



# METRO Trainer

## Application Form for 2016-17

(Note: This application form is to be submitted together with the Trainee Application)

### Introductory Information

METRO is a full time ministry training program within a local church where the METRO trainee is disciplined by a trainer experienced in gospel ministry.

Each Trainee will be enrolled in the Timothy Partnership Certificate in Academic Studies (Theology). This study will occupy on average 0.5 days per week.

METRO is ideally suited for people who are moving towards gospel ministry roles such as Church Pastor, youth ministry, women's ministry, children's ministry, and a range of pastoral assistant roles.

- Because the Certificate is accredited by the Australian College of Theology, Austudy is available for eligible students enrolled in the program. Further information about the Certificate can be found on the Timothy Partnership website. <http://timothypartnership.com.au>
- It is suggested the Trainee's church and supporters would contribute \$14,000 p.a to supplement the allowance available through Austudy (up to \$8,500).
- The METRO fund would contribute \$6,000 pa
- From the Training Fund the administration fees, course fees and materials, and material from Matthias Media will be paid.
- The Trainee should then receive approximately \$23000 depending on meeting eligibility criteria for Austudy participants.
- It is expected that the prospective Trainee and Trainer will have already developed a training relationship, for example through METRO Prep.
- It is expected that if the Trainee eventually goes to a theological college and reside in New South Wales at the time, to give strong consideration to the Christ College (formerly PTC) Sydney as the training college.

More information and details concerning the METRO course, including financial arrangements, are available at [www.metro.edu.au](http://www.metro.edu.au)

### Completing this application Form:

Please fill out this form electronically. The answer boxes will expand as you type. Once complete, please email to [metro.edu.au@gmail.com](mailto:metro.edu.au@gmail.com).

**The deadline for this application is 31 August, 2015.**

Compulsory INTERVIEWS for BOTH trainers & trainees will be held **18 September, 2015** The interviews will be held at Church Offices, Chalmers Street, Surrey Hills..

It is expected that both Trainee and Trainer will attend the interview.

## Proposed Trainer Details

Name	D.O.B.	Sex
Church		
Address		
	Postcode	
Phone (H)	Phone (W)	
Mobile	E-mail	

## Proposed Trainee Details

Name	D.O.B.	Sex
Spouse's Name		
Children & Ages		
Address		
	Postcode	
Phone (H)	Phone (W)	
Mobile	E-mail	

1. Why are you applying to participate in the METRO Scheme?

2. What is your understanding of what is required of a METRO Trainer?

3. What are your thoughts about the potential of the Trainee applicant in future gospel ministry roles? Fill this answer out with some details please.

4. Describe your present relationship with the Trainee applicant. What training/discipleship do you already share in?

5. List the Trainee applicant's personal strengths and suitability to be a METRO Trainee.

6. List the Trainee applicant's personal weaknesses and explain why they are a problem for him/her, and how they could be a problem in undertaking the METRO course and its ministry involvement.

7. What strengths and gifts do you bring as a METRO Trainer?

8. What weaknesses and hesitations do you have that might limit your effectiveness as a METRO Trainer?

9. What experience do you have as a ministry Trainer?

10. Describe what child protection requirements, Private Appointment Contract and other statutory requirements such as superannuation, tax and work cover would need to be satisfied prior to offering employment to the METRO applicant, explaining how you will address each of these concerns.

11. Please list the funding the congregation will contribute to the Trainee's wages, book purchases and METRO conference attendance.

12. Is the Trainee a communicant member of the congregation?

13. Please indicate the minimum and preferred amounts of funding the congregation would like from METRO funds.

14. The METRO Committee may withdraw funding at any time the Trainee or the Trainer fail to meet the requirements of METRO (eg failing to report regularly etc). Do you understand this and agree?

15. Having considered the relevant documents and information available from the METRO website ([www.metro.edu.au](http://www.metro.edu.au)), do you have any concerns or questions?

### Responsibility checklist

Please indicate your willingness to meet the responsibilities expected of a METRO Trainer:-

A METRO Trainer will:-

- make every effort to complete the METRO curriculum with the Trainee
- abide by the reporting schedule
- attend the annual METRO conference
- report significant problems to the Coach and report immediately if for any reason it become impossible to continue training

### Final Checklist

Please ensure:

- ✓ the Trainee applicant has completed the **Working with children checks** – available from [www.metro.edu.au/resources](http://www.metro.edu.au/resources).

Please attach:

- ✓ Arrange for an Extract Minute from the Session to indicate Session approval of the METRO Trainee.
- ✓ an extract minute from the Congregational meeting approving the application by the proposed trainee and all proposed funding arrangements.
- ✓ a Church budget for the employment of the proposed METRO Trainee for the next two years.
- ✓ the Trainee application.
- ✓ a photo of yourself.

and email to [metro.edu.au@gmail.com](mailto:metro.edu.au@gmail.com)

Thanks for taking the time to fill out this application.

After the interview the committee will endeavour to let you know as soon as possible afterwards, the success or otherwise of your application and any other relevant further information.