

# A THEOLOGY DEGREE THAT WILL HELP YOU FURTHER YOUR CALLING TO SPORTS MINISTRY AND MISSION

## Study theology, ministry and mission at Ridley Hall, Cambridge

### OVERVIEW

Ridley Hall in partnership with The Church of England, provides a Certificate in Higher Education (Cert HE) in Theology, Ministry and Mission as a training route for those called to ministry in the world of sports and wellbeing. This is a unique, ecumenical, placement-based course for all those interested in sports ministry, taught by leading experts in theology and sports ministry.

#### ✓ YOU WILL GAIN:

- Theological understanding at significant depth, including biblical, and doctrinal theology, and the ability to relate these to sports ministry within your context
- Extensive experience in undertaking sports ministry and mission
- Opportunity to engage with relevant 'on-the-job' training and certification
- A range of transferable skills of interest to employers, including: independent and creative thinking, self-organisation, team-working, communication, and project management, .

#### ✓ LEARNING IN, AND FROM, PRACTICE

- You will be placed in an appropriate sports ministry context for the duration of your training, where your learning and formation will be rooted in practice.
- You will engage with experienced practitioners from the field of sports ministry, to support the application of learning within your practice and attend to your personal spiritual formation.

#### ✓ ACADEMIC AND PASTORAL SUPPORT

- Specialist academic support is provided through tutors experienced in working with a range of learning needs.
- Pastoral care and support is provided both in the college setting and in the placement, through a range of skilled staff.

#### ✓ NEXT STEPS

- Progression to the BA in theology, ministry and mission
- Sports ministry roles within your diocese
- Sports ministry roles within faith based charities
- Church minister/vicar<sup>1</sup>
- Self-employed within the fitness industry<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>requires acceptance for training by the relevant Church body

<sup>2</sup>may require completion of further certification



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#### QUICK FACTS:

Validated by: Durham University  
Tuition Fee: 6,000  
Duration: 1 year full-time

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Permission to study in the UK
- One A-Level (E or above) or equivalent
- Current enhanced DBS
- Non-standard entry's are encouraged from those without the required academic qualifications

#### PLACEMENT:

- You will be placed in a sports ministry context with a church or faith-based charity for an average of 20 hours a week, over the course of your studies
- You will undertake ministry and mission relevant to Sports Ministry
- You will be line managed within your placement

*The block teaching weeks mean that I'm able to completely immerse myself in the modules, with constant support and encouragement from the lecturers, staff and other students... I'm regularly challenged in my own faith in a way that stretches me, pushing me out of my comfort zones, expanding my thinking and opening my eyes to so much more of God.*

*Ridley student*

# COURSE MODULES CERT HE in Theology Ministry and Mission

SEP

## Foundations for Theology and Reflective Practice

The module will introduce you to theological study and theological reflection as a framework for ongoing professional and ministerial development within sports ministry

OCT

## Introduction to Sports Ministry (ILP)

The module will build on your own experience of Sports Ministry and explore the principles, values and practices that underpin sharing faith in and through sports ministry

JAN

## Introduction to Christian Doctrine

The module will introduce you to major themes in Christian Doctrine such as The Holy Spirit, The Trinity, The Church and Jesus; and support you to explore how these inform your approach to Sports Ministry

FEB

## Introduction to Pastoral Care (Sports Ministry)

The module helps you develop a theological/faith framework for your engagement with others, including: safe-practice, purposeful relationships and sharing the gospel

APR

## Introduction to Old Testament

The module will introduce you to skills in interpretation and key genres within the Old Testament, revealing God since the beginning of time and its continuing relevance within (sports) ministry and mission today

JUN

## Introduction to New Testament

This module provides an initial overview of the New Testament, including genres of literature and major theological themes, in order to consider its appropriate use in (sports) ministry and mission today

## PROFESSIONAL AND MINISTERIAL FORMATION

Formation aspects of the course will facilitate engagement with:

- Diversity and inclusion
- Group/team work
- Goal setting
- Personal formation
- Christian leadership
- Models of intervention

## WHERE WILL I STUDY?

All students study at Ridley Hall Cambridge

Students join the Ridley community for four block teaching weeks in September, January, April and June

Block teaching weeks run from the Monday to the Friday of the week in question, with students living, eating, worshiping and studying at Ridley Hall for the duration of the week.

## DATES FOR 2019/2020

September 15th to 20th  
January 6th to 10th  
April 6th to 10th  
June 15th to 19th

## PLEASE NOTE:

Dates and location for the modules taught in October and February vary depending on the specific student cohort, with opportunity to visit and learn in each others context



The Degree is part of Common Awards validated by Durham University



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