LAIDLAW COLLEGE

Te Wananga Amorangi

603.615 Cultural Anthropology Course Outline

NQF Level: 6 Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE

Auckland, Christchurch and CDL

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course offers an introduction to cultural anthropology as an aid to cross-cultural mission and ministry in multi-cultural contexts. The course focuses on the use of anthropological tools and concepts as a means of understanding one's own culture and being able to engage effectively with people in other cultural settings.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

At the end of the course the student will be able to:

- a. discuss the importance, role and contribution of anthropological and cultural insight for Christian mission
- b. formulate and use relevant aspects of anthropology and culture for life in another culture and for ministry in cross-cultural contexts
- c. demonstrate skills in understanding and assessing his/her own culture and comparing it with another culture
- d. discuss key inter-relationships and functions of different component systems of a culture
- e. analyse and illustrate the processes involved in cross-cultural communication
- f. articulate and evaluate the processes and role of contextualisation within Christian mission
- g. demonstrate an understanding of how the gospel affirms and challenges elements in every culture.