

# FUNDAMENTALS OF TRANSITIONAL MINISTRY TRAINING



“Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry” is a three day program designed to give participants an introduction to the key concepts and practices of ministering with congregations and agencies in times of transition. (Isn't that all of them these days?)

The course has three key foundations: Understanding Transition, Systems Theory and Family Systems. These foundations are introduced at the beginning of the course and then unpacked by reflecting on transitions that

lead to new life and ministry practice. These foundations are the work of the leader amidst situations of change and transition.

While it is a stand-alone program, it is also the first phase of training that leads to being qualified as an Intentional Interim Minister. Thus, it is useful in itself for anyone in lay leadership or ordained ministry, and also for those exploring whether they are called to Intentional Interim Ministry.

## Details

**Dates:** Mon 13 Nov – Wed 15 Nov 2017

**Time:** 9.15 am—5.00 pm (each day)

**Venue:** Centre for Theology and Ministry, 29 College Crescent, Parkville

**Cost:** early bird rates by 25 Sep: \$320 metro Melbourne, \$300 non-metro. Full rate \$350.

Registration cost includes learning materials and delicious onsite catering by Sage+Grace Café.

Some low-cost onsite accommodation may be available at [Maclean House](#).

CTM [grants for continuing education](#) may be available on application.

**Registration by Mon 6 Nov :**  
<https://ucavt.goregister.com.au/ftm2017/>

## The story of FTM and IIM

Intentional Interim Ministry began in a formal way in the USA in 1980 with the inauguration of the Interim Ministry Network (IMN).

The IMN is a cooperative venture between several denominations to help churches and organisations undergoing major transitions to benefit from the short term ministry or leadership of an interim specialist.

Rather than one major single course of training for IIM, an introductory course “Fundamentals of Transitional Ministry” is now available for all leaders, followed by a longer program for people who satisfy entry requirements to train as IIM specialists.



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## The Trainer



FTM training is led by Rev Dr Rob McFarlane, Mission Education Officer for the Moreton Rivers Presbytery in Queensland, and accredited by the US-based IMN to deliver FTM and IIM courses in Australia.

## Course Review

**A previous participant says of the course:**

*The Fundamentals for Transitional Ministry is an extremely helpful course giving training to assist the current church move into a new future. Skills and insights for evaluation and action of contemporary contexts enhance ministry development. Similarly the Interim Ministry training create the capacity to lead congregations in renewal through that special space between Placements called the Interim time.*

**Peter Bachelor**