



# PROGRAMME SPECIFICATION

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Certificate in Christian Education  
(Primary School Teachers and Sunday School  
Teachers)



## Certificate in Christian Education

<b>Title of Award</b>	-	<b>Certificate</b>
<b>Programme Title</b>	-	<b>Certificate in Christian Education</b>
<b>Awarding Body</b>	-	St. Andrew's Theological College
<b>Teaching Institution</b>	-	St. Andrew's Theological College
<b>Last Reviewed</b>	-	June 2010

### 1.0 Mission Statement of Institution:

The mission of St. Andrew's Theological College (SATC), grounded in its motto *adduxit eum ad Jesum* (and he brought him to Jesus), is to provide programs of training that prepare its students for leadership marked by faith, integrity, scholarship, and competence in the Church and in the wider community.

### 1.1 Program Mission Statement:

The mission of the Certificate in Christian Education program of SATC is a Christian response to God:

- To equip the Church of Christ of the Twenty-first Century to serve the world loved by God,
- To motivate and train men and women for leadership, ministry and service, through quality tertiary education that is Reformed and ecumenical, holistic and contextual.
- To enable an understanding of faith and the development of pastoral/caring skills to ensure effective engagement with pastoral situations of people who belong to pluralistic, post-colonial, third world societies.
- To replace unacceptable elements of Euro-American modernized Christianity.



## 2.0 Programme Aims:

St. Andrew's Theological College seeks to provide sound theological education with a view to equipping and training persons in an ecumenical setting for various forms of Christian Ministry locally, regionally and internationally.

The programme aims to help students:

- Develop a better understanding of the Christian faith and to enable them to be more effective Christian witnesses in the **church and school community**.
- Develop the values, attitudes and characteristics in keeping the Church's doctrinal position.
- Develop a **basic** historical, biblical, and doctrinal knowledge of the Scriptures in relation to the other disciplines.

The Certificate in Christian Education programme is taught over a six (6) month period and requires students to take a total of 150 credit hours.

## 3.0 Programme Learning Outcomes:

### 3.1 Knowledge & Understanding

Outcomes

On successful completion of this programme students will have:

- A **basic** biblical knowledge of Scriptures in the context of their faith.
- A **basic** understanding of the fundamental doctrines of the Presbyterian Church of Trinidad and Tobago

### 3.2 Practical Skills

Outcomes

On successful completion of this programme, students shall have the ability to:

- Develop and maintain good interpersonal skills
- Communicate more effectively

### 3.3 Attitude



## Outcomes

On successful completion of this programme, successful students shall demonstrate the following attitudes:

- Accountability
- Magnanimity
- A deep sense of Commitment, devotion and loyalty
- Honesty and Integrity
- Spiritual maturity

### 3.5 Ministerial Formation

#### Outcomes

On successful completion of this programme, student shall show evidence of:

- Personal growth and understanding of self as it relates to the teaching ministry of the church and the demands of ministry with personal lifestyles and values.
- Spiritual development and personal faith foundational to one's life and teaching ministry

### 3.6 Teaching and Learning Strategies:

- Class participation
- Class presentations
- Interactive sessions facilitated by lecturers.
- Reading assignments
- Projects
- Use of pedagogical methods of education

### 3.7 Assessment Methods:

Students' intellectual skills in relation to their overall attitude are assessed through, individual and group presentations, case studies, projects, participation in class and practicum.

## 4.0 Programme Structure and Requirements



The Certificate in Christian Education requires students to take a total 150 credit hours. The programme is offered as Saturday morning classes with **part time** enrolment. The normal length a full time student spends on the programme is six (6) months.

Graduation from SATC is based on a combination of academic performance, personal and spiritual development. In addition to grades the student must also complete all other assignments.

## **5.0 Admission Requirements**

There is no age limit requirement for this programme. A student may meet any of the following two requirements:

- A Secondary School Education
- Mature students will be considered.

## **6.0 Programme Curriculum**

The curriculum is designed to ensure that the learning outcomes identified are achieved. The programme curriculum is divided into six (6) months with compulsory courses.

The curriculum sheet shows all courses offered in this programme.

## **7.0 Assessment**

Assessments should be fair, realistic, appropriate and consistent. The assessment methods employed for the programme are listed in Section 2.7 above.

## **8.0 Indicators of Quality**

Some of the indicators used for assessing quality are:

- Curriculum review and monitoring
- Feedback from staff, students and other stakeholders
- Analysis of report
- Self evaluation



## **9.0 Support Services for Learning**

The following are support for the learning process:

- Library Services
- Computer, printer and photocopying use
- Guidance Counselling

## **10.0 Support for Graduates**

The Certificate in Christian Education is vocational and as such is intended to equip students with the necessary intellectual and personal skills, experience, attitudes and mission formation for Christian Ministry of various types.

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