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## MASTER OF ARTS IN CHURCH MINISTRIES (48 Credit Hours)

The Master of Arts in Church Ministries (MACM) is a two-year program offering options for concentration in three areas of ministry: Discipleship and Christian Formation, Missions, and Ministry Leadership.

The program for the MACM degree is structured so that each student receives a balanced exposure to biblical, historical, and theological studies through the required courses, and develops skills and competence in one of the three areas of professional preparation.

### MACM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon graduation, students will be able to articulate, practice, and lead others to practice Pentecostal Worship, Holy Witness, and Covenant Community.

***Pentecostal Worship:*** Graduates will be able to . . .

1. Articulate a biblically-based and historically-shaped understanding of the theology and practice of Pentecostal worship.
2. With sensitivity to the Holy Spirit, creatively and collaboratively plan and lead believers into theologically faithful and contextually relevant practices of worship.
3. Lead congregations in the distinctive practices of Pentecostal worship (including anointing and prayer for the sick, altar services, spiritual gifts, the Lord's Supper, footwashing, water baptism), leading from within an identification and union with the spirituality of the people.
4. Effectively preach and teach the gospel to the variety of generations, cultures, and socio-economic groups in church and society.
5. Cultivate participation in the practices of worship in home, community, and marketplace so that worship is integrated into all areas of personal and corporate life: personal, social, private, and public.

***Holy Witness:*** Graduates will be able to . . .

1. Lead a lifestyle of personal witness and evangelism in light of the imminent return of Jesus Christ.
2. Cultivate one's personal gifts of evangelism and participate in local evangelism in the local church.
3. Develop a personal lifestyle and corporate witness to social holiness.
4. Practice the discipline of prayer for unreached people.
5. Discern and participate faithfully in the global mission and witness of the church.

***Covenant Community:*** Graduates will be able to . . .

1. Cultivate community fellowship and hospitality by modeling and nurturing healthy relationships in the local church.
2. Articulate a biblical/theological and historically faithful understanding of the corporate identity or koinonia of the Church.

3. Live and minister in accountable relationships with congregations, bishops, pastoral peers, and denominational leaders.
4. Articulate an understanding of the holistic nature of gospel practice and the Pentecostal theology of healing.
5. Practice and lead others in prayer for the miraculous and in intercessory prayer for the sick and hurting persons.
6. Contribute to the development of counter-cultural communities of faith (contrast societies) for and in the world that manifests a lifestyle of meeting needs, co-suffering, and sacrificial advocacy.
7. Work for the creation communal environments of holistic healing by responding hospitably and redemptively to the needs and concerns in their context in collaboration with other community resources.
8. Provide pastoral care, counseling, and spiritual direction appropriate to ministerial calling and relevant to the needs of persons in institutional (jails, prisons, nursing homes, hospitals, etc.), community, and church contexts.
9. Covenant with a community of ministerial peers for continuing personal accountability, mutual care and support, pastoral development, missional collaboration, and living an exemplary moral life in personal financial matters, family relationships, ministerial conduct, and in private life.
10. Exegete the Scriptures, lead group Bible study, and effectively communicate the Word.
11. Practice personal and corporate spiritual disciplines (including prayer, fasting, Bible study, waiting upon God, and personal worship) supportive of Pentecostal spirituality.
12. Reflect critically upon their story in light of the truthful biblical story in order to form the individual and the community.

### DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The MACM requires the successful completion of 48 semester hours with a GPA of 2.0 or above on a 4-point scale. Up to 24 credit hours of work may be accepted by transfer from accredited schools with a grade of "C" or better upon approval by the Vice President for Academics.

*Note: This degree program is structured with the courses to be taken in the areas of concentration. Students should consult regularly (at least twice per year) with the director of their MACM concentration.*

### DEGREE CONCENTRATIONS

The MACM degree program is designed to prepare persons for competent leadership in the following specialized areas of church ministry. Students **must** have a concentration and should complete 18 credit hours of work in one of the designated areas.

*Note: Substituting a course not listed under the selected concentration requires the approval of the concentration coordinator.*

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### **CONCENTRATION IN DISCIPLESHIP AND CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

This concentration is for those who plan to do Christian Education work in the local church, in day schools, youth camps, administrative positions, etc. For a concentration in Discipleship and Christian Formation, choose *Foundations for Christian Formation (CF 701)* and five of the following courses:

- CF 702 Inductive Bible Study
- CF 703 Human Growth and Transformation
- CF 704 The Pedagogy of the Holy Spirit
- CF 720 Teaching the Word
- CF 721 Formational Leadership
- CF 750 Children of the Kingdom
- CF 760 Ministry with Youth in the Postmodern Context
- CF 761 Discipling Youth
- CF 770 Adult Education and Ministry of the Laity
- CF 771 Ministry to Singles

### **CONCENTRATION IN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP**

This concentration is for those who do not choose to pursue the Master of Divinity degree. For a concentration in Ministry Leadership choose *Pastoral Ministries (ML720)*, *Expository Preaching (ML702)*, *Foundations for Christian Formation (CF701)*, plus three of the following courses:

- CF 722 The Disciple Making Pastor
- CO 701 Counseling Skills
- ML 701 Ministry of the Word
- ML 711 Contemporary Models of Preaching
- ML 721 Church Administration and Leadership
- ML 723 Multiple Staff Ministries
- ML 724 Leadership Training Models
- ML 725 Church Music and Worship
- ML 741 Church Growth
- ML 750 Conflict Ministry
- ML 795 Contemporary Issues in Pentecostal Ministry
- ML 798 Leading and Mobilizing Laity

For an **Urban Mission** focus under the Ministry Leadership concentration, a student would:

- a. Substitute *Foundations for Wholistic Mission (ML/WM760)* for *Expository Preaching (ML702)* or *Foundations for Christian Formation (CF701)*.
- b. Choose two (2) of the following:
  - CO 736 Intercultural Counseling
  - LC 701 Religion and Culture
  - LC 702/TS 680 Christian Ethics: Pentecostal Theology for Social Engagement
  - ML 721 Church Administration and Leadership
  - ML 722 Church Leadership
  - ML 761 Cross-Cultural Ministries in North America

- ML 796 Urban Mission Area Studies
- WM 730 Cultural Anthropology
- WM 740 Contemporary World Religions
- WM 752 Issues in Pentecostal/Charismatic Church Growth

**CONCENTRATION IN WORLD MISSION AND EVANGELISM**

This concentration is for those who plan to do any type of cross-cultural missions work, for those who are already involved in mission schools around the world, and for nationals who are planning to teach in mission schools. For a concentration in World Mission and Evangelism, choose *Foundations for World Mission and Evangelism (WM 701)*, *Cultural Anthropology (WM 730)*, and four of the following courses:

- ML 724 Leadership Training Models
- ML 741 Church Growth
- ML 742 Church Planting
- ML 760 Foundations for Holistic Mission
- ML 761 Cross-Cultural Ministries in North America
- WM 740 Contemporary World Religions
- WM 750 Pentecostal Strategies of Missions
- WM 751 Principles

**CONCENTRATION IN CHURCH PLANTING AND DEVELOPMENT**

This concentration is for those who are planting a church or plan to plant a church, and for pastors who want to realize missional revitalization in their congregation. Students can choose to focus their study on church planting among their particular ethnic/cultural group, urban church planting and cross-cultural planting. This concentration is also available in Spanish with a Latino perspective. For a concentration in Church Planting and Development, students must take Select One:

- ML742 Church Planting (for church planters), or
- ML741 Church Development (for pastors of existing churches)

Select One:

- WM730/CO778 Cultural Anthropology, or
- WM760/ML760 Foundations for Wholistic Mission (for urban church planting)

Plus:

- ML797/WM797 Area Studies
- And three electives from Area III: Studies in the Life and Ministry of the Church

*Note: Substituting a course not listed under the selected concentration requires the approval of the concentration coordinator.*

**REQUIRED COURSES**

**Area I - Biblical Studies**

CF 702 Inductive Bible Study <i>or</i> Bible Book Study .....	3
NT 501 Pentecostal Explorations of the NT <i>or</i> Book Study in NT .....	3
OT 501 Pentecostal Explorations of the OT <i>or</i> Book Study in OT .....	3

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**Area II - Historical and Theological Studies**

HT 602 Historical Theology II <i>or</i>	
TS 643 Theology of Wesleyan-Pentecostal Movement .....	3
TS 602 Pentecostal Spirituality-Theology II.....	3
Area II Elective <i>or</i> Area II Interdisciplinary Course*	3

**Area IV - Personal Formation for Ministry**

SA 801 Pentecostal Foundations for Christian Ministry and Study .....	3
SA 802-805 Community of Faith and Ministry Development Group.....	4
Ministry Practicum in the Area of Concentration ** .....	3
Capstone.....	2

<b>General Elective*</b> .....	3
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<b>Five Elective Courses in the Area of Concentration**</b> .....	15
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*\*HS650 Church of God History and Polity (Area II) is required for students seeking credentialing or advancement in rank within the Church of God.*

*\*\*The Ministry Practicum course and the five electives would constitute the total of 18 credit hours in the area of concentration. If the practicum does not have a "care component", course SA806 Care Practicum (1 credit hour) must be completed.*

**TYPICAL MACM PROGRAM SEQUENCE****First Year**

CF 702 Inductive Bible Study <i>or</i> Bible Book Study .....	3
HT 602 History Theology II <i>or</i>	
TS 643 Theology of the Wesleyan-Pentecostal Movement .....	3
NT 501 Pentecostal Explorations in the NT <i>or</i> Book Study in NT .....	3
OT 501 Pentecostal Explorations in the OT <i>or</i> Book Study in OT .....	3
SA 801 Pentecostal Foundations for Christian Ministry and Study .....	3
SA 802 Community of Faith and Ministry Development .....	1
SA 803 Community of Faith and Ministry Development .....	1
Courses in Concentration.....	9

J-Term Elective (January, June, or July) - Optional

***Total Credit Hours First Year: 26***

**Second Year**

SA 804 Community of Faith and Ministry Development.....	1
SA 805 Community of Faith and Ministry Development.....	1
TS 602 Pentecostal Spirituality-Theology II.....	3
Area II Elective <i>or</i> Area II Interdisciplinary Course .....	3
Courses in Concentration.....	6
Elective .....	6
Capstone .....	2

J-Term Course (January, June, or July) - Optional

***Total Credit Hours Second Year: 22***

**Total MACM Degree Program Requirement: 48 Credit Hours**

