



DISTANCE EDUCATION - DOMESTIC STUDENTS

10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

Students can expect to graduate with a deeper knowledge of the Bible and valuable practical skills for ministry both formally and informally. Throughout this course, students will be constantly challenged as they engage in hands-on practical ministry within a Biblical framework.

Subjects Include:

Theological Foundations
 The Life and Work of Jesus
 Spirit Filled Living
 New Testament Themes
 Team Ministry
 The Acts of the Apostles
 Developing a Biblical Worldview
 Disciplines for Godliness

Communicating in Ministry
 Old Testament Themes
 Sharing your Faith
 Ephesians
 Character of God
 Responding to World Beliefs
 Romans
 Supporting People in Grief and Loss

Interpreting the Bible
 Hebrews
 Biblical Leadership
 Revival History
 Genesis
 Responding to Pastoral Care Issues
 Defending Your Faith
 1 Corinthians



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ENTRY CRITERIA FOR 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

Applicants must be actively involved in a Christian church and be able to read and write English to a sufficient standard to work with the supplied course materials (samples of course materials are available for review) and have completed Year 12 or equivalent or mature age entry

WORK-BASED TRAINING (WBT)

In addition to study time students are required to complete 480 hours of volunteer work within your local church, where you can gain skills and experience in serving others. Experience can be gained serving in a ministry team such as hospitality, music, children or administration. This volunteer work is called "Work-Based Training".

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING (RPL)

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.

RTO'S OBLIGATION TO RECOGNISE – Direct Credit Transfer (DCT)

Hope College recognises and accepts Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) qualifications and Statements of Attainment issued by any other Registered Training Organisation (RTO). Direct Credit Transfer (DCT) will be given to any student who has successfully completed units in any of our accredited courses with another RTO. Students must produce a certified copy of their Record of Results/Statement of Attainment for our records prior to the commencement of studies. There is no fee for DCT.

APPLICATION PROCESS

All applicants must:

- Complete a Student Application Form
- Provide a USI number
- Pay \$150 non-refundable application fee
- Read the Student Handbook and sign the Student Handbook Declaration Slip
- Obtain a reference from your local church pastor (Pastoral Reference Form available from Hope College website).
- Write a short essay giving your reasons for studying this course
- Complete Work-Based Training Agreement and Training Plan

All forms can be downloaded from <https://hopecollege.com>

ASSESSMENT

Assessment tasks include: questions, case scenarios, research, portfolios and workplace competency. Upon successful completion of the course requirements you will be awarded a 10743NAT Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology. Participants, who exit the course without completing all requirements including work-based training hours, will be issued with a Statement of Attainment for those units in which they have demonstrated competency.

BIBLE STUDY RESOURCES

To complete this course you will need a Study Bible (eg. NIV Study Bible, Life Application Study Bible) and access to a Bible Concordance, Bible Dictionary and Bible Commentary which can be purchased or accessed via the internet.

COURSE FEES

Course fees total \$5,190, which includes a \$150 non-refundable application fee. The course is prepaid in 24 instalments of \$210 for each subject.

SUPPORT SERVICES

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

ONGOING EDUCATION OPTIONS

Completion of this course is a prerequisite for entry into the 10744NAT Advanced Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology, and will provide partial Direct Credit Transfer into a Diploma of Community Services Work and a range of other nationally recognised qualifications.

WORK LOAD

Full Time: 24 subjects plus 480 hours of work-based training must be completed in 2 years (1 subject per month)

Part Time: 24 subjects plus 480 hours of work-based training must be completed in 4 years (1 subject bi-monthly)

If you have further questions, do not hesitate to contact us!