathways are as follows:

- Further study for a qualification for the context of applying Christian values and leadership skills into wider industry and workplace contexts and/or specialist skills for implementation in Christian and community organisations e.g. leadership and management positions, information technology

Please contact the college to enquire about any of the above pathways. Note: some of the above courses may not be available through Unity College Australia's Canberra campus or partner campuses.

13. COURSE DATES:

These dates include orientation

2022 Semester 1

Term 1 Monday 31 January - Friday 1 April

Term 2 Monday 18 April - Friday 24 June

2022 Semester 2

Term 3 Monday 11 July - Friday 16 September

Term 4 Monday 3 October - Friday 16 December

Graduation Wednesday 14 December

2023 Semester 1

Term 1 Monday 30 January - Friday 7 April

Term 2 Monday 25 April - Friday 30 June

2023 Semester 2

Term 3 Monday 17 July - Friday 22 September

Term 4 Monday 9 October - Friday 15 December

Graduation Wednesday 13 December