

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ABOUT THE MASTER OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

The Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (MACM) is a professional degree designed to prepare men and women for specialized ordained and lay ministry. The MACM degree requires 48 semester hours. The minimum amount of time to complete the program is two years, but it is normally completed within three years.

The core curriculum consists of 27 hours and is designed to provide students with essential, classical foundations for ministry. The core curriculum is broken into the following areas of study: Biblical Studies, Historical and Theological Studies, and Spiritual and Vocational Formation. Students then choose a required specialization according to calling and interest.

Faculty advisers are available to counsel students relative to curriculum selections. Throughout the curriculum, students are led to develop their spiritual lives and to engage in theological reflection and dialogue.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION

The Christian Education specialization is well rounded to encompass topics associated with contemporary Christian education ministries. Courses include topics in age-based ministry for children and youth, adult Christian education, biblical teaching for all ages, study of the biblical, theological, historical and education foundations of the current practice of Christian education, and studies of the life and work of ministers in Christian education. Graduates will be well prepared to lead educational programming and initiatives within a church setting or other Christian organization.

MASTER OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION

21 hours of Specialization

DIVI 6000—Introduction to Christian Education (3 hrs.)

DIVI 6020—The Christian Educator (3 hrs.)

DIVI 6xxx—Christian Education Elective (3 hrs.)

DIVI 6141—Teaching the Bible with Youth and Adults (3 hrs.)

DIVI 6301—Teaching Preschoolers and Children (2 hrs.)

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DIVI 6359—Special Topics in Age Group Ministry (2 hrs.)

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DIVI 6320—Biblical and Theological Foundations for Age Group Ministry (2 hrs.)

DIVI 4300—The Ministry of Preaching (3 hrs.)

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DIVI 4422—The Ministry of Writing (3 hrs.)

Electives (4 hrs.)