

# MASTER OF DIVINTY (M.Div.) Program-Three-Year Degree Program

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**Purpose and Objective**: The Master of Divinity specializes in biblical interpretation and Christian theological heritage with a view towards building the Kingdom of God impacting culture and society. M.Div. students should be able to defend and articulate the Christian ethical and theological system, produce scholarly biblical and theological research, and integrate these principles in all aspects of ministry leadership, development and administration and theological research. The program has four concentrations, each dealing with a particular aspect of pastoral ministry. A minimum of 96 quarter hours is required to complete this degree. Upon completion of the program the successful student will:

- Exhibit spiritual growth as wholehearted disciples of Jesus Christ through engaging the
  recognized practices of Christian formation nourished by the Word of God and
  empowered the Holy Spirit, and be able guide others in a similar personal relationship
  with Christ.
  - Graduates will be able to articulate biblical spirituality, have a basic awareness of history of Christian spirituality, and understand respectful engagement with spiritual traditions other than their own.
  - Graduates will demonstrate godly character, exhibited by spiritual, emotional, and relational maturity, discernment, and a willingness to listen and to change.
  - Graduates will be able to lead people to a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ and to encourage the spiritual growth of Christians.
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge of the contents of the Bible and competence in biblical interpretation.
  - Graduates will understand the basic dimensions of the biblical terrain, including the contents of the English Bible.
  - Graduates will demonstrate grammatical acuity in reading and translating the Greek text of the New Testament, an ability to exegete passages from the Greek text of the New Testament.
  - Graduates will be able to communicate biblical research to a variety of audiences.

- 3. Reflect theologically on life and ministry from biblical, historical and constructive theological perspectives in ways that are consistent with evangelical orthodoxy.
  - Graduates will articulate a basic understanding of the central doctrines of historic orthodoxy and evangelical conviction.
  - Graduates will develop a capacity for theological research in several areas including theology, biblical theology, historical theology, constructive theology and ethics, apologetics/philosophical theology.
  - Graduates will demonstrate a capacity for constructive theological reflection and an ability to voice their own theological positions, culminating in a personal statement of faith.
- 4. Understand and engage their cultural context.
  - Graduates will demonstrate a basic understanding of culture, including religious expressions, and an ability to exegete the cultural settings of their ministries.
  - Graduates will articulate a biblical theology of evangelism and missions.
  - Graduates will develop an ability to communicate the gospel effectively in intercultural and/or cross-cultural settings. Graduates will exhibit a commitment to missions.
- 5. Model competent and Christ-like ministry leadership in the Church and marketplace.
  - Graduates will exhibit appropriate self-awareness of their leadership skills, abilities, and gifts.
  - Graduates will be able to articulate and execute a biblical vision and philosophy of ministry.
  - Graduates will be able to communicate the Word of God effectively to a variety of audiences.
  - Graduates will demonstrate compassionate pastoral care of people.
  - Graduates will utilize effective practices to inspire, teach, equip and mobilize for ministry those entrusted to their leadership

### **ADMISSIONS**

- 1. Must possess a bachelor's degree with a minimum of 32 semester hours of general studies from an institution accredited.
- 2. Must hold a minimum 2.5 undergraduate grade point average (4.0 scale).

3. See the Admission & Financial Information section of the catalog for information about other admission requirements.

## **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

- 1. Complete all general graduation requirements as listed earlier in this section;
- 2. Complete required program credits with at least 30 credits earned at Providence Bible College and Theological Seminary;
- 3. Approval of the student portfolio at the midpoint and end of the program;
- 4. Earn a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (4.0 scale);
- 5. Normally, complete the program within six years from the date of matriculation.

### MASTER OF DIVINITY- CONCENTRATION AREAS

### Women's Ministry, Church Ministry, Youth Ministry, Missions, Inter City Ministry

(Other courses related to your concentration could be swapped for those mentioned here. The electives/concentration can be tailored to your interests. You may establish a concentration or just take seven unrelated electives).

	WOMEN'S MINISTRY	18QH
WM 510	The Woman of Honor	3
WM 525	The Woman in Ministry	3
WM 535	Women and Marriage	3
WM 520	The Woman of Prayer	3
WM 530	Women in Relationships	3
WM 535	Women and Family	3
	CHURCH MINISTRY	21QH
CHM 507	Spiritual Leadership	3
CED 515	Educational Organization	3
CBA 502	Church Business II	3
CBA 531	Pastor Church & Law	3
CHM 513	Youth Ministries	3
CHM 525	Interpersonal Relations	3
CBA 503	Church Management Leadership	3
YOUTH MINISTRY		18QH
CMY 534	Children's Programs	3
CMY 540	Christian Camping	3
CMY 541	Recreational Leadership	3
CMY 538	Philosophy of Youth Work	3
CMY 520	Intro to Church Ministry	3
CMY 521	Sunday School Admin	3
	21QH	
ICM 501	Intro to Public Housing	3
ICM 503	Teaching GED	3
ICM 510	Intro Substance Abuse	3
CED 315	Teaching Language Skills	3

ICM 502	Intro. to Social Services	3
ICM 505	Intro. to Gang Family	3
GHS 535	Black History in America	3
MISSIONS		21QH
MM 530	Intro to Missions	3
MM 535	Cross Cultural Communication	3
MM 534	Church Planting	3
MM 538	Missionary Principles	3
MM 533	Short Term Missions	3
MM 537	Intro to Evangelism	3
MM 536	World Evangelization Strategy	3

TOTAL QHs:96

**SHs:64**