

ADVANCED DIPLOMA OF MINISTRY (AQF LEVEL 6 ADVANCED DIPLOMA)

Rationale
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduces students to the sources and content of the Christian story and message, and provides training which emphasises application and practice of this story and message in the contemporary world at a higher level than the Diploma of Ministry. 2. The course will require specialisation in disciplines by which knowledge of God is applied to guide Christian practice in the three areas of the field of Ministry and Practice: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evangelism & Missiology (EM) • Pastoral & Church Focused Ministry (PC) • Developmental Ministry (DM) 3. The course will integrate studies in the Bible and Christian tradition with practical experience and include supervised practice based learning where appropriate. 4. Through elective units students can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop particular ministry skills in the three areas of the field of Ministry & Practice • Develop foundational understanding in the Bible and Christian Thought & History (LA, OT, NT, BB, TH, CH, PE)
Admission Requirements – Pathway 1 (Course code 193)
<p>Academic Qualifications: Yr 12 or equivalent</p> <p>ATAR: NA</p> <p>Language Qualifications for NESB: IELTS 6.0 overall with minimum of 6.0 in each subtest OR 5 years English in country experience</p> <p>Mature Age Entry: 20 years +</p>
Admission Requirements – Pathway 2 (Course code 194)
<p>Academic Qualifications: Yr 12 or equivalent, Yr 12 students in up two 300 level units</p> <p>ATAR: 65</p> <p>Language Qualifications for NESB: IELTS 6.5 overall with minimum of 6.5 in each subtest OR 10 years English in country experience</p> <p>Mature Age Entry: 21 years +</p>
Structure
<p>PATHWAY 1</p> <p>Unit Level: 200-400, 16cps minimum at 300-400</p> <p>Overall cps: 64</p> <p>Length: 2 years F/T or P/T equivalent</p> <p>Foundational Units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old Testament introduction (either OT240; or OT*01 and OT*02): 4-8 cps • New Testament introduction (either NT240; or NT*01 and NT*02): 4-8 cps • Church History (CH*01, CH*02, CH*05 or CH206-209): 4 cps • Theology (TH210, TH211, or TH401-404): 4 cps

Additional units

- Old Testament exegesis: 4 cps
- New Testament exegesis: 4 cps
- Ministry & Practice (EM/DM/PC) (may include PC*49): 16 cps
- Electives, including a maximum of 12 cps Type B Electives: 16 cps minimum

PATHWAY 2

Unit Level: 300-400

Overall cps: 48

Length: 1.5 years F/T or P/T equivalent up to 6 years

Foundational Units

- Old Testament introduction (OT301 & OT302): 8 cps
- New Testament introduction (NT301 & NT302): 8 cps
- Christian Thought & History (TH/CH/PE): 4 cps

Additional units

- Ministry and Practice Units (EM/DM/PC) (may include PC449): 12 cps
- Electives from any unit field: 16 cps

Rules

Max cps per semester: 20

Advanced Level Unit entry requirements within PATHWAY 1:

For 300-400 level units students must meet their entry requirements. If students do not fulfil the normal entry requirements, they may take the units after successful completion of 32cps at 200 level.

1. A maximum of 12 cps may be taken in Type B elective units.
2. A maximum of 16 cps may be studied in DSC mode, including no more than 8 cps in any one field of study.

Learning Outcomes**Discipline Knowledge and Understanding**

1. Demonstrate a *wider range* of knowledge of Ministry as an academic discipline than Diploma Graduates with particular attention to at least *one* area of Ministry & Practice
2. Draw on the *key* biblical and theological foundations of Ministry
3. Appreciate the *key* theological, spiritual and ethical implications of Ministry knowledge and understanding

Inquiry and Analysis

4. Collect, summarise, and analyse information from a *wider range* of biblical, theological and social scientific sources and scholarship in inquiry based learning

Problem Solving and Integration

5. Construct evidence-based perspectives and responses to *key* Ministry issues by using a *wider range* of source materials and methods

Communication

6. Present *key* Ministry ideas, knowledge and principles to, and engage with, different audiences using a variety of formats

Teamwork and Professional Practice

7. Under supervision, apply *key* Ministry understanding in formal ministry contexts and the

wider community

Engagement With the World

8. Engage with the *key* challenges of contemporary Christianity, society and the wider world

Continuous Learning and Professional Development

9. Demonstrate a capacity for reflection and learning to sustain personal and professional development in Christian life and ministry

Occupational Functions of Graduates

1. A well-informed member of a church ministry team with shared responsibility for the Christian education program, or
2. Depending on the units taken in the course, a member of a church pastoral ministry team under the leadership of a qualified practitioner with a degree in theology or ministry.