

# CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP

## 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 with students relative to curriculum selections. Throughout the curriculum, students are led to develop their spiritual lives and to engage in theological reflection and dialogue.

## CONGREGATIONAL LEADERSHIP SPECIALIZATION

The Congregational Leadership specialization prepares students for pastoral or lay leadership and care within the church. Courses include an examination of the roles and responsibility of a minister, foundational principles of Christian worship and leadership, effective preaching techniques, studies in church administrative responsibilities, and practices of pastoral care within a church community. Students will also complete one semester of supervised ministry, where they have the opportunity to explore and learn practical skills in a ministry context.

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## 21 Credit Hours

DIVI 8040—Life and Work of the Minister (2 hrs.)

DIVI 8050—Supervised Ministry (3 hrs.)

DIVI 4000—Christian Worship (3 hrs.)

DIVI 4300—Ministry of Preaching (3 hrs.)

DIVI 5100—Congregational Leadership and Administration (3 hrs.)

DIVI 5400—Pastoral Care (3 hrs.)

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DIVI 5600—Counseling and Christian Ministry (3 hrs.)

Electives (4 hrs.)

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



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