LAIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wananga Amorangi

505.415 Theology and Praxis of Global Ministry Course Outline

NQF Level: 4 Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE:

Auckland

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course immerses us in the story of the Church and the world. There will be rigorous engagement with the questions: what is the gospel; what is the Church: and how does the Church interact with the world. Examination of the complex issues of translating the gospel for all peoples and all situations is matched by robust conversation on issues of social justice and reconciliation, the transformation of community, and personal formation. This course examines the theological, historical and cultural contexts of ministry and explores some of the diverse expressions of the gospel globally. It invites us to discover what part in the gospel story we are being called to play.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

At the completion of the course, students should be able to:

- 1. Identify some of the current expressions of mission and ministry seeking to proclaim and embody the gospel within New Zealand and beyond.
- 2. Identify and be familiar with key concepts of the gospel including redemption, God's reign, and Christ's call to compassion and justice and their interface with mission and church.
- 3. Appreciate and reflect on key challenges and opportunities the church in Aotearoa New Zealand is now facing in a changing world
- 4. Be familiar with some of the variety of changing paradigms of discipleship and appreciate their significance for ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond.
- 5. Explore personal responses to the call to sacrificially live out the gospel.