

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES

## THE MASTER'S COLLEGE | DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM

The Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries provides adults with an in-depth understanding of the Word of God, equipping students with personal and spiritual disciplines necessary to become an effective servant of Christ. By learning about the character of God, theological foundations of the Church, church administration, biblical counseling, and the practical application of God's Word, students develop a strong foundation for a biblical life and gain greater clarity and understanding of what God is doing in His church. The following requirements must be satisfied prior to graduation.

### MAJOR CURRICULUM (40 UNITS)

Major curriculum courses are the core of the undergraduate studies and are designed to prepare the adult learner for effectiveness in his/her life and career.

#### **BIB302 Ministry Symposium (2)**

Establishes the foundation for building a philosophy of ministry. The class focuses on three elements that are most essential to ministry: a high view of God, a high view of God's Word, and a high view of the Church.

#### **BIB347 Expository Research (2)**

Introduces the student to the research methods that will assist them in understanding the Bible and theological concepts.

#### **BIB345 Bibliology and Hermeneutics (4)**

Equips the student with the skills to study God's Word. The course will give the student a foundational understanding of the inspiration and inerrancy of God's Word and will guide the student in understanding the skill and art of interpreting the Scriptures.

#### **BIB383 God, Christ, Holy Spirit, Angels (4)**

Exposes the student to the foundational doctrines of the Bible which will contribute to the student's philosophy of ministry. The course will focus on a systematic biblical understanding and defense of the major theological areas of study.

#### **BIB384 Man, Sin, Salvation, Church (4)**

Continues to expose the student to foundational doctrines in the Bible. This course also includes instruction concerning eschatology, the study of the end times.

#### **BIB349 Dynamics of Grace (4)**

Examines the Gospel as the energizing truth that drives the believer's sanctification. The practical nature of this course is designed specifically to address the 'disconnect' which commonly exists between faith and life—between doctrine and practice.

#### **BIB363 Christian Worldview (4)**

Provides the student with the apologetical framework for communicating the doctrines previously learned. Personal evangelism and discipleship are emphasized as an integral part of the course.

#### **BIB481 Christian Education (2)**

Exposes the student to the process of training and strengthening God's people within the local church.

#### **BIB483 Missions (2)**

Presents the biblical approach to missions, outreach, and evangelism in both the local and global church.

#### **BIB482 Biblical Counseling (4)**

Takes the believer to the next level of building the body of Christ - reproducing fully devoted followers of Christ. Students will examine what biblical counseling is, the role and qualifications of biblical counselors, and the role of counseling in the ministry of the local church.

#### **BIB385 Church History (4)**

Traces the growth and development of Christianity from the Apostolic Age to modern American Evangelism. Emphasis will be placed on the development of the major Protestant denominations and the associations emerging from the different traditions of the Reformation era.

#### **BIB486 Contemporary Issues in Church Ministry (4)**

Examines the issues and challenges facing the contemporary church. Students will be given the opportunity to take all of what they have learned in previous courses and apply it to life in the church today.

### GENERAL EDUCATION (61UNITS) & ELECTIVES (21 UNITS)

General education courses are intended to introduce undergraduates to the richness and diversity of the various academic disciplines. Elective courses give students the opportunity to take courses in other areas that interest them.

Essentials of Christian Thought (3)  
Old Testament Survey I, II (3,3)  
New Testament Survey I, II (3,3)  
Christian Theology I, II (3,3)  
English Composition (3)  
Essentials of Literature (3)  
Literature Elective (3)  
Spoken Communication (3)  
Essentials of Music and Art (3)

Essentials of Philosophy (3)  
Essentials of World History I, II (3,3)  
Essentials of U.S. History (3)  
Intro to U.S. Government (3)  
Essentials of Economics and Society (3)  
Essentials of Biology (3)  
Science Lab (1)  
Critical Thinking & Quantitative Analysis (3)

**Fulfill general education and elective requirements in a number of ways:**

- On-campus general education
- TMC Online
- Transferable units
- Articulated CLEP

**Contact us for help evaluating your options.**