

On Campus or Online

Master of Divinity

72 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

Cost:

- Per Credit: \$798
- Per Course: \$2,394
- Orientation: \$200
- Total Tuition: \$57,656
- *Optional Thesis: \$295*

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:



9,083 Jobs
Open in 2020*



2,152
Unique Postings (9/16-12/21)



\$50,700 per year
Median Earnings

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.

Core Curriculum:

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. Zero-credit module.

BIBM 603: Foundations of the Theology of Ministry

A cornerstone experience for students enrolled in the ministerial formation programs which introduces ministry students to the resources and practices in the fields of practical theology and contextual education.

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.

BIBM 658: The Practice of Ministerial Leadership

As a part of the contextual education course sequence, this course develops leadership resources for various ministerial contexts.

BIBM 678: GST Portfolio Preparation

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

The Story of the Church - Scripture:

BIBL 610: Critical Interpretation of the Old Testament

A general introduction to the Old Testament and a special introduction to each section and each book. Special attention will be given to revelation, inspiration, canonicity, manuscripts and versions. The authorship, date, background, interpretations and critical problems of each book are studied.

BIBL 620: Critical Interpretation of the New Testament

Special introduction to the books of the New Testament with special attention to critical problems.

BIBL 611 - Old Testament Theology

A study of selected portions of the Old Testament to attempt to determine the major religious teachings of each portion.

BIBL 621 New Testament Theology

Major doctrines of the New Testament presented systematically.

9 ADDITIONAL HOURS OF TEXT ELECTIVE

BIBL, BGRK

The Story of the Church - History:

BIBH 664: Advanced Restoration History

A Study of the beginning and development of the Stone-Campbell Movement from the nineteenth to the twenty first century.

Interpretation:

BGRK 611: Elementary Greek I

An introduction to the vocabulary, grammar and syntax of the Greek New Testament and related literature.

BGRK 612: Elementary Greek II

A continuation of BGRK 611.

BHEB 671: Elementary Hebrew I

An inductive study of the elements of the Hebrew language: forms, syntax, vocabulary.

BHEB 672: Elementary Hebrew II

Continuation of BHEB 671.

The Church's Mission:

BIBM 648: 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.

OTHER ELECTIVES

Theology Elective (BIBD 600-699) - 3 Credit Hours

OR

History Elective (BIBH 600-699) 3 Credit Hours

Free Elective - 3 Credit Hours

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Ministry Track Requirements:

The Story of the Church - History

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.

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.

Interpretation

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.

ELECTIVE

Philosophy Elective - 3 Credit Hours

OR

Theology Elective - 3 Credit Hours

The Church's Mission

Ministry/Missions Electives BIMB or BMIS 600-699 - 12 Credit Hours

Optional Thesis

Consult with Advisor

Missions Track Requirements:

The Story of the Church - History

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 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.

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.

OR

BIBH 670: Issues in Global Christianity

An online seminar introducing students to factors now shaping Christianity, including the shift of the population center toward the global south, persecution, the expansion of Pentecostalism, and ecumenism.

Interpretation

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.

OR

BIBD 678: Philosophy of Religion

The Church's Mission

Ministry/Missions Electives BMIS 600-699 - 15 Credit Hours

Optional Thesis

Consult with Advisor