

## INFORMATION FOR ENQUIRERS

### Description

en route is a 10 week intensive course providing a basic foundation for cross-cultural service. Our hope is that en route will be part of a journey in on-going training and service. en route is delivered using a variety of training methods and facilitated by a team of mission practitioners who have current experience in integral mission.

### Participants

en route is aimed at those who are thinking about/planning to work cross-culturally and have little or no training or experience:

- Those preparing to go on a first placement.
- Those who have had some mission experience and want to know more and 'fill in the gaps'.
- Those seeking the basics with a view to a long-term journey in cross-cultural work.
- Those who do not fulfil the criteria for other courses.
- Agency or church personnel supporting others in cross-cultural service.

Participants are expected to engage and contribute to the course and life of the college, and must be committed to completing coursework.

### Ethos

Bible based, holistic, head-heart-hands, practical, equipping, participatory, interactive, current, foundational, transformational, an experience.

### What it is:

- An opportunity to prepare by learning but also a time for personal and spiritual growth.
- An opportunity to integrate into the culturally diverse college life.
- An opportunity to explore ideas and gain tools from the experience of others.

### What it isn't:

- A course that emphasises academic achievement.

### Components

- Group sessions
- Individual study
- Group worship/ministry
- Personal development through mentoring and pastoral care
- *Informal English language acquisition may also be available for foreign students at no extra cost.*

### Learning techniques

- Lectures
- Discussion (e.g. case studies, debate)
- Research/assignments
- Guided reading
- Directed reflection (e.g. workbook, journaling)
- Regular feedback

### Training Team

Training will be given by the allnations Training Team, outside visiting trainers and Missionaries in Residence.

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Summary

Participants will be committed Christians with a desire to learn more about how to live, work and witness cross-culturally.

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<b>Application process</b>	Forms are available on the website or from allnations.	
<b>Application fee</b>	£10	
<b>Course dates &amp; deadlines</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> April – 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2010 (applications by 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2010) 21 <sup>st</sup> September – 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2010 (applications by 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2010) 6 <sup>th</sup> January – 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2011 (applications by 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2011) 28 <sup>th</sup> April – 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2011 (applications by 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2011)	
<b>Cost</b>	Sep.09 – June 2010: £1,890 (tuition only) £2,785 (inc. accommodation) Family accommodation in student wing for ten weeks: 09/10: £2,785 (food & accommodation) Sep 10 – July 2011: £1,930 (tuition only) £2,860 (inc. accommodation) Other accommodation may be available for rental. Prices on application.	
<b>Deposit</b>	£350	
<b>Exit award</b>	en route certificate of attendance	
<b>Selection criteria:</b>		
<b>Age</b>	From the young (ideally over 21 years) to the retired and all ages in between.	
<b>Nationality</b>	All	
<b>Language</b>	All sessions, many of which are discussions, are in English. Full benefit will come to those with good conversational English. There will be some written work but no lengthy assignments. Informal English lessons may be available.	
<b>Acceptance</b>	<p><b>1. Candidates already accepted by mission/aid agencies*</b></p> <p>Automatic acceptance in most cases Requirements: Full application form including personal testimony &amp; Letter of recommendation from agency</p> <p><b>2. Independent applicants*</b></p> <p>Acceptance subject to application information: Full application form including personal testimony Reference from church pastor/minister Reference from one other Christian (not family member), preferably one who has known the applicant for a number of years.</p>	
<b>* Special Note</b>	<p><b>Applications coming from outside the EU, North America &amp; Australia</b></p> <p>Applicants will be interviewed, usually by phone. All references will be followed up. Accepted candidates must pay fees in full before submitting their visa application. Those who do not speak English as a first language must have an IELTS pass of at least 6.0. Please send a copy of the transcript with the application.</p>	

## en route

### **Cross-Cutting Themes:**

Three themes run throughout the 10 weeks:

- Spiritual formation
- Cross cultural competence
- Preparation for ministry

### **The en route journey:**

There are 6 modules which are followed in sequence

#### **Module 1: Who am I?**

Understand who we are; our identity in Christ.

Understand our personality (using Myers Briggs personality type testing), our preferences as a learner (Honey Mumford learning styles) and our preferred roles in a team. (Belbin)

Understand our motivation for mission and the impact of transition and change.

Develop the spiritual disciplines (prayer, study, meditation etc)

#### **Module 2: The Bible and mission**

Develop a confident understanding of the Bible macro narrative and explore mission in the Old and New Testaments.

Gain the tools for Bible interpretation

Understand what is mission.

Explore some New Testament approaches to mission, then trace mission thinking through to the modern era including the current trends and contemporary issues.

#### **Module 3: Culture and religions**

Develop a full understanding of culture and worldview and its implications for our life and work.

Understand our own cultural perspectives and gain tools and skills for working in culturally diverse teams.

Understand culture shock and be equipped to deal with transitional stress.

Introduction to indigenous religions, major religions (Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism and Islam), and minor and folk religions

Understand how to share our faith with our neighbour.

#### **Module 4: Relating and integrating across cultures**

Practical issues of culture and living in community including ethics, etiquette and lifestyle

Understand our impact on others and develop the right 'heart' and attitudes

Health; understand health problems and solutions including physical (tropical medicine, vaccinations etc) and emotional health (stress & burn out, debriefing)

Gain tools for learning a new language.

Understand the different communities and teams that we are in (nationals, expatriates, mission personnel, people at home), and how to be effective in them.

Develop skills in communication (Love languages) and listening

Consider sustainability and member care (master, self, mutual, organisational), whether we are single/married/ have families & children (Third Culture Kids)

Develop an understanding of suffering.

### **Module 5: Development studies.**

How can we be involved in changing lives?

Understand poverty, what it is and its causes.

Learn about the principles of development.

Get our own lives in order including tools for time management.

Understand the basics of project planning and management; log frames, proposals, budgeting, reporting, monitoring and evaluation.

Consider issues of responsible giving and fund and friend raising.

Gain skills in training others

Learn about safety and risk reduction

### **Module 6: Building God's Kingdom.**

Learn to recognise our spiritual gifts and ministry.

Develop a personal vision statement.

Sharing the Gospel: understanding some of the tools for inter cultural evangelism and discipleship.

Understand importance of spiritual health, spiritual deliverance and protection.

Learn through country and region focused presentations.

### **Personal research project**

Each student will undertake a more in-depth study which may be regionally focused or related to a mission issue. This research is presented to the group in week 10 of the course.

### **Practical courses**

These will run throughout the 10 weeks and will join with the allnations student body. They Include: language acquisition, information & communication technology (ICT), preparation for travel, basic hairdressing skills, electrics and plumbing, car maintenance, etc.

### **Practical ministry**

Participants are involved in community worship, visiting local churches and have the opportunity to be involved in a range of practical ministries.

### **Learning methods**

The vision of en route is to develop participants' 'Head' (knowledge), 'Heart' (character, spirituality) and 'Hands' (skills). Each theme will be bible-based and will focus on equipping and facilitating personal development. Learning methods include:

#### **Teaching Method**

Lecture/panel/interview

Discussion

Facilitation by student

Practical case studies/project

Teamwork

Workbook

Handouts, books, readers

Videos

Regular feedback

#### **Learning route**

Learning from others

Learning from debate & different opinions

Learning by leading

Learning by doing

Learning by working together

Learning by reflecting

Learning by reading

Learning by seeing

Learning through mentoring

## Schedule

en route will run concurrently with other allnations courses in January, April and September.

- Teaching and group sessions will mostly take place in the morning - about 15 hours per week.
- Short practical courses (e.g. car maintenance, computer first aid, creative arts, hairdressing, tropical health) and some group work will take place in the afternoons.
- Remaining time is for personal study and opportunities to share experiences with other students.
- Wednesday afternoons are set aside for sport/rest.
- en route participants will join the student body for weekly: Worship (twice a week), Contemporary Issues in Mission, World Intercession Groups and other social events.
- Pastoral care is also an integral part of the en route experience.
- Regular tutorial group meetings.

## Resources

Extensive library and internet facilities

College tutors and staff

Visiting speakers

'Missionaries in Residence'

The participants!

Send enquiries about en route to [enroute@allnations.ac.uk](mailto:enroute@allnations.ac.uk)

For further information about applications, accommodation, routine college life, visas and other issues visit [www.allnations.ac.uk](http://www.allnations.ac.uk) or contact enquiries@allnations.ac.uk or 01920 443524.

Please send the completed form (can be downloaded from the website) and accompanying documentation and fee to: en route admissions, allnations, Easneye, Ware, Herts, SG12 8LX, UK.