

Distance Education – Enrol Anytime!

At Hope College we're dedicated to helping Christians know what they believe, why they believe it, how to live it and how to share it.

This program provides the opportunity for students with previous studies in (other than) ministry or theological studies. This innovative graduate diploma provides foundational studies in ministry and theology at graduate level.

Academic Entry requirements:

Applicants must have completed a Vocational Graduate Certificate in Christian Ministry and Theology or equivalent. You will need a reference from your local Pastor and must fulfil all enrolment requirements. Applicants under 18 years of age must have parental/guardian approval. Overseas students have no English language requirements, unless otherwise stated as per the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) student visa requirements.

Training Program

The Vocational Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology requires the successful completion of the following 6 subjects:

- HCCM501 Pentateuch and Historical Books
- HCCM502 The Bible and God
- HCCM503 Interpersonal Ministry
- HCCM504 Wisdom Literature, Major Prophets and Minor Prophets
- HCCM505 Humanity and Sin
- HCCM506 Spiritual Leadership Formation

Textbooks

Students need to purchase from Koorong and read the following prescribed textbooks according to the individual subjects' reading plans:

Barker, Kenneth & Kohlenberger, John R. III. (2004). *The Expositor's Bible Commentary (2 Volume Set)*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan. (~\$100)

Williams, J. Rodman. (1996). *Renewal Theology: Systematic Theology From a Charismatic Perspective (3 Volumes in 1)*. Grand Rapids: Zondervan. (~\$100)

Assessment

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

Vocational Placement

In addition to study time students are required to complete 120 hours of volunteer work within their local church and/or a community based organisation. This volunteer work is called "Vocational Placement". Vocational Graduate Diploma students are expected to minister in a leadership role within their local church and/or community organisation, where they are required to develop others.

On-going Education Options

Completion of this course qualifies you for entry into the Vocational Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology, and will provide partial Direct Credit Transfer into the following: Master of

Christian Studies, Master of Ministry, Master of Theology and a range of other nationally recognised qualifications.

Support services

Training support is provided by Hope College staff via phone, email and/or internet for the duration of the course.

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>

Workload

Full time: 6 subjects plus 120 hours vocational placement must be completed in half a year (1 subject each month)

Part time: Self-paced learning

Fees

Tuition: \$960

Application Fee: \$100 non-refundable (only applicable for new entry students)

\$200 non-refundable (for any visa holder)

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