## **Launching Campus Ministry (With Everything Else On My Plate?)**

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You may be wondering how to do campus ministry when you already have another full-time job like youth pastor, young adult pastor, senior pastor, student, or faculty instructor. Because every post-secondary institution is different, and every leader is uniquely gifted, there is no detailed blueprint for campus ministry that can be universally applied. However, <u>Serve Campus Network</u> has identified five onramps to engage campus ministry. Our five models include student clubs, chaplaincy, church based, campus church, and creative (C5). The student club and creative models take less time to establish. The 5 "C's" are not necessarily independent models. One can lead or overlap with another. They are fluid and can coexist. The goal is for each model to have disciple making at its core.

Our strategy serves as a guideline which must be adapted to your schedule. Your "little" is something God can greatly use and multiply like the 5 loaves and 2 fish in Luke 9:10-17. You do not have to do it alone. Students are the key front-line people to empower!

- **Staying focused on the Vision**: Discipling future leaders on Canada's post-secondary campuses by building Jesus-focused campus communities.
- 2. Values & Strategy: Summed up in Acts 2:42-47
  - a. Genuine Worship: Whole life, passionate and real.
  - b. <u>Fervent Prayer</u>: Nehemiah wept in prayer, mobilized teams, and worked hard to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem (Nehemiah. 1).
  - c. <u>Vibrant Fellowship</u>: Developing a hospitable community of faith on campus. A place where the non-churched can experience Jesus.
  - d. <u>Intentional discipleship</u>: Spiritual formation of character and skills impartation that perpetuate multiplication. Training and mobilizing student servant leaders to be disciple makers (2 Tim 2:2; Matt. 28:18-20).
  - e. <u>Deliberate mission</u>: Adaptive to the Holy Spirit's movement. Tangible and credible demonstration of the gospel in both word and deeds

## 7 Action Steps If You Have 8 Hours (Or Less) A Week On Campus

- 1. <u>Be available:</u> (2.5 hours.) Meet on campus or online to disciple key students. Maybe take a class.
- 2. <u>Network and pray:</u> (1 hour.) Connect with Christian students and professors to share the campus vision. Gather students from your church for a vision cast/prayer time. Organize a campus prayer walk with students and faculty. Fast a meal, day, or longer. Do a weekly campus prayer meeting.
- 3. <u>Planning and administration</u>: (30 min.) Train, delegate, and empower! Students are great at running social media, planning socials, outreach, worship, and facilitating small groups, etc.

- 4. <u>Launch a student club</u>: (30 min.) Starting a campus club is accomplished by gathering 10-15 students for official approval. Check your local campus about club application requirements.
- 5. Weekly group meeting: (1.5 hours.) This can be a small group or larger group with small group breakouts during the meeting. The main thing is to develop an intentional discipleship community on campus which does not necessarily look like a duplicate church service.
- 6. <u>Mission/Outreach:</u> (1 hour.) Mobilizing students in your church to hand out free gum/welcome to campus gifts, pancake breakfast, surveys etc. Be a generous producer rather than a consumer. Gather students for <u>Alpha Online</u>. Launch <u>Red Frogs</u> to bring harm reduction to your campus.
- 7. <u>Get coaching</u>: (1 hour) Stay encouraged and accountable with a seasoned campus worker.

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## **C5** Campus Ministry

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