



Church Army in Australia Certificate IV in Local Mission Course Outline



VPAU254 Respond to influences in receptor culture

This unit gives a broad sweep of the Kingdom of God from Gen - Revelation

It involves the candidates in understanding the two kingdoms at work in both themselves and the receptor culture using the bible as the authoritative text.

- Explain the two kingdoms using selected biblical texts
- Identify the two kingdoms at work in own beliefs and behaviour
- Identify the two kingdoms at work in the receptor culture
- Responds to the receptor culture - Reflects on and evaluates own responses

VPAU255 Use meta-narratives to assess self and culture

This unit describes the outcomes required to identify, understand and respond to the biblical and other meta-narratives that influence the candidate and the receptor culture.

- Explains redemptive meta-narrative using selected biblical texts
- Identifies redemptive and other meta-narratives in the story of one's own life
- Identifies the prevailing meta-narratives in receptor culture
- Designs and implements redemptive responses to the receptor culture

VPAU256 Living Out the Kingdom of God through Personal Disciplines

This unit covers the exploration, development and practice of personal disciplines across a range of spheres of life

- Identify personally diminishing thoughts and behaviours; and their consequences
- Explore and embrace disciplines that promote and reinforce Christ-like living

VPAU257 Develop self awareness within a redemption framework

This unit describes the outcomes required to identify and correct personal misbeliefs and addictions.

- Explain biblical self concept using selected biblical texts
- Identify personal addictions and develop appropriate responses
- Identify personal misbeliefs and inappropriate responses, taking steps to identify and articulate behavioural outcomes/responses that reflect the redemptive plan of God

VPAU258 Participate in Kingdom Community

This unit covers candidates developing understanding of their preferred behavioural styles and the styles of others. It also covers developing suite of relational skills that demonstrate the values of the Kingdom of God.

- Explains Kingdom Values in relationships using selected Biblical texts
- Explains Kingdom Values through observation of interactions
- Explains personal preferred behavioural style
- Explains other behavioural styles
- Demonstrates a range of relational skills

VPAU259 Cultivate Kingdom Community

This unit covers building community and resolving conflict. It involves candidates in designing and implementing a shared lifestyle that embodies Biblical priorities

- Designs and implements community rhythms¹ that Embody Kingdom values and Kingdom Spirituality
- Identifies and responds to brokenness in receptor culture.
- Demonstrates conflict resolution skills and processes that honour Kingdom values

VPAU260 Engage Receptor Culture

This unit covers skills required to enter, understand and model Christ in a defined social grouping

- Define a receptor culture by distinguishing characteristics
- Employ a range of cultural engagement techniques to form meaningful relationships
- Interprets cultural distinctives in light of Kingdom values
- Responds to receptor culture with Kingdom Counter-Culture

VPAU261 Make Disciples

This unit covers skills required to help others become followers of Jesus Christ

- Models and explains Kingdom Lifestyle as an alternative to receptor culture
- Articulates the Gospel of the Kingdom in language, images and forms of the receptor culture
- Using appropriate resources, members of the receptor culture are assisted in exploring the Gospel of the Kingdom
- Mentors and coaches members of the receptor culture as they embrace the Gospel of the Kingdom

**The following elective Units may be replaced
by accredited subjects in the student's area of ministry interest.**

VPAU262 Develop Personal Gifting

This unit covers candidate's discovery and development of their abilities and talents. It also involves exploring one's wounding and longing, drawing on these to build and ongoing sense of vocation.

- Develops awareness of behavioural style in a variety of contexts
- Develops awareness of personal abilities
- Articulates heart longings regarding life contribution
- Identifies skills and temperaments that compliment those of the candidate

VPAU263 Raise a Support Base

This unit describes the outcomes required to raise a financial, intercessory and practical support base for a local missionary.

- Develop budgets and plans for ministry and projects.
- Establish a supporter database.
- Maintain regular communication with supporters.
- Conduct effective appeals for support

VPAU264 Work Within Pre-Existing Traditions

This unit describes the outcomes required to enter an existing community of faith and to appreciate and utilize the forms, traditions and programs for personal spiritual enrichment and for reaching the receptor culture.

- Characterise the receiving church.
 - Evaluate the history and heritage of the receiving church's traditions.
 - Assess the developmental possibilities of the receiving church's tradition and forms.
 - Assist the newcomers to embrace the receiving church's traditions and forms.
 - Evaluate the strengths and limitations of the receiving church's traditions and forms
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