

**505.515 Theology and Praxis of Global Ministry
Course Outline**

NQF Level: 5
Credit Value: 15

DELIVERY MODE:

Auckland, Christchurch and CDL

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.

This course is required for all B. Min. students.

LEARNING OUTCOMES:

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

1. Interact with some of the diverse expressions of the body of Christ in the world, and engage with some of the current forms of missional expression seeking to proclaim and embody the gospel within New Zealand and beyond.
2. Identify and describe 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. Describe some of the changing paradigms of discipleship and appreciate their significance for ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand and beyond.
5. Explore vocational possibilities and determine personal responses to the call to sacrificially live out the gospel.