

Immerse pre-placement training – Sample topics

Weekly Modules	Core Teaching sessions (relating to the module)	Ministry & practical skills sessions (relating to the module)	Personal projects/ presentations	In-depth Bible study led by staff	Other topics (spread over the 4 weeks)
1. God Who is God?	Doctrine of God Character of God Biblical basis for mission Theology of suffering	Different worldviews/religions	Presentation on majority worldview of placement location	Romans <i>Or</i> Colossians <i>Or</i> Corinthians	<p>Personal/practical: Transition Staying healthy Personal Security & Safety Communications & media Support-raising Writing prayer letters Finance on the field Living in a context of Poverty</p> <p>Ministry related: Teambuilding SIM history/ core values Loving our neighbour Mentoring/Coaching Learning styles Language-learning principles & tips Safeguarding Communicating clearly</p>
2. Scripture How do I know the truth?	God’s Revelation Authority of Scripture Bible Overview	Bible study skills - Personal - 1 to 1 - Small group - Exposition? Gospel outline / evangelism	Presentation on ‘Why mission?’		
3. Discipleship How do I live a gospel-centred life?	Prayer Holiness Fruit of the Spirit Disciplines of Grace	Spiritual warfare Spiritual vitality & Resilience Relationships & conflict Purity	Preparation & leading of small group bible study Meeting with mentor on discipleship areas to focus on		
4. Culture & Contextualisation How do I express my faith so others can understand?	Gospel & Culture Contextualisation Christian worldview	Understanding own worldview & culture (cultural basics) Biblical v. cultural issues in discipleship Working in multicultural teams Urban ministry Mission in reality (missionary-led session)	Research on bridges for communicating gospel in specific placement context		

Throughout the four weeks:

Non-classroom learning / experience: Morning prayer with rest of Serving In Mission team; Immerse group bible studies & worship times; meet with SIM staff mentor