

2025-2026

PASTORAL MINISTRIES MAJOR, B.A.

Christian Ministry Department; School of Christian Studies

The Pastoral Ministries Major prepares students to serve as a pastor or staff minister in a variety of local church and parachurch settings. This program combines classical foundational studies in Biblical interpretation, Church history, and theology with practical ministry courses in leadership, pastoral formation, preaching, worship, Christian education, evangelism, counseling and contextualization. This degree is designed to meet the educational requirements for ordination in some denominations and provides a solid practical foundation for those planning to immediately go into church ministry or for those preparing for seminary.

To graduate must complete all major requirements, foundational requirements, and additional electives needed for 124 hour minimum degree requirement.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (51)

Pastoral Ministries Core (33)							
3	СМ	100	, Ministry & Mission in the Contemporary Church				
3 3 3 3	CM	201	Dynamics of Spiritual Growth				
3	CM	331	Principles of Preaching				
3	CM	380	Organizational Strategies in Ministry				
3	СМ	475	Senior Seminar				
3	EM	220	Teaching in the Church				
3	ICS	322	Contextualization: Christianity and Culture				
3	PM	400	Pastoral Care and Counseling				
3 3	PM	410	Evangelism				
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3	WA	100	Introduction to Worship Arts				
3		435	Internship (select an area – BTH / CM / ICS / PM / YM)				
Biblical/Theological/Historical Foundations (18)							
3	BTH						
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3	PM	420	Denominational Polity/History/Theology				
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3	HIS	333	History of Christianity from 1500				

3	HIS	33Z	History of Christianity to 1500
	HIS	333	History of Christianity from 1500
	ICS	250	World Christianity

PLUS FOUNDATIONS REQUIREMENTS (56)

Plus electives needed for the 124 hour degree requirement (17)