## Cert IV Semester 1 Subjects





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## Introduction to Old Testament\*

Also available in Español

The books, themes and events of the Old Testament in their cultural and historical context are introduced along with their application and relevance today. (MINBIB401A Complete and apply a study based on the Biblical material to own life | 48 hours)

## Personal Leadership\*

Also available in Español

This subject introduces principles of spiritual leadership and is designed to assist the student in building godly character into their life as a Christian leader, both spiritually and practically. It covers critical issues including, integrity, core values, healthy living, relationships, and finance. (MINLED401 Demonstrate Christian disciplines and spirituality with MINLED402 Manage personal and ministry priorities holistically | 48 hours)

#### **Teamwork**

This subject trains the student with the necessary skills and knowledge to work successfully in a team setting. It also will be outworked in the practicum component of the course. (MINLED402 Manage personal and ministry priorities holistically with BSBWOR203 Work effectively with others | 32 hours)

## Communication in Ministry

This subject trains the student with the necessary skills and knowledge to be able to successfully communicate in ministry settings. It will mainly be outworked in the practicum component of the course. (BSBCMM201 Communicate in the workplace | 32 hours)

## Church and Ministry

A wide range of aspects of church ministry and culture are introduced from a biblical basis including how we make church relevant today. It will mainly be outworked in the practicum component of the course. (MINLED405 Describe and contribute to effective local church ministry | 16 hours)

#### Practicum 1

Giving you plenty of opportunities to practice your ministry skills and develop real practical ministry experience is a critical part of our course. In Practicum, you will be involved every week in one of the cutting-edge ministries of Hillsong Church or your local church, learning from leaders with a track record of success in ministry.

#### **PASTORAL SUBJECTS**

## Public Speaking and Presentations

This subject focuses on developing communication skills and the skills necessary to implement business, leadership, and preaching presentations. (BSBCMM401 Make a presentation  $\mid$  40 hours)

#### Bible Study Methods\*

This subject identifies and explores a range of specific in-depth study methods and how to apply them to the Bible, with the goal of increasing understanding of the biblical narrative and the skills required to draw relevant applications for life and ministry. (MINBIB402AA Identify and apply in-depth Bible study methods to biblical material | 48 hours)

#### **WORSHIP SUBJECTS**

## The Worship Team\*

This subject brings our new Worship Music students into the heart and ethos that has built the Hillsong Creative team and its creative expression. We do this by teaching and training students the leadership excellence necessary to thrive in a contemporary band-based worship environment. (MINWMU406 Describe and contribute to effective worship ministry | 32 hours)

### **Band Techniques**

Musician students learn the principles of working successfully in a music ensemble environment to produce effective communication, musical cohesion, and inspirational performances. (CUAMPF303 Contribute to backup accompaniment | 40 hours)

#### **Vocal Techniques**

Vocal students learn the basic anatomy of the singing voice and techniques for improving vocal health, production, and performance. (CUAMPF407 Develop vocal techniques | 40 hours)

#### Songwriting Techniques

Songwriting students learn and apply tools and techniques for building functional songs from scratch from idea generation, refinement, and polishing, to strategies for writing blocks and trouble spots. (CUAMCP301 Compose simple songs or musical pieces | 40 hours)

#### **Music Theory**

In this subject we examine the language and notation of music, and its application in various worship music settings. Delivery is catered toward musicians, vocalists, or songwriters with a beginner or intermediate level of theoretical knowledge. (CUAMLT301 Develop and apply aural perception skills | 32 hours)

# Cert IV Semester 2 Subjects



SUBJECT	OVERVIEW
CORE SUBJECTS	
New Testament Introduction Also available in Español	The books, themes, and events of the New Testament in their cultural and historical context are introduced along with their application and relevance today. (MINBIB401A Complete and apply a study based on the Biblical material to own life   48 hours)
Christian Doctrine	This subject identifies and explores a number of the major doctrines of the Bible, with the goal of building a solid foundation of truth for Christian life and ministry. (MINTHY401 Identify and apply foundational theological concepts of Christianity   40 hours)
Spirit-Filled Living Also available in Español	The person and work of the Holy Spirit is introduced including an investigation of the baptism in the Spirit, spiritual gifts and ministering in the power of the Holy Spirit. (MINLED401 Demonstrate Christian disciplines and spirituality   16 hours)
Personal Evangelism	This subject is customised to equip students with the skills and understanding to effectively share the Gospel in a wide range of settings, from personal relationship to the public sphere. (MINLED401 Demonstrate Christian disciplines and spirituality   16 hours)
Teamwork Also available in Español	This subject trains the student with the necessary skills and knowledge to work successfully in a team setting. It also will be outworked in the practicum component of the course. (MINLED402 Manage personal and ministry priorities holistically with BSBWOR203 Work effectively with others   32 hours)
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PASTORAL SUBJECTS	
Introduction to Pastoral Leadership	This subject introduces the student to their chosen pathway. These different pathways include: Church Ministry, Youth, Young Adults, Kids, Social Justice, Pastoral Care, Events.  In this subject, students will identify the essential features of each form of ministry, develop an understanding of their key social, ministry and leadership issues, and cultivate the specialised skills required for ministry effectiveness. (MINPST406 Describe and contribute to

effective pastoral ministry | 16 hours)

## Church History

A refreshing overview of our Christian heritage from the early church to modern day. Attention is given to lessons relevant to contemporary ministry. (MINPST402 Investigate Church history and apply findings to a ministry setting | 40 hours)

#### Discipleship

This subject presents the biblical and socio-cultural foundations of Christian discipleship and will equip students to cultivate Christian growth and maturity in others by developing their understanding of Christian development. (MINPST407 Disciple others in a Christian context | 40 hours)

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## Worship Ensemble

This subject is a practical extension of "The Worship Team" and "Principles of Worship" subjects to develop musicianship and leadership abilities. In this workshop students will actively participate alongside their fellow worship stream students to practically prepare, perform, and evaluate their worship practice within a contemporary worship music ensemble. (CUAMPF404 Perform music as part of a group | 56 hours)

**Prerequisites:** Music Theory (CUAMLT301 Develop and apply aural perception skills | 32 hours), and technique subject relevant to your focus.

### Principles of Worship

This subject will train students in biblical and practical foundations for Christian worship. We aim to enrich their understanding and practice of worship by giving students a theological insight to spiritually prepare for, engage with, and evaluate their worship practice in both private and corporate worship environments. (MINWMU401 Describe and apply a theology of Christian worship | 40 hours)

**Prerequisites:** The Worship Team (MINWMU406 Describe and contribute to effective worship ministry | 32 hours)

# Diploma Semester 2 Subjects



#### SUBJECT

#### OVERVIEW

#### CORE SUBJECTS

#### New Testament Studies

An in-depth look at key books and genres in the New Testament, focusing on Paul's letter to the Romans and The Gospel of Luke. It will delve more deeply into the cultural and historical settings of both books and help students cultivate some early exegetical skills that can be applied to the close study of other books of the New Testament. It will also help students analyse how one might apply these texts to contemporary Christian life and ministry. (MINBIB501A Interpret and apply the Bible | 40 hours

#### Leading a Discipleship Ministry

Focusing on one of the essential foundations for church growth, this subject equips students to cultivate discipleship growth through a community made of one or several small groups. Specific skills covered include growing your own discipleship group, facilitating Bible study discussions, developing Bible study materials, and developing new leaders who can then start their own discipleship groups. (MINPST404 Lead and multiply a Christian small group | 40 hours)

#### Theology

This subject builds on the concepts and skills developed in Christian Doctrine in Certificate IV. It discusses and develops major theological concepts, seeing how they developed through church history, and explores the diversity of theological viewpoints across a range of Christian traditions. The strengths and weaknesses of different positions will be assessed, along with their implications for life and ministry in a modern-day church setting. (MINTHY501 Interpret and apply theological concepts | 40 hours)

#### Practicum 4

In our Diploma program, you will feel opportunities and responsibilities increase, as you take on more key roles in the ministries you are involved in. Within the Diploma of Ministry program practicum, you will tailor your practical ministry involvement by choosing the ministry area you want to focus on more specifically with an emphasis providing leadership through your growing ministry expertise.

#### PASTORAL SUBJECTS

#### Christian Ethics

This subject develops the skills needed to identify and address key ethical issues within contemporary society and to evaluate those issues within a Christian context. Topics include Christian and non-Christian world-views and ethical systems, and an overview of key ethical issues likely to arise in Christian ministry today including: abortion, IVF, wealth and poverty and workplace ethics. (MINTHY502 Analyse ethical issues in Christian context | 48 hours)

## Marriage and Family

This subject helps students develops a biblical basis for marriage and family, identifying relevant current issues encountered in various forms of relationships. Students will be equipped with the theology and ministry skills needed to help people in a Christian community build their marriages and families. It will also equip students personally, to build their own life-giving and exemplary marriage and family, while navigating the challenges of life and ministry. (MINPST502 Interpret and apply the theology of marriage and family | 40 hours)

## Coaching Skills

Helping people reach their God-given potential and to perform in ministry at a high level is one of a Christian leader's most important tasks. In this subject, students will be introduced to the ideas and skills involved in life and executive coaching, learning and practising how to apply them to help others flourish in life and grow in ministry. (PSPGEN036 Provide workplace coaching | 32 hours)