**Ministry Associate Training**

**Our Church**

Shatin Anglican Church (STC) is an international, English-speaking evangelical church of about 300 weekly attending members. We are a growing congregation that seeks to send Christians to every sector of Hong Kong society and beyond. We are a daughter church of St. Andrew’s Church, Kowloon.

**What is it?**

Shatin Anglican Church offers the Ministry Associate Training to provide an intensive training in gospel ministry for those showing leadership potential. It combines Biblical and theological training with hands-on ministry experience alongside a member of the staff team in an international church setting.

The main components of the scheme are:

1. **Mentoring and supervision by a church staff** **member** – the apprentice will meet with his mentor to help him grow in his ministry.
2. **Formal theological training** – the church will provide funding for the correspondence course offered through Moore College, Australia and will allow time for him to meet with a group of people who are doing the course in Hong Kong. In partnership with St. Andrew’s and Ambassador churches in Hong Kong, STC will provide other practical training opportunities.
3. **Practical ministry** – the apprentice will gain significant ministry experience in a few areas of ministry, which could include children’s, youth, young adults, pastoral care, discipleship…etc.
4. **Funding** – the apprentice will receive a stipend of $10,000 HKD per month.

STC will require the apprentice to commit to serving for one or two years on a full time basis.

**Who should apply?**

STC apprenticeship scheme is suitable for:

* committed evangelical Christians who are already active in church life and are seeking to grow more as lay leaders in the church.
* those who are willing to learn from their supervisor; those who are teachable.
* those who are able to work as part of a team.
* those who are exploring the possibility of full time ministry and want to gain significant experience before committing themselves to it.
* adults of all ages, recent graduates or those who want to take time out from their working life.
* both Hong Kong residents and internationals.

**Application**

* We’ll be accepting applications until the position is filled.
* Contact heewoo@shatinchurch.org.hk for further information and to submit your application.

**Application**

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| Full name |  |
| Address |  |
| Telephone | (M)(H) |  |  |
| Email address |  |  |  |
| Date of birth |  | Marital status |  |
| Nationality |  | If you are not a Hong Kong resident, do you have a relevant visa? | Yes / No |
| **Current Employment/Study** |
| Current occupation/course of study |  | Period of notice required |  |
| Current employer /place of study |  | Address |  |
| Name and occupation of referee with current employer/ place of study |  | May we approach them for a reference now? |  |
| **References** (Two must be provided: one character and one from a church leader) |
| Name |  | Name |  |
| Address |  | Address |  |
| Telephone number |  | Telephone number |  |
| Email address |  | Email address |  |
| Occupation |  | Occupation |  |
| How do they know you? |  | How do they know you? |  |

\*\* Please attach your curriculum vitae to this application form (no more than two pages)

1. Which is your current local church and how long have you been a member there?
2. What areas of the church life and ministry have you been involved in?
3. What leadership responsibility have you had – both within church and in other contexts?
4. Outline your reasons for applying to become an Apprentice.
5. What are your current thoughts about what you may do after the Apprentice scheme?
6. What would you consider to be your personal strengths?
7. Name up to three areas which you might consider weaknesses
8. Mention some books that you have particularly enjoyed, and which of them have made a particular impact on you in recent years? Why?
9. What do you consider to be the key elements of the Christian gospel?
10. In what areas do you see your own spiritual and natural gifts developing? Give current examples if that helps.
11. Is there any other information you would like to include in your application?

**Appendix**

**Medical History** (Please state, with dates, any serious illnesses, operations or breakdowns)

Do you suffer from any recurring ailments? Yes / No

If yes, please provide details

Have you been absent from work/study through illness for more than 3 days in the last year? Yes / No

If yes, please provide details

**Disclosure of Criminal Record**

Have you been convicted of a criminal offence? Yes / No

Please provide details with dates (excluding minor motoring offences)

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To the best of my knowledge and belief, I confirm that the information I have provided on this form is correct.

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Signature Date

Please return to Rev. Heewoo Han at heewoo@shatinchurch.org.hk or mail it to Kings Wing Plaza 2, 8/F K, Shek Mun, New Territories, Hong Kong.