

M704 Christian Leadership in Contemporary Contexts

Code	M704
Title	Christian Leadership in Contemporary Contexts
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Owning Course	MA Applied Theology
Module Type	Standard Taught Module
Brief description	This module aims to develop students' understanding of a biblical theology of leadership and to facilitate their personal and professional development as Christian leaders. It seeks to do this by providing an increased awareness of various methodologies employed by effective leaders and by helping students to develop a capacity to engage in reflective practice that will enhance their leadership skills.
Level of study	Level 7
CATS points	30
Approved base location	Module validated for delivery at Moorlands College, Christchurch
Restrictions	None
Indicative syllabus	The module explores biblical frameworks of leadership, with particular emphasis on the transformational servant leadership model exemplified in the NT material. A range of leadership issues are covered, such as team building, managing change, handling conflict, emotionally intelligent leadership, self-understanding and the development of critical evaluation of practice in a variety of leadership contexts.
Learning outcomes	A student passing this module should be able to: 1. demonstrate advanced understanding of a biblical theology of leadership; 2. demonstrate critical knowledge and understanding of approaches to leadership issues at the forefront of the discipline; 3. reflect critically upon their personal leadership character and skills.
Learning and teaching	Scheduled learning and teaching activities: 26 hours
activities	Guided independent study: 274 hours
Mark Scheme	Postgraduate: Standard Assessment: Mark/Grade
Assessment	A: 30% Presentation 25 minutes B: 70% Assignment 4,500 words
Indicative resources	Agbiji, Obaji. <i>Religion, Leadership and Development</i> . Carlisle: Langham Publications. 2023. Adair J. <i>Strategic Leadership: How to think and plan strategically and provide direction</i> . London: Kogan Page, 2010.

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