



# AUSTRALIAN COLLEGE OF MINISTRIES

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## Principals Welcome



These are exciting times for the Kingdom of God. Now more than ever the church and the world need passionate and compassionate leaders and disciples who assist Australians to connect with their Creator. ACOM can help you maximise your impact for the Kingdom through a range of flexible, fully-accredited training opportunities that are tightly focussed on developing your practical, spiritual and intellectual capacities as a Christian. Please contact our friendly staff to help you decide what training opportunities are best for you.

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Stephen Hinks,  
ACOM Principal

## Who is ACOM?

ACOM is an innovative, interdenominational college, offering a range of quality Vocational and Higher Education qualifications, equipping Christian leaders and disciples for effective ministry and mission in the 21st Century. ACOM is part of the movement of Churches of Christ in Australia, and warmly welcomes students and partners from all backgrounds, churches and denominations.

## ACOM Delivers

As a dual sector college ACOM covers a wide range of qualifications in Vocational and Higher Education. These include, Certificate IV, Diploma, Advanced Diploma, Bachelor, Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and a Master of Arts.



I am convinced that ACOM provides one of the best models for training people for ministry anywhere in the world.  
- Jaemin , ACOM Graduate



I have been challenged to dig far deeper into the Scriptures than ever before and my spiritual growth through formation groups, mentoring and coaching has been invaluable for equipping me for ministry. - Glen , ACOM Student

## What makes ACOM unique?

### Missional

ACOM assists followers of Jesus to effectively communicate the eternally true message of the Gospel to a changing world in culturally sensitive and effective ways.

### Vocational and Higher Education

ACOM offers a leadership development pathway utilising the best learning tools available through Vocational and Higher Education. Students can enter into a Vocational Diploma program or Undergraduate study depending on their ministry calling and circumstances.

### Practical

ACOM brings together the best of academic learning and practical training. ACOM supports and maintains exceptionally high standards of academic quality and integrity. However, ACOM also recognises that academic excellence is not the only predictor of ministry success. Consequently, we place practical ministry experience at the centre of our program.

### Formational

Our goal is to help students manage the challenges of ministry positively and proactively, and so make a lasting contribution to the Kingdom of God. We take character and ministry formation seriously, all undergraduate students do three years of Personal Formation studies. Many graduates testify that their Formation experiences were the most life-changing aspect of their ACOM study.

### Flexible and Contextual

ACOM wants people to be able to remain in the churches and communities where they are already placed. So, our commitment is to bring our training to you - by distance, on-line, facilitation and other flexible modes of delivery. This flexibility enables you to be more effective right now and where you are.

## Studying at ACOM

At Undergraduate level, each ACOM subject comprises 4 key components – Study Packages, Assessment, Ministry Placements and Facilitations.

### Study Packages

Our Study Packages bring our training to you. The Package for each subject includes an Introduction Book, Study Book, Readers, and occasionally a separate text book.

### Assessment

Practical, Mission focussed and life related. Assessments enable you to apply your learning to your local situation and current ministry involvement.

### Ministry Placements

All ACOM subjects require you to complete 51 hours of practical ministry in a setting of your choosing with an experienced coach assisting you to apply what you have been learning to your ministry.

### Facilitations

Through a variety of discussions, simulations, debates and other engaging educational methodologies, students are able to integrate their learning into both their lives and their ministries.

### What financial assistance is available?

Both Austudy & Fee Help are available see [www.acom.edu.au](http://www.acom.edu.au)

### Postgraduate Studies

ACOM offers a Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Master of Arts, all with specialisations in Christian Leadership or Community Development. ACOM also has an arrangement, with Fuller Theological Seminary, where externally enrolled Fuller Doctor of Ministry students can complete certain ACOM Postgraduate subjects for credit into their DMin course.

### A course your Church can teach!

ACOM also coordinates a system that allows Churches and other ministry organisations to teach their own Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses. For more information on any of ACOM's VET courses and services please contact Jason Potter on [jpotter@acom.edu.au](mailto:jpotter@acom.edu.au) or 0423 751 407.



ACOM offers flexibility and support so that you can work at your pace but not alone - Lynette ACOM Student

