

Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries (Discipleship Studies)

The Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries: Discipleship Studies focuses on helping students gain insight, knowledge, and skill in applying the Great Commission and Great Commandment through the discipleship ministries of the local church. Basic skills in church organization, preaching, and/or teaching will enable students to carry out disciple-making strategies across the entire human lifespan. Vocational choices which will be enriched by this specialization include children's minister, youth minister, senior adult minister, family minister, discipleship pastor, pastor, minister of education, collegiate minister, small group pastor, church social media director, church administrator, executive pastor, Christian camp/recreation minister, and emerging generations pastor. Upon completion of this degree,

- Students will be able to communicate the message of the Bible in its historical, literary, and theological contexts (*Orthodoxy*).
- Students will be able to employ basic skills in Christian teaching in the various age-graded ministries of the local church (*Orthopraxy*).
- Students will be able to employ ongoing intellectual, emotional, physical, spiritual, and professional development as ministers of the gospel (*Orthopathy*).

General Education Requirements (44 hrs.)

The Biblical World (6 hrs.)

The Biblical Story	3 hrs.
The Christian Worldview	3 hrs.

The Cultural World (15 hrs.)

English Composition I and II	6 hrs.
World Literature I or II	3 hrs.
Philosophy	3 hrs.
Humanities elective (choose one)	3 hrs.

(*Any appreciation course or speech communication*)

The Social World (9 hrs.)

American History & Politics	3 hrs.
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(*U.S. History Before 1865 or Since 1865 or Am. Govt.*)

Western Civilization I	3 hrs.
Psychology	3 hrs.

The Natural World (14 hrs.)

Health and Physical Education	4 hrs.
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(*one hour must be physical activity*)

Natural science and mathematics	10 hrs.
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(*Must include at least one chemistry, biological science, or physical science course with a laboratory class, and one mathematics course MT1133 or higher, and excluding MT1123 Intermediate Algebra, MT 3133 Math for Teachers I, MT 4123 Math for Teachers II, GS 3213 Science for Teachers: K-6, and GS 3233 Science for Teachers: 4-8. MT 1123 Intermediate Algebra may be required if Math ACT score is less than 19. The mathematics requirement may be waived if Math ACT is 28 or higher.*)

Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Electives (10 hrs.)

Christian Ministries majors are required to take 10 elective hours outside of the Christian Ministries department.

Christian Ministries Core (30 hrs.)

Introduction to Christian Ministries	3 hrs.
Christian Doctrine	3 hrs.
Biblical Interpretation	3 hrs.
Biblical Studies electives	9 hrs.
Biblical Teaching or Preaching (choose one)	3 hrs.

(*Principles of Christian Teaching or Sermon Prep & Delivery*)

Evangelism	3 hrs.
Church Administration	3 hrs.
Supervised Ministry	3 hrs.

Discipleship Studies Specialization (18 hrs.)

Disciple-Making Church	3 hrs.
Introduction to Children's Ministry	3 hrs.
Introduction to Student Ministry	3 hrs.
Introduction to Adult & Family Ministry	3 hrs.
Biblical or Theological Studies elective	3 hrs.
Consumer Finance	3 hrs.

Minor (18 hrs.)

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Students are required to have a minor.

Total Required Hours: 120 hrs.