

# My experience of MAP...

## Tony Nicholls



MAP was a terrific preparation for ordained ministry: lots of hands-on experience from preaching to equipping God's people to serve others and be a witness to our world – all with the benefit of excellent mentoring!

## Tamie Davis



As I finish theological studies and head towards an overseas cross cultural context, I'm so thankful to God for what MAP taught me about training other leaders and developing sustainable ministries.

## Arthur Ang



It's been great to complete my apprenticeship in international student ministry, learning in the "beginners' pool" with an "instructor" swimming alongside me!

## Reuben Salagaras



My time as a campus-ministry apprentice helped confirm that I'd love to do vocational ministry full-time and long term. It was great working this out with a fun and supportive team and trainer.



The Ministry Apprenticeship Program is part of the **Ministry Training Strategy (MTS)**, which is a national organisation with nearly 40 years of experience in ministry training.

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*The things you have heard ...  
in the presence of many witnesses ...  
entrust to reliable people ...  
who will also be qualified to teach others.*

*2 Timothy 2:2*



# The Ministry Apprenticeship Program

## What is MAP?

### What is the Ministry Apprenticeship Program?

MAP is a two-year, full time apprenticeship in pastoral ministry working with a church or para-church organisation.

### Why should I do MAP?

- \* MAP is a fantastic way to learn 'on the job' and to assess your suitability for vocational ministry.
- \* MAP gives an outstanding preparation for a lifetime of vocational ministry as a trainer of God's people.
- \* MAP will help you to define the right pastoral questions to be asking at Bible College.

Since its inception in 1999, nearly 75 South Australian men and women from a variety of church backgrounds have participated in MAP and are now serving God throughout His world...

## Key Features:

### Key Features of the Ministry Apprenticeship Program include:

- \* the opportunity to work 'hands-on' with an experienced ministry trainer
- \* the provision of real areas of responsibility in a supervised and safe environment
- \* weekly participation in a formal training program with other apprentices under the guidance of experienced ministry innovators (*see sample curriculum*)
- \* formal six-monthly reviews to enable ongoing personal development
- \* invaluable experience in building long-term gospel partnerships (Ministry Apprentices receive a basic living allowance and are responsible for raising a proportion of this support)

## Formal Training:

### Formal Training and Curriculum:

The formal MAP training program is 2 hours weekly during school term, and has a curriculum which covers four broad topic areas, including:

#### Personal Growth

- Spiritual life of the pastor
- Success and failure in ministry
- Christian leadership

#### Ministry Skills

- How to write a Bible Talk
- How to work in mixed-gender teams
- How to develop a church missions strategy

#### Theological Thought

- Thinking theologically
- Responding to universalism
- Developing a doctrine of scripture

#### Exposure to Broader Ministry

- Ministry to the poor and needy
- School chaplaincy
- Prison ministry

Ministry Apprentices will also read and discuss one Christian book each term and participate in 'practical sessions' (e.g. giving a Bible Talk).

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