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<https://www.eastern.edu.au/courses/master-transformational-development>

For information about fees & application visit

<http://agstalliance.org/index.php/programmes/transformation-dev-prog>

Note: We want to ensure the program is affordable to those in our region who would benefit from participating in it. Thus scholarship support is available for some students.

Important Dates For 2016

- Semester 1: begins 8 February, on-campus intensive 3-8 April, ends 11 June.
- Semester 2: begins 11 July, on-campus intensive 4-9 September, ends 12 November.

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AGST Alliance and Malaysian Care are delighted to be collaborating with Eastern College Australia to offer an Asia-based cycle of Eastern College Australia's MTD program.



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Master of Transformational Development

A unique study opportunity for Christian community development/mission practitioners

AGST Alliance & Malaysian Care
in collaboration with Eastern College Australia

Apply now to join in February 2016

Passionate about justice for the poor? Committed to a faith-based, biblically-informed response to the needs of those who continue to be violated by poverty? Yearning for an opportunity for thoughtful reflection relevant to your calling and vocation as an aid and development practitioner?

This Master of Transformational Development (MTD) course may suit you!

The international MTD learning community provides both a “safe place” in which to grapple with the complexities and challenges of integral mission and a rigorous academic framework in which to learn and innovate. With peers from around Asia we examine WHAT WE DO, WHY WE DO IT and HOW WE DO IT. Together we explore the interface between theology, development theory and the practitioners’ experience.

On successful completion of the three year course, students will have:

- a well-developed understanding and theology of integral mission;
- a sound grasp of the complexities of pursuing an effective development program in the midst of oppressive socio-economic-political circumstances;
- a thorough understanding of the role and strategies of NGOs, including churches, in responding to poverty and injustice.

Faculty

Senior staff from TEAR Australia, CBM, Interserve Australia, World Vision Australia, Malaysian Care, and the Asia Graduate School of Theology (Alliance) have contributed their expertise and wisdom to the development of the MTD. Steve Bradbury, the program director, served 25 years as the national director of TEAR Australia and was the inaugural chair of the Micah Network and Micah Challenge International.

Qualification Gained

The MTD is accredited by the Tertiary Education Qualifications and Standards Authority, Australia’s independent national regulator of the higher education sector. Hence, it is a widely acceptable and “portable” qualification.

“Having contributed to the MTD and met many of the students, I gladly endorse a program that empowers individuals with the capacity and hope to help shape the tomorrows of communities on the margins of society. The MTD promotes an alternate reading of history as the history of God’s interventions to liberate and change.”

**Rev C.B. Samuel (India),
Micah Network Panel of Reference**



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Student Endorsements

“The combination of theological reflection and practice makes it a unique course and helps me develop a more blended approach to development and leadership.”

Daniel (Sri Lanka)

“This program has been enriching and empowering. It impacted on my understanding and practice of aid and development, and also helped me to reflect more biblically and in greater depth on my ministry journey thus far.”

Chee Loi (Malaysia)

“Joining this program is the best decision I have made in helping me lead a growing organization. The assignments are mind expanding and force me to delve deeper into theological reflection than I have in many years.”

Steve (Myanmar/Norway)

“This program is theologically grounded, yet deals with very practical ministry issues. The readings challenged my paradigms and opened up new ways of learning and doing ministry. The lectures and cohort group engagements were enriching experiences.”

Margaret (Malaysia)

“It has been tremendously challenging, endlessly fascinating and very rewarding. The flexibility of the program allows me to work on topics of immediate use in my vocational contexts. Highlights have been the broad range of theological and missiological thought I’ve been exposed to through the readings, and the wonderful friendships I’ve made with my fellow students around the world.”

Lyn (Nepal)