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### 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. Training delivery will be either face to face or online delivery via video link (domestic students only). At the training centre, video conferencing facilities are available and extensively used.

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### 2. AIMS

The 11237NAT Certificate IV in 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.

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### 3. OUTCOMES

This course will give students:

- A practical understanding of the Bible
- An increased capacity to hear from God and know the workings of the Holy Spirit
- A foundation to think biblically and make ethical decisions
- Competence in communication (especially in communicating biblical concepts) and discipleship skills
- Pastoral care and ministry skills with a heart for God and people

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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 diverse ministry tasks 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, with a Christian ministry or community service organisation. This practical experience is to be gained in an area that complements the assessment tasks 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.

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### 5. DURATION

The Certificate IV course can be completed in one year if studied full-time. Part-time study options are available for domestic students.

### 6. COSTS 2024

#### APPLICATION FEE

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

Domestic students	\$150
International students	\$300

#### ACADEMIC FEES

Fees for full-time students of the Certificate IV in Christian Ministry & Theology course are:

Domestic Students	\$6,000
International Students	\$8,000

- 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 available to eligible domestic students for this course. Visit [www.studyassist.gov.au](http://www.studyassist.gov.au) for more details.

### 7. ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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 local church pastor or leader (if not already provided) and (ii) from another Christian leader unrelated to the applicant
- A successful interview with the College Director or representative (where physically 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. Unity College Australia offers English language courses in Canberra to enable the student to reach the required entry level.
- 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).

Students evidencing concerns around Language, Literacy and Numeracy will be provided with assistance as appropriate.

### 8. TRAINING PROCESS

The course entails an average of 4-6 hours per week of class contact for each subject plus private study time. Overseas Students must attend a minimum of 20 hours/week.

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

The course is usually implemented face to face; however, the college uses a wide variety of training methods appropriate to the course context.

Online delivery could be available to domestic students on request. In this case, students will connect to classes via video link and will be required to participate and complete course assessments like the face-to-face mode of delivery.

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.

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.

Adjustments in the event of unforeseen circumstances: Temporary modifications to mode and timing of content delivery and assessment for this course may be implemented 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. Assessments and field experience may need to be rescheduled to be undertaken in a safe and appropriate context.

### 9. COURSE COMPETENCIES

Australia has a system of national standardisation of training for many industry areas. This system is implemented using training packages (groups of courses) and individual units of competency within a course. Students can 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 from 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. 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 9 Units of Competency to be successfully completed: 3 Core Units plus 6 Elective Units.

The following Christian Ministry Core competencies are achieved through successful completion of the 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology:

National Code	Competency
NAT11237001	Apply knowledge of the Bible
NAT11237002	Interpret biblical texts
NAT11237003	Develop and apply knowledge of key Christian beliefs

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The following Christian Ministry Elective competencies are achieved through successful completion of the 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology:

National Code	Competency
NAT11237004	Discuss a topic from a Christian perspective
NAT11237005	Apply Christian ethics to contemporary issues
NAT11236002	Research Christian Scripture and Theology
NAT11237010	Plan and lead ministry activities
NAT11237012	Develop own leadership skills
CHCCCS016	Respond to client needs

A student may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) for any or all the above competencies. To enquire please contact the National Office of Unity College Australia at [info@unity.edu.au](mailto:info@unity.edu.au).

### 10. COURSE STRUCTURE

The above competencies for the 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology course are achieved through the study of the following subjects. Full time students will study these at the rate of 5 per term.

The following is a breakdown of the subjects studied.

Subject Code	Name	Subject length	Competency Code
BOT101	Old Testament	Semester 1	NAT11236002(pt) - Elective CHCCCS016(pt) - Elective
BNT101	New Testament	Semester 2	
CSF103	Exploring Your Faith	Semester 1	NAT11237001(pt) - Core NAT11237002(pt) - Core NAT11237003(pt) - Core NAT11236002(pt) - Elective NAT11237012(pt) - Elective CHCCCS016(pt) - Elective
CSF104	Growing Your Faith	Semester 2	
FEC103	Ministry Skills	Semester 1	NAT11237001(pt) - Core NAT11237002(pt) - Core NAT11237003(pt) - Core NAT11237004(pt) - Elective NAT11237005(pt) - Elective NAT11237010 - Elective NAT11237012(pt) - Elective CHCCCS016(pt) - Elective
FEC104	Activating Ministry Skills	Semester 2	
WPP110	Introduction to Praying Effectively	Semester 2	NAT11237001(pt) - Core NAT11237003(pt) - Core NAT11236002(pt) - Elective NAT11237012(pt) - Elective
WPP106	Introduction to Worship	Semester 1	
MIN106	Holy Spirit	Semester 1	NAT11237004(pt) - Elective NAT11236002(pt) - Elective
CSF105	The New Creation	Semester 2	NAT11237004(pt) - Elective NAT11237005(pt) - Elective NAT11236002(pt) - Elective

Electives Units are embedded with Core Units in a range of subjects and are subject to change.

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### 11. ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW

Assessment in each subject involves one or more of the following:

- attendance and participation
- written assignments, exercises, tutorial/seminar presentations, tests as applicable
- practical tasks / activities
- journal/process diary completion as applicable
- submission of audio-visual evidence (particularly for online domestic students)

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

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### 12. PATHWAYS

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

Christian Ministry:

- 11238NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology
- 11239NAT Advanced Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology
- Bachelor of Theology
- 11231NAT Graduate Certificate in Christian Ministry and Theology
- 11232NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

### Community Services and Leadership:

- CHC42021 - Certificate IV in Community Services
- CHC52021 - Diploma of Community Services

### Leadership and Management:

- BSB50420 - 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. Unity College Australia (UCA) has articulation agreements with Alphacrucis University College and Southern Cross University. These agreements recognise studies undertaken in a range of UCA courses, granting credit towards courses studied at these institutions. Please contact UCA for more information.

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### 13. COURSE DATES:

These dates include orientation.

#### **2024 Semester 1**

Term 1	Monday 29 January - Friday 29 March
Term 2	Monday 15 April - Friday 28 June

#### **2024 Semester 2**

Term 3	Monday 15 July - Friday 20 September
Term 4	Monday 7 October - Friday 20 December
Graduation	Friday 20 December

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## **2025 Semester 1**

Term 1 Tuesday 28 January - Friday 4 April

Term 2 Tuesday 22 April - Friday 4 July

## **2025 Semester 2**

Term 3 Monday 21 July - Friday 26 September

Term 4 Monday 13 October - Friday 19 December

Graduation Friday 19 December