

Urban Ministry Internship Programme (UMIC) (Port Moresby)

The urban centres currently offer courses at a certificate course: Urban Ministry Internship Certificate (UMIC) and Siti Ministri Trening Kos (SMTK). These stand-alone courses do not articulate into the Diploma of Ministry programme. However, completion of the certificate programme is considered favourably by the selection committee if a student applies for Diploma of Ministry.

The Urban Ministry Internship Programme (UMIC) is a part-time church ministries training programme designed to equip lay church leaders who already have a recognised leadership ministry in their respective churches. They should be in leadership positions or show positive signs of leadership potential. UMIC participants must have committed support from their local church.

The minimum educational standard for applicants to UMIC is Grade 10. An application form is completed and the intending student must pass the CLTC English Entrance Test.

The urban centres have adopted an apprenticeship style for UMIC with the aim being practical training. UMIC focuses on the development of skills and attitudes as well as biblical and theological knowledge. As trainers, they know that a course participant is succeeding when he or she can demonstrate performance of the tasks of leadership and ministry. To accomplish this aim a supervisor is appointed to mentor each student.

- The student and mentor are expected to meet for one to two hours on a weekly basis during which they are requested to reflect on what the student has learnt in class and what ministry involvement he or she has. Sharing and prayer is encouraged.
- Both mentor and student receive a journal in which to record the student's participation and reflection. The journal is given to the Dean at the end of each quarter and becomes part of the assessment.
- Special meetings may be arranged for supervisors to meet with faculty.

UMIC is designed to provide a 4-year cycle of modular study with a self-contained focus each year. Modules 1 and 3 are taught in odd calendar years, modules 2 and 4 are taught in even calendar years. Year 1 and 2 students complete modules 1 and 2. Year 3 and 4 students complete modules 3 and 4.

The cost of fees for UMIC is available on request from the POM Centre. A deposit may be paid at the commencement of the course with the full balance due on or before the end of semester 1 in June.

Students are not permitted to miss more than 25% of classes. Students are also expected to attend special college events such as Orientation, Commencement Service and Graduation.

For students to graduate from UMIC with the Certificate of Urban Ministry they must complete thirty subjects and at least 70% of the total hours of supervision and ministry and successfully lead two TEE groups. In addition, the dean must be satisfied that the character and Christian life

and witness of the student is befitting for a graduate of CLTC before the student is granted permission to graduate.

The UMIC programme involves participants in the following training programme:

- 32 weeks each year (in four 8 week terms) with two courses per term
- Students have classes for six hours per week
- A meeting of one to two hour each week with a church appointed supervisor
- A weekly church ministry assignment

This programme is different from many church training programs in several ways:

- It is specifically designed for urban ministry
- It is designed for those who are already actively serving in their churches and communities in the city
- The training takes place "on the job", in the midst of work, ministry and regular responsibilities
- The training requires a strong partnership between the student, the college and the church. .

The UMIC modules are shown in the table below, although the topics are not necessarily taught in this order.

	Church in the City (Module 1)	Church & Ministry (Module 2)	Church & Leadership (Module 3)	Church & Mission (Module 4)
Bible	Pentateuch	Acts	1 Corinthians	Amos & Social Justice
	Bible Interpretation		Pauline Epistles	1 Peter
	Life of Christ		OT Historical Books	
Theology	God, Humans & Satan	New Religious Movements & World Religions	Spiritual Warfare	Jesus & The Kingdom
	Holy Spirit	Salvation		
		Christian Belief		
Urban Missiology	The Christian & The City	Urban Problems & Solutions	Urban Evangelism Strategies	Urban Church growth & Planting
Ministry Skills	Message Preparation & Preaching	Youth Ministry	Leadership & Management Skills	Pastoral Care & Counselling
	Study Skills	TEE Tutor Training	Mentoring	Cross cultural communication
		Communication Skills	Christian Marriage & Family	Cross Cultural Missions
				Local and Global Missions

Table 1: Shows all the courses that are studies in this course