

COMMUNITY CHAPLAINCY (M.DIV.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. 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
Program Courses		
APOL 525	Pluralism and World Religions	3
BIBL 500	Hermeneutics and Biblical Interpretation ¹	3
BIBL 505	Language Tools ¹	3
CHHI 500	The Redemptive History of the Church	3
CHPL 500	Introduction to Chaplaincy Ministry	3
CHPL 598	Spiritual and Professional Development of the Chaplain	3
CHPL 615	Chaplain Ethics for Advisement and Pastoral Care	3
CHPL 620	Chaplain Leadership	3
CHPL 645	Chaplain Resilient Leaders	3
CHPL 655	Chaplain Evangelism and Discipleship	3
CHPL 682	Community Chaplaincy	3
CPED 631	Clinical Pastoral Education Unit I ²	6
CPED 632	Clinical Pastoral Education Unit 2 ²	6
CRIS 607	PTSD and Combat Related Trauma	3
CRIS 609	Complex Trauma and Disasters: Offering Emotional and Spiritual Care	3
GICE 500	Global and Intercultural Engagement	3
HOMI 550	Foundations of Homiletics	3
NBST 501	The Gospel, the Kingdom, and the Teachings of Jesus	3
NBST 502	New Testament Letters for the Church	3
OBST 501	Torah and Story in the Old Testament	3
OBST 502	Reading the Old Testament Poems and Prophets for the Church	3
PACO 505	Introduction to Pastoral Care and Counseling	3
PACO 603	Premarital and Marital Counseling	3
PACO 604	Crisis Intervention in Pastoral Counseling	3
THEO 505	Theological Foundations	3
THEO 540	Issues in Systematic Theology	3
Elective Courses		
Elective ³		3
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Total Hours		90

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All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 90 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 10 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Resident Format

Course Sequence

First Year

First Semester		Hours
BIBL 500	Hermeneutics and Biblical Interpretation ¹	3
BIBL 505	Language Tools ¹	3
CHPL 500	Introduction to Chaplaincy Ministry	3
THEO 505	Theological Foundations	3
Hours		12

Second Semester

CHPL 598	Spiritual and Professional Development of the Chaplain	3
NBST 501	The Gospel, the Kingdom, and the Teachings of Jesus	3
OBST 501	Torah and Story in the Old Testament	3
THEO 540	Issues in Systematic Theology	3
Hours		12

Second Year

Third Semester

CHPL 615	Chaplain Ethics for Advisement and Pastoral Care	3
GICE 500	Global and Intercultural Engagement	3
NBST 502	New Testament Letters for the Church	3
OBST 502	Reading the Old Testament Poems and Prophets for the Church	3
Hours		12

Fourth Semester

APOL 525	Pluralism and World Religions	3
CHPL 620	Chaplain Leadership	3
PACO 505	Introduction to Pastoral Care and Counseling	3
Elective ²		3
Hours		12

Third Year

Fifth Semester

CHHI 500	The Redemptive History of the Church	3
CHPL 645	Chaplain Resilient Leaders	3
HOMI 550	Foundations of Homiletics	3
PACO 603	Premarital and Marital Counseling	3
Hours		12

Sixth Semester

CHPL 655	Chaplain Evangelism and Discipleship	3
CHPL 682	Community Chaplaincy	3

CRIS 609	Complex Trauma and Disasters: Offering Emotional and Spiritual Care	3
Elective ²		3
Hours		12
Fourth Year		
Seventh Semester		
CPED 631	Clinical Pastoral Education Unit I ³	6
CRIS 607	PTSD and Combat Related Trauma	3
Hours		9
Eighth Semester		
CPED 632	Clinical Pastoral Education Unit 2 ³	6
PACO 604	Crisis Intervention in Pastoral Counseling	3
Hours		9
Total Hours		90

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