

# Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries (Great Commission Studies)

The Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries: Great Commission Studies focuses on preparing students for vocational work in evangelism, missions, and church planting. This specialization combines basic church leadership skills with studies in Bible, theology, and ministry. To further prepare students for such vocational careers, the specialization requires an internship in missions or church planting. Upon completion of this degree,

- Students will be able to communicate the message of the Bible in its historical, literary, and theological contexts (*Orthodoxy*).
- Student will be able to apply vital skills needed in church planting, international missions, or parachurch ministries (*Orthopraxy*).
- Students will be able to employ ongoing intellectual, emotional, physical, spiritual, and professional development as ministers of the gospel (*Orthopathy*).

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## General Education Requirements (44 hrs.)

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### 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.

(*An 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.
Social Sciences elective (choose one)	3 hrs.

(*Sociology, psychology, economics, or American govt.*)

### 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.*)

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## Interdisciplinary Liberal Arts Electives (10 hrs.)

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

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## Christian Ministries Core (30 hrs.)

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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.

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## Great Commission Studies Specialization (18 hrs.)

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Disciple-Making Church	3 hrs.
Missiology	3 hrs.
Special Studies: Church Planting/Internship	3 hrs.
Christian Ministries Department electives	6 hrs.
Consumer Finance	3 hrs.

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## Minor (18 hrs.)

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Students are required to have a minor.

**Total Required Hours: 120 hrs.**