



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

**PLANETSHAKERS
COLLEGE**

**20
25** **STUDENT
PROSPECTUS**

**"WHERE PURPOSE MEETS
PROPHETIC DESTINY"**



WHO WE ARE

The church is called to stand as a beacon of hope and light to the world. And now, more than ever, the church needs to step out and be God's hands and feet. At One Church College (OCC) our **vision** is to raise, equip and empower a new generation of Kingdom-hearted leaders focused on fulfilling their God given destiny and who will reshape the future of the church in Sri Lanka and beyond.

Our **mission** is to forge leaders who not only recognize their purpose but boldly step into the prophetic destiny that God has ordained for them.

Our curriculum focuses on imparting biblical knowledge, practical leadership skills and hands-on ministry training; giving students the necessary tools to navigate the challenges of modern ministry and service. We are committed to empowering leaders who will pioneer a new church era—one marked by fresh vision, faith, and a culture of transformational impact.

At One Church College, you will have the opportunity to sit in a unique and purposefully designed training environment to bring out the best in you. The courses will be delivered in a hybrid setting of recorded, online and in-person lectures by experienced teachers from Australia and Sri Lanka. Students will engage in tutorials (small group classes) that enable the application of the knowledge acquired during sessions and intentional academic support.

Our object is that all students not only gain academic experience but spiritual development as well. The life of an OCC student will entail classes, chapel services, tutorials, community gatherings and opportunities to serve at campus and their local church. We aim to create a fun and vibrant community with students making lifelong friends and spiritual connections as they complete the course together.

A key component of the course is our internship programme with the local church, which is compulsory for all full time students. OCC will partner with a student's local church to provide practical skills in leadership and ministry.

Join us at OCC and together we will build and reshape the future of the church and the nation.



A WORD FROM OUR COLLEGE PRESIDENT

Dear Future Leader,

It is my greatest pleasure to invite you to One Church College in partnership with Planetshakers College!

OCC is founded on the God given vision of a unified church. Believers across denominations, cultures and backgrounds united are a powerful force for revival and transformation in our communities, cities and nations (Eph 4:4-6; John 17:20-21). I believe that we are already seeing God move in the Sri Lankan church as He establishes His Kingdom among His people.

The greatest days of the church are ahead of us. God is raising an army to advance His Kingdom like never before. The saints need to be equipped for the work of the ministry so that the body of Christ may be built up (Ephesians 4:11-12). At OCC our aim is to break down barriers and create a space and platform for the people of God to be equipped and empowered to become influential and impactful leaders in every space they occupy, be it in business, in politics, in law, at home and in church. OCC is committed to equipping God's people to carry out His work, serving as a catalyst for the pioneering of a new church era.

I take great joy in inviting you to begin this journey of transformation, as you step into the call and purpose of God over your life. I believe that you will grow to become Kingdom hearted leaders, empowered to step out in boldness to fulfil your God given destiny.

We are so excited to have partnered with Planetshakers College whose mission is to empower generations through biblically sound, character based training to be a generation of Spirit empowered leaders in every aspect of society. The courses are designed to provide you with a strong biblical foundation in order to activate your ministry and spiritual gifts and to develop your leadership skills. Through a combination of dynamic teaching, worship, and hands-on ministry experience, you will be equipped and empowered to serve as leaders in whatever sphere God places you in.

We look forward to journeying with you as you step into the extraordinary purpose God has for your life. The harvest is plentiful, and the time is now. Will you answer the call?

HESHAN DISSANAYEKE

College President

Senior Pastor – One Church

PARTNERSHIP AND ACCREDITATION

PLANETSHAKERS COLLEGE

Established in 2005, Planetshakers College (PSC) was formed by and under the Planetshakers Church. For nearly twenty years PSC has provided students a first class learning experience, preparing them to lead and impact their spheres of influence. They follow the mandate of 'empowering generations to win generations' by equipping future leaders and pastors of churches across the globe through biblically sound, character based training in an environment of encounter and discipleship.

SYDNEY COLLEGE OF DIVINITY

The Sydney College of Divinity (SCD) operates as a leading theological education provider equipping people for effective professional and lay ministry in a rapidly changing environment. SCD is a collaboration of thirteen Member Colleges, including Planetshakers College, that delivers its undergraduate and postgraduate (coursework) awards.

All courses provided by Planetshakers College are accredited by the Sydney College of Divinity.



**PLANETSHAKERS
COLLEGE**

COURSES OFFERED

OCC offers a wide range of courses at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. For this inaugural year, the following accredited courses are being offered:

- **Undergraduate: Diploma of Leadership**
- **Postgraduate: Graduate Diploma of Arts and Master of Arts**

These programmes are part of broader course pathways that lead to completing either a Bachelors or a Masters programme, which are designed to equip students with both scriptural knowledge and practical skills. The abovementioned programmes will be available this year for our prospective students.

UNDERGRADUATE

YEAR 01

DIPLOMA OF LEADERSHIP

DURATION: **1 YEAR**

YEAR 02

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN THEOLOGY & MINISTRY

YEAR 03

BACHELOR OF ARTS

POSTGRADUATE

YEAR 01

GRADUATE DIPLOMA OF ARTS

Prospective postgraduate students may enter from any undergraduate degree.

DURATION: **1 YEAR**

YEAR 02

MASTER OF ARTS

+6 MONTHS

UNDERGRADUATE

Diploma of Leadership:

Year 01

The Diploma of Leadership is the foundational year for students. Students completing the Diploma of Leadership will have read through the entire Bible, prepared and delivered a sermon, completed a course on the Foundations of Christian Doctrine, grown in their relationship with God, studied and received input from world class leaders and undertaken practical training through faithful servanthood in the various ministries and events of the church.

Subjects outline:



- Survey of the Old Testament
- Survey of the New Testament
- Introduction to Christian Doctrines
- Introduction to Christian Leadership
- Supervised Ministry 1
- Person & Work of the Holy Spirit
- Basics of Pastoral Preaching
- Transformational Leadership

Duration:



Full Time: 1 Year
(weekly classes, 4 subjects per semester)

Part Time: 2 Years
(monthly class, 2 subjects per semester)

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

» **SURVEY OF THE OLD & NEW TESTAMENT**

Go deeper in God's word through a thorough survey of the scriptures across two semesters. Students will be equipped with basic exegetical strategies to understand Scripture and be challenged to apply the truths of Scripture to their personal lives and contemporary situations. One semester is spent on each the Old and New Testament.

» **INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES**

The foundations are the most important part of any building. Introduction to Christian Doctrines is the foundational unit of this programme, offering a comprehensive introduction to theology designed to help students build a strong foundation for their growing faith. Learn what the Bible has to say about God, Creation and the Fall, the nature of humanity, angels and demons, the atonement and resurrection of Christ and much more.

» **INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP**

Introduction to Christian Leadership allows students to explore the foundations of leadership and build strong, practical skills to be an exceptional leader in today's climate. Students are taught the traits and behaviours of biblically sound leadership, how to identify leaders in the real world and in turn, how to develop oneself as a leader.

» **SUPERVISED MINISTRY 1**

An internship unit that allows students to learn the practice of ministry in the local church setting. This unit will build important skills regardless of which vocation students plan to pursue. Students may choose to pursue an internship in areas including the following: pastoral care, creative ministry, youth ministry and children's ministry. This subject requires oversight from the referring church in order to provide a mentor for the student.

» **PERSON & WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

This unit is a central part of the Diploma of Leadership and deals with the Pentecostal distinctives and philosophy of ministry. Students will study and prepare assessments about the Holy Spirit, but more than that, students will be trained to operate in the miraculous gifts of the Spirit. Each lecture and tutorial has both a scriptural and practical component which will encourage students to grow in their understanding of the move of the Spirit in an environment of encounter.

» **BASICS OF PASTORAL PREACHING**

Basics of Pastoral Preaching is a unit which equips students with the tools to develop their communication skills. Not only do students learn about the art of preaching but they are given the tools to differentiate between skill and operating under the anointing. Students learn to tailor sermons in response to a variety of contexts and operate with the Holy Spirit in delivering the Gospel message. Basics of Pastoral Preaching is assessed by delivering a testimony, a sermon and a speech.

» **TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP**

Transformational Leadership is a unit focused on self-leadership and personal discipleship. Students are taught spiritual disciplines, character integrity and basic self and small group leadership principles to equip them to serve the church in greater capacity. This subject requires weekly readings. Transformational Leadership is assessed by weekly quizzes, an essay and a leadership development plan.

POSTGRADUATE

Graduate Diploma of Arts

Year 01

The Graduate Diploma of Arts is an award designed to give students who have completed Bachelor studies in disciplines other than theology the opportunity to deepen their knowledge in the Bible, theology, leadership and ministry. Additionally, the Graduate Diploma of Arts can act as an entry level point for those who wish to start their journey towards becoming a Master Degree graduate.

Through the completion of the Graduate Diploma of Arts, students will continue to be challenged academically, while further refining their leadership and culture shaping skills as they continue to draw close to God through service and encounter.

Students enrolling for the first time will be exposed to foundational principles for personal and professional leadership, ministry and theology. Students will be equipped to lead in their spheres of influence, whilst being grounded in a robust biblical and theological foundation.

Students will be given the opportunity to practise Christian leadership principles in their chosen ministry stream, solidifying theoretical principles with practical experience.

**Subjects
outline:**



- Basic Christian Doctrines
- Introduction to the Old Testament
- Introduction to the Study of Christian History
- Spiritual Leadership
- Introduction to the New Testament
- Christology and Soteriology
- Transformational Leadership in Ministry
- Pneumatology

Duration:



1 Year of full time study

SUBJECT DESCRIPTION

» **BASIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES**

This course unit introduces students to the foundational doctrines of the Christian tradition, enabling them to explore and evaluate the distinctives of their faith within the context and shape of that tradition. It provides a critical foundation for all future theology course units.

» **INTRODUCTION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT**

This course unit introduces students to the critical study of the Old Testament, its literary forms, historical and cultural contexts and theological themes. It provides a solid foundation for further biblical and theological study.

» **INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF CHRISTIAN HISTORY**

The Christian church is an evolving institution, which has constantly acted and reacted in terms of its own developing sense of identity, and in terms of its historical and social context. In this way, the theology and the ecclesiology of the church have come to assume their current shapes. This introduction to the study of church history equips students with methods of historical inquiry applied to an analysis of the church's doctrinal and institutional evolution as a framework for other theological study and more advanced historical study.

» **SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP**

This course unit is designed to challenge and inspire students to actively serve as spiritual leaders. It will examine the significant ways that secular leadership intersects with biblical principles and values, examine their current approach to leadership, and reflect on how they might lead at a higher level.

» **INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW TESTAMENT**

This course unit introduces students to the critical study of the New Testament, its literary forms, historical and cultural contexts and theological themes. It provides a solid foundation for further biblical and theological study.

» **CHRISTOLOGY AND SOTERIOLOGY**

This course unit is designed to provide students with an understanding of the person and saving work of Jesus Christ. It seeks to explore this understanding in the light of contemporary Christian thought and life.

» **PNEUMATOLOGY**

This course unit is designed to provide students with an understanding of the person and work of the Holy Spirit (Pneumatology). It seeks to explore this understanding in light of contemporary Christian thought and experience.

» **TRANSFORMATIONAL LEADERSHIP IN MINISTRY**

This course unit examines the nature and practice of leadership which has personal and organisational transformation as its primary object. Participants will be challenged to develop a biblical model of leadership based on Jesus' ministry, and to develop an intentional strategy for their own ongoing spiritual and personal nourishment.

POSTGRADUATE

Master of Arts

18 months with Graduate Diploma of Arts

The Master of Arts is a coursework masters degree where students will select from advanced units in Bible, theology, Ministry and Leadership. The Master of Arts is designed for maximum flexibility so that students can choose subjects according to their own interest and calling.

COURSE OUTCOMES

Students who completed the Master of Arts will have:

- An integrated understanding of an advanced body of knowledge in one or more theologically-related disciplines or areas of practice, including recent developments in the theological disciplines and/or their practice.
- Understanding research principles and methods applicable to these theological disciplines and their practice.

Duration:



18 months of full time study

*(including the Graduate
Diploma of Arts)*

INTERNSHIP WITH THE LOCAL CHURCH (ILC)

One Church College ILC programme is designed to encourage students to serve the Kingdom through the vehicle of their local church, whilst being disciplined by their pastors and peer mentors.

ILC students will be invited to participate in all aspects of OCC on campus. However, they may choose to complete the stream internship component of their course through their local church at their own discretion. ILC students will be invited to serve within their local church, as per the requirements of their course completion.

As a national ministry, it is one of our core beliefs that there is no better place to sow your talents and to grow in relationship with God than through the local church.

General Expectations

- **SERVING AT THE LOCAL CHURCH**

As a part of the internship program at OCC, students are required to serve in a local church during the course of the academic year.

- **SERVING AT THE ANNUAL OC CONFERENCE**

In addition to Sunday serving, interns are expected to serve at the One Church annual conference.

- **SERVING IN OCC MISSION TRIP**

Students will have the opportunity to serve in OCC's missions trip as a part of their internship.

APPLICATION PATHWAY

From starting your application to becoming a student with us, we have an amazing team on standby, ready to walk you through every step of the way! To find out more about the application process and documentation required, please fill out the Expression of Interest form linked on our website, www.onechurchcolombo.com/occ.

01. FILL IN THE EXPRESSION
OF INTEREST FORM



02. SUBMIT YOUR
APPLICATION



03. ATTEND YOUR
INTERVIEW



04. RECEIVE
YOUR OFFER



05. CONFIRM YOUR PLACE
AND COMPLETE THE
PAYMENT PROCESS



06. COMMENCE
CLASSES!



FAQs

- ***Is an English proficiency test required to apply for the courses?***

If the student has completed a degree or A/L's in English, they won't be required to do an English proficiency test. However we will require transcripts from their studies as proof when applying. The final decision will be at the discretion of Planetshakers College.

- ***Are the OCC courses accredited?***

Yes, all courses at OCC are accredited by the Sydney College of Divinity, based in Australia.

- ***When do applications open?***

Applications will open in December 2024 and will close on the 16th of February 2025. Prospective students are required to fill out an Expression of Interest (EOI) form to begin the application process.

- ***Is there an age limit for applicants?***

There is no strict age limit; OCC welcomes students from diverse backgrounds and age groups.

- ***Are there scholarships or financial aid options?***

Currently, OCC fees are heavily subsidised to make the courses accessible for all. While this may change in the future, OCC is committed to keeping programs affordable.

- ***Who is eligible to apply?***

Anyone with a passion for leadership, ministry, and personal growth can apply. Specific entry requirements will be communicated during the application process.

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