

# MASTER OF ARTS IN GLOBAL STUDIES (M.A.G.S.)

## Purpose

The *Master of Arts in Global Studies* program seeks to prepare students for effective engagement in intercultural careers and service. Students are trained in both intercultural theory (i.e., history, anthropology, worldview studies) and practical application (i.e., communication and leadership) to enable them to serve and lead in multicultural and global contexts.

## Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Articulate a biblical theology of global engagement.
- Employ critical thinking skills in addressing current issues in global engagement.
- Analyze strategy and practice based on current research, knowledge of the literature of global engagement, and practicum experience in the field.

## Program Specific Admission Requirements

In addition to the General Admission Procedures outlined in this Catalog, applicants to the *Master of Arts in Global Studies* program must have:

1. Earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent (in any field) from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., SACSCOC, TRACS, ABHE, etc.).
2. Contact information for one Pastoral Recommendation.
3. Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.00 (on a 4.00 scale)
4. Questionnaire/Personal Statement
5. 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).
6. Students who do not meet the minimum GPA of 2.0 (on a 4.0 scale) may be admitted on caution.

## Degree Transfer

### M.A., M.A.B.S., M.A.C.M. or M.A.T.S. Degree into the Master of Arts in Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) Degree

Students who pursue the Master of Arts in Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) degree after having earned the Master of Arts in Biblical Exposition (M.A.), Master of Arts in Biblical Studies (M.A.B.S.), Master of Arts in Christian Apologetics (M.A.), Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (M.A.C.M.), Master of Arts in Sports Chaplaincy (M.A.) or Master of Arts in Theological Studies (M.A.T.S.) degree may apply 18 hours from the M.A., M.A.B.S., M.A.C.M. or M.A.T.S. toward the M.A.G.S. **as allowed by the M.A.G.S. Degree Completion Plan (DCP).**

### M.A.G.S. Degree into the M.A., M.A.C.M. or M.A.T.S. Degree

Students who earn a Master of Arts in Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) degree may pursue the Master of Arts in Biblical Exposition (M.A.), Master of Arts in Christian Apologetics (M.A.), Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (M.A.C.M.), Master of Arts in Sports Chaplaincy (M.A.) or Master of Arts in Theological Studies (M.A.T.S.) degree and apply 18 hours from

the M.A.G.S. toward the M.A., M.A.C.M. or M.A.T.S. **as allowed by the student's specific Degree Completion Plan (DCP) for the M.A., M.A.C.M. or M.A.T.S.**

### M.A.G.S. Degree into the M.A.B.S., M.A.R., M.R.E. or M.Div. Degree

Students who earn a Master of Arts in Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) degree may pursue the Master of Arts in Biblical Studies (M.A.B.S.), Master of Arts in Religion (M.A.R.) or Master of Religious Education (M.R.E.) degree and apply 30 hours from the M.A.G.S. toward the M.A.B.S., M.A.R. or M.R.E. **as allowed by the student's specific Degree Completion Plan (DCP) for the M.A.B.S., M.A.R. or M.R.E.**

Students who earn a Master of Arts in Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) degree may pursue the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree and apply all 36 hours from the M.A.G.S. toward the M.Div. **as allowed by the student's specific DCP for the M.Div.**

Students may **not** earn the M.A.R., M.R.E. or M.Div. **first**, and then apply to pursue the M. A. in Biblical Exposition. (Students may earn a M.A.B.S. first, then pursue the M.A. in Biblical Exposition.) Students desiring the additional degree must submit an application for admission through the Graduate Admissions Office.

## Program of Study

### Delivery Format: Residential and Online

- Global Studies (M.A.G.S.)

### Delivery Format: Online Only

- Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) - Linguistics
- Global Studies (M.A.G.S.) - Teaching English as a Second Language

## Career Opportunities

- Cross-Cultural Worker
- Global Non-Profit and Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Service Worker
- Faith-Based International Development and Aid Worker
- Global Refugee Worker
- Church Based Global Mobilizer & Leader