



**WHITLEY COLLEGE**  
The Baptist College of Victoria



# Transformation

Christian leadership training for people  
from a Non-English Speaking Background

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A COLLEGE OF THE  
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of Victoria



Whitley College, the Baptist College of Victoria, is one of the theological Colleges of the University of Divinity. At Whitley College you can learn with others who are committed to the call of God and to the life and mission of the church.

The TransFormation program provides training for church leaders who serve in all denominations and whose first language is not English. The program is open to women and men who have their church's support and encouragement. It combines study, spiritual growth, worship and community experience, which are essential in the formation of Christian leaders. It is designed to help people overcome the obstacles of time, money and language that have previously prevented them from attending existing courses of college study.

TransFormation is a great opportunity to spend time learning and growing in faith and leadership as you share fellowship with like-minded people who seek to follow Christ and serve in churches in Australia's multicultural society.

#### Saturday sessions

The TransFormation program involves ten Saturday sessions per year for three years at Whitley College. Students who complete three years of attendance receive a letter of recognition from the Baptist Union of Victoria and Whitley College.

Sessions run from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm:

<b>9:30 am</b>	Morning Tea
<b>9:45 am</b>	Worship
<b>10:00 am</b>	Morning Session
<b>1:00 pm</b>	Lunch (provided)
<b>2:00 pm</b>	Afternoon Session
<b>3:00 pm</b>	Tutorials
<b>4:00 pm</b>	Finish

Sessions include time for lots of questions with the opportunity for discussion and sharing ideas and talking through issues. The sessions are taught in English but allow time for questions and sharing in your own language groups where possible. Tutorials provide the opportunity to reflect upon real life issues confronting you and your church. We encourage you to bring your Bible and a pen and paper for taking notes.



### Leadership formation

The TransFormation program has a variety of assessment tasks and includes study in the following areas:

- > Theology
- > Spiritual Growth
- > Old Testament
- > New Testament
- > Evangelism and Mission
- > Church History
- > Worship and Preaching
- > Baptist Principles and Practice
- > Pastoral Care
- > Church Leadership and Administration

### Community

We value community and intentionally create COVID-safe spaces and opportunities for students to talk about issues raised in lectures and ministry. There are also breaks for tea and coffee, which offer opportunities to meet with people and share your common story of faith and effective church mission.

### Study at Diploma level

TransFormation students can choose to enrol part-time in the Diploma in Theology offered by the University of Divinity. Please note that a different fee structure applies to the Diploma level. Saturday sessions provide the lecture material. Diploma students are required to do further reading, attend extra tutorials and submit assignments for assessment.

For more information about studying the Diploma in Theology within the TransFormation program please contact the TransFormation Program Coordinator, on [jchoi@whitley.edu.au](mailto:jchoi@whitley.edu.au), or call the office on (03) 9340 8100. To enrol in the Diploma in Theology you will need to make an appointment to see the Dean as soon as possible.

Further information is available on fees, FEE-HELP eligibility and the structure of the course.

### Pathways and further study options

Several successful Diploma students have continued their studies to complete Bachelor and Masters degrees in Theology.

### Ordination

The TransFormation program provides an alternative pathway for those seeking Ordination and Accreditation by the Baptist Union of Victoria (BUV). There are additional steps that will be necessary for those wanting to do this. For more information regarding the BUV's Ordination pathways arrange a meeting with Rev Debbie Campbell, Head of Ordination. Please contact Debbie Campbell on (03) 9880 6117, or email [ordination@buv.com.au](mailto:ordination@buv.com.au).

# Important information

## 2022 TransFormation Dates

- > Saturday 26 February
- > Saturday 19 March
- > Saturday 9 April
- > Saturday 7 May
- > Saturday 4 June
- > Saturday 16 July
- > Saturday 13 August
- > Saturday 10 September
- > Saturday 8 October
- > Saturday 29 October

## How to apply

## Saturday TransFormation program

- 1 Contact the TransFormation Program Coordinator at [jchoi@whitley.edu.au](mailto:jchoi@whitley.edu.au) or on (03) 9340 8100 to discuss your interest in the program.
- 2 Attend the first session on **Saturday 26 February 2022**. Keep in touch with the Program Coordinator for up-to-date COVID-safe details and lecture location.
- 3 If you are a first-year student, please bring a letter of endorsement from your church.

### TransFormation Program 2022 Fees

\$370 (per person each year)

We encourage your church to help you pay for your fees. You can also apply for scholarships that may be available for all or part of these fees. If you need financial assistance, you can tell us on your application form.

## How to apply

## Diploma in Theology within TransFormation

- 1 Contact the Whitley College office to set up an appointment on (03) 9340 8100 or email [whitley@whitley.edu.au](mailto:whitley@whitley.edu.au). You will be connected with our Dean to chat about your options.
- 2 The Diploma in Theology within TransFormation begins by successfully completing the first unit, which is English for Theology. In 2022 this is a year-long unit offered from 9:30am to 1pm over 10 Saturdays (Mar 5 & 26, Apr 23, May 14, Jun 11, Jul 9, Aug 6, Sep 3 & 24, Oct 15).
- 3 Submit an application:
  - > Complete an **Application for Admission**.
  - > Complete an application for FEE-HELP or authorise payment of fees.
  - > Provide necessary supporting documents:
    - Proof of citizenship in your current name (e.g. Birth Certificate, Passport or Citizenship Certificate).
    - Academic/VCE transcripts.
    - IELTS results (Overseas students only).

### 2022 Undergraduate Diploma Fees

\$1,764 per standard unit  
(18 points)

### Acknowledgment of Country



Whitley College acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land on which the College stands and is committed to work for reconciliation and justice.



### Whitley College

Whitley College has relocated to St Paschal for 2022, 100 Albion Rd, Box Hill, 3128  
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