

Chaplaincy Training

Diploma of Christian Ministry 30269QLD



Distance Education – Enrol Anytime!

This training provides students with an understanding of the role and responsibilities of a chaplain and has been developed in consultation with industry practitioners. This course will equip you with core Chaplaincy skills to assist people with relationship and communication issues, stress, life changes, decision making, personal and spiritual growth, career guidance, grief and loss and substance abuse issues.

Different Chaplaincy jobs will require different specialist skill sets. Some organisations will have specific requirements. For example, Army Chaplains have well defined roles and application procedures. Some denominations require a Certificate IV for ordination as a Pastor. Some denominations may have different standards for chaplains hence a range of training requirements. There are no national standards, as this ministry is self-regulating. It is best to talk with your church, the Chaplaincy department of your denomination and with the workplace that is open to having a chaplain.

Entry Requirement

Certificate IV in Christian Ministry or Theology (minimum of 588 nominal hours).

Please note the Diploma Chaplaincy stream does not build on the Certificate IV Chaplaincy stream. Both streams have similar content. The Diploma stream is designed for students who have already completed a general Certificate IV in Theology or Christian Ministry and want to specialise at the Diploma level.

Your application will be assessed using the following selection criteria:

1. Applicants will need to complete an Interview Questionnaire to ascertain their suitability and availability for Vocational Placement and may be required to obtain a Suitability Card and/or Police Check.
2. Applicants will need a reference from their local Pastor.

COURSE STRUCTURE

Chaplaincy Subjects

HCCM220	Chaplaincy Fundamentals
HCCM221	A Chaplains Ministry to Diverse People Groups
HCCM222	Effective Communication Techniques for Chaplains
HCCM223	A Chaplain's Response to Various Client Issues

OPTION ONE: Diploma of Christian Ministry 30269QLD (12 subjects)

Complete the four chaplaincy subjects listed above, plus another eight theology subjects to complete the full Diploma of Christian Ministry.

Under Option 1 students are required to complete **240 hours of Vocational Placement** i.e. volunteer work on behalf of their local church. 100 of these hours must be actively participating in a community based ministry where they can gain chaplaincy skills and experience.

OPTION TWO: Four Chaplaincy Subjects (4 subjects) only Enrol into the Diploma of Christian Ministry 30269QLD, complete the four chaplaincy subjects and you'll receive a Statement of Attainment listing the following national competencies:

CHCPOL3A	Undertake research activities*
CHCCOM4B	Develop, implement and promote effective communication techniques*
CHCCS405A	Work effectively with culturally diverse clients and co-workers *
CHCNET3B	Develop new networks*
* All of these units can be directly credited towards a <i>Diploma of Community Welfare Work CHC50702</i>	

Under Option 2 students are required to complete **100 hours of Vocational Placement** i.e. volunteer work on behalf of their local church actively participating in a community based ministry where they can gain chaplaincy skills and experience.

Assessment

Exercises, questions, case scenarios, research, portfolios and workplace competency.

Support services

Training support is provided by Hope College staff via phone, email and/or internet for the duration of the course. Our specialist chaplaincy trainer is Pastor Christian Kahnt who is chaplain of Bond University.

On-going Education Options

Completion of this course qualifies you for entry into the Advanced Diploma in Christian Ministry and will provide partial Direct Credit Transfer into a Diploma of Community Welfare Work and a range of other nationally recognised training.

Award

Nationally recognised accredited Diploma (Option 1)

Nationally recognised accredited Statement of Attainment (Option 2)

Recognition of Prior Learning

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is a process where students may be granted credit towards a qualification in recognition of their prior skills and knowledge gained through work experience, life experience and/or formal training. The process requires students to gather evidence of their skills. Fees apply. Ask Hope College for an RPL application form.

Centrelink Study Allowance

This course is Centrelink approved. You may qualify for Austudy, Youth Allowance, Abstudy or PES. For information on your eligibility, contact Centrelink <http://www.centrelink.gov.au>

Fees

Application Fee: \$100 (non-refundable fee)

Option 1: \$1500 (12 units – complete Diploma in Christian Ministry)

Option 2: \$500 (4 chaplaincy units @ \$125 each unit)

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