MASTER OF ARTS IN APPLIED MINISTRY (M.A.)

Purpose

The **MA in Applied Ministry** program prepares individuals for a variety of ministry positions within church and parachurch settings. Careful consideration is given to the influence that the gospel has on life, work and ministry endeavors. The degree takes a three-pronged approach in educating its majors in the foundations of Christianity, principles and practice of Christian ministry, and an additional non-Divinity specialization.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Articulate a biblical rationale for formational gospel-centered ministry that draws on the literature of the disciplines as they relate to biblical ministry principles.
- Apply key integrated principles, skills, and strategies necessary for ministry implementation and leadership in contemporary ministry settings.
- Explore formational ministry principles and strategies that relate to the modern-day ministry practitioner.

Program of Study
Delivery Format: Online Only

- Applied Ministry (M.A.)

Areas of Study
Divinity Area of Study (Required)

Select 9 credit hours from a divinity area of study below. All applicable prerequisites must be met.

Chaplaincy

Code	Title	Hours
CHPL 500	Introduction to Chaplaincy Ministry	3
CHPL 598	Spiritual and Professional Development of the Chaplain	3
A 600 level CHPL course for which all prerequisites have been met		3
Total Hours		**9**

Church Ministry in the Digital Age

Code	Title	Hours
CLCM 510	Constructing a Theology of Networks for the Digital Age	3
CLCM 520	Spiritual Formation in the Digital Age	3
CLCM 530	Creating Christian Community Online	3
CLCM 540	Introduction to Ministry in the Digital Age	3
Total Hours		**12**

Church Planting

Code	Title	Hours
EVCP 500	Theological Foundations for Church Planting	3
EVCP 510	The Calling and Character of the Church Planter	3
EVCP 610	Church Planting Contexts and Methodologies	3
Total Hours		**9**

Discipleship and Church Ministry

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level DSMN or CHMN not already completed in the program		3
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Total Hours		**9**

Global Studies

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level GLST not already completed in the program		3
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500-600 level GLST not already completed in the program		3
Total Hours		**9**

Homiletics

Code	Title	Hours
HOMI 500	Preparation of the Sermon	3
HOMI 605	Expository Preaching	3
Choose one of the following:		3
HOMI 612	Evangelistic Preaching	
HOMI 670	Preaching from the Old Testament	
HOMI 675	Preaching from the New Testament	
Total Hours		**9**

Humanitarian Action and Human Rights

Code	Title	Hours
THEO 615	Theological Foundations for Humanitarian Action and Human Rights	3
CLCM 501	Faith-Based Humanitarian Action and Leadership Survey	3
CLCM 600	Organizing a Faith-Based Humanitarian Response	3
Total Hours		**9**

Leadership

Code	Title	Hours
LEAD 510	Biblical Foundations of Leadership	3
500-600 level LEAD courses not already completed in the program		3
500-600 level LEAD courses not already completed in the program		3
Total Hours		**9**

Next Generation Ministry

Code	Title	Hours
CHMN 500	Foundational Leadership Models for Next Generation Ministry	3
CHMN 510	Issues and Trends in Next Generation Ministry	3
CHMN 520	Making Disciples for the Next Generation Ministry	3
Total Hours		**9**

Pastoral Leadership

Code	Title	Hours
EVAN 500	Spiritual Factors of Growing Churches	3
EVAN 670	Strategic Prayer and Spiritual Warfare	3
LEAD 625	Preventing Ministry Failure	3
Total Hours		**9**

Non-Divinity Area of Study (Required)

Select 9 credit hours from a non-divinity area of study below. All applicable prerequisites must be met.

Applied Linguistics

Code	Title	Hours
TESL 600	Introduction to TESL	3
TESL 630	Applied Linguistics I	3
TESL 633	Applied Linguistics II	3
Total Hours		**9**

Business

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level BMAL, BUSI, or MGMT course		3
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Total Hours		**9**

Christian History

Code	Title	Hours
HIST 501	Historical Methods	3
HIUS 530	American Christian Heritage	3
HIEU 566	Protestant Reformation	3
Total Hours		**9**

Communication

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level COMS course		3
500-600 level COMS course		3
500-600 level COMS course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Counseling

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level CRIS, LIFC, HSMF, MILT, or PACO course		3
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500-600 level CRIS, LIFC, HSMF, MILT, or PACO course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Early Childhood Education

Code	Title	Hours
Choose three of the following:		9
EDEC 653	Current Issues in Early Childhood Education	
EDEC 655	Organization and Administration of Pre-Schools	
EDEC 670	Curriculum and Methods for Early Childhood Education	
EDUC 501	Advanced Child Development	
Total Hours		**9**

Educational Leadership

Code	Title	Hours
Choose three of the following:		9
EDUC 638	Leadership in Educational Technology	
EDUC 642	Leadership and Supervision in Education	
EDUC 643	Contemporary Issues in Educational Policy	
EDUC 644	School Leadership in Diverse Settings	
Total Hours		**9**

Ethnomusicology

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level ETHM course		3
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500-600 level ETHM course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Exercise Science

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level EXSC course		3
500-600 level EXSC course		3
500-600 level EXSC course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Geography

Code	Title	Hours
GEOG 501	Research Methods	3
GEOG 510	Human Geography	3
500-600 level GEOG elective		3
Total Hours		**9**

Geographic Information Systems

Code	Title	Hours
GEOG 502	Introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	3
GEOG 640	Remote Sensing	3
GEOG 642	GIS for Disaster Management	3
Total Hours		**9**

Government

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level CJUS, INTL, NSEC, PSCI, PPOG, PADM, or PPOL course		3
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500-600 level CJUS, INTL, NSEC, PSCI, PPOG, PADM, or PPOL course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Linguistics

Code	Title	Hours
LANG 500	Applied Language Studies	3
LANG 501	Analysis of World Language	3

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level LING elective		3
Total Hours		**9**

Mathematics

Code	Title	Hours
500 level MATH course		3
500 level MATH course		3
500 level MATH course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Music and Worship Studies

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level ETHM, MUSC, WRSP, or WMUS course		3
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500-600 level ETHM, MUSC, WRSP, or WMUS course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Online Learning

Code	Title	Hours
Choose three of the following:		9
EDUC 629	Technology and Diversity	
EDUC 631	Foundations of Educational Technology and Online Learning	
EDUC 633	Principles of Design and Management in Educational Technology and Online Learning	
EDUC 639	Trends and Issues in Educational Technology	
Total Hours		**9**

Public and Community Health

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level HLTH course		3
500-600 level HLTH course		3
500-600 level HLTH course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Psychology

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level PSYC course		3
500-600 level PSYC course		3
500-600 level PSYC course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Sport Management

Code	Title	Hours
500-600 level SMGT or TOUR course		3
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500-600 level SMGT or TOUR course		3
Total Hours		**9**

Teaching English as a Second Language

Code	Title	Hours
TESL 600	Introduction to TESL	3
TESL 602	Curriculum, Testing, and Assessment	3
TESL 603	Teaching Grammar, Lexicon, and Pronunciation	3
Total Hours		**9**

Urban Education

Code	Title	Hours
Choose three of the following:		9
EDUC 540	Historical Perspectives in Urban Education	
EDUC 542	Culturally Responsive Teaching	
EDUC 543	Urban Schools and Communities	
EDUC 544	Research in Urban Education	
Total Hours		**9**

Career Opportunities

- Parachurch Ministry Leadership
- Associate/Youth Pastor
- Social Media Ministry
- Community Outreach Programming
- Urban and Rescue Mission Ministries
- Humanitarian Service & Crisis Relief
- Homeschooling Program Leadership
- Chaplaincy
- Marriage and Family Ministry
- Sports and Camp Ministry Leadership
- Children's Ministry
- Discipleship and Formation Leadership
- Women's Ministry Director