



Ministry Training SHORT COURSES

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Our Ministry Training Short Courses

- Christian Communication
- Missions
- Christian Camping
- Youth Ministry
- Biblical Worship

We offer **Ministry Training Short Courses (Electives)** every year as part of our Level 5 Diploma in Christian Studies, designed to equip people for ministry practice. These short courses form part of the programme for enrolled students, but are also open to others who wish to participate. This booklet will guide you through the various short courses available and show how each can equip you with biblically grounded skills for your ministry context.



What you need to know

WHEN:

Wednesday 20th May 2026, 1pm, to
Friday 22nd May 2026, 12:30pm.

WHERE:

Pacific Park Christian Camp, Papamoa

COURSE FEES (GST inclusive):

SHORT COURSE fees for Audit: \$150

(simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work)

SHORT COURSE fees for Credit: \$350

*(includes readings and assignments,
5 credits at Level 5)*

Numbers will be capped to ensure quality delivery

Meals are available at an additional cost of \$12 per lunch, and \$15 per dinner.

Accommodation is not provided, but is available to book through **Pacific Park** or you can arrange your own.

Christian Communication

SHARING SCRIPTURE EFFECTIVELY



What the course is about

There's a famous quote that says, 'A mist in the pulpit is a fog in the congregation'. **This course will help communicators and preachers** - both experienced and new - do the hard work of removing the mist: moving from complexity to simplicity. It will give communicators and preachers a simple and effective way of approaching any Biblical text and equip them to explain it and apply it in unique contexts in a way that is both Christ-centred and life-transforming.

This course is designed to **equip preachers, small group leaders, up-front communicators, evangelists, and content creators** – anyone with a desire to communicate effectively.

Lecturer



Jerram Watts

Location Pastor - The Street Church
Bachelor of Communication Studies

Assignments (**CREDIT** only)

Assignment 1: Foundational and Core Knowledge
(Paragraph Discussions)

Assignment 2: Application to a Specialised Field
(Prepare and Present a Sermon)

Your options

AUDIT: Simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work.

CREDIT: Includes readings and assignments, **5 credits at Level 5.**



PHILEMON

HEBREWS

JAMES 1:2-12

1 PETER

2 PETER



Youth Ministry

GROWING DISCIPLES OF JESUS



What the course is about

How can you raise your skills in youth ministry and leadership? This course explores **fundamental principles of youth ministry, youth discipleship, navigating the digital realm**, and other issues relevant to contemporary youth ministry. The course also examines **intergenerational ministry** and how to develop perseverance in an often challenging ministry environment.

This course is designed to **equip volunteers and leaders who are involved in youth ministry** and are passionate about growing disciples of Jesus.

Lecturer



Matt Meek
Lead Youth Pastor - Riccarton
Community Church

Assignments (**CREDIT** only)

Assignment 1: Foundational and Core Knowledge
(Paragraph Discussions)

Assignment 2:
Right Foundations
(Developing Youth Ministry Principles)

Your options

AUDIT: Simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work.

CREDIT: Includes readings and assignments, **5 credits at Level 5.**





Missions

LIVING THE GOOD NEWS CROSS CULTURALLY



What the course is about

God is on a mission to reconcile his creation to himself — every person, every people group and even the cosmos itself. Remarkably, God invites us to partner with him in that mission. This course explores these concepts, taking both a **“big picture” view of God’s mission** while also **including a particular focus on cross-cultural mission**, sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ and his benefits with all people groups.

This course is designed to **equip anyone passionate about being a part of God’s mission**, whether that’s by living missionally, cross-cultural mission or evangelism.

Lecturer



John Buchanan
GC3 MISSION AMBASSADOR

Assignments (*CREDIT only*)

Assignment 1: Foundational and Core Knowledge
(*Paragraph Discussions*)

Assignment 2: Application to a Specialised Field

Your options

AUDIT: Simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work.

CREDIT: Includes readings and assignments, **5 credits at Level 5.**





Biblical Worship

THEN AND NOW



What the course is about

In this course we will explore the **purpose and context of Christian worship**, and the role of music in worship. We'll do a deep dive into biblical worship and what that means for today's context, and discuss ways to enrich and nurture Christ-centred worship in our congregations. This course gets practical too - with a variety of musical tools for leading and arranging music in gathered worship.

This course is designed to **equip those involved in their church worship ministry**, or for **those who simply have a passion for worship and want to go deeper**.

Lecturer



Rosie Devery
ACADEMIC DIRECTOR
BMus (Jazz Perf), GradDipTh, DipCM

Assignments (**CREDIT** only)

Assignment 1: Foundational and Core Knowledge
(Paragraph Discussions)

Assignment 2: Practices for Nurturing Worship
(Worship Service Plan)

Your options

AUDIT: Simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work.

CREDIT: Includes readings and assignments,
5 credits at Level 5.





Christian Camping

PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE



What the course is about

This elective explores the **biblical foundations of Christian Camping** and the role it plays in building the kingdom of God. You will learn how to make camp both fun and transformative. This course takes a hands-on approach to Christian ministry that is dynamic, inspiring, and highly practical for a New Zealand context and beyond.

This course is designed to **equip those involved in or passionate about Christian camping.**

Lecturer



Thomas Dravitzki
Leadership Co-ordinator -
Christian Camping NZ
MEd, GradPD, BA

Assignments (*CREDIT only*)

Assignment 1: Foundational and Core Knowledge
(Paragraph Discussions)

Assignment 2: Application to a Specialised Field
(Activity Facilitation Plan and Reflection)

Your options

AUDIT: Simply enjoy the lectures and interaction with no obligation to complete course work.

CREDIT: Includes readings and assignments,
5 credits at Level 5.





Contact us

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