11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology

Course Information Brochure



Designed to train you for ministry as well as enhance your own personal spiritual growth, this nationally recognised qualification will equip you in a range of ministry activities in a church context and workplace.

Delivery Mode

Online classes + Self-directed online learning

2026 Enrolment Intakes

17 August – 31 August

Course Duration

18 months

Eva Burrows College Vocational Training RTO 0328 is registered with the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011.

Thank you for your interest in undertaking the 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology with Eva Burrows College Vocational Training.

This course is an entry point for Christians wanting to be equipped for life and service including those moving into or interested in frontline ministry and mission roles.

Three important things you should know about this course.

1. **You have 18 months to complete this course.**
   This is an online, self-directed course delivered via our online portal, Booth Online. You will have 18 months to complete this course.

2. **Students are required to attend scheduled online classes.**
   Each class will run for approximately 90 minutes. A tentative schedule of classes will be distributed at the beginning of each course intake.

3. **Approximately eight hours a week should be set aside for study.**
   We recommend students allocate a minimum of eight hours per week to work through the Learner Guides, online activities and assessments.

You can find all the relevant course details including entry requirements, enrolment dates and course fees in this Course Information brochure.

Whether you are looking to enhance your personal spiritual growth or be equipped for a ministry role, we are here to help and support you in achieving your goals.

For any further information email the Student Support Services team vtoenquiries@ebc.edu.au.

Course Overview

This course is an entry point for Christians wanting to be equipped for life and service including those moving into or interested in frontline ministry and mission roles. While all Christians wanting to learn how to study the Bible will benefit, this course is ideal for Youth Ministry Workers or Youth Pastors, Worship Team Leaders, Rural Ministry Workers, Children's Ministry Coordinators, Bible Study Leaders, Ministry Assistants, Community Service volunteers and Christians looking to prepare themselves for local ministry and mission.

Trainer and Assessor



Lillian Thio started her ministry in Singapore over 30 years ago. During her early ministry, Lillian was involved in pastoral work and education with several churches.

Lillian has a broad range of ministry experience having pastored churches in Malaysia and undertaken outreach work in the Philippines.

On arriving in Australia, Lillian specialised in the training of dementia care and providing therapy to families and children. Presently, alongside teaching Christian Ministry and Theology at Eva Burrows College, Lillian works as a lay minister and teach primary school children in Special Religious Education.

Watch the video to learn more about Lillian Thio, trainer and assessor of the Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology at Eva Burrows College.





Course Coordinator

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2026 Course Start Dates

15 September

2026 Course Fees

This course is open to all Australian residents and costs $2,294. There are two options for paying your course fees.

Option 1

Pay on Enrolment and Save

$2,086

A non-refundable 10% deposit is required at time of enrolment, and the balance is required before commencement of the course.

or

Option 2

Monthly payment plan

$2,294

A non-refundable 10% deposit is required at time of enrolment, and the balance paid in 10 instalments.

Course fees are correct at time of distribution. You can confirm the current Course Fee here.



Course Structure

The 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology is a competency-based course which requires 9 units for the qualification (3 core units and 6 elective units).

Online classes will be held one day per week, approximately once per fortnight. The course includes pre-work for each subject as well as self-directed study. A schedule of class dates and times will be circulated with the enrolment invitation. Each online class will run for approximately 90 minutes.

CORE UNITS

NAT11237001	Apply knowledge of the Bible
NAT11237002	Interpret biblical texts
NAT11237003	Develop and apply knowledge of key Christian beliefs

ELECTIVES *Note: Eva Burrows College offers the following electives*

NAT11237004	Discuss a topic from a Christian perspective
NAT11237005	Apply Christian ethics to contemporary issues
NAT11237008	Use Christian spiritual practices to support own personal development
NAT11237009	Develop and implement self-care strategies in ministry
NAT11237011	Prepare and preach a sermon
CHCDIV001	Work with diverse people

Competency-based training

Competency is the consistent application of knowledge and skill to the standard of performance required in the workplace. As this is a competency-based course, the assessments will involve the demonstration of skill, knowledge and the ability to work consistently to the standards required. The assessment tasks may include questions, case studies, third party feedback or workplace projects.

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

If you believe you have the skills and knowledge in some or all of the units, or you already hold a similar qualification and are looking to upgrade, then you may wish to consider Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

Recognition for units may be granted based on previous learning, studies, work and/or life experiences. You may apply for RPL once you have enrolled in the course. Students are encouraged to apply for RPL within their first 12 weeks of enrolment. Please note, RPL is charged at the same rate as the course fee as it is still a form of assessment. Please discuss this with the Course Coordinator when you enrol.

Credit Transfers

A credit transfer provides automatic credit for equivalent units you have already completed in an accredited course with another training provider. There is no charge for credit transfers, and your course fees will be reduced if you are eligible. Please discuss this with the Course Coordinator when you enrol.

Entry Requirements

There are no entry requirements for this qualification. However, to ensure you are enrolled in the most suitable and appropriate course of study all applicants will be required to complete a Pre-enrolment Evaluation, as part of the online enrolment application.

Residential Status

This course is open to Australian residents. Unfortunately, we are not registered to accept international students. The eligibility of students will be confirmed during enrolment.

IT Requirements

Students will require access to a computer and the internet to allow them to study using our online learning portal, Booth Online. To participate and engage in any online courses and tutorials, it is recommended students are competent in using a computer and have:

- a laptop or desktop computer (PC or Mac) with at least 2GB of RAM.
- a stable internet connection (ADSL2 equivalent or higher)
- a USB microphone headset or iPhone headset with built-in microphone.
- a current version of a modern web browser (Chrome, Firefox or Safari).
- the Microsoft Office Suite installed on your computer. MS Word is required for most of the assessment tasks.



"I would like to express my thanks to the staff of Eva Burrows College who have supported me throughout the last 18 months whilst completing the Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology.

Firstly, my trainer was just brilliant in facilitating really engaging online meetings and explaining concepts and instructions in an 'easy to grasp' manner. Her pastoral support was second to none and her response to queries or questions was always prompt.

Secondly, I found the course content to be in line with my expectations – a good balance between the broad subject of Theology and units such as Diversity and Community Development, both of which are practical and useful for those engaged in community work.

Lastly, I must comment on the awesome support offered by Eva Burrows College library. On several occasions I needed to access some very specific material, and the library staff were right onto it – so helpful, I had the info I needed for an assignment within a day or two.

My overall experience studying with Eva Burrows College has been a very positive one. I can't fault the friendly and positive vibes I felt, from initial enquiries right through to the 'you've finished – congratulations, here's your certificate!"

Jean

Graduate of the Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology

Course Materials and Resources

Trainer and Assessor To support and guide you in your learning.	Eva Burrows College has trainers and assessors who are qualified and currently working in their industry, thereby providing you with the most up to date knowledge and skills to support and guide your learning. Each topic of your learning journey commences with an introduction to the subject matter, followed by forums, quizzes, and online facilitation. At any stage of your learning, you can contact your trainer by email, who is available to help you with your query.
Booth Online The login instructions for the online portal will be provided after enrolment.	Access to all learning materials and assessment tasks will be available through our online portal, Booth Online. Our Online Support Team is available Monday to Friday to assist you to navigate the system and can be contacted via email at online@ebc.edu.au.
Learner Guides Learner Guides will be made available to you after enrolment.	Eva Burrows College will provide you with a Learner Guide for each unit, to enable you to advance your knowledge of each topic. To progress through your course, simply work through the Learner Guide and online resources to complete each unit's online assessment tasks, and then upload your completed assessments through Booth Online.
Eva Burrows Library Can provide additional resource material on request.	The Eva Burrows Library offers both onsite and online access to resources that help meet the study, research and leisure reading needs of our students. To become a member of the library, please complete the Library Registration Form.

Pathways

One qualification – three pathways

Pathway 1 – New	Pathway 2 – RPL	Pathway 3 – Upgrade
New to Ministry	Currently in a ministry role with no formal qualification	Wanting to upgrade your qualification or grow spiritually?
For all aspiring and new ministry workers	You are currently working in a ministry role but do not hold a current accreditation.	You already hold a qualification but want to continue to build your personal spiritual growth.

Upon successful completion of all assessment tasks and being deemed competent in all units, you will be awarded a 11237NAT Certificate IV in Christian Ministry and Theology. You may also like to consider further study such as an undergraduate award.

FAQs

Why should I study at Eva Burrows College?

Eva Burrows College is the national education and learning centre of The Salvation Army Australia. Drawing from our cutting-edge Salvation Army experience, Eva Burrows College Vocational Training (RTO ID 0328), exists to encourage and empower you through our nationally recognised and accredited courses. We provide a comprehensive learning pathway that integrates practical experience with formal qualifications. We also offer a range of study options to suit your lifestyle needs and can help schedule your learning to empower you to graduate successfully. All learning options for this course can be discussed with your Course Coordinator.

Who should consider this course?

If you are currently a:

- Youth Ministry Worker or Youth Pastor
- Worship Team Leader
- Rural Ministry Worker
- Children's Ministry Coordinator
- Ministry Assistant
- Community Service Volunteer



How will the scheduled online classes work?

The online classes are delivered via Microsoft Teams which is accessible via Booth Online. Students should ensure they have access to a video camera and microphone or headset with microphone capability.

How many hours a week will I need to spend studying?

In addition to the scheduled 90-minute online classes, students will be required to complete pre and post session tasks. As a guide we recommend students allocate a minimum of eight hours per week to their studies.

To help you stay on track and complete your course in time you will be provided with a suggested Study Schedule Guide upon enrolment.

Is the qualification recognised nationally?

Eva Burrows College Vocational Training has been a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) for over 30 years. Registered by ASQA, we deliver nationally recognised and accredited courses and conduct our operations in accordance with the Australian Quality Training Framework.

Our qualifications are nationally recognised and developed to meet industry needs. Our accreditation within the vocational training sector means that whatever level of study is right for you, we have an entry point that can match your current needs.

How much does the course cost and what does this include?

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A non-refundable 10% deposit is required at time of enrolment, and the balance paid in 10 instalments.

This fee includes all virtual classroom sessions, learning and assessment resources, online support and assessment services for a period of 18 months.

Course fees are correct at time of distribution. You can confirm the current Course Fee here.

Is there financial assistance available for Salvation Army Officers or employees?

Officers may apply for up to 90% of the course fee. Employees may apply for up to 60% of their course fee.

For further information on the policy and how to apply see the Personnel Development Policy.

Does the course fee include GST?

Nationally recognised training delivered by Eva Burrows College is not subject to GST.

Would a VET Student Loan be available for this course?

Eva Burrows College is not registered to provide VET Student Loans.

Can I access a government subsidy?

Government subsidies are not available for this course.

If I withdraw from the course, do I get my money back?

Please note that the 10% deposit collected on enrolment application is non-refundable. If the enrolment does not proceed to confirmation of enrolment, no fee is charged.

If the student withdraws from a course after confirmation of enrolment, the Enrolment Fee will be retained as per the conditions below:

Withdrawal Condition	Fee
Withdrawal **within 30 days** after confirmation of enrolment	30% of course fee retained
Withdrawal **between 31 and 60 days** after confirmation of enrolment	50% of course fee retained
Withdrawal **more than 60 days** after confirmation of enrolment	100% of course fee retained

How to Apply

Applying for a course is a simple process.

Step 1	**Contact Us** To register your interest email vtoenquiries@ebc.edu.au. The 2026 Enrolment Intakes for this course are: • 17 August – 31 August An online enrolment application link will be emailed to you once the intake opens.
Step 2	**Complete the Online Enrolment Application** and upload the requested information including: • A Unique Student Identifier (USI). Applying for a USI is cost free. It is a requirement of the federal government that when you enrol in a nationally accredited vocational training program a USI is recorded on your application. Apply for a USI at usi.gov.au. • Photo identification documents (VIC and NSW residents applying for government funded training must provide certified copies). • To ensure that you are enrolled in the most suitable and appropriate course a Pre-Enrolment Evaluation will be completed during the online enrolment application.
Step 3	**We will be in contact** Your enrolment application will be reviewed, and you will be advised of the outcome via email which will include an invoice for Course Fees.
Step 4	**Finalise Your Application** Confirm that you wish to proceed with your enrolment by paying the 10% non-refundable deposit. Note that enrolment is not confirmed until course fees have been paid or the monthly payment plan has been confirmed.
Step 5	**Begin to Study** When the enrolment process is complete, final confirmation of your enrolment will be emailed to you, and we will: • Advise the Trainer and Assessor who will support you through your studies and answer any queries regarding the course content or assessments. • Provide you with a login to the Booth Online portal via a separate email with instructions on how to access the portal. • Start your learning journey with access to the interactive online orientation, available via Student Central.

Other Courses

available through Eva Burrows College Vocational Training

Certificate IV

CHC43215	Certificate IV in Alcohol and Other Drugs
CHC42021	Certificate IV in Community Services
BSB40520	Certificate IV in Leadership and Management

Diploma

11070NAT	Diploma of Chaplaincy
CHC53215	Diploma of Alcohol and Other Drugs
CHC52025	Diploma of Community Services (Case Management)
CHC51122	Diploma of Financial Counselling (Generalist)
CHC51122	Diploma of Financial Counselling (Rural Specialisation)
BSB50420	Diploma of Leadership and Management

Skill Sets

CHCSS00093	Alcohol and Other Drugs Skill Set
CHCSS00077	Financial Literacy Education Skill Set
CHCSS00111	Problem Gambling Skill Set
CF	Chaplaincy Foundations
RFC	Rural Financial Counselling Specialisation
CHCFIN010	Small Business Unit

Short Courses

View a full list of accredited and non-accredited Short Courses now available.

NATIONALLY RECOGNISED TRAINING

Eva Burrows College Vocational Training RTO 0328 is registered with the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) under the National Vocational Education and Training Regulator Act 2011. Accreditation meets an established industry, enterprise, educational, legislative or community need. We have been providing quality training to equip people with work-specific skills for more than 30 years.

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