

MASTER OF ARTS IN WORSHIP STUDIES (M.A.)

Purpose

The Master of Arts in Worship Studies program equips and trains worship pastors. It prepares students to excel in a variety of worship cultures and contexts within the evangelical community.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Apply practical worship leadership skills in various ministry contexts.
- Evaluate pastoral care principles and ministry insights required to oversee the daily functions of worship ministry.
- Synthesize biblical principles and research of the literature of the discipline into a worship ministry approach that is doctrinally sound and contextually relevant.

Program Specific Admission Requirements

In addition to the general admission procedures, applicants to the **Master of Arts in Worship Studies** program must meet the following requirements:

1. Completion of an earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education e.g., SACS, TRACS, ABHE, etc.).
2. An undergraduate cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 (on a 4.00 scale). Applicants with a GPA of 2.00 to 2.99 (on a 4.00 scale) may be considered for admission on Academic Caution.
3. TOEFL Scores for students who speak English as a second language (score of 600 paper –based test; 250 computer-based test, 80 internet-based test).

Transfer Credit

Transfer students will be required to submit transcripts for evaluation as per the normal process established by the University. Students may transfer a maximum of 18 hours of coursework from an accredited institution. In order to be eligible for transfer, course work must have a minimum grade of C-, and must have been completed within the past 10 years. Credits from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty University are considered transfer credits.

Programs of Study

Delivery Format: Residential and Online

- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Ethnomusicology
- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Leadership
- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Worship Techniques

Delivery Format: Online Only

- Worship Studies (M.A.)
- Worship Studies (M.A.) - African American Worship
- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Pastoral Counseling

- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Songwriting
- Worship Studies (M.A.) - Worship Technology

Career Opportunities

- Choir director
- Director of international worship ministries
- Director of worship ministries
- Minister of music
- Missionary
- Professor
- Program director for contemporary worship
- Vocational worship leader
- Worship pastor