

# INTERNSHIP





# DISCOVER MORE OF WHO YOU ARE AND WHO YOU'RE CREATED TO BE WITH ALL THE FUN OF CAMP.

Are you looking for opportunities to grow in your awareness of who you are, and who you're created to be?

Do you want to be stretched and grown in your faith, and practically develop your leadership skills?

**COULD IT BE THAT JESUS IS CALLING YOU TO GO DEEPER WITH HIM NEXT YEAR?**

## NOT SURE WHAT'S NEXT?

The CYC Internship is a gap year program designed for young leaders aged 18-23. This stage of life is crucial to young people in developing their sense of self and their faith at the same time that they are being encouraged to make significant life choices. The Internship is designed to support participants, encouraging them to build strong foundations for all of life.

The CYC Internship seeks to engage participants in ongoing personal formation, a deeper understanding of their faith, as well as the development of practical leadership and ministry experience. This will occur through teaching, mentoring, small group discussions, practical biblical engagement as well as working alongside our awesome staff team as they make our camps happen.

As the ministry department of Christian Youth Camps, CYC Ministries is responsible for running over 50 camps, programs and events for young people, families and leaders held at our six campsites across Victoria and Tasmania.

Through this, we are able to share the gospel annually with thousands of young people and families, creating moments for them to experience a relationship with Jesus and be better equipped to live that out in their everyday life. We are also committed to the development of emerging leaders. We seek to train, develop and grow followers of Jesus that are passionate about serving through leadership, by offering the opportunity for growth and development through involvement in all of our camps and events.



## WHAT DOES A YEAR OF INTERNSHIP LOOK LIKE?

THE CYC INTERNSHIP INCLUDES THREE KEY COMPONENTS

### 1. STUDY WITH ALPHACRUCIS UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Through our partnership with Alphacrucis University College, Interns will complete either a one year Diploma of Ministry or an Undergraduate Certificate of Ministry, with the majority of classes held in person at the Alphacrucis campus in Melbourne CBD.

Students completing either route will have read through the entire Bible, prepared and delivered a sermon, completed a course on the Foundations of Christian Doctrine, grown in their relationship with God, and studied under experienced and passionate Christian leaders. This will sit alongside the practical ministry component of camp leadership within CYC.

As part of their study, Interns will also have the opportunity to participate in a **ministry exposure trip**, designed to deepen their understanding and experience of the impact of camping ministry in broader contexts.

We are excited about the opportunities that studying with **Alphacrucis** offers our Interns—not only the chance to grow in their faith and ministry skills within a cohort of students from across Victoria and beyond, but also to set a strong foundation for future pathways in ministry and further study.

For more information on **Alphacrucis University College** or the **Diploma of Ministry**, [click here](#).

#### CLASSES INCLUDED IN DIPLOMA OF LEADERSHIP

BIB009 — OLD TESTAMENT FOUNDATIONS

ACA001 — FAITH AND PURPOSE

MIN001 — INTRODUCTION TO  
PASTORAL MINISTRY

BIB010 — NEW TESTAMENT FOUNDATIONS

THE005 — INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGY

MIN012 — CHARACTER FORMATION & MINISTRY  
102 CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY

MIN003 — PREACHING



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### 2. SERVE WITH CYC

Across the year, Interns will work intentionally alongside one of the CYC staff members, supporting them in their ministry area, and also taking responsibility for some aspects of the ministry. This will allow Interns to not only experience all that CYC has to offer, but also to grow in a particular area that fits with their personal passions and gifting.

#### MINISTRY AREAS FOR FOCUS INCLUDE

TEEN CAMPS

PRIMARY CAMPS

FAMILY CAMPS

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

### 3. THE INTERNSHIP COMMUNITY

One of the best parts of the CYC Internship is getting to journey through the year with a small community of people in a similar life stage to you. As a group we will engage in hands on ministry experience and leadership development, as well as attending seminars and conferences with staff. The fun, growth and support you will experience is simply the best way to engage in formation.

#### COMMITMENTS

- Weekly Thursdays in the CYC Ministries offices including time together and ministry placement
- Engage in regular mentoring and supervision
- Opportunity to attend conferences or seminars with CYC Staff
- Recommended to have a day a week to complete study components
- In-person classes held at the Alphacrucis campus next to Queen Victoria Market. Diploma students will attend on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, while students taking the Undergraduate Certificate route will attend one day per week.
- Volunteering on at least two Holiday Camps throughout the year and leading on Equip camp.
- Intern start of year Retreat

## WHO CAN APPLY FOR THE INTERNSHIP?

- The minimum age for the Internship is 18 years
- Must hold a valid Working with Children Check
- Display a genuine Christian faith
- Show a willingness to learn and grow
- Be an existing CYC Volunteer or be able to fulfill the requirements

## HOW TO APPLY FOR THE INTERNSHIP

1

COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM AT [HOLIDAYCAMPS.ORG.AU/INTERNSHIP](http://HOLIDAYCAMPS.ORG.AU/INTERNSHIP)

2

SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS WILL BE CHOSEN FOR AN INTERVIEW PROCESS

3

SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY END OF JANUARY

## WHAT ARE THE COSTS INVOLVED?

All Interns will be enrolled in either a Diploma of Ministry or an Undergraduate Certificate of Ministry through Alphacrucis University College.

Course fees are charged at the standard rate per subject and can be fully funded through Fee Help.

There are no fees for the CYC Ministries placement component of the Internship. However, there may be some out of pocket expenses for things like transport, meals during offsite events, or optional extras.



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The internship is the year I've needed. It has been a great opportunity to rebuild and grow my relationship with Jesus, and gain a better understanding of the Bible and how to share it. CYC has provided a lot of support and care while also challenging me to advance my skills and step out into new areas. It's a journey that's transforming and takes your leadership to the next level. And of course, plenty of fun, new friendships and camps along the way.”

**ALEX**  
2025 INTERN



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I started the internship with the goals of expanding my knowledge of camps and growing in my faith. I did both of these things as well as gaining many more friendships that will last a lifetime, learning how to look more deeply into what the Bible is saying and analyse it theologically. I got to see God move in so many lives as well as my own.”

**SABRIAH**  
2022 INTERN



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What I really loved about the internship was the incredible community I built with other interns and Camp Directors. It's really helped me to grow in leadership; to be able to recognise the areas I am strong in, as well as identify and be supported in areas that I want to grow in. I've grown closer to God, and been able to explore and practice spiritual disciplines that will continue to nurture and support my faith throughout this year and onwards to next.”

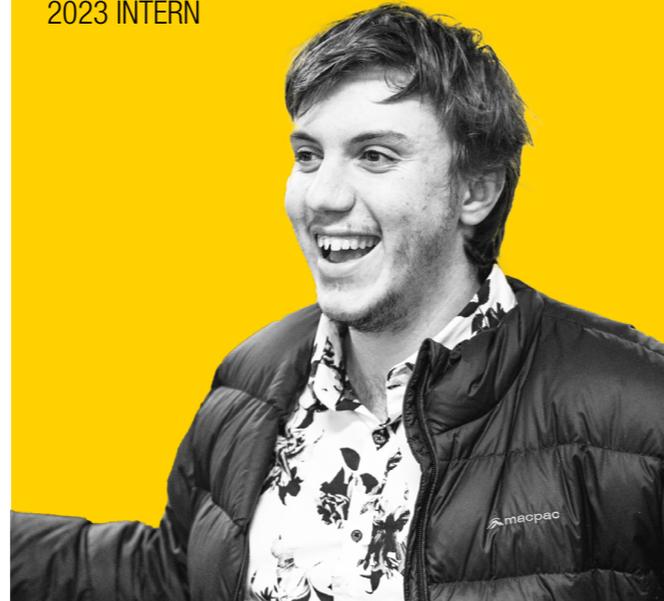
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2023 INTERN



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I loved the community that I got to be in with the other interns as well as the CYC staff, creating a bond with them that is everlasting. The internship has taught me how to become a better leader, how to lead alongside others as well as being led. I've also learned how to grow my faith, my understanding of the Bible and develop my personal vision. So do the internship, because it's an amazing opportunity to grow your faith, your leadership and knowledge about yourself.”

**SEB**  
2023 INTERN



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR THE INTERNSHIP?

The Internship begins with our Start of Year Retreat in February and concludes with a Closing Out Event in December.

Throughout the year, Interns will engage in a weekly placement day in the CYC Ministries office, alongside weekly in-person classes at Alphacrucis University College. For Diploma students, this typically means around three days of contact each week. Interns are also expected to serve on the leadership team for at least two Holiday Camps during the year.

### WHERE IS IT LOCATED?

The CYC Internship is based primarily out of the CYC Ministries offices in Ringwood, Victoria. At times we will also travel to our sites, as well as be offsite for retreats and residentials.

### WILL I LIVE ON SITE?

No, apart from attendance at the retreat and camp periods, this is not a live-in internship. You will be required to organise your own living arrangements. If you have any concerns about this, please don't hesitate to get in touch!

### CAN I GET CREDIT FOR MY STUDY AFTER THE INTERNSHIP?

Students who complete the Diploma of Ministry may receive credit for up to one full time year toward a Bachelor level qualification in a relevant field. Those who complete the Undergraduate Certificate of Ministry will also receive credit that can contribute toward the Diploma, and eventually into a Bachelor of Ministry, Bachelor of Theology, or other related degrees at Alphacrucis University College.

### CAN I WORK AT THE CAMPSITE ALONGSIDE MY INTERNSHIP?

Because the CYC Internship is based at the CYC Ministries offices not at one of our campsites, we are not able to offer work at any of our five sites. However, if you are looking for work, we can happily put you in touch with one of our Site Managers to discuss what positions they may have available.

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