



Currently, all training for Church Related Community Work is based at Northern College, Manchester, which is part of the Partnership for Theological Education, an ecumenical federation of theological colleges based at Luther King House, Brighton Grove, Rusholme, Manchester.

The training is organised from there, but you will not have to move to Manchester to do this. Your learning is centred on a placement chosen by the College and your Synod near to your home. Your time spent on a placement varies with a minimum requirement of 8 – 10 hours a week.



## Stipendiary Church Related Community Work

CRCW's in training normally full-time for 4 years for the Foundation Degree (FdA) or BTh (University of Chester.)

Some students choose to take the BTh or MA in Contextual Theology. For those studying to be Church Related Community Workers about 50% of the course is in Theology and 50% in Community Development.

- 12 hours (on average) a week are spent working in a church related community placement or secular placement near to your home.
- You will normally live at home where you are now (although some people have chosen to move to Manchester).
- You will be given a Placement Supervisor and Consultant.
- There are 6 modules taught in 1 year, delivered in blocks, based around an extended weekend. Many of these have been re-designed in a creative way to combine community work with those of contemporary theological and biblical study insights, as well as drawing on the resources of Pastoral Theology.
- During weekends (Friday evening until Sunday) in these blocks of time you will normally be studying Theology. At other times, you will normally be studying Community Development. During these sessions and for your assignments, you will be expected to make connections with your placement experience.
- Accommodation is available during block teaching sessions at Luther King House. The United Reformed Church normally pays your fees and provides a maintenance grant.
- The course is endorsed by the England Standards Board for Community Development Training.



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