



MTS and Youthworks College Pathway

*Did you know you can do MTS through Youthworks College?
Here are just 4 great benefits of this partnership:*

1. AFFORDABLE:

Compare the costs for a trainee in these 2 scenarios*:

STANDARD MTS SCHOLARSHIP	MTS WITH YOUTHWORKS COLLEGE ON-CAMPUS	MTS WITH YOUTHWORKS COLLEGE ONLINE
3.5 days p.w. at church + 1.5 MTS curriculum	3 days p.w. at church + 2 days College in Newtown	Complete flexibility between church work and College study. Study completely online or mix and match online with on-campus units.
\$37,000 p.a. *tax deductible donations	\$27,000 p.a. *tax deductible donations	\$27,000 p.a. *tax deductible donations
+ Govt. Youth Allowance eligible Up to \$5,918	+ Govt. Austudy eligible Up to \$11,835 + FEE-help Up to \$108,232	+ Govt. Austudy eligible Up to \$11,835 + FEE-help Up to \$108,232
Unaccredited curriculum	Fully accredited Higher Education	Fully accredited Higher Education

Combining MTS with Youthworks College means churches can utilise both the tax deductions of MTS donations and the government support payments of Austudy and FEE-help.

*figures based on "MTS-Pathways-How-the-Numbers-work-for-2022_4.pdf" from mts.com.au

2. ACCREDITATION:

Youthworks College awards an Advanced Diploma (or Associate Degree) of Ministry/Theology. This is a fully recognised accredited award through the Australian College of Theology (ACT). Units completed are further recognised for credit into second year of Moore College (with a Credit average) or any other ACT college for higher degrees. The two years of MTS with Youthworks College goes towards further study that will save students money in unit fees and the total overall time for theological higher education.

3. SPECIALISED:

Learning integrates theology with best practice for children's and youth ministry. The combination of learning in parish and College with specialised practitioners and lecturers provides the most effective learning experience for effective children's and youth ministry.

Rather than the burden of training falling on church staff, Youthworks College becomes the training partner in teaching the theological ministry material while church staff provide supervision in parish. Furthermore, the Youthworks Ministry Support Team provide ongoing coaching and assessment of ministry competence in Parish.

4. STRATEGIC:

The harvest always needs more workers, and MTS with Youthworks College equips ministry trainees to be ready and able effective children's and youth ministers straight out of College so that churches can employ a full-time children's and youth minister sooner.

The learning they receive at Youthworks College also makes them well placed for further study later on down the track at either Moore Theological College or any other ACT college. This is especially strategic when, on average, 75% of jobs for Moore College graduates in the Sydney Diocese involve children's or youth ministry as a significant aspect of their job description.

Learning the skills of effective children's and youth ministry is an excellent foundation for ministry to any group of people. If you can effectively communicate the gospel to children, and effectively disciple young people and their families, you can minister to anyone.