

WORSHIP STUDIES (M.A.) - SONGWRITING

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Foundational Studies Courses		
WRSP 501	Principles of Worship and Ministry	3
WRSP 510	Biblical Foundations of Worship	3
WRSP 650	Bibliography & Research in Music & Worship	3
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
Worship Studies Courses		
WRSP 502	A History of Worship Music	3
WRSP 520	The Role of the Worship Leader	3
WRSP 635	Building a Theology of Worship	3
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
Songwriting Cognate		
WMUS 526	Songwriting Seminar	3
WMUS 550	Applied Music	3
WMUS 630	Principles of Worship Technology	3
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
Practical Skills in Worship Courses		
Choose two of the following courses:		6
WMUS 524	Analytical Techniques for the Worship Leader	
WMUS 525	Advanced Contemporary Arranging Techniques for Worship	
WMUS 550	Applied Music	
WMUS 600	Music Resources and Literature for Worship Leading	
WMUS 610	Tools and Techniques for Contemporary Worship	
WMUS 630	Principles of Worship Technology	
WRSP 530	Principles of Leadership for the Worship Leader	
WRSP 540	Current Issues in Worship	
WRSP 545	Global Worship	
WRSP 551	Building a Balanced Worship Ministry	
WRSP 645	The Role of the Pastor with the Worship Leader	
Total Hours		6

Code	Title	Hours
Research Studies Courses:		
WMUS 692	Graduate Music and Worship Comprehensive Exam	0
WRSP 689	Master's Thesis Proposal and Research ^{1,2}	3
Choose one of the following courses:		0

Code	Title	Hours
WMUS 687	Music and Worship Ministry Project ^{2,3}	
WMUS 691	Worship Lecture Recital ^{2,3}	
WRSP 690	Thesis ^{2,3}	

Total Hours 3

¹ Any student who needs to enroll in WRSP 689 more than 3 times needs the approval of School of Music administration.

² Any student who is not ready for enrollment in their choice of WMUS 687, WMUS 691, or WRSP 690 after completing WRSP 689 may be required to repeat WRSP 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in WMUS 687, WMUS 691, or WRSP 690.

³ Choose one of the following courses: WMUS 687², WMUS 691², or WRSP 690².

All Applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 2.0 GPA
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
WRSP 501	Principles of Worship and Ministry	3
WRSP 510	Biblical Foundations of Worship	3
WMUS 630	Principles of Worship Technology	3
Hours		9

Second Semester		
WMUS 526	Songwriting Seminar	3
WRSP 502	A History of Worship Music	3
WRSP 650	Bibliography & Research in Music & Worship	3
Hours		9

Second Year		
First Semester		
WRSP 520	The Role of the Worship Leader	3
WRSP 635	Building a Theology of Worship	3
Practical Skills Elective ¹		3
Hours		9

Second Semester		
WMUS 550	Applied Music	3
Practical Skills Elective ¹		3
WRSP 689	Master's Thesis Proposal and Research	3
WMUS 692	Graduate Music and Worship Comprehensive Exam	0

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Course	Title	Hours
Research Studies Elective ²		0
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	Hours	9
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	Total Hours	36

¹ Choose one of the following courses: WMUS 524, 525, 550, 600, 610, 630, WRSP 530, 540, 545, 551, or 645

² Choose one of the following courses: WMUS 687, 691, or WRSP 690