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# IMAGINE

TRAINING YOU CAN HOST IN YOUR  
**LOCAL CHURCH**



**ACCREDITED CERTIFICATE IV & HIGHER EDUCATION  
ONLINE TRAINING HOSTED IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH**



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**EQUIPPING CHRISTIAN LEADERS TO CHANGE THE  
WORLD IN YOUR LOCAL CHURCH WITH SOLID BIBLICAL  
CONTENT THAT WORKS ALONGSIDE YOUR CHURCH'S  
EXISTING LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PATHWAY**



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## **WHAT IS AN LCC?**

An LCC is a 'Local Church College' — in other words a 'pop up college' hosted in your church. An LCC is a vehicle for you or your church liaison to be involved in the training and equipping of your leaders in your local church context while utilising world-class content and teaching from AC.

## **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

- Alphacrucis (AC) University College provides your students with quality course content including videos through Moodle access online.
- AC marks all the assessments — so you or your liaison do not need formal academic qualifications to run an LCC.
- Students can watch content online at a time that suits their schedule.
- Students gather once a week for up to 2 hours per subject for discussion and application of content, in whatever 'pop up college' setting you choose — as casual as a coffee shop or lounge room, or as sophisticated as your auditorium or training rooms.
- Mentoring is provided by your church leadership helping students who study to apply their learning to their lives and also to your local church context.
- All courses include subjects that require practical ministry experience - so students get to serve and reflect on ministry areas in your church.

## **WHAT IS THE BENEFIT?**

- An LCC enables you to participate in the forming of your leaders through mentoring.
- Your leaders will benefit from formal study in many ways — discipline is created, mindsets are challenged, lives are transformed and characters developed.
- Students can gain a qualification for the subjects completed and go on to further study in the future if they choose to.

## **HOW MANY STUDENTS DO I NEED TO START AN LCC?**

We recommend that you start with at least 3 students. Discussions work best with several people — the more students you can get involved, the more of a buzz your LCC will have!

**CERTIFICATE IV IN MINISTRY AND DISCIPLESHIP**

**DIPLOMA OF LEADERSHIP**

**DIPLOMA OF MINISTRY**

**DOUBLE DIPLOMA**



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### **WHAT COURSES ARE OFFERED AT AN LCC?**

The church liaison (person leading your LCC) decides which course suits the requirements of the students attending. The main awards are: Certificate IV in Ministry and Discipleship; Diploma of Ministry; Diploma of Leadership. Other options include Diploma of Business, Diploma of Music, Diploma of Screen and Media, Diploma of Entrepreneurship and a variety of Double Diplomas. Audit options are also available.

### **DURATION**

Full time: 1 year | Part time: 2-4 years (for all courses except Double Diplomas)

### **START DATES**

Several intakes during the year.

Timetable information is on AC's website: [ac.edu.au](http://ac.edu.au)

### **CERTIFICATE IV COURSES – ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Completion of Year 12 or its equivalent is recommended.
- Parental/Guardian permission required for under 18 years of age.
- Not offered for international students.

**FEE HELP:** Not available for this course.

### **HIGHER EDUCATION COURSES – ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Completion of final year of secondary education at school;
- Completion of Certificate IV;
- Or articulation from another AC course or overseas equivalent;
- Or mature age entry (21 years and over).
- Not offered to international students.

**FEE-HELP** Available to eligible applicants.



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## CERTIFICATE IV IN MINISTRY AND DISCIPLESHIP 8 UNITS TOTAL 11088NAT

### CORE UNITS

- God's Story: The Bible
- Applying the Bible
- Discipleship 1
- Discipleship 2
- Personal Leadership
- Team Players and Teamwork

### ELECTIVE UNITS (CHOOSE TWO):

- Leading Teams
- Speaking from the Platform
- Introduction to Pastoral Care
- Good News to the Community

### DURATION

Units are run for 9 weeks during school terms.



## DIPLOMA OF LEADERSHIP 8 UNITS TOTAL

### 5 CORE SUBJECTS (50 CREDIT POINTS)

- Faith and Purpose
- Professional Practice
- Personal Leadership
- Leadership Principles

#### Plus one of the following:

- Old Testament Foundations
- New Testament Foundations

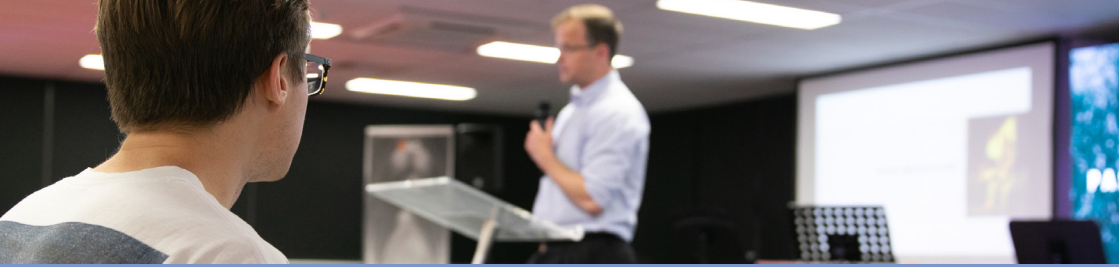
### DURATION

1 year full-time/up to 4 years part-time

### 3 ELECTIVE SUBJECTS\* (30 CREDIT POINTS)

- Introduction to Theology
- Old Testament Foundations
- New Testament Foundations
- Introduction to Cross-Cultural Ministry
- Introduction to Pastoral Ministry
- Preaching
- Youth Ministry
- Character Formation and Ministry
- A 000 level elective from MIN or CCM

\*Not all electives are available every year



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- Professional Practice
- Introduction to Pastoral Ministry
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## DOUBLE DIPLOMA

A great way to couple Christian theological education with transferable skills is through the Double Diploma pathway. Students can equip themselves in Business, Chaplaincy or Entrepreneurship along with theological knowledge to inform the workplace. The Double Diploma study option provides students with employability opportunities while ensuring Christian foundations inform business practices.

### DURATION

18 months full time to complete (12 subjects). Part time options are available.

### DOUBLE DIPLOMA OPTIONS AVAILABLE ARE:

- Double Diploma in Business and Leadership
- Double Diploma in Business and Ministry
- Double Diploma in Business and Entrepreneurship
- Double Diploma in Chaplaincy and Leadership
- Double Diploma in Chaplaincy and Ministry
- Double Diploma in Entrepreneurship and Leadership
- Double Diploma in Entrepreneurship and Ministry



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# FAQs

## **HOW MUCH TIME IS NEEDED PER SUBJECT OF STUDY?**

Each unit of study has about an hour of content to watch and some reading material and assessments. For Higher Education students it is recommended to allow up to 10 hours per week per subject. For Certificate IV in Ministry and Discipleship it is recommended to allow 8-10 hours per week per unit.

## **WHAT IS INVOLVED IN BEING A LCC LIAISON?**

A liaison is the person leading your LCC. They will liaise with AC to grow and develop your College. A liaison does not have to have any formal qualifications but it is recommended that they have a love for study, a passion for the church and are in a leadership role. All academic questions are answered by our AC staff — so your liaison can concentrate on discipleship, encouragement and mentoring.

## **WHAT KIND OF ASSESSMENTS WILL NEED TO BE COMPLETED?**

Being a skill-based course, most of the assessments in the Cert IV have practical components which may need to be video recorded or observed by a supervisor. Some written assessments and quizzes are also used to supplement these practical assessments.

## **WHAT'S INVOLVED IN THE PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE SUBJECT IN THE DIPLOMA COURSES?**

Working with an experienced supervisory mentor, students will complete a 100 hour placement over the course of semester (or split into 50 hour placements over 2 semesters).

## **HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?**

Special Certificate IV pricing is available when students study through your LCC. Higher education courses are more expensive but have the benefit of FEE-HELP being available to approved students. Please contact [churchpartnerships@ac.edu.au](mailto:churchpartnerships@ac.edu.au) for details.

## **ARE THESE COURSES FEE-HELP APPROVED?**

The Certificate IV is NOT approved. However, for Higher Education it is available for eligible students. Please visit [studyassist.gov.au](http://studyassist.gov.au) for further information, please note there is a loan fee added for every subject. There are also student study loans available for eligible students through [studyloanmasters.com.au](http://studyloanmasters.com.au).





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## HOW TO BECOME AN LCC?

### STEP 1 - REGISTER INTEREST

Call our Director of Church Partnerships: Kay Dohle on 0413 625 196 or email to register your interest in starting an LCC at [churchpartnerships@ac.edu.au](mailto:churchpartnerships@ac.edu.au) or visit our website [ac.edu.au/local-church-college](http://ac.edu.au/local-church-college) and fill in the online LCC registration or enquiry form.


### STEP 2 - RECRUIT AND PROMOTE

Recruit potential students by inviting them to consider study.

### STEP 3 - SCHEDULE

Consult your church calendar and set a time to begin that fits in with your church rhythm. Consider starting in the next intake, there are several throughout the year.

### STEP 4 - STUDENTS APPLY

After your church has officially registered as an LCC, students must go to the AC website [ac.edu.au/apply-now](http://ac.edu.au/apply-now) and click 



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### NEED FURTHER INFORMATION?

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