

## LEVEL 5 DIRECT ENTRY: PRE-READING

Welcome to All Nations! We look forward to meeting you.

Because of your prior learning and cross-cultural experience, you will be entering the Undergraduate Programme at Level 5, the second year of the 2-year Diploma course and the 3-year degree course.

As a direct entrant to Level 5, you will be taking the Foundation Course, which starts a few weeks before the main programme. This course is intended to strengthen the foundations for the rest of your studies by covering some of the key content from Level 4, which we will build on at Level 5 and Level 6. It will also help you to develop your own self-awareness and understanding as a learner in a cross-cultural community.

The Foundation Course includes some essential pre-work before term begins, and some additional classes during term 1 and term 2. You will be given login details to access the essential pre-work during the summer vacation, and a detailed timetable of your additional classes will be provided shortly before the start of term.

This document details some additional pre-reading which will help you to prepare, supplementing the Foundation Course. This is optional, but highly recommended.

### USEFUL PRE-READING

Some of the following books are either required or strongly recommended during the Level 4 course, and worth reading before Level 5 if you have time. We haven't tried to include reading from every Level 4 module, but have focused on Integral Mission, Cross-cultural Mission and Biblical Studies.

**Where copyright permits we have included a link to an extract for some of these books.**

There is no requirement to purchase any books during your studies as you will have access to a large section of material from the College Library.

#### Integral Mission

[Corbett, Steve, and Brian Fikkert. 2012. \*When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty Without Hurting the Poor and Yourself\* \(Moody\). Read Chapter 2.](#)

[Micah Global. 2001. 'Micah Network Declaration on Integral Mission.'](#)

[Myers, Bryant L. 2011. \*Walking with the Poor: Principles and Practices of Transformational Development\*, Revised and expanded edn \(Orbis\). Read the Introduction and Chapter 1.](#)

[Padilla, René. 2004. 'Introduction: An Ecclesiology for Integral Mission' in \*The Local Church: Agent of Transformation\* ed. by Tetsunao Yamamori and C. René Padilla \(Kairos\).](#)

## Cross-Cultural Mission (various topics)

[Elmer, Duane. 2002. \*Cross-cultural Connection: Stepping Out and Fitting In Around the World\*. \(InterVarsity Press\). Read Chapter 8.](#)

[Gardner, Laura Mae. 2015. \*Healthy, Resilient and Effective in Cross-Cultural Ministry: A Comprehensive Member Care Plan\*. \(Komunitas Katalis\). Read chapters 2 & 3.](#)

Hiebert, Paul G. 1986. *Anthropological Insights for Missionaries* (Baker).

[Kim, Sebastian, and Kirsteen Kim. 2008. \*Christianity as a World Religion\* \(Continuum\). Read Chapter 1.](#)

[Kraft, Charles H. 1996. \*Anthropology for Christian Witness\* \(Orbis\). Read Chapter 1.](#)

[Padilla, C. Rene. 2013. \*Mission Between the Times: Essays on the Kingdom\*, Revised & Updated edn \(Langham\). Read Chapter 5: 'The Contextualization of the Gospel'](#)

[Teague, David. 2012. \*Godly Servants: Discipleship and Spiritual Formation for Missionaries\*. \(Mission Imprints\). Read the Introduction and Chapter 1.](#)

## Biblical Studies

The Foundation Course includes elements of the Old Testament and Mission course, so no additional pre-reading on the Old Testament is required. To prepare for your New Testament studies, you should read through all four gospels and the book of Acts, with the aid of a good textbook such as those listed below. If you are able to read more of the New Testament than this, or read a whole introduction to the New Testament, then this will help you, but the focus of your New Testament classes at Level 5 will be on the gospels and Acts.

Carson, D. A., and Douglas J. Moo. 2005. *An Introduction to the New Testament*, 2nd edn (Apollos).

Marshall, Howard, Stephen Travis, and Ian Paul. 2021. *Exploring the New Testament, Volume 2: The Letters and Revelation*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edn (SPCK).

Wenham, David, and Steve Walton. 2021. *Exploring the New Testament, Volume 1: A Guide to the Gospels and Acts*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edn (SPCK).

You may also wish to browse through the following books which give an insight into some key issues.

[Fee, Gordon D., and Douglas Stuart. 2014. \*How to Read the Bible for All Its Worth\*, 4<sup>th</sup> edn \(Zondervan\). Read Chapter 1: Introduction, and any other chapters that interest you.](#)

Glaser, Ida. 2012. *The Bible and Other Faiths: What Does the Lord Require of Us?* (Langham)

Hill, Margaret, and Harriet Hill. 2022. *Translating the Bible Into Action: How the Bible Can Be Relevant in All Languages and Cultures*, 2<sup>nd</sup> edn (Langham)

[Wright, Christopher J.H. 2006. \*The Mission of God: Unlocking the Bible's Grand Narrative\*. \(InterVarsity Press\). Read the Introduction and Chapter 1.](#)

### **COMING BACK TO STUDY AFTER A BREAK?**

These two books may be of interest if you would like to prepare yourself for study generally. The second book will be particularly helpful for those who are returning to study after many years:

Northedge, Andy. 2005. *The Good Study Guide*. (Open University).

Becker, L. 2009. *Mature Students' Handbook*. Palgrave Study Skills (Palgrave Macmillan).

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