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TransFormation

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

in partnership with



Baptist Union
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 is a three-year program that provides biblical and theological training to church leaders from all denominations, and whose first language is not English. It is designed to help people to overcome obstacles of time, money and language that may have prevented them from studying other courses

Saturday sessions

The TransFormation program is offered each Semester over 5 Saturday sessions. This means that students have the opportunity to enrol into the program mid-year. Students who complete all 6 units of the program over three years will receive a letter of recognition from the Baptist Union of Victoria and Whitley College.

Sessions run from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.

9:30 am	Morning Tea
9:45 am	Worship
10:00 am	Morning Session
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00pm	Afternoon Session
3:00 pm	*Diploma Tutorials
5:00 pm	*Diploma Tutorials Finish

The sessions are taught in English, and allow plenty of time for discussion, sharing of ideas and talking through issues.

*Diploma level Tutorials run from 3:00pm -5:00pm.

Tutorials provide the opportunity to reflect, and to navigate real life issues in your church context.



Leadership formation

The TransFormation program is introducing new units focussing on biblical and theological training for leadership in context.

In 2024, the program will be focussed on the following units:

- >Engaging with the New Testament
- >Church, Culture and Hermeneutics

Other Transformation units will include:

- >Engaging with the Old Testament
- >Baptist Identity and the Story of the Church

Community

The TransFormation Program values community and offers space throughout the day for students to talk about issues raised in lectures and in ministry. TransFormation will also provide a community lunch as an opportunity to meet with people and share stories of faith and 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. Diploma students are required to attend all sessions, and 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 Director of TransFormation Programs, Sarah Do at transformation@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.

Location

The TransFormation Program will be delivered at Westgate Baptist Church in Yarraville.

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 we encourage you to arrange a meeting with Rev Beth Jackson Head of Ordination. Contact Rev Beth Jackson on (03) 9880 6117, or ordination@buu.com.au.

Important information

2024 TransFormation Dates

Semester 1:

>Saturday 24 February

>Saturday 16 March

>Saturday 13 April

>Saturday 4 May

>Saturday 1 June

Semester 2:

>Saturday 27 July

>Saturday 17 August

>Saturday 14 September

>Saturday 5 October

>Saturday 2 November

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.

How to apply

Saturday TransFormation program

- 1 Contact the TransFormation team at transformation@whitley.edu.au or on (03) 9340 8100 to discuss your interest in the program.
- 2 Attend the first session on **Saturday 24 February 2024**. Keep in touch with the Program Coordinator for lecture location.
- 3 If you are a first-year student, we recommend that you bring a letter of endorsement from your church.

TransFormation Program 2024 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 make an appointment on (03) 9340 8100 or email 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 English for Theology.

In 2024 English for Theology is run as an intensive over 5 sessions. The two options are as follows:

5 Saturday sessions in Semester 1 from 10am-4pm
(Mar 2 & 23, Apr 20, May 11 & 25).

5 Saturday Sessions in Semester 2 from 10am - 4pm
(Aug 3 & 24, Sept 21, Oct 12 & 26).

- 3 Submit an application:

>Complete an **Application for Admission**.

>Complete an application for FEE-HELP or authorise payment.

>Provide necessary supporting documents:

- Proof of citizenship in your current name (e.g. Birth Certificate, Passport or Citizenship Certificate).
- Academic/VCE transcripts. ELTS results (overseas students only).

2024 Undergraduate Diploma Fees

\$2,047 per standard unit (18 points)



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