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The Journal of Contemporary Ministry will act as a place for reporting research and discussing issues related to contemporary ministry, including related theological and biblical questions.

Its goals are to:

- Stimulate informed discussion regarding issues faced by contemporary Christian churches and ministries worldwide;
- Encourage research, including empirical research, into diverse forms and contexts of contemporary ministry and the practical, theological and biblical issues that arise from ministry practice;
- Enable students and graduates in postgraduate Ministry programs to speak to a wider audience;
- Build the credibility of Ministry as a field of study and research.

The Journal of Contemporary Ministry will provide a specific forum for Alphacrucis College research students and faculty, and other interested people, to publish the results of their research.

It will also provide a potential publishing venue for paper presenters at Alphacrucis Melbourne Campus' annual research conference.

The Journal of Contemporary Ministry will contain these kinds of material:

- Peer-reviewed articles based on scholarly research (empirical or theological) into diverse forms and contexts of contemporary ministry, and the practical, theological and biblical issues that arise from ministry practice;
- Pastoral reflections and articles that contribute viewpoints, based on personal experience or theological reflection, on contemporary ministry issues. These may be responses to articles from the Journal;
- Book reviews and/or notes of new publications related to contemporary ministry;
- Articles contributed by postgraduate students, which would also be refereed but may not come up to the level required in the first category;
- A list of recent doctoral research theses completed on contemporary ministry relevant to this journal's focus.

The material we invite covers such topics as:

- Results of empirical research into aspects of contemporary Christian ministry, e.g. youth ministry, children's ministry, pastoral counselling, pastoral leadership, intercultural ministry;
- Theological and biblical reflection on issues that have arisen from the practices of contemporary Christian churches and ministries, e.g. manifestations of the Spirit, worship styles, leadership culture, interfaith matters, political and social engagement, etc;
- Underlying theological questions that lie behind Christian ministry issues, e.g. the role of women's ministry in local churches, ethnic identity, ordination, apostleship;
- Proposals for new expressions or forms of Christian ministry based on social analysis, e.g. how to reach specific sub-cultures.

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