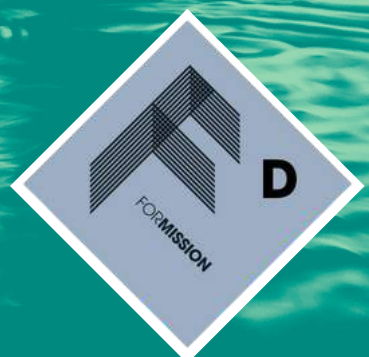




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We are proud to partner with Equip Britain International, Fresh Expressions, the JusTice Initiative, Missional Links Wales, Rural Ministries and the Schuman Centre for European Studies in the delivery of our various MA programmes



POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES



MA

INTRODUCTION

ForMission College is offering six postgraduate programmes in 2023-24:



- MA Missional Leadership



- MA Missional Leadership and European Studies



- MA Missional Leadership and Spirituality



- MA Missional Leadership and Social Entrepreneurship



- MA Missional Leadership and Justice



- MA Missional Leadership, Discipleship and Movements

All programmes are validated by Newman University and delivered by ForMission College online and in Birmingham (with possible alternative module(s) in Amsterdam), UK (all programmes except European Studies), and online and in Amsterdam, the Netherlands (European Studies only).

Students with student loan funding will study in mixed mode (not fully online). Self-funded students may opt to study in mixed mode or fully online.

** All pathways are delivered subject to sufficient student numbers.*



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PROGRAMME AIMS

Our postgraduate programmes aim to equip Christian leaders for missional leadership and practice in postmodern contexts

WHO ARE THE PROGRAMMES AIMED AT?

The programmes are aimed at a wide range of students who are in some form of Christian leadership within churches, charities, mission agencies or community organisations/projects.

STUDY OPTIONS

Our MA programmes are studied part-time, and either fully online, or in mixed mode of online with some face-to-face classes. Entry points are September 2023, January 2024 and May 2024.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

Each programme is completed in three years. The first two years comprise six taught modules. The dissertation module is completed in the third year, on a subject of the student's own choice related to the specialist programme area they have chosen. Students may opt for the one-year PG Cert or the two-year PG Dip.

LOCATIONS

The Programmes are offered mostly online and also face to face at our campuses in Birmingham, UK (with possible alternative module (s) in Amsterdam - *all programmes except European Studies*) or in Amsterdam, the Netherlands (*European Studies only*), subject to minimum cohort sizes.

HOW THE PROGRAMMES WORK

We aim to advance students' knowledge and critical understanding of contemporary issues in mission, drawing on the interdisciplinary fields of missiology, sociology, psychology, leadership studies, theology and biblical studies.

The taught module assessments and the dissertation module offer students opportunities to pursue their particular interests in these fields, and to develop and master the skills of independent study and research.

WHAT DOES A TYPICAL YEAR LOOK LIKE?


Modules are facilitated in different ways, mostly as online stand-alone study sessions or with some face-to-face intensives of one, two or three full study days, which may include overnight stays.

In the case of the European Studies Programme there is normally a three-day residential school in each year of the taught modules.

The Missional Leadership in European History module is normally delivered through a physical tour of key historical locations around continental Europe and/or the British Isles, with the possibility of a virtual format, or mixed mode, as alternatives.

Any meals and/or accommodation costs for any required residential stays on the European Studies Programme are included in the tuition fees, unless stated otherwise. If you wish to attend any alternative residential modules that may be available, you will need to pay an additional fee of £100 (per module) to cover food and accommodation. All travel costs are your responsibility.

Please do check with us for the specific delivery details of modules running in 2023-24.





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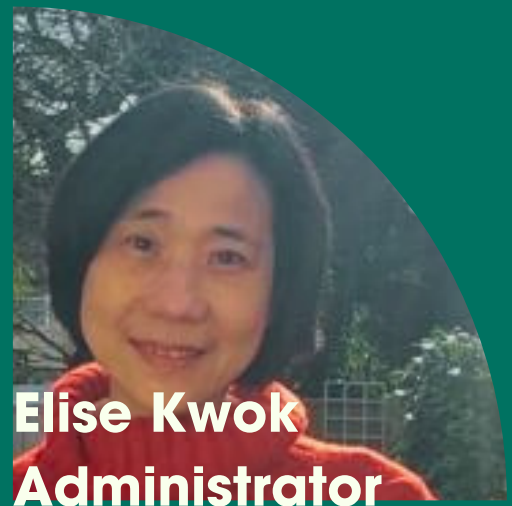
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THE MA TEAM



Elise Kwok
Administrator



Andy Kingston-Smith
Postgraduate Director

Our Team of Facilitators





Andy Kingston-Smith
Postgraduate Programme Director

Andy grew up in Chile and started working life as a solicitor. He then spent three years as a missionary in Bolivia with his family until they returned to the UK where he embarked on a master's degree in Global Issues in Contemporary Mission. In 2008, Andy joined the faculty of Redcliffe College lecturing and co-ordinating the programme on justice issues in contemporary mission. In 2015, he joined the staff of ForMission as Postgraduate Programme Director. Andy contributed to and co-edited the book *Carnival kingdom: biblical justice for global communities*, has co-written a newly-published training programme on biblical justice with International Justice Mission, and contributed to the *Justice Bible*, which was published in 2016. He is co-founder, with wife Carol (also a facilitator for ForMission), of the jusTice initiative and they both write a blog viewable at [Justice, Advocacy and Mission](#).

Elise Kwok
Programme Administrator

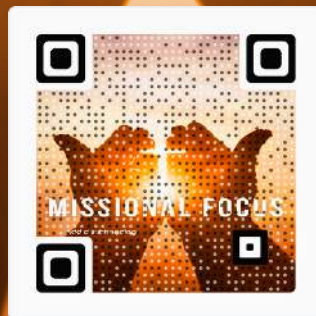
Elise is from Hong Kong and now lives in Birmingham. She received her BA (Hons) Degree in Accountancy and MS Degree in Finance from the City University of Hong Kong, an MA Degree in Family Counseling and Family Education from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and an MSocSc Degree in Counseling from the University of Hong Kong. She is a fellow member of ACCA, a CPA of HKICPA, and an associate fellow of the Hong Kong Professional Counselling Association.

Our Facilitators (teaching staff) come from many different specialist areas. A detailed biography on each is available on our website.



At ForMission we recognise the importance of research. The college produces its own journal, Missional Focus, published twice a year. We also host research colloquia for postgraduate students and staff, which encourages robust engagement with cutting-edge research conducted within the ForMission community

MISSIONAL FOCUS



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Missional Leadership

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist module

**MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND
CONTEMPORARY CULTURAL CONTEXTS
(724)**

Engaging with contemporary expressions of culture, how mission might respond to secularism, pluralism and postmodernity, and the role of the missional church.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

**MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND
CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)**

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Or 722 - see opposite

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Specialist module

**MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP:
COMMUNICATION, TRANSITION AND
TEAMS (723)**

Examining communication, teamwork and dealing with change in contemporary contexts, with particular emphasis on self-awareness and ethically-based empathic leadership.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

**RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND
CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)**

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Or 721 - see opposite

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes.

Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.



Missional Leadership and Spirituality

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist Module

SPIRITUALITY IN CONTEMPORARY CULTURES (729)

Exploring approaches to the spirituality of missional movements in local communities and the wider cultural context of globalisation, postmodernism and secularism.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Or 722 - see opposite

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Specialist Module

SPIRITUAL FORMATION AND PRACTICES (728)

Identifying distinctively Christian concepts of 'community' including themes of discipleship and intentional Christian communities and their practices.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Or 721 - see opposite

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes. Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.





Missional Leadership and Social Entrepreneurship

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist Module

FAITH-BASED SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP: MODELS, APPROACHES AND ROLES (726)

Exploring a range of approaches to social entrepreneurship in which outcomes have holistic measures and examining the range of roles required to manage transitions from conceptualisation to the development of a mature social enterprise business.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Or 722 - see opposite

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Specialist Module

FAITH-BASED SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN CONTEMPORARY CULTURE (727)

Exploring historical and contemporary models/case studies and approaches to social entrepreneurship in the context of the changing nature of the Christian church, and its implications for Christian ministry in the future.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Or 721 - see opposite

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes. Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.



Missional Leadership and European Studies

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist Module

EUROPEAN STUDIES: CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES (732)

Exploring the Gospel and Europe in a 'post-Christian' secular context, with multi-religious identities and European (dis)-integration.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Or 722 - see opposite

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Specialist Module

EUROPEAN STUDIES: THE MAKING OF EUROPE (731)

Exploring the role of Christianity in the making of Europe and the idea and paradox of 'Europe' in the past and present.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Or 721 - see opposite

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes. Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.







Missional Leadership and Justice

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist Module

MISSIONAL JUSTICE AND BIBLICAL SHALOM (734)

Engaging with the biblical concept of shalom and other biblical and theological justice-focused frameworks to critically inform ethical and justice-based leadership principles and values.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Or 722 - see opposite

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Specialist Module

JUSTICE ISSUES IN CONTEMPORARY CONTEXTS (735)

Examining and reflecting on key justice issues in contemporary local and global contexts, such as climate change/justice, racial divisions and intergenerational conflicts to help form sustainable and ethical practices.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Or 721 - see opposite

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes. Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.



Climate Stewards



Missional Leadership, Discipleship and Movements

Note the format and order of modules is different for this pathway

Year One

Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2023

Specialist Module

**DISCIPLESHIP AND MOVEMENTS:
THEOLOGY AND PRINCIPLES (737)**

Developing a theological understanding of disciple making movements, and discipleship-based Christian formation and practice.

SPRING SCHOOL 2024

Specialist Module

**DISCIPLESHIP AND MOVEMENTS:
STRATEGIC PRACTICES (738)**

Engaging critically with strategic practices of global disciple making movements and their implementation in ministry contexts

SUMMER SCHOOL 2024

Core Module

**MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP AND
CONTEMPORARY MISSION (721)**

Examining cultural theory, trends and the Church's mission in a postmodern, secular context through missional perspectives and practices.

Year Two

Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

AUTUMN SCHOOL 2024

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SPRING SCHOOL 2025

Optional Module

One optional module is chosen from the optional module page - subject to availability.

SUMMER SCHOOL 2025

Core Module

**RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES AND
CONTEXTUAL THEOLOGY (722)**

Quantitative and qualitative methods in both local and global contexts, contextual theology, theology of place and social justice in wider society.

Year Three

Masters Degree

Students will complete a 15,000-word research-based project on a topic of their choice, subject to approval of the initial proposal by the Programme Director and in line with the overall programme aims and learning outcomes. Students will be assigned a personal supervisor to guide them through the dissertation process.



Optional Modules

Students will choose two options from the list of six below: one in Year 1 and one in Year 2 (note the order is different for the Discipleship and Movements pathway)

FORMING AND LEADING MISSIONAL COMMUNITIES (725)

Exploring community practice, mentoring and managing conflict as part of forming and leading healthy missional communities.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AND MISSIONAL LISTENING (730)

Examining historical and contemporary expressions of spiritual direction and missional listening, with reflection and exploration of contemporary spiritual beliefs and practices especially amongst unchurched individuals/communities.

MISSIONAL LEADERSHIP IN EUROPEAN HISTORY (733)

Engaging in a European studies tour, with readings, presentations and seminars on the Christian heritage of Europe and key missional leaders and movements in the European/British context (*delivered either physically, or as a virtual tour, or in mixed mode*).

CREATION CARE, SUSTAINABILITY AND MISSIONAL PRACTICE (736)

Engaging with the theology and practice of creation care, environmental stewardship and sustainability, with reference to education for sustainable development.

GLOBALISATION, MIGRATION AND MULTI-DIRECTIONAL MISSION (739)

Evaluating neo-colonialism, globalisation, multi-directional migration, contemporary cultural shifts and global and local trends in cross-cultural mission, and expressions of 'new Christianities'.

INDEPENDENT STUDY MODULE (740)

Identifying a topic, issue, or ministerial area relevant to an aspect of missional leadership and developing an independent learning project.

Optional modules will normally run in class (subject to sufficient numbers) or in independent study mode.





PROGRAMME RESOURCES

Student resources include College-produced study guide material, with access to a wide-ranging online journal database, electronic resources and the College's online virtual learning provision. The programmes include personal development through guided personal reflection, ensuring students' studies and practical ministry continually inform each other.

TEACHING STAFF

Our academic staff are also involved in leadership roles outside of the college which give each of the programmes a clear practical and ministerial focus and place a high value on research and reflective practice.

CONTACT

Please feel free to contact the Postgraduate Programme Director, Andy Kingston-Smith (email address below), for more information on our programmes. He would be happy to discuss any queries you may have including the possibility of sampling an online class session.

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APPLYING FOR OUR MA PROGRAMME

TUITION FEES

Our aim is to make tuition as affordable as possible to equip students to serve in a wide range of church and mission situations.

MA Full Degree - £9,600

Years 1 & 2 (per year) - £3,600

Years 1 & 2 (per module) - £1,200

Year 3 (dissertation) - £2,400

If you wish to attend any alternative residential modules that may be available, you will need to pay an additional fee of £100 (per module) to cover food and accommodation. All travel costs are your responsibility.

Student Loan Funding is available on our programmes and eligible students will be registered with Newman University under a franchise agreement between ForMission and Newman University (note that Student Loan Funding is currently only available for the full MA programme).

If you undertake the part-time programme and exit after successfully completing one year, you will be awarded a PG Cert. If you leave after successfully completing two years you will be awarded a PG Dip subject to completing requisite modules to fulfil the specific requirements of these awards.

Students may apply for the one-year PG Cert, or the two-year PG Dip awards, which follow a similar pattern as the first and second years of the full MA programme.

Postgraduate programmes offered in any given year are subject to minimum cohort sizes, both by programme and teaching location.

ADMISSIONS CRITERIA

- A good first degree (first, upper second or strong lower second) or Graduate Diploma in theology or related subject.
- Previous awards do not need to be in theology and a degree in a related subject is usually sufficient evidence of an ability to engage with the programme.
- Students without a degree but who can demonstrate significant ministry experience will also be considered, subject to appropriate assessment.

HOW TO APPLY

Go to www.formission.org.uk and click on the 'Apply Now' section of the MA programme. The online application form will guide you through the process.

You will need to have documentary evidence such as proof of identity (e.g. passport) and copies of educational certificates.

Our admissions team will then contact you to arrange an interview via Zoom, or at one of our campus locations.

Successful applicants who wish to apply for student finance will need to complete an admissions process with Newman University after their acceptance with ForMission.



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are passionate about engaging
our world with the Gospel”*

MARCUS MOSEY, MA GRADUATE



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