How does the course work?

The course will be delivered by CMS and partner dioceses. This gives a rich mix of contexts and approaches. There are six module weekends: two experienced pioneer practitioners co-facilitate each module. The modules run from Saturday morning 9am to Sunday 1pm. Learning is hybrid a mix of online, onsite and streamed over the year. The course is hosted by the local Hub leader and a chaplain offers pastoral care.



What are the dates for the module weekends?

17-19 January, 15/16 March, 10/11 May, 5/6 July, 13/14 September and 15/16 November 2025

Where do modules take place?

The first module will be held at Hilfield Friary in Dorset where all new students can get to know each other in person. Three modules will be streamed. You will be in your local 'hublet' group connected to the other groups via Zoom. One module will be entirely on Zoom from your own home. The final module will be 'in person', location to be confirmed at induction.

How will you evaluate my learning?

We set two tasks after each module. In them we ask you to demonstrate what you've learned in whatever way suits you best. You get positive written feedback on your work and advice on how to extend your thinking or practice.

How do I apply?

Register your interest as soon as possible with Lindsey Morgan-Lundie (details below). If you want to talk to someone first who has done the course she will sort that out for you.

There will be two rounds of applications.

Round one

Taster sessions: 16 or 26 June 2024 Application Form Deadline: 30 June 2024

Round two

Taster sessions: 12 or 29 September 2024 Application Form Deadline: 11 October 2024

After you apply you will meet with one of the course leaders and a CMS representative. If you are accepted there will be an **induction session on Sunday December 1st 10am—4pm online.**

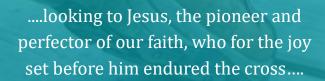
If you would like a look at some outcomes from the 2022 course, go here: https://prezi.com/ view/WrIAY0wLZEs5gWsHxZmq/

Want to find out more?

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CMS Certificate in Pioneer Mission 2025



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Hebrews 12:2

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What is pioneer mission?

- learning to pay attention to what God is doing in the world and joining in
- which means reading the local context and valuing the local culture, then
- sharing the gospel in appropriate ways
- and partnering with local people to create a new contextual Christian community for people who wouldn't normally join one.

Is the course for me?

Are you:

- someone who starts things?
- pioneering something?
- looking to develop your understanding of mission for your context?
- excited by the idea of sharing ideas and experience with other pioneers?
- looking for an opportunity to study locally?
- able to commit to six weekends and twelve evenings, as well as time for preparation, reflection and demonstrating your learning?
 ...then the course may be for you.

Inclusion

We try to vary learning activities to meet different needs and preferences. We hope you will find this out for yourselves, but let us know if you have particular requests or suggestions on what you will need to thrive or how we can improve our practice in this area. We have an Inclusion Adviser and you can contact her via Lindsey Morgan-Lundie (contact info overleaf).



Last year's cohort at the first module July 23

What will I learn?

The course consists of six modules:

- What is pioneer mission?
- The Bible in context
- Doing theology
- Mission spirituality
- Mission ecclesiology
- Pioneering in the rural church

You will be part of a small group where you can grow deeper relationships and a support network. This will meet on two evenings between each module and be facilitated by a pioneer practitioner.

Cost

Students selected from Truro Diocese - fees will be sponsored, with the exception of travel, accommodation and meals on the two weekends away from the Diocese. Students applying from other church backgrounds will be charged £40 per module plus other expenses for the weekends away, these will be kept to a minimum wherever possible. Your church may be willing to contribute.

How can I use what I've learnt?

When you have completed the Certificate you may feel called to be recognised by your local parish or benefice as a Local Lay Pioneer. This means you can pioneer in your local community under the oversight of your church leadership team following a short service of recognition in your local church or deanery.

Meet a former student:

It's been such a valuable experience to look at mission in the local context. To take the written words out of the text books and apply that learning to the place that I live. It's opened my eyes to what's unseen in my community. Challenging my understanding of what it means to live on the margins of society. Learning about mission in a creative and inclusive way supported by like minded people has been an amazing experience.



'This course achieves more transformation in one year than most courses in three.'

Farhad Chermahini, MA researcher

'Completely transformative. Completely changed my approach to mission. Built back my confidence. Built back my faith in church too.'