# **Trinity College Bristol and Bristol Baptist College**

# **Module Delivery Guide**

| Module Code           | TMM1407 | Title    | Community Development and the Church |
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| Contact Hours         | 15      | Level    | 4                                    |
| Credit value          | 10      | Convenor | Revd Dr Tim Welch                    |
| Pre-requisites        | None    |          |                                      |
| Co-requisites         | None    |          |                                      |
| Excluded combinations | None    |          |                                      |

### Aims

- To provide an overview of the nature and scope of community development and the role churches can play in this.
- To introduce students to the skills required to research and profile a community.
- To enable students to reflect theologically on the practices, methods and outcomes of community development approaches to working in and with communities.

### Content

- Examination of various models of community development and the context within which these operate.
- Introduction to the process of researching, profiling and mapping of communities.
- Exploration of the values and skills required for effective community development.
- Discussion of the role of churches and theological reflection in community development.

### **Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this module students will be able to:

#### Subject Knowledge [SSK 3]

Investigate and describe a range of models of community development and evaluate their appropriateness in different contexts, including the questions raised when relating them to the mission and ministry of the church.

#### Subject Skills [SSS 2, 3]

- Carry out basic community research, mapping and profiling.
- Reflect theologically on experiences and practices of community development, especially in relation to the life and role of the church, communicating their reflections clearly and reliably in a range of contexts.

### Key Skills [KS 1, 2, 3]

- Identify, gather and evaluate source materials for a specific purpose.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of different approaches, communicating their findings sensitively and respectfully, showing self-awareness about their own beliefs, commitments and prejudices.
- Carry out a guided task that involves: independent inquiry; management of time and resources; using IT; meeting deadlines; evaluating the task and learning from it.

# **Modes of Teaching and Learning**

- Lectures
- Research project
- Seminars
- Guided reading

#### **Formative Assessment**

Students will be expected to demonstrate engagement with the subject matter and the learning outcomes throughout the module by suitable formative assessments that encourage integrative and reflective skills.

#### **Summative Assessment**

Written assignment of 2,500 words

## **Indicative Reading List**

Ballard, P.H. and Husselbee, L., Community and Ministry: An Introduction to Community Development in a Christian Context (London: SPCK, 2007)

Evans, D. and Fearon, M., *From Strangers to Neighbours: How You Can Make the Difference in Your Community* (London: Hodder and Stoughton, 1998)

Hawtin, M. and Percy-Smith, J., *Community Profiling: A Practical Guide* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.; Maidenhead: Open University Press, 2007)

Lovell, G., Analysis and Design: A Handbook for Practitioners and Consultants in Church and Community Work (Tunbridge Wells: Burns & Oates, 1994)

Morisy, A., Beyond the Good Samaritan (London: Mowbray, 1997)

Gilchrist, A. and Taylor, M., A Short Guide to Community Development (Bristol: Policy Press, 2011)