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MOORLANDS
COLLEGE

Strategic Direction

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Moorlands College exists to equip people, passionate about Jesus Christ, to impact the church and the world.

Moorlands is a non-denominational college based just outside Christchurch in Dorset. Our passion is that education is transformative and impactful. We have delivered Higher Education programmes, validated by the University of Gloucestershire, since 1995, and approximately 1,500 people have graduated with a Bachelors or Masters degree.

We are focused on four primary goals:



1. To increasingly equip students to impact the church and world

This grounds us as a discipleship-orientated, supportive community, developing resources for flexible delivery, building research capacity, and broadening the portfolio of courses offered.



2. To secure financial sustainability

While the global pandemic has a lasting legacy, we are focused on ensuring a robust business model that will take us into the future. This includes increasing income from non-HE provision, increasing efficiencies in our work, and working on a sustainable recruitment model.



3. To achieve greater independence and security through receiving Degree Awarding Powers

Given suitable conditions, the College will look to apply to the Office for Students for DAPs, which has been a long-term aspiration of the College.



4. To ensure staff are well supported and equipped to deliver their roles

The greatest asset of the College is the staff team, and work is being done to strengthen our people management, in particular improving communication and inspiring a positive working culture.

An uncompromising passion for transformative, theological education.



Global impact

Our School of Language and Scripture is run in partnership with Wycliffe Bible Translators. Our post-graduate programmes are some of the most accessible in the world, and align with SIL International Standard Learning Objectives making them the go-to option for Scripture translation and literacy mission.



Church and public square

Students do not study in a vacuum, but are embedded in communities of practice. All undergraduate students have supervised placements, and MA Applied Theology students typically draw on their own contexts, whether schools, churches, prisons... law firms – nothing sits outside of Christian concern for human flourishing.



Nationally recognised

Since 1999 Moorlands has offered the BA Applied Theology (Youth and Community Work), with JNC professional youth worker status awarded to graduates. We are now one of just two Christian providers with this recognition from the National Youth Agency (NYA).



Our community

Moorlands College aspires to be a community that reflects biblical values in all of its attitudes and activities. The community is made up of a range of ages, nationalities, church backgrounds and abilities, making it a rich and welcoming place to study.

We do things with:

Humility

Recognising our dependence on God and need for his grace, teachable and open to feedback, accessible, acknowledging weaknesses alongside strengths, seeking to serve in community.

Integrity

Conducting ourselves in line with the College's mission and supporting documents, ensuring accountability, committed to truthfulness and consistency.

Respect

Honouring others, seeing their potential, listening well, willing to challenge, recognising boundaries, avoiding gossip, open to discussion and debate.



Moorlands is a place where stories of personal transformation, encouragement and achievement are created and celebrated. As a graduate myself, I know first hand the wholistic investment made, and the support given.

*- Andy du Feu
Principal of Moorlands College*