

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Who can take ACCM courses?

Anyone who wants to! There are no prerequisites and no age barrier. The courses equip people for service in local church ministries and enrich each individual's personal journey of faith.

What qualifications does ACCM offer?

Certificate of Christian Ministry — five core courses:

- Jesus and the Gospels
- Spiritual Formation
- Survey of Trinitarian Theology
- Christian Leadership
- The Bible and Doctrines

Diploma of Christian Ministry — the five Certificate courses plus Pastoral Life and Care, Introduction to GCI Polity, Christ-centred Preaching, Introduction to Christian Ethics and the Applied Ministry Project, completed last.

How are the qualifications recognised?

Both are denominationally recognised ministry qualifications of Grace Communion International. They are not externally accredited, so courses cannot be credited towards other programs.

How do I study?

All courses are online. Study on your own, or join a cohort in some regions, which adds four Zoom discussions. Some regions also hold face-to-face intensives. We recommend completing the Certificate courses first.

How long do I have to complete a course?

Self-study: six months from enrolment. **Cohort:** within the semester — Semester 1 runs February to June, Semester 2 August to November.

What will it cost?

AUD \$300 per course, including all online material, video lectures and personalised feedback on your assessments.

How is it assessed?

Assessments reinforce learning and often flow from your service in the church: short papers (500–1,000 words), questions on the lessons and readings, or practical exercises. Grades are High Distinction, Distinction, Credit or Resubmit — Credit is a pass.

How can I enrol?

Online at www.ambascol.org, or contact the Registrar to join a cohort.



WHAT DO ACCM'S STUDENTS SAY?

"I'm glad you encouraged me to do this subject. The more I read, the more I realised I knew nothing about it; there's so much to learn and I am excited and blessed by what the Holy Spirit is giving me."

"The course has been a wonderful spiritual revelation (and so is the whole ACCM certificate we are going through). God is revealing himself and his love. I feel privileged and would wish all people know this wonderful life of Christ, the 'center of the center'."

"I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity to be a student of ACCM. I have found the course spiritually enriching. It has given me a better idea of my place in the church. It has strengthened my resolve to serve God and use the gifts he has given to me. I have an added awareness that the spiritual disciplines build a deeper relationship with our Great God. I would certainly recommend it."

"The course has been a brilliant experience so far. It is extremely well crafted and I know our whole church is going to benefit richly from the learning and development that is going on among our cohort of students."



CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Christ-Centred • Trinitarian • Scripture-Focused



"For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all ... therefore if anyone is in Christ he is a new creation ... we are therefore Christ's ambassadors ..." **2 Corinthians 5:14–21**

Do you want to better understand God's Word? Want to be better equipped to serve others?

ACCM equips people for ministry in GCI. It is a foundational educational pathway for all those who serve in ministry roles of any kind, and for anyone who wants to grow spiritually and develop their abilities to serve and contribute.

Building on a Trinitarian theological foundation, ACCM integrates healthy ministry approaches and practices into the curriculum. Students will find equipping and resources for growing healthy congregations. Healthy, educated pastors, ministry leaders and members all contribute to church vitality. Together we are compelled by the love of God to live and share the Gospel, living in his faith and hope.



"I have been filled completely and highly blessed by the classes. I recommend them to all! Thank you for the opportunity to study God's word in such a way."

BENEFITS OF STUDYING WITH ACCM

Trinitarian — develop a foundation in Christ-centred theology

Equip & Enrich — deepen your formation in Christ and develop your God-given strengths to serve others

Convenient — study from home or register for a cohort or intensive

Practical — classes are interesting and practical, with both knowledge and skill development opportunities

Quality — integrating years of pastoral experience, quality research and clear, insightful writing from a Trinitarian perspective

Essential — to the development of healthy congregations as Spirit-filled communities of faith, hope and love



ACCM: DIPLOMA OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

Practical Christian Ministry · Spiritual Formation · Understanding the Bible · Leadership



"The ACCM Diploma course material is a treasure trove. ACCM has deeply impacted my ministry. I have simply fallen in love with GCI doctrinal understanding.

I highly recommend these Certificate and Diploma courses to anyone who would like to have a sound theological basis for both personal development and indeed congregational leadership role within GCI, and any preacher of the word who would like to proclaim the word with clarity and a sound doctrinal basis."

— MUPHANA NGULA, GCI PASTOR IN ZAMBIA



"Having pastors and ministry leaders working to complete the [five] Core Courses is an incredible opportunity. Accomplishing this would greatly lift the educational base for our broad number of churches and could have a positive impact beyond what we may hope or imagine."

— GCI PRESIDENT DR GREG WILLIAMS