

11232NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology

International Student Course Brochure

Provider	Iona Columba College (ICC)
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Course Name	Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology
VET Course Code	11232NAT
CRICOS Course Code	117096D
Course Sector	Vocational Education and Training (VET)
AQF Level	Graduate Diploma, AQF Level 8
Student Cohort	International students
Language of Delivery and Assessment	This course is delivered and assessed in Korean.
Location	15-17 Blaxland Road, Rhodes NSW 2138
Duration	40 weeks of scheduled study plus 12 weeks of scheduled breaks. Total duration is 52 weeks (1 years).
Commencement	Normally four intakes each year: January, April, July and October. Commencement is subject to sufficient student enrolments.
Delivery Mode	Scheduled face-to-face classroom training, compulsory supervised fieldwork and compulsory structured online learning.
Weekly Study Load	20 hours per study week: 8 hours scheduled face-to-face classroom training, 6 hours compulsory supervised fieldwork and 6 hours compulsory structured online learning.

Course Overview

The 11232NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology is a nationally recognised vocational qualification for Korean-speaking students seeking graduate-level preparation for autonomous and senior leadership in Christian ministry and related organisational contexts. It develops advanced biblical, theological and practical knowledge that may be applied in churches, ministry and parachurch organisations, Christian education and other service environments.

Students develop advanced skills to analyse, synthesise and communicate complex Christian beliefs, interpret biblical and theological material, and provide specialised guidance and leadership in a broad range of life and ministry situations. The course supports students to exercise advanced autonomous judgement and initiative, advise others on Christian ministry and theological matters,

and take responsibility as skilled practitioners in broad and complex organisational contexts.

The course also provides opportunities for reflective development relevant to responsible senior ministry practice and leadership. Training and assessment are conducted in Korean.

Ministry and Vocational Relevance

This course may be relevant to experienced practitioners who are serving, or preparing to serve, in autonomous or senior leadership roles in church, ministry, parachurch, Christian education or related organisational settings. Depending on organisational requirements and the student's prior qualifications and experience, the course may support preparation for roles or service contexts such as:

- senior pastoral or ordained ministry responsibilities, subject to church or denominational requirements
- senior ministry leadership, management or organisational oversight
- principal or director responsibilities within a ministry, parachurch or Christian education organisation
- Bible college lecturing, adult theological education or Christian formation activities, subject to employer and role-specific requirements
- providing specialised theological or ministry guidance to individuals, teams or organisations
- leadership in church, mission, Christian education, charitable or not-for-profit settings.

Some senior ministry, teaching, education, leadership and management roles require ordination, commissioning, appointment, registration, higher or additional qualifications, relevant experience or approval by a religious institution, employer, professional body or other organisation. Completion of this qualification does not itself confer ordination, commissioning, appointment or registration and does not guarantee employment, a Student visa or another migration outcome.

Course Structure

The course is delivered over four terms of 10 weeks. Students complete 8 units of competency. The unit sequence below is indicative of the planned delivery structure:

Indicative Commencement Term	Unit Code	Unit Title
Term 1	CHCPRP006	Lead own professional development
Term 1	BSBSTR601	Manage innovation and continuous improvement
Term 2	NAT11232004	Analyse biblical texts using recognised methods of biblical interpretation
Term 2	BSBLDR811	Lead strategic transformation
Term 3	NAT11232001	Conduct and apply advanced research in theology
Term 3	NAT11232002	Conduct advanced research in Christian ethics

Term 4	NAT11232003	Initiate and lead applied research in Christian ministry
Term 4	NAT11232005	Analyse worldviews and world religions

The table shows the term in which each unit is expected to commence. Some units may continue across more than one term to provide sufficient time for instruction, practice, feedback and assessment.

Delivery and Weekly Study Requirements

The course is delivered through:

- 8 hours of scheduled face-to-face classroom training per study week
- 6 hours of compulsory supervised fieldwork per study week and
- 6 hours of compulsory structured online learning per study week.

International students are required to attend scheduled classroom training and fieldwork, participate in learning activities, complete required online learning and assessment activities by the specified dates, and maintain satisfactory course progress. Attendance and completion of required activities are recorded and monitored.

Structured online learning activities are prescribed by ICC and completed across the study week. The online component supports and extends learning undertaken through classroom training and fieldwork and does not replace the requirement to attend those scheduled activities.

Students should also expect to undertake additional private study, research, reflection and assessment preparation outside the required course activities.

Compulsory Supervised Fieldwork

The course includes six hours per week of supervised fieldwork, normally undertaken in a church setting approved by ICC. Fieldwork provides opportunities for students to apply course learning in practice and, where applicable, demonstrate evidence relevant to unit requirements.

Students must complete fieldwork in accordance with ICC's Fieldwork Guidelines, approved supervision arrangements and applicable church and organisational requirements.

Assessment Methods

Assessment is competency-based and uses a range of methods over time. Students must provide sufficient evidence that they can meet the requirements of each unit of competency.

Training and assessment are conducted in Korean. Assessment methods may include:

- written or oral questions and analytical responses
- assignments, reports, projects and advanced biblical or theological interpretation tasks
- case studies, scenarios, simulations or role plays
- presentations, specialised guidance or leadership activities and trainer observation
- portfolios of evidence and, where appropriate, third-party evidence or supervisor reports.

Recognition of Prior Learning and Credit Transfer

ICC offers applicants and students opportunities to apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Credit Transfer.

RPL may be granted where sufficient evidence demonstrates relevant prior skills, knowledge and experience. Credit Transfer may be granted for equivalent units supported by valid AQF certification documentation or an authenticated VET transcript. Applicants should indicate their interest before or at the time of enrolment. RPL or Credit Transfer may affect the course duration and Confirmation of Enrolment arrangements.

Further Study and Pathways

This course is a standalone nationally recognised qualification and forms the Graduate Diploma-level qualification within ICC's Christian Ministry and Theology course suite.

The 11239NAT Advanced Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology provides one entry pathway into this course. Applicants may alternatively qualify for entry by holding a relevant higher education qualification together with relevant vocational experience in Christian ministry and theology.

Graduates may be eligible to apply for other higher qualifications offered by registered training organisations and higher education providers. Admission and any recognition or credit remain subject to the requirements of the receiving provider and course at the time of application.

Where this course is offered as part of a packaged course sequence, progression into the 11232NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology remains conditional on the student satisfying its entry requirements before commencement. Each course remains a separate qualification with its own entry, training, assessment and completion requirements.

Student Support

ICC provides support to assist students to participate in training and complete assessment requirements. Students may contact their trainer, assessor, Academic Manager or Student Support Officer for assistance.

- academic, study and assessment support
- learning, literacy, numeracy and digital learning support or referral
- reasonable adjustments for students with disability, where appropriate and practicable
- wellbeing support or referral to external support services where required
- support through email, phone, Zoom or individual learning/assessment support sessions.

Learning Resources and Technology

Students have access to ICC learning resources and to Camden Theological Library under ICC's institutional arrangement. Relevant theological and Korean-language resources are available in print and/or electronic formats. Further information about the Library and its services is available at library.nswact.uca.org.au.

Students must have access to a reliable laptop or tablet, reliable internet, email, web browsers, word-processing software such as Microsoft Office 365 or an equivalent suite, and the ability to access online learning platforms and submit assessments electronically.

Entry and Suitability Requirements

National course entry requirements

Applicants must meet one of the following entry pathways:

- hold the 11239NAT Advanced Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology
- OR
- hold a relevant higher education qualification, such as a Bachelor degree, together with relevant vocational experience in Christian ministry and theology.

ICC admission requirements

Applicants must:

- be at least 18 years of age
- provide evidence that they meet one of the national course entry pathways
- where applying through the higher education qualification pathway, provide evidence of relevant vocational experience in Christian ministry and theology
- have sufficient Korean language skills to interpret complex material, participate in training, complete assessment tasks and communicate complex issues
- have learning, reading, writing, oral communication, numeracy and digital skills suitable for the course level and modes of delivery
- participate in ICC's pre-enrolment suitability assessment, which may include an interview with the Academic Manager or delegate and review of the applicant's qualifications and vocational experience.

ICC assesses whether each applicant satisfies the national course entry requirements and is suitable for ICC's Korean-language delivery and assessment context before enrolment. International applicants must separately meet any Student visa requirements set by the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs, including any English language requirements that apply to their individual circumstances.

Student Visa Information

Student visa requirements are determined by the Australian Government and may change. International applicants are responsible for ensuring that they meet the requirements applicable to their individual circumstances. Current Student visa information is available from the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs at immi.homeaffairs.gov.au.

ICC does not provide migration advice and does not guarantee any visa or migration outcome. Applicants requiring migration advice should consult the Department of Home Affairs or a registered migration agent.

Course Fees

Fee Item	Amount
Enrolment Application Fee (<i>charged once per application, not per course</i>)	AUD 200

Tuition Fee	AUD 6,400
Total Fees – Standalone Application	AUD 6,600

The enrolment application fee is non-refundable except where a refund is required by law or available under ICC's Fees and Refund Policy. Where one application includes a packaged sequence of two or more ICC courses, the fee is charged once only and is included in the initial payment for the first course in the sequence.

A list of all possible fees and charges is available on the ICC website. International students are not required to pay more than 50 per cent of tuition fees before the course commences, but may choose to do so.

Payment Schedule

Study Period	Payment Due	Notes
Year 1, Term 1	AUD 1,800	Includes enrolment application fee of AUD 200, where applicable
Year 1, Term 2	AUD 1,600	
Year 1, Term 3	AUD 1,600	
Year 1, Term 4	AUD 1,600	

Term payments must be paid in full 14 days before the relevant term commences, unless ICC has approved another arrangement in writing. Refunds are managed in accordance with ICC's Fees and Refund Policy and the written agreement.

Application Process

To apply, international applicants should complete the International Student Enrolment Form available from the ICC website and submit it to info@iona.edu.au with the required supporting documents.

1. Submit application: Complete the International Student Enrolment Form and provide required supporting documents, including evidence of identity and evidence that one of the national course entry pathways has been met.
2. Application review: ICC reviews the application for completeness and assesses whether the applicant meets the national course entry requirements and ICC's admission and suitability requirements.
3. Pre-enrolment interview: Applicants may be interviewed by the Academic Manager or delegate to assess their suitability and capacity to undertake the course and, where relevant, clarify their qualifications or vocational experience.
4. Offer and written agreement: If the application is accepted, ICC issues a Letter of Offer, invoice and International Student Agreement for review and acceptance.
5. Acceptance and initial payment: The applicant returns the signed agreement and pays the

required initial fees.

6. Confirmation of Enrolment: Where applicable, ICC issues a Confirmation of Enrolment (CoE) after acceptance, payment and any required conditions are satisfied.
7. Student visa application: The applicant is responsible for applying for a Student visa through the Department of Home Affairs. If the visa is refused, the applicant should notify ICC and apply for a refund in accordance with ICC's Fees and Refund Policy.

Qualification Issuance

On successful completion of all required training and assessment, ICC will issue the 11232NAT Graduate Diploma of Christian Ministry and Theology and a record of results listing the units of competency completed. Where a student withdraws after successfully completing one or more units, ICC will issue a Statement of Attainment for those units.

ICC will issue the relevant AQF certification documentation within 30 calendar days after completion of the final assessment, provided all agreed fees associated with the course have been paid. Because this course is delivered and assessed in Korean, ICC certification documentation will state that the relevant units have been delivered and assessed in Korean, in accordance with national VET requirements.

Further Information

International students should also read the International Student Handbook, Fees and Refund Policy, Complaints and Appeals Policy, Student Support information, Education Agent list and other relevant information available on the ICC website before enrolling.

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*This brochure provides course information for prospective international students.
It should be read together with ICC's current policies, forms and written agreement.*