

About Global Mission

Where do you fit in **God's global purposes**? Do you want to learn to think deeply, biblically and freshly about global mission? Are you considering cross-cultural or overseas **missionary service**? Do you want to help **mobilise your local church** for world mission? Would you like to work with a **mission organisation** in Australia? Do you want to **join a community** of people who are passionate about God's global purposes?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, Ridley College's new Global Mission Learning Community is for you!

The Global Mission Learning Community exists to form missionaries, missiologists and mission advocates.

A suite of specialist vocational units in cross-cultural and global mission is available to all Ridley students on a two-year cycle. In addition, students have the opportunity to belong to the Global Mission Learning Community and participate in its extracurricular program.

The core extracurricular activity takes place on Wednesdays during semester, when members of the Global Mission Learning Community join together for lunch in the college dining room followed by a life and ministry group. Guest speakers, focused reading, workshops, personal sharing and prayer take us beyond the formal curriculum as we explore God's global mission and our place within it.

The Wednesday program and other extracurricular activities complement formal studies to enhance students' learning experience and enable them to graduate with:

- gospel confidence
- personal humility
- cross-cultural skills and sensitivity
- awareness of contemporary issues and opportunities in global mission
- a network of contact with missionaries, missiologists and mission organisations
- a passion for the praise of the glory of God's grace among all peoples

One-year diploma students and degree students who have finished all foundational level units may apply to join the Global Mission Learning Community. For degree students applying to join the Global Mission Learning Community, a commitment to at least one year of full-time study at Ridley is encouraged at some point in their studies. Assistance with specialist unit selection is available.

For further information contact:

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Learning Community Application Form

Personal Details

Name _____

Address _____

Email _____

Mobile _____

Family Members _____

Date of Birth _____

Ministry Formation

Describe your ministry gifts and experience, including cross-cultural experience

Describe any significant mentoring you have received

Ministry Formation Continued.

Describe your aspirations for ministry

Describe your current ministry/church commitments

List areas that are particular burdens for you in prayer.

Why have you decided to apply for membership of this learning community?

Course Development

Foundational Units Completed		Year
NT 301/501	Jesus and the Gospels	
NT 302/502	Early NT Church	
OT 301/501	Old Testament Foundations	
OT 302/502	Old Testament Prophets & Writings	
CH 305/505	Early Church History	
LA * * *	Biblical language (BTh & MDiv students only)	
RYM 31/51 & RYM 32/52	Evangelism & Ministry Foundations	

Which global mission and cross-cultural ministry unit(s) have you taken or do you plan to take?

Global Mission units are offered on a two-year rotating cycle. See the timetable for the units on offer this year. Please note that indicating on this form your intention to take units does not formally enrol you in them. For details about these units and advice about unit selection, or to discuss a research or capstone project related to cross-cultural or global mission, speak with the Coordinator of Global Mission.

Unit(s) taken or plan to take		Year
EM 301/501	Mission Perspectives	
EM 418/618	Ministry in a Culturally Diverse Context	
EM 421/621	Living Faiths	
EM 432/632	The Bible in Mission: using the Scriptures cross-culturally	
EM 440/640	Cross-Cultural Field Education <i>(a reading and fieldwork-based unit, available in consultation with the Dean of Global Mission)</i>	
EM 403D/603D (distance)	Biblical Theology of Mission	