

Online Master of Arts in Global Service 48 Credit Hours

Admission Requirements:

- Application and \$50 Processing Fee
- Transcripts from accredited undergraduate degree
- GPA 3.0, probationary status may be granted
- Two letters of recommendation
- Reflective essay 3-5 pages typed, double spaced
- Complete an academic writing assessment

Residency Option:

Students have the option to take classes residentially. Speak with an advisor for more details.

Graduation Requirements:

Students must earn a 3.0 GPA or higher to meet graduation requirements.

Job Outlook in Texas:



11,996 Jobs Open in 2020*



\$51,200 per year Median Earnings

Cost:

- Per Credit: \$798
- Per Course: \$2,394
- Orientation: \$200
- Total Tuition: \$38,504

Acquired Skills:

Top Hard Skills

- Spiritual Care
- Theology
 - Hospice
 - Spiritual Counseling

Top Common Skills

- Communications
- Leadership
- Planning
- Coordinating

*Filtered by the proportion of the national workforce in these occupations with a Bachelor's degree. Source Emsi Analyst 2022.

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Core Curriculum:

Orientation:

BIBM 602: GST Orientation

Orients GST students in the MACM, MAGS, and MDIV programs providing information about both curricular and co-curricular aspects of the GST community. Students will examine personal and professional identity issues by completing various assessments. Prerequisite: Admission to the MACM, MAGS, or MDIV programs. Additional fee required.

Core:

BIBM 603: Foundations of the Theology of Ministry

A cornerstone experience for students enrolled in the ministerial formation programs (MDiv, MAGS, or MACM) which introduces ministry students to the resources and practices in the fields of practical theology and contextual education. Prerequisites: Acceptance into the MDiv, MAGS, or MACM degree programs.

BIBM 657: Contexts of Ministry

Identify and explore contemporary ministry contexts. Students will study and practice methods of observation and reflection on ministry that result in an enriched practice of ministry in diverse contexts.

BMIS 619: Church and Mission

Focuses on understanding the relationship of the church to the mission of God in the world and applying that understanding to actual contexts. Explores biblical, theological, and historical themes. Considers and analyzes of specific ecclesial practices that lend themselves to contextual and missional innovation.

BIBM 678: GST Portfolio Preparation

This zero-credit module is required for all GST students preparing for their senior review.

BIMB 648: Christian Spiritual Formation

Christian spiritual formation is the process of being conformed to the image of Christ for the sake of others. This course identifies how God utilizes Scripture, people, contexts, literature, spiritual disciplines, and events to transform believers into Christ likeness.

Witness:

BIBH 674: Christian Mission in Global Contexts

Surveys the growth and development of Christianity as a mission movement during a specific period and in designated geographical areas. Emphasis on modes of contact with non-Christian religious populations and on methods of Christianizing converts. Recommended prior course: BIBH 651.

BIBL 682: Teaching Scripture in Contemporary Contexts

An examination of the challenges of a teaching ministry in contemporary church settings, with a reconsideration of the literary, rhetorical, and theological dimensions of Scripture and how Scripture shapes the processes and contents of teaching. Significant attention is given to the effects of culture on a



teaching ministry so that students may begin to develop more sophisticated curricular options for church education. Teaching methods also receive significant attention.

BIBD 678: Philosophy of Religion

Introduces the task and methods of philosophy of religion and focuses on select philosophical issues facing contemporary Christians.

BIBH 651: History of Christianity I: Early to Medieval

The development of doctrine, institutions, worship, missions and daily life in the church from post-apostolic times to the 13th century.

OR

BIBH 652: History of Christianity II: Reformation to Present

The development of doctrine, institutions, worship, missions and daily life in the churches from the 13th to 21st centuries.

BIBD 660: Systematic Theology I

Introduces the tasks and methods of systematic theology and focuses on Christian doctrines such as God, atonement, providence, human selfhood, and the church.

One Biblical text elective.

Missions:

BMIS 646: Foundations of Missional Practice

The biblical basis of missions, the nature of interpersonal identification, the concept of culture, models of communication, methods of church planting and maturation, linguistics, and field selection.

BMIS 649: Reading & Engaging Contemporary Cultures

Provides an overview of the theory and history of anthropology, including an in-depth investigation of the notion of culture. Students will engage in critical reflection on the use of anthropological theory for praxis in global context.

BMIS 650: Leadership in Intercultural Contexts

Leadership in Intercultural Contexts analyzes Christian leadership practices in intercultural contexts.

BIBM 616: Witness in Global Context

This course provides a theological orientation to the task of evangelism. The class builds upon the assumption that the gospel has certain instincts with regard to evangelism and its interface with culture. Attention is given to the implication of gospel and culture for the presentation of the gospel.

BMIS 671: Supervised Research in Missions

A faculty-supervised research project tailored to the specific needs of the student.

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