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Dear Prospective Student,

In 1987, I enrolled as a student at Columbia International University. CIU attracted me because of the university's heart for reaching the nations with the message of Jesus Christ.

During my student years, I learned about CIU's five core values: the Authority of Scripture, World Evangelization, Prayer & Faith, Victorious Christian Living and Evangelical Unity. These core values represent the DNA of CIU. They shape and define us by giving us purpose and passion. I've never forgotten my student years here at CIU!

Today, as in 1987, CIU continues its mission of training professional ministers and ministering professionals to impact the world with the message of Christ. Your program of study is designed to equip you not only for your professional calling, but also equips you to share Christ anytime, anywhere.

Your education at CIU will transform you spiritually, physically, mentally and emotionally. You will gain new friends and experience new encounters with God.

I invite you to come and spend time on our campus. Visit with our students, talk to our faculty, see our passion, and experience what it's like to really know Him and make Him known.

This catalog contains information about living and studying at CIU, but it may not tell you everything you want to know. If we can help you personally, please call (800) 777-2227 or e-mail the Admissions Office at Admissions@ciu.edu to discuss your specific needs or questions with one of our counselors.

Warmly in Christ

William H. Jones
President
This catalog is not a contract. Every effort has been made to reflect accurately the curricular programs and degree requirements at the time of publication. Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry, however, reserves the right to change curricula and requirements at any time.

Columbia International University admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.
Introduction

University Setting

Columbia International University (CIU) is a multi-denominational Christian higher education institution dedicated to preparing world Christians to serve God with excellence.

The schools of CIU's university division, the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Education, the College of Counseling, the College of Intercultural Studies, and the Seminary & School of Ministry, offer postsecondary degree programs ranging from Associate of Arts to Doctor of Ministry. All postsecondary programs emphasize spiritual formation, mastery of biblical content and interpretation skills, cultivation of a biblical worldview, and ministry skills development, the latter through field education and internship experiences.

In its residence programs, CIU serves students from more than 40 states and more than 30 foreign countries, although the majority of students come from five southeastern states. More than 50 church denominations and independent fellowships are represented in the faculty and student body. The majority of CIU graduates serve in vocational Christian ministry roles, including approximately 30 percent of CIU graduates who serve in cross-cultural contexts. Online courses serve several hundred additional students, both graduate and undergraduate, in the United States and around the world.

Other CIU ministries include Ben Lippen School (Pre-K-12) and two radio stations, WMHK in Columbia, S.C., and WRCM in Charlotte, N.C.

The purpose of Columbia International University is to educate people from a biblical worldview to impact the nations with the message of Christ.

History and Mission

Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry was organized in 1936 as the graduate division of Columbia Bible College, established in South Carolina's capital city in 1923. From its beginning, the school has emphasized the preparation of men and women for overseas missionary service.

In 1947 the graduate division became the Graduate School of Missions. From 1973 until 1987, the seminary was known as the Columbia Graduate School of Bible & Missions, emphasizing our commitment to prepare men and women for biblically-based ministries both in North America and overseas. This emphasis now is expressed in our name Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry (abbreviated to CIU SSM in this catalog). CIU SSM is one of the schools in the university division of Columbia International University.

CIU SSM and its parent university occupy a 400-acre campus with forests and lakes on the north side of Columbia, the 200-year-old capital of South Carolina. Combining the convenience and challenge of an adjacent urban area with the charm and serenity of the South, the locale provides an environment ideal for study, ministry, and reflection.

With a well-qualified faculty and resources for learning, students find the incentive and curricular guidance necessary for progress toward their goals. Through the spiritual, academic, social, and physical dimensions of CIU SSM life, students come “to know Him” better and “to make Him known” more effectively. Together we recognize that God's purpose for CIU SSM corporately and for its faculty and students individually only can be achieved by the Holy Spirit working supernaturally through yielded believers.

At CIU SSM, implementation of the corporate purpose is expressed in the following statement:

The mission of Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry is to equip Great Commission Christians to minister in multicultural communities.

Your study at CIU Seminary & School of Ministry is intended to transform your life. You will have many formal and informal experiences that help you grow in maturity academically, spiritually, and in your skills for ministry. Opportunities exist not only through courses and fellowship offered by the Seminary & School of Ministry, but also through your church, through evangelistic and
missions projects, and through conferences. Your faculty advisor will help you design a program to make the most of this time of equipping. The prayer of the faculty is that at the end of your studies with us, you will demonstrate significant growth in three key areas. The biblical outcomes listed below reflect our commitment to helping you know the Bible so that it controls your life and ministry. The Transformational outcomes listed below reflect our commitment to helping you grow spiritually so that you can facilitate the growth of others. The Great Commissional outcomes listed below reflect our commitment to helping you hone your ministry skills so that you can use them to advance God’s kingdom purposes.

If you choose to pursue one of our Master of Arts degrees you will measure your progress against these outcomes:

Biblically, you will be able to
• Explain the context and content of each of the books of the Bible
• Interpret and apply the biblical text
• Explain, evaluate, and apply Bible doctrine
• Articulate a biblical life and worldview
• Explain God’s global movement throughout the Bible

Transformationally, you will be able to
• Affirm a growing relationship with God
• Articulate a biblical self-image
• Demonstrate an appreciation for a healthy relationship with the body of Christ
• Demonstrate growing maturity and selflessness in personal relationships
• Articulate a biblical understanding of the believer’s relationship with the world

Great Commissionally, you will be able to
• Affirm a commitment to reaching the nations with the message of Christ
• Demonstrate cultural understanding, humility, and sensitivity
• Share the gospel effectively with others using at least one method
• Function effectively as a member of a small group
• Demonstrate interpersonal relational skills
• Summarize and contextualize the basic message of passages from various OT and NT literary genre

If you choose to pursue our Master of Divinity degree you will measure your progress against these outcomes:

Biblically, you will be able to
• Discuss the teaching of individual Bible books in detail
• Practice sound exegesis and exposition of the biblical text
• Engage contemporary theological issues biblically
• Engage ethical and apologetic issues biblically
• Explain God’s global movement throughout history

Transformationally, you will be able to
• Affirm a growing relationship with God
• Articulate a biblical self-image
• Demonstrate an appreciation for a healthy relationship with the body of Christ
• Demonstrate growing maturity and selflessness in personal relationships
• Articulate a biblical understanding of the believer’s relationship with the world

Great Commissionally, you will be able to
• Demonstrate effective cross-cultural ministry skills
• Demonstrate effective cultural analysis skills
• Demonstrate effective personal discipleship and evangelism skills
• Demonstrate effective biblical leadership skills
• Demonstrate effective pastoral and counseling skills
• Demonstrate skill in communicating biblical truth

In brief, we want you to be able to think biblically, grow spiritually, and minister effectively.
Doctrinal Standard

The following, together with other Christian principles of doctrine and practice, including the affirmation of the full trustworthiness of Scripture, which in its original writing was verbally inspired and without error, shall be the basis of faith and doctrine of Columbia International University:

1. The Bible is the inspired Word of God, the written record of His supernatural revelation of Himself to man, absolute in its authority, complete in its revelation, final in its content and without any error in its teaching.

2. All men in their natural state are lost, alienated from God, spiritually dead: “All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (Rom. 3:23).

3. Salvation is only by grace, a free gift of God, through faith in the Lord Jesus, who died for our sins according to the Scriptures (1 Cor. 15:3). Those who thus receive Christ by faith have their sins forgiven (Eph. 1:7), their hearts cleansed (Acts 15:9), are born of the Spirit, become children of God (John 1:12,13), and are made new creatures in Christ (2 Cor. 5:17).

4. God is One God, Who reveals Himself in three Persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ, as the Scriptures affirm, is the Son of God and Son of Man, was born of a virgin, and is Himself very God. The Scriptures also declare the deity and personality of the Holy Spirit.

5. Our Lord Jesus rose from the dead in the same body that was laid to rest in the tomb (John 20:25-27). The bodies of all believers who die will be raised from the dead and they will receive an incorruptible body like His glorious body (1 Cor. 15:53; Phil. 3:21). All other men shall be raised unto “the resurrection of judgment” (John 5:28,29).

6. Christians, born of the Spirit, are to live the new life in the present power of the Spirit. “If we live by the Spirit, by the Spirit let us also walk” (Gal. 5:16-25; Col. 2:6). The Christian’s responsibility and his normal attitude of life is to yield to God (Rom. 6:13), trusting God to keep him.

7. Christian “living” includes Christian service, the winning of souls around us, and the preaching of the gospel in the uttermost parts of the earth. In carrying on this work there is needed the supernatural power of the Holy Spirit which is granted to every believer as he yields and trusts (Acts 1:8; 1 Cor. 12:7; Eph. 3:20; Acts 5:32). And in all of this service, prayer is to have the central place (John 14:12-14; Eph. 6:18, 19).

8. Jesus Christ will come again to earth the second time (Heb. 9:28): personally (Acts 1:11; 1 Thess. 4:16), bodily (Acts 1:11; Col. 2:9) and visibly (Matt. 26:64; Rev. 1:7). His coming will precede the age of universal peace and righteousness foretold in the Scriptures (Matt. 24:29, 30, 42; 2 Thess. 2:7, 8; Rev. 20:1-6). (Candidates for graduation need not affirm the premillennial position.)

Denominational Relationships

Although CIU SSM is denominationally unaffiliated, it seeks to serve a variety of evangelical denominations and independent congregations.

- CIU SSM prepares students to return to the denomination or church tradition that nurtured them.
- The CIU SSM curriculum makes provision for church polity courses taught by ministers who represent various denominations.
- CIU SSM provides for elective courses on denominational distinctives as desired by various groups.
- Education for ministry at CIU SSM is widely accepted. CIU SSM is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), the Association of Theological Schools (ATS), and the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE). Our graduates serve in over 40 different denominations.
- The CIU SSM faculty and student body reflect church affiliations across a broad spectrum of North American and non-North American denominations and church fellowships.
- Students find exposure to persons from various ecclesiastical traditions who are united in their commitment to evangelical orthodoxy to be an enriching and beneficial experience.
- Ordination requirements vary. Each student who plans to seek ordination is responsible to configure his or her program so as to meet the specific
requirements for the local church, association or denomination in which ordination is sought.

- The following ecclesiastical affiliations typically are represented in the CIU SSM student body by three or more students:
  
  African Methodist Episcopal  
  Assemblies of God  
  Brethren in Christ Church  
  Christian and Missionary Alliance  
  Church of God (Anderson, Indiana)  
  Conservative Baptist Association  
  Evangelical Free Church of America  
  Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
  Foursquare Gospel Church  
  Free Methodist Church  
  Free Will Baptist  
  Independent/Non-denominational Methodist (Various)  
  Mission Churches  
  Pentecostal Holiness  
  Presbyterian Church in America  
  Presbyterian (Various)  
  Southern Baptist Convention  
  The Episcopal Church  
  United Methodist Church  
  Wesleyan Church

**Accreditation and Recognition**

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Columbia International University is:

- Accredited with the Association for Biblical Higher Education (formerly the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges).
- An affiliate campus of the Council of Christian Colleges and Universities.
- A member of South Carolina Independent Colleges and Universities.
- Approved by the State Approval Agency, South Carolina Department of Education, state of South Carolina, to train persons under the Veterans Administration programs.
- Authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant alien students.
- Recognized by the Selective Service System.
- Chartered as a collegiate institution by the state of South Carolina, and authorized by the state of South Carolina to grant such degrees as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools.

Students wishing to reach accrediting agencies may do so by contacting them at the following addresses:

- The Association of Theological Schools  
  10 Summit Park Drive  
  Pittsburgh, PA 15275-1110

- Southern Association of Colleges and Schools  
  1866 Southern Lane  
  Decatur, GA 30033

- Association for Biblical Higher Education  
  5850 T. G. Lee Boulevard, Suite 130  
  Orlando, FL 32822-1781
Programs of Study
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Community expectation (evangelical or secular) does not ultimately determine the meaning of a degree from CIU SSM. We are responsible to define our own purpose and establish our own achievement standards.

All CIU SSM degree programs are intended to help you prepare for Christian ministry. Criteria for granting a degree, therefore, are designed to reflect your character and competence in both general and professional areas.

Commitment to whole-life training designed to prepare Christians “to know Him and to make Him known” means that earning a degree from CIU SSM involves more than meeting academic requirements. Graduating students also must reflect appropriate achievement of CIU SSM educational objectives including evidence of personal morality, positive interpersonal and family relationships, and local church involvement.

Although educational objectives cannot be measured with complete objectivity, we believe valid, fair, and useful assessment is possible and necessary.

To qualify for a degree, you must demonstrate an accurate understanding of basic biblical doctrines and be in agreement with the institution’s doctrinal statement (with the exception of section 8, which is not required). The student must also demonstrate an accurate understanding of and commitment to the inerrancy of the Scriptures.

The Building Block Approach

For most students, the CIU SSM faculty believes the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) is the degree program of choice because:

- The M.Div. curriculum affords the most thorough training for ministry leadership.
- The M.Div. degree is the stated or preferred qualification for ordination in many churches.
- The M.Div. degree is prerequisite for continuing professional development in any accredited Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) program.

Nevertheless, the Certificate and Master of Arts programs are each complete in themselves and may best meet the needs of some students. The programs are specifically designed so that you may begin in the certificate program and later use your courses to proceed to an M.A. or M.Div. degree, as illustrated below:

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Programs for Students with or without Previous Bible Training:
Each degree program is offered in two formats: Program 1 for college or university graduates with no previous studies in Bible or theology, and Program 2 for Bible college graduates or college graduates who have at least 30 semester hours of Bible, theology or church history.

Programs for College and University Graduates: Program 1
(Without an Undergraduate Major in Bible)
Purpose: To provide
• globally focused, multicultural ministry training for university graduates whose previous study has not included biblical and theological disciplines.
• ministry training for persons, perhaps in midlife, who are changing careers.
• opportunity for personal development through careful study of the Scriptures and application of biblical truth to life and ministry.
• opportunity to test one’s call to vocational Christian service through ministry studies and supervised experience.

Programs for Bible College Graduates:
Program 2
(With an Undergraduate Major in Bible/ Theology)
Purpose: To provide
• advanced ministry preparation that acknowledges and builds on prior studies in Bible, theology, and church history.
• specialized training for those who intend to serve in another culture.
• professional development for persons in ministry who desire the refreshment and growth stimulated by advanced studies; or,
• advanced training in biblical studies.

Objective:
The Program 2 curriculum has been constructed to ensure adequate coverage and balance in essential areas of preparation for ministry without unwarranted duplication of prior study. Where duplication occurs, a student may petition to substitute another course in the same discipline field.

Entrance Requirements:
In addition to those requirements listed in the Admissions section of the catalog, applicants for Program 2 must have a baccalaureate degree from an institution accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education or a minimum of 30 semester hours of previous study in Bible, theology, and/or church history from a regionally accredited college or university.

Students with 18-29 semester hours of previous biblical and theological studies from an accredited institution may enroll in CIU SSM as a Program 1 student and complete the BIB/THE/HIS courses necessary to reach the 30 semester hour minimum for entrance into Program 2. Hours used to meet entrance requirements, however, may not be applied toward degree completion. Once a student has met the 30 hour minimum, he or she may apply for entrance into a Program 2 degree using the Degree Change form available from the CIU SSM Dean’s Office (Schuster 140).

Requirements to Receive a CIU SSM Degree
General Requirements (all Programs):
• Completion of one of the prescribed curricula with a minimum 2.3 cumulative GPA (3.0 in Pastoral Counseling). Although faculty advisors assist students in planning their course of studies, it is the student’s responsibility to ensure that all requirements for graduation have been met.
• Read the entire English Bible following admission, counting selections assigned in Bible courses. This requirement must be completed six weeks prior to graduation and affirmed as part of the Application for Graduation available from the Office of the University Registrar (not applicable to D.Min. or Biblical Ministry Certificate).
• Approval of Candidacy (not applicable to Biblical Ministry Certificate students; see details below).
• Significant achievement of CIU SSM objectives (see University and Seminary Overview).
• Affirmation of the Doctrinal Statement, except section 8 (on the following page).
• Completion of Chapel attendance requirement (see following page).
Program 1 Requirements:
- M.A.PC (63 hours): Minimum of 33 semester hours completed in residence; 12 of the last 18 hours taken as CIU SSM courses.
- M.Div. (90 hours): Minimum of 30 semester hours completed in residence; 24 of the last 30 hours taken as CIU SSM courses.

Program 2 Requirements:
- M.A. (Intercultural Studies), M.A. (Muslim Studies), M.A. (Theological Studies) (30 hours): Minimum of 15 semester hours, completed in residence; 9 of the last 15 hours taken as CIU SSM courses.
- M.A.BE, M.A.GLS, M.A.ML, M.A.PC (48 hours): Minimum of 24 hours completed in residence; 12 of the last 18 hours taken as CIU SSM courses.
- M.Div. (72 hours): Minimum of 24 hours completed in residence; 24 of the last 30 hours taken as CIU SSM courses.

Doctor of Ministry Requirements:
- D.Min. (30 hours): Minimum of 24 semester hours completed through CIU SSM.

Degree Candidacy
Purpose:
Approximately halfway through the student’s degree program, both the faculty of CIU SSM and the student evaluate the student’s progress in achieving Seminary objectives (see the University and Seminary Overview section of this catalog) related to personal development in the areas of spiritual maturity, biblical and theological knowledge, and ministry skills. Admission to candidacy indicates that the student is making progress in each of these areas and is approved to proceed toward graduation. Achieving candidacy indicates that the faculty expects the student will be qualified to graduate when all requirements are met.

Procedure:
1. Students are responsible to make application for degree candidacy at the appropriate point in their curricula as indicated within the Academic Programs of Study pages. This application will include completing a personal inventory and nominating several peers to complete a similar inventory. The Admission to Candidacy application form is available from the Faculty Secretary’s Office (Schuster 145).

2. Evaluations of each student are received from the Christian Service Learning department. The application, together with supporting information, is forwarded to the student’s faculty advisor who recommends action on the student’s application.

3. Action on the application for candidacy is taken by the CIU SSM dean. Students not admitted to candidacy normally terminate their enrollment. Reinstatement as an enrolled student will be considered only if qualifications for candidacy are subsequently met.

Time Limitation:
The time limitation for completion of all requirements for master’s level degrees is five years, measured from the date a student is admitted to candidacy.

Doctrinal Statement:
A student will not be admitted to candidacy for a degree who denies any of the doctrines as stated in the official doctrinal statement, affirms error in Scripture, or believes in the ultimate salvation of all persons. The only exception is that a candidate need not affirm the pre-millennial position in section 8 of the doctrinal statement.

Chapel Attendance Requirement:
Historically, chapel has been a vital part of the student experience at CIU. It provides an opportunity for learning, exposure to core values, practical information, fellowship in community, prayer, and worship of God. The chapel experience of being subject to one another out of reverence for Christ (Eph 5:21) is itself a spiritual discipline and an opportunity to grow in grace. Because the CIU family believes in the importance of chapel, we believe that every student during his or her educational program should participate in the chapel program.

With these factors in mind, all SSM students will attend at least fifteen (15) chapels per semester during the following number of semesters, according to the length of their program:
Biblical Ministry Certificate
(30 semester hours) one semester

Program 2 Academic MA
(30 semester hours) one semester
Program 1 Academic MA
(60 semester hours) two semesters
Program 1 and 2 Professional MA
(48 and 60 hours) two semesters
Program 1 and 2 MDiv
(72 and 90 semester hours) three semesters

All SSM students will attend required chapels as designated on the online chapel schedule (e.g., President, Chancellor, President Emeritus). These required chapels are counted as part of the fifteen chapels per semester. SSM students who are unable to attend chapels in person may fulfill their chapel responsibility by listening to the digital version of chapel posted on CIUOnline.

Students register for chapel courses (CHL 5001, 5002, 5003) at the beginning of the appropriate number of fall and spring semesters. At the end of each semester, they indicate whether or not they have met the attendance requirement for the semester on the online course site.

Earning Two Degrees at CIU SSM
CIU SSM offers four Ministry Leadership degrees at the master’s level and three General Theological degrees.

Requirements for possible double degree programs are outlined below. In order to satisfy the curricular requirements for each degree, a student’s total hours may exceed the minimums indicated. The degrees may be completed in either order, either simultaneously or sequentially.

M.Div and the M.A.(ICS) or M.A.(MS) or M.A.(TS) – A student must:
• Satisfy curricular requirements for both degrees.
• Complete satisfactorily the integrative exercise of the M.A.
• Complete satisfactorily the internship requirement for the M.Div.
• Complete the following minimum total semester hours:
  Program 1: 120
  Program 2: 87

M.A. or M.A.(TS) and M.A.(ICS) or M.A.(MS) or M.A.(TS) and M.A.(BE or M.A.ML or M.A.GLS or M.A.PC) – A student must:
• Satisfy curricular requirements for both degrees.
• Complete satisfactorily the internship requirements for both degrees.
• Complete the following minimum total semester hours:
  Program 1: 120
  Program 2: 96

M.A.(ICS) or M.A.(MS) or M.A.(TS) and M.A.(BE or M.A.ML or M.A.GLS) – A student must:
• Satisfy curricular requirements for both degrees.
• Complete satisfactorily the internship requirements for both degrees.
• Complete the following minimum total semester hours:
  Program 1: 90
  Program 2: 63

M.A.(ICS) or M.A.(MS) or M.A.(TS) and M.A.(PC) – A student must:
• Satisfy curricular requirements for both degrees.
• Complete satisfactorily the internship requirements for the M.A.
• Complete the following minimum total semester hours:
  Program 1: 93
  Program 2: 63

Two M.A. Ministry Leadership Degrees (M.A.(BE, M.A.ML, M.A.GLS, M.A.PC)) – A student must:
• Satisfy curricular requirements for both degrees.
• Complete satisfactorily the internship requirements for both degrees.
• Complete the following minimum total semester hours:
  Program 1: 90
  Program 2: 72
# Bible and Theology Certificate

The **Bible and Theology Certificate** provides you with the 30 semester hours of Bible, Theology, Worldview, and Spiritual Formation courses necessary to pursue a graduate level degree at CIU SSM. It gives you a solid biblical-theological foundation, facilitates your growth in godliness, and prepares you for advanced-level studies at the master's level.

## Curriculum of Study

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Biblical Ministry Certificate

The 30 semester hours of the **Biblical Ministry Certificate** provides you with a basic understanding of the Scriptures, growth in godliness, and an opportunity for personal enrichment. It meets the basic requirements of many mission agencies and equips you for marketplace ministry.

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**Two Bible survey courses**  
(choose from the following)

- BIB 5112 Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption
- BIB 5113 Prophets: God’s Message of Redemption and Judgment
- BIB 5132 Gospels: God’s Means of Providing Redemption
- BIB 5133 Acts to Revelation: God’s People Proclaiming Redemption Globally

**Free Electives (12 hours)**

4 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts (Theological Studies)

The **MA (Theological Studies)** provides you with an interdisciplinary knowledge of Biblical Studies, Church History, Intercultural Studies, and Theology. It prepares you to engage in research and analysis that is informed by those disciplines and contributes to the advance of ministry in the church, missions, or marketplace.

### Curriculum of Study

#### Program 1 . . . . 60 semester hours

**Bible and Theology (24 semester hours)**

- **BIB 5112** Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption
- **BIB 5113** Prophets: God’s Message of Redemption and Judgment
- **BIB 5132** Gospels: God’s Means of Providing Redemption
- **BIB 5133** Acts to Revelation: God’s People Proclaiming Redemption Globally
- **BIB 5410** Hermeneutics: Interpreting and Applying the Bible

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (9 semester hours)**

- **ICS 5031** The Mission of God
- **ICS 6024** Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 5300** Foundations of Spiritual Formation

**Concentration (21 semester hours)**

- 6 courses from among BIB, GRE, HEB, HIS, ICS, or THE
- **RES 7961** Bible and Theology Integrative Seminar

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

- 2 courses from any alpha-designator

#### Program 2 . . . . 30 semester hours

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (6 semester hours)**

- **ICS 6024** Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 6170** Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

**Concentration (18 semester hours)**

- 5 courses from among BIB, GRE, HEB, HIS, ICS, or THE
- **RES 7961** Bible and Theology Integrative Seminar

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

- 2 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts (Intercultural Studies)

The MA (Intercultural Studies) provides you with a focused knowledge of the tools and techniques needed to study cultures other than your own. It prepares you to engage in research and analysis which is informed by those disciplines and contributes to the ministry of those engaged in work among new ethnic and cultural groups.

Curriculum of Study

Program 1 . . . . 60 semester hours

Bible and Theology (24 semester hours)

- BIB 5112 Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption
- BIB 5113 Prophets: God’s Message of Redemption and Judgment
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Worldview and Spiritual Formation (9 semester hours)

- ICS 5031 The Mission of God
- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 5300 Foundations of Spiritual Formation

Concentration (21 semester hours)

5 courses from ICS
1 course from among BIB, GRE, HEB, HIS, ICS, or THE
RES 7962 Intercultural and Muslim Studies Integrative Seminar

Free Electives (6 semester hours)

2 courses from any alpha-designator

Program 2 . . . . 30 semester hours

Worldview and Spiritual Formation (6 semester hours)

- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- EDM 6170 Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

Concentration (18 semester hours)

5 courses from ICS
RES 7962 Intercultural and Muslim Studies Integrative Seminar

Free Electives (6 semester hours)

2 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts (Muslim Studies)

The MA (Muslim Studies) provides you with a focused knowledge of the tools and techniques needed to analyze the theology, traditions, and worldview of Islam. It prepares you to engage in research and analysis which is informed by that knowledge and contributes to the ministry of those engaged in cross-cultural life and work among Muslims.

Curriculum of Study

Program 1 . . . . 60 semester hours

Bible and Theology (24 semester hours)

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Worldview and Spiritual Formation (9 semester hours)

ICS 5031  The Mission of God
ICS 6024  Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
MIN 5300  Foundations of Spiritual Formation

Concentration (21 semester hours)

5 Muslim Studies courses
1 course from among BIB, GRE, HEB, HIS, ICS, or THE
RES 7962  Intercultural and Muslim Studies Integrative Seminar

Free Electives (6 semester hours)

2 courses from any alpha-designator

Program 2 . . . . 30 semester hours

Worldview and Spiritual Formation (6 semester hours)

ICS 6024  Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
EDM 6170  Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

Concentration (18 semester hours)

5 Muslim Studies courses
RES 7962  Intercultural and Muslim Studies Integrative Seminar

Free Electives (6 semester hours)

2 courses from any alpha-designator
**Master of Arts in Bible Exposition**

The **MA in Bible Exposition** provides you with specialized knowledge and skills to understand, apply, and communicate the Scriptures effectively on a regular basis in a local church context. It prepares you to teach or preach as a member of a church staff or as part of a parachurch ministry.

### Curriculum of Study

#### Program 1 . . . . 60 semester hours

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- **ICS 5031**  
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- **ICS 6024**  
  Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 5300**  
  Foundations of Spiritual Formation

**Concentration (21 semester hours)**

- **HOM 6300**  
  Foundations for Biblical Preaching

  **One of the following**

  - **BIB 6320**  
    Old Testament Theology
  - **BIB 6330**  
    New Testament Theology

  **One of the following**

  - **HOM 7411**  
    Advanced Biblical Preaching
  - **MIN 6344**  
    Transformational Bible Teaching

  3 courses from BIB, GRE, or HEB

  **INT 6211-12**  
  Internship 1-2

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

2 courses from any alpha-designator

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#### Program 2 . . . . 48 semester hours

**Bible and Theology (6 semester hours)**

- **BIB 6320**  
  Old Testament Theology
- **BIB 6330**  
  New Testament Theology

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (6 semester hours)**

- **ICS 6024**  
  Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 6170**  
  Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

**Concentration (21 semester hours)**

- **HOM 6300**  
  Foundations for Biblical Preaching

  **One of the following**

  - **HOM 7411**  
    Advanced Biblical Preaching
  - **MIN 6344**  
    Transformational Bible Teaching

  4 courses from BIB, GRE, or HEB

  **INT 6211-12**  
  Internship 1-2

**Free Electives (15 semester hours)**

5 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts in Global Studies

The MA in Global Studies provides you with specialized knowledge and skills to engage, encourage, and support people from another culture with the gospel of Jesus Christ. It prepares you for life and work in a multicultural world.

Curriculum of Study

Program 1 . . . . 60 semester hours
Bible and Theology (24 semester hours)
- BIB 5112 Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption
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Worldview and Spiritual Formation (9 semester hours)
- ICS 5031 The Mission of God
- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 5300 Foundations of Spiritual Formation

Concentration (21 semester hours)
5 courses from GLS or ICS
- INT 6211-12 Internship 1-2
- INT 6930 Best Practices for International Workers

Free Electives (6 semester hours)
2 courses from any alpha-designator

Program 2 . . . . 48 semester hours
Bible and Theology (6 semester hours)
- BIB 6320 Old Testament Theology
- BIB 6330 New Testament Theology

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- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 6170 Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

Concentration (21 semester hours)
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- INT 6211-12 Internship 1-2
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Free Electives (15 semester hours)
5 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership

The MA in Ministry Leadership provides you with specialized knowledge and skills to serve as a member of a leadership team in a local church or parachurch context. It prepares you to equip and mobilize believers for Christ-centered spiritual formation that overflows in the kingdom-focused living.

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**One of the following:**

- HOM 6300  Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 6344  Transformational Bible Teaching

3 courses from MIN

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

2 courses from any alpha-designator

#### Program 2 . . . . 48 semester hours

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3 courses from MIN

**Free Electives (15 semester hours)**

5 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling

The M.A. in Pastoral Counseling provides you with specialized knowledge and skills to address emotional and spiritual needs using biblical and counseling resources. It prepares you to teach, train and counsel people in a variety of communities and cultures and to help people understand their situation from God’s perspective.

Curriculum of Study

Program 1 . . . . (63 hours)

Bible and Theology (24 semester hours)

BIB 5112 Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption
BIB 5113 Prophets: God’s Message of Redemption and Judgment
BIB 5132 Gospels: God’s Means of Providing Redemption
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Worldview and Spiritual Formation (9 semester hours)
ICS 5031 The Mission of God
ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
MIN 5300 Foundations of Spiritual Formation

Concentration (18 semester hours)
CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
CNC 6001 Integration of Theology and Psychology
CNC 6330 Church and Mission Health
CNC 6400 Pastoral Counseling Techniques
CNC 6441 Counseling Grief and Loss
INT 6254-55 Pastoral Counseling Internship 1-2

Designated Electives (12 semester hours)
Four of the following
CNC 6410 Crisis Counseling
CNC 6411 Sexuality Counseling
CNC 6412 Addictions Counseling

Free Electives (6 semester hours)
2 courses from any alpha-designator

Program 2 . . . . (48 hours)

Bible and Theology (6 semester hours)
BIB 6320 Old Testament Theology
BIB 6330 New Testament Theology

Worldview and Spiritual Formation (6 semester hours)
ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
MIN 6170 Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

Concentration (21 semester hours)
CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
CNC 6001 Integration of Theology and Psychology
CNC 6330 Church and Mission Health
CNC 6400 Pastoral Counseling Techniques
CNC 6441 Counseling Grief and Loss
INT 6254-55 Pastoral Counseling Internship 1-2

Designated Electives (12 semester hours)
Four of the following
CNC 6410 Crisis Counseling
CNC 6411 Sexuality Counseling
CNC 6412 Addictions Counseling
CNC 6540 Spiritual Formation and Group Process
CNC 6730 Premarital, Marital, and Family Counseling

Free Electives (6 semester hours)
2 courses from any alpha-designator
# Master of Divinity (Academic Ministries)

The M.Div. (Academic Ministries) provides you with a comprehensive range of biblical-theological knowledge and practical skills for ministry leadership along with specialized skills to exegesis, research, and communicate the Scriptures accurately, using the original languages. It prepares you for a teaching ministry in a college or seminary context, while positioning you for doctoral work, especially in Old or New Testament studies.

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### Program 1 . . . . 90 semester hours

**Bible and Theology (36 semester hours)**

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**One biblical language sequence**

- **GRE**: 5110, Greek 1-4
- **5111**, 6210, 63xx
- **HEB**: 5110, Hebrew 1-4
- **5111**, 6220, 65xx

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (15 semester hours)**

- **HIS 6221**: History of Global Christianity 1
- **HIS 6231**: History of Global Christianity 2
- **ICS 5031**: The Mission of God
- **ICS 6024**: Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 5300**: Foundations of Spiritual Formation

**Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)**

- **CNC 5400**: Ministry of Counseling
- **HOM 6300**: Foundations for Biblical Preaching

**Concentration (15 semester hours)**

**One sequence of the alternate language**

- **GRE**: 5110, Greek 1-2
- **5111**
- **HEB**: 5110, Hebrew 1-2
- **5111**

**One of the following**

- **BIB 6320**: Old Testament Theology
- **BIB 6330**: New Testament Theology
- **BIB 6410**: History of Bible Interpretation
- **RES 6420**: Biblical Studies Research and Writing

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

2 courses from any alpha-designator

### Program 2 . . . . 72 semester hours

**Bible and Theology (18 semester hours)**

- **BIB 6320**: Old Testament Theology
- **BIB 6330**: New Testament Theology

**One biblical language sequence**

- **GRE**: 5110, Greek 1-4
- **5111**, 6210, 63xx
- **HEB**: 5110, Hebrew 1-4
- **5111**, 6220, 65xx

**MIN 5310**: Biblical Foundations of Leadership

**MIN 6344**: Transformational Bible Teaching

**INT 6211-14**: Internship 1-4
Master of Divinity (Academic Ministries)...continued

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (12 semester hours)**
- HIS 6221 History of Global Christianity 1
- HIS 6231 History of Global Christianity 2
- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 6170 Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

**Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)**
- CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
- HOM 6300 Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 5310 Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- MIN 6344 Transformational Bible Teaching
- INT 6211-14 Internship 1-4

**Concentration (15 semester hours)**

**One sequence of the alternate language**
- GRE 5110, Greek 1-2
  5111
- HEB 5110, Hebrew 1-2
  5111
- BIB 6410 History of Bible Interpretation
- RES 6420 Biblical Studies Research and Writing

1 course from BIB, GRE, or HEB

**Free Electives (9 semester hours)**
3 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Divinity (Bible Exposition)

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**Curriculum of Study**

**Program 1 . . . . 90 semester hours**

**Bible and Theology (36 semester hours)**

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**One biblical language sequence**

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- 5111, 6220, 65xx

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (15 semester hours)**

- HIS 6221 History of Global Christianity 1
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- CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
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- MIN 5310 Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- MIN 6344 Transformational Bible Teaching
- INT 6211-14 Internship 1-4

**Concentration (15 semester hours)**

**One sequence of the alternate language**

- GRE 5110, Greek 1-2
- 5111
- HEB 5110, Hebrew 1-2
- 5111

**One of the following**

- BIB 6320 Old Testament Theology
- BIB 6330 New Testament Theology
- BIB 6xxx Bible Book Study
- HOM 7411 Advanced Biblical Preaching

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

2 courses from any alpha-designator

**Program 2 . . . . 72 semester hours**

**Bible and Theology (18 semester hours)**

- BIB 6320 Old Testament Theology
- BIB 6330 New Testament Theology

**One biblical language sequence**

- GRE 5110, Greek 1-4
- 5111, 6210, 63xx
Master of Divinity (Bible Exposition)...continued

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Worldview and Spiritual Formation (12 semester hours)
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**Concentration (15 semester hours)**

5 courses from GLS or ICS

**Free Electives (6 semester hours)**

2 courses from any alpha-designator

**Program 2 . . . . 72 semester hours**

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Master of Divinity (Global Studies)...continued

Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)

- CNC 5400  Ministry of Counseling
- EDM 6344  Transformational Bible Teaching
- HOM 6300  Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 5310  Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- INT 6211-12  Internship 1-2
- INT 6930  Best Practices for International Workers

Concentration (15 semester hours)

5 courses from GLS or ICS

Free Electives (9 semester hours)

3 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Divinity (Ministry Leadership)

The M.Div. (Ministry Leadership) provides you with a comprehensive range of biblical-theological knowledge and practical skills for ministry leadership in a variety of contexts. Through a personalized curriculum it prepares you for effective ministry in a local church, with a parachurch organization, or with a missions agency.

Curriculum of Study

Program 1 . . . . 90 semester hours

Bible and Theology (36 semester hours)

- BIB 5112 Genesis to Song of Solomon: God's Plan of Creation and Redemption
- BIB 5113 Prophets: God's Message of Redemption and Judgment
- BIB 5132 Gospels: God's Means of Providing Redemption
- BIB 5133 Acts to Revelation: God's People Proclaiming Redemption Globally
- BIB 5410 Hermeneutics: Interpreting and Applying the Bible

One biblical language sequence

- GRE 5110, Greek 1-4
- 5111, 6210, 63xx
- HEB 5110, Hebrew 1-4
- 5111, 6220, 65xx

Worldview and Spiritual Formation (15 semester hours)

- HIS 6221 History of Global Christianity 1
- HIS 6231 History of Global Christianity 2
- ICS 5031 The Mission of God
- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 5300 Foundations of Spiritual Formation

Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)

- CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
- HOM 6300 Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 5310 Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- MIN 6344 Transformational Bible Teaching
- INT 6211-14 Pastoral Internship 1-4

Free Electives (21 semester hours)

- 7 courses from any alpha-designator

Program 2 . . . . 72 semester hours

Bible and Theology (18 semester hours)

- BIB 6320 Old Testament Theology
- BIB 6330 New Testament Theology

One biblical language sequence

- GRE 5110, Greek 1-4
- 5111, 6210, 63xx
- HEB 5110, Hebrew 1-4
- 5111, 6220, 65xx

Worldview and Spiritual Formation (12 semester hours)

- HIS 6221 History of Global Christianity 1
- HIS 6231 History of Global Christianity 2
- ICS 6024 Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 6170 Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)

- CNC 5400 Ministry of Counseling
- HOM 6300 Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 5310 Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- MIN 6344 Transformational Bible Teaching
- INT 6211-14 Pastoral Internship 1-4

Free Electives (24 semester hours)

- 8 courses from any alpha-designator
Master of Divinity (Pastoral Counseling)

The M.Div. (Pastoral Counseling) provides you with a comprehensive range of biblical-theological knowledge and practical skills for ministry leadership along with specialized skills to address emotional and spiritual needs using biblical and counseling resources. It prepares you to serve in a counseling, family life, or shepherding ministry in a church, parachurch, or cross-cultural ministry setting.

### Curriculum of Study

#### Program 1 . . . . 93 semester hours

**Bible and Theology (36 semester hours)**

- **BIB 5112** Genesis to Song of Solomon: God's Plan of Creation and Redemption
- **BIB 5113** Prophets: God's Message of Redemption and Judgment
- **BIB 5132** Gospels: God's Means of Providing Redemption
- **BIB 5133** Acts to Revelation: God's People Proclaiming Redemption Globally
- **BIB 5410** Hermeneutics: Interpreting and Applying the Bible
- **THE 6310** Systematic Theology 1
- **THE 6320** Systematic Theology 2
- **THE 6341** Theological Methods and Issues

**One biblical language sequence**

- **GRE 5110, 5111, 6210, 63xx** Greek 1-4
- **HEB 5110, 5111, 6220, 65xx** Hebrew 1-4

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (15 semester hours)**

- **HIS 6221** History of Global Christianity 1
- **HIS 6231** History of Global Christianity 2
- **ICS 5031** The Mission of God
- **ICS 6024** Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- **MIN 5300** Foundations of Spiritual Formation

**Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)**

- **CNC 5400** Ministry of Counseling
- **HOM 6300** Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- **MIN 5310** Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- **MIN 6344** Transformational Bible Teaching
- **INT 6211-12** Internship 1-2
- **INT 6254-55** Pastoral Counseling Internship 1-2

**Concentration (12 semester hours)**

- **CNC 6001** Integration of Theology and Psychology
- **CNC 6330** Church and Mission Health
- **CNC 6400** Pastoral Counseling Techniques
- **CNC 6441** Counseling Grief and Loss

**Designated Electives (12 semester hours)**

Four of the following

- **CNC 6410** Crisis Counseling
- **CNC 6411** Sexuality Counseling
- **CNC 6412** Addictions Counseling
- **CNC 6540** Spiritual Formation and Group Process
- **CNC 6730** Premarital, Marital, and Family Counseling

#### Program 2 . . . . 72 hours

**Bible and Theology (18 semester hours)**

- **BIB 6320** Old Testament Theology
- **BIB 6330** New Testament Theology

**One biblical language sequence**

- **GRE 5110, 5111, 6210, 63xx** Greek 1-4
- **HEB 5110, 5111, 6220, 65xx** Hebrew 1-4
Master of Divinity (Pastoral Counseling)...continued

**Worldview and Spiritual Formation (12 semester hours)**

- HIS 6221  History of Global Christianity 1
- HIS 6231  History of Global Christianity 2
- ICS 6024  Understanding Cultures and Worldviews
- MIN 6170  Community and Church-based Spiritual Formation

**Ministry Skills and Internship (18 semester hours)**

- CNC 5400  Ministry of Counseling
- HOM 6300  Foundations for Biblical Preaching
- MIN 5310  Biblical Foundations of Leadership
- MIN 6344  Transformational Bible Teaching
- INT 6211-12  Internship 1-2
- INT 6254-55  Cross-cultural Internship 1-2

**Concentration (12 semester hours)**

- CNC 6001  Integration of Theology and Psychology
- CNC 6330  Church and Mission Health
- CNC 6400  Pastoral Counseling Techniques
- CNC 6441  Counseling Grief and Loss

**Designated Electives (12 semester hours)**

**Four of the following**

- CNC 6410  Crisis Counseling
- CNC 6411  Sexuality Counseling
- CNC 6412  Addictions Counseling
- CNC 6540  Spiritual Formation and Group Process
- CNC 6730  Premarital, Marital, and Family Counseling
Doctor of Ministry

Purpose:
The Doctor of Ministry Degree is designed for persons who hold the M.Div. degree or its equivalent and who have significant experience in pastoral or cross-cultural ministry. You will build on previous studies and ministry experiences to attain higher levels of competency.

This degree program is designed to advance your knowledge of the foundations of and current developments in ministry, to deepen your understanding of your philosophy of ministry, to enhance your ability to function professionally, to increase your capacity to think and act purposefully in ministry, and to strengthen your spiritual and moral integrity. Demonstration of significant progress in these areas is an essential ingredient of the program. Progress is observed through a constant mentoring relationship with an assigned member of the CIU SSM faculty.

Admission Requirements:

• A Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree with a minimum B average. An applicant who does not hold the M.Div. degree, but who has completed another graduate theological degree and believes he or she has theological training equivalent to an M.Div., may submit evidence of work completed to the Office of Admissions for assessment.

• At least three years of active involvement in ministry subsequent to completion of M.Div. studies. Applicants to the Missions concentration are required to meet this requirement in active cross-cultural ministry unless their primary assignment is North American missions administration.

• A completed Doctor of Ministry application, including forms and instructions available through the Admissions Office.

• International students must demonstrate proficiency in the use of the English language.

• Any additional requirements set by the CIU SSM faculty or the Admissions Office.

Academic Information:

Each student is assigned a faculty mentor who guides the student in designing a professional development program suited to his or her previous educational and ministry experience, interests, and goals. The individualized program of studies must be appropriate to the concentration and must be approved by the student’s faculty mentor. Twenty-four hours of studies (including the professional research project) must be at the 9000-level. No more than six semester hours of transfer credit and no more than six semester hours of independent course credit may be applied toward degree requirements. Of the required 24 semester course hours, 12 must be resident hours. All degree requirements must be completed within six years of initial enrollment in the Doctor of Ministry program unless an extension is requested and granted.

Candidacy:

Advancement to candidacy occurs when the student has successfully completed all degree requirements except the professional research project.
Doctor of Ministry Concentrations

Doctor of Ministry (Leadership)
The D.Min. (Leadership) is designed to develop your knowledge, theoretical clarity, and competence in the profession and practice of ministry through lifelong learning in leadership. It is a popular option for pastors and church staff, as well as those involved in other organizations.

Curriculum of Study
Core (12 semester hours)
- MIN 9431 Spiritual Mentoring
- RES 9400 Doctoral Research Methods
- RES 9900 Professional Research Project (6)

Concentration (9 semester hours)
3 courses from LDR

Free Electives (9 semester hours)
3 courses from any alpha-designator

Doctor of Ministry (Member Care)
The D.Min. (Member Care) equips professionals who have demonstrated skill in providing ministerial and/or therapeutic care for missionaries. It uses multi-disciplinary training tools to equip you as a Mission Support Services Specialist serving in an organizational setting or as a Clinical Counseling Specialist (licensure) focusing on clinical needs of missionaries in the global arena. It uses a cohort-based model to build professional relationships and encourage in-depth peer mentoring.

Curriculum of Study
Core (12 semester hours)
- MIN 9431 Spiritual Mentoring
- RES 9400 Doctoral Research Methods
- RES 9900 Professional Research Project (6)

Concentration (12 semester hours)
- CNC 6440 Organizational Member Care Services
- CNC 9474 Clinical Applications in Member Care
- CNC 9541 Career Dynamics and Trends in Missions
- CNC 9572 Home Life Enhancement Skills

Free Electives (6 semester hours)
2 courses from any alpha-designator

Doctor of Ministry (Military Chaplaincy)
The D.Min. (Military Chaplaincy) is designed to assist you in developing a higher level of expertise in your ministry to men and women in the armed forces. The course work and training you receive in the Basic and Advanced Chaplaincy programs of the U.S. Army or equivalent courses as a chaplain in other branches of the U.S. Military count toward your degree at CIU SSM. Of the 30 semester hours required for the degree, you may transfer in up to 12 semester hours from your chaplaincy training.

Curriculum of Study
Core (12 semester hours)
- MIN 9431 Spiritual Mentoring
- RES 9400 Doctoral Research Methods
- RES 9900 Professional Research Project (6)

Concentration (12 semester hours)
- CNC 6440 Organizational Member Care Services
- CNC 9474 Clinical Applications in Member Care
- CNC 9541 Career Dynamics and Trends in Missions
- CNC 9572 Home Life Enhancement Skills
- MIS 9531 Missiological Reflections

Free Electives (18 semester hours)
6 courses from any alpha-designator

Doctor of Ministry (Missions)
The D.Min. (Missions) is designed for those with significant experience in cross-cultural ministry. It builds on your previous studies and ministry experiences in order to attain higher levels of competence. It advances your knowledge of the foundations of and current developments in missions, deepens your understanding of God’s purposes, acknowledges your personal calling and purpose in God’s mission, improves your skills for achieving assigned responsibilities, and develops your personal and moral integrity.

Curriculum of Study
Core (12 semester hours)
- MIN 9431 Spiritual Mentoring
- RES 9400 Doctoral Research Methods
- RES 9900 Professional Research Project (6)

Concentration (9 semester hours)
- MIS 9531 Missiological Reflections
2 courses from MIS

**Free Electives (9 semester hours)**

- 3 courses from any alpha-designator

**Doctor of Ministry (Preaching)**

The D.Min. (Preaching) helps you move to a higher level in your ability to prepare and deliver sermons that are biblically and theologically astute while remaining relevant and practical. Pastors, teachers, and others involved in the ministry of God’s Word will find it helpful for enhancing your ministry skills.

**Curriculum of Study**

**Core (12 semester hours)**

- MIN 9431 Spiritual Mentoring
- RES 9400 Doctoral Research Methods
- RES 9900 Professional Research Project (6)

**Concentration (9 semester hours)**

- HOM 9410 Variety and Creativity in Preaching

- 2 courses from HOM

**Elective Courses (9 semester hours)**

- 3 courses from any alpha-designator
Academic Life
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Academic Catalog and Degree Change
A student’s program is governed by the catalog under which he or she was admitted. Students desiring to change degrees or concentrations within a degree must request approval through a Degree Change Application form (available outside the CIU SSM Dean’s Office in Schuster 140). Should a student break matriculation for two consecutive regular terms, the catalog in effect at the time of re-admission to CIU SSM must be used to satisfy the requirements for the degree.

Academic Load
The SSM faculty has defined “full-time study” as a minimum of 24 semester hours during an academic year. Students may divide those hours over the four terms of the academic year as they wish. Most students take at least nine hours during the fall semester and at least nine hours during the spring semester. They complete the remaining hours during the winter and/or summer terms. See the Student Financial Services pages for the way in which eligibility for financial aid and on-campus housing relates to academic load. The full-time load for Doctor of Ministry students is three semester hours per term.

Academic Petitions
CIU SSM provides a petitioning procedure through which students may be granted exceptions to the general rules included in the catalog. It is the responsibility of the student who seeks consideration to complete the petitioning process. Instructions for filing an academic petition are available outside the CIU SSM Dean’s Office (Schuster 140). In cases where an exception might affect the student’s eligibility to enroll in a particular course, the student should begin the petitioning process during the previous term and gain final approval of the petition no later than the “add” deadline of the term involved.

Academic Probation
A student whose grade-point average (GPA) for a semester falls below 2.3 is placed on academic probation for the following semester, during which the student is allowed to register for no more than 9.5 semester hours. At his discretion, the dean may limit enrollment to fewer than 9.5 hours. If the student’s cumulative GPA by the end of the subsequent semester does not improve so that graduation is assured, enrollment normally is terminated. The student must reapply through the CIU SSM Admissions Office and must provide evidence to the dean that he or she can expect to be academically successful. A student on academic probation may not participate in musical groups (except as part of MUS 5503, 5513). Employment also may be limited.

Advanced Standing
Although CIU SSM does not accept transfer credit from unaccredited institutions, a student may request advanced standing for courses completed at an unaccredited institution. Advanced standing may be awarded either “with credit” or “without credit.” Advanced standing without credit entitles the student to waive a curricular requirement in a field previously studied at an unaccredited school and substitute an advanced course at CIU SSM in the same field. Advanced standing with credit satisfies the graduation requirement for which advanced standing is awarded. Advanced standing with credit is awarded only on the basis of written or oral examination administered at CIU SSM. Advanced standing with credit may not be applied toward graduation requirements in the Program 2 Master of Arts (Theological Studies) degree.

Advanced Standing is available under the following conditions:

• With the exception of internship courses, advanced standing with credit may be granted for any course offered at CIU SSM appropriate to the student’s degree program, including free electives.
• Application for advanced standing must be made within one year of matriculation into CIU SSM.
• No more than one-sixth of the requirements of any degree program may be credited through advanced standing.
An approved Proficiency Exam Authorization form must be submitted to the Registrar's Office with evidence that the student has paid the non-refundable examination fee. Competency must be demonstrated by scoring at least 77 percent on a one-time-only written and/or oral assessment to be administered by the professor of record of the given course, with final approval granted by the dean.

Students may not receive advanced standing credit for courses they have audited at CIU SSM.

Auditing
Most courses may be audited with permission of the instructor and approval of the faculty advisor and registrar. No credit is recorded and an auditing fee is charged. Registration forms are available in the Registrar's Office.

Classes, Examinations, and Assignments
Assignments: Due dates for research papers, book reports, and other assignments normally are indicated in the course syllabus. The student is responsible to plan and pace work so that assignments will be submitted when due. Exceptions to the schedule established for a course are at the discretion of the instructor. Late work may not be accepted, although in rare cases an instructor may permit a pre-arranged extension.

Class Attendance: Because of the commitment made by accepted applicants and the intensive nature of the programs, it is assumed that students will attend all classes.

Course Numbering and Scheduling: Each course has three letters indicating the area of study and four digits. The number in parenthesis after the course title indicates its semester hour credit value. A course may be cancelled if enrollment does not meet a standard set by the dean’s office. Courses are scheduled in daytime, evening, and weekend formats on a rotating basis. See information posted outside the dean’s office. Since programs emphasize training for vocational Christian service which often involves considerable weekend ministry, Monday is reserved for study, research and reflection.

Period Examinations: Period tests are scheduled in the course syllabus. If a student misses a test for an approved reason, a make-up test must be taken within one week after return to class.

Re-examinations: A student desiring to retake a final examination may petition the instructor who, under exceptional circumstances, may grant the request. Re-examinations must be taken within two weeks after the receipt of grades. The grade obtained on the retaken examination will not carry the same value as the original final examination.

Commencement
All requirements for graduation normally must be met before the student may participate in commencement exercises. Under certain circumstances the student may be eligible to participate in commencement before all requirements have been completed.

All internship plans must be approved by April 15 of the year in which the student plans to participate in commencement. Registration forms must be completed and internship requirements (including the submission of all written reports and evaluations) must be completed by the last day of the summer semester following the commencement in which the student participates.

Credits
Graduate-level credit for Undergraduate courses: Under certain circumstances, Undergraduate courses may be taken for CIU SSM credit. College junior- and senior-level courses with no parallel at CIU SSM and which, in content, are appropriate for graduate-level credit, may qualify. Prior to course registration, students must submit to the Registrar’s Office an approved faculty directed study authorization with a graduate course assignment which outlines the course involved as well as additional assignments that validate graduate level credit.

Online Course Credit: CIU SSM permits up to half of an M.A. or M.Div. degree program to be earned through online courses. The one-half program limit applies even when two degrees are earned. Since the Bible and Theology Certificate and the Biblical Ministry Certificate are not degrees, they are exempt from this restriction.
Music Credit: CIU SSM students are allowed the following maximum semester hours of music (choir, band, private and class music lessons) to count toward graduation requirements:

- 30 semester hour program: 2 semester hours
- 60 semester hour program: 3 semester hours
- 90 semester hour program: 4 semester hours

Students may take more hours of music for credit, but they will not count toward graduation.

Educational Resources

Advising: Each student is assigned an academic advisor. The academic advising program is intended to foster a relationship between faculty members and individual students as a context for growth toward the academic, spiritual, and vocational goals of their seminary program. Students are encouraged to approach their academic advisor whenever they desire academic or spiritual advice.

Academic & Disability Services: CIU is committed to providing equal educational opportunities for all students and assisting them in making their university experience successful. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, we provide reasonable accommodations for students with currently documented disabilities. Requests for accommodations should be made to the Academic & Disability Services office, (803) 807-5612 (from on campus ext. 5612), at least 30 working days prior to the first day of class to help ensure the quality and availability of services needed. Questions regarding requirements for qualifying documentation and disability accommodations should be directed to Academic & Disability Services.

Bookstore: A campus bookstore, operated by Founders Bookstores, provides new and used textbooks, school supplies, reference books, Bibles, publications by popular Christian authors, faculty publications, gift and novelty items, CDs by favorite artists, CIU clothing, and other CIU imprinted items. It also offers a large selection of snacks and Seattle’s Best Coffee. Students may benefit from Book Buy Backs offered at the end of each semester.

Computing Lab: The Computing Lab is located in the Joy Ridderhoff Building. It has an open lab and a computer classroom with approximately 50 computers available. The computers run on a Microsoft network and use Windows as the operating system. Microsoft Office 2007 is available on each computer with other software applications such as WordPerfect, MS Works, Biblio 8, and Bible Works. Photo editing software is available on select computers. One digital editing computer is also available for student use. Black and white printing as well as color printing is available in the lab. Other services include scanning, CD burning, and Internet access. Registered students will receive their lab account information via mailbox.ciu.edu e-mail. Those who do not receive their lab account information via e-mail should see the lab front desk and complete a Student User Login Application. Lab operators are available to help students with various computing needs. The lab is generally open from 7 a.m. – 12 midnight Monday through Thursday, and from 8 a.m. – 9 p.m. Friday through Saturday. It is closed on Sundays and during the 10:45 a.m. – 11:40 a.m. chapel period Tuesday through Friday. For additional information, contact the Front Desk at (803) 807-5147 or visit www.ciu.edu/scc.

Copy Center: A school-maintained copy center processes printing requests for faculty, staff, and students on a time-available basis. Printing services available include resumes, prayer letters, prayer cards, and wedding invitations and announcements.

G. Allen Fleece Library: The library provides a collection of over 150,000 print and non-print items, 250 print journals and print journal back issues representing over 1,000 titles accessible through an electronic catalog linked with other independent college and universities within South Carolina. In addition, access to over 90 electronic databases, many of which are full text, is available through the library Web site and at the computer work stations in the library. The library participates in an interlibrary loan program through the Online Computer Library Center network of over 60,000 libraries.
The library supports membership in numerous national and specialized library associations as well as the Online Computer Library Center network (OCLC), the Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries (PASCAL), and the Christian Library Consortium (CLC), and has membership in the American Theological Library Association (ATLA) and the Association of Christian Librarians (ACL). Visit www.ciu.edu/library for more information. Christian Librarians (ACL).

Curriculum Ministry Resource Department: The Curriculum Ministry Resource Department (CMRD) is an arm of the library housing teaching materials and equipment designed to assist the CIU family in the various outreach ministries. The CMRD houses a cataloged collection of over 8,000 resources includes DVDs, maps, models, pictures, posters, puppets, transparencies, and even flannel graphs, all designed to assist in Bible teaching. International costumes, flags, and artifacts may be borrowed for teaching about foreign cultures. Media production equipment, including a die cut machine and a laminator are available for creating personal resources. The Curriculum Material Center (CMC), also a part of the CMRD, houses sample teaching curriculum for grades K-6 for school settings, and it houses curriculum for all grades in the church education setting.

Faculty Directed Study
Faculty Directed Study provides the student an opportunity to pursue, under the direction of a CIU SSM faculty member, topics of in-depth research beyond the stated curriculum. A student must discuss the proposed research with the SSM dean before approaching a possible instructor. The regular grading system is used for faculty directed studies.

Grading Policies
Grade Reports: Any student who questions a final grade in any subject should contact the instructor immediately. If the grade is to be changed, the instructor will notify the university registrar by means of a Change of Grade Form stating the reason for the change.

Students may appeal a grade within 90 days of issue with one exception. At the time of graduation, grades may no longer be appealed unless the student is willing to forego the desired graduation date for a future date to allow for the grade to be changed before final transcripts are issued. Grades may not be contested more than three months after the date of issue.

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**Satisfactory (S) and Unsatisfactory (U) grades do not carry quality points and are not computed in the grade point average.

Failed Courses
Students may repeat courses in which they earned a grade of D or F. The grade earned in the repeated course will be factored into the computation of grade point averages, though a record of the previous grade will remain on the student's transcript. The credit hours will be counted only once. If a failed course is repeated at another school and the transfer credit is applied to the student's program, the program requirements may be met, but the grade earned is not factored into the student's GPA.

Incompletes
Under exceptional circumstances, a faculty member may permit additional time for the completion of course requirements beyond the end of the semester. In such cases, a temporary grade of “I” (Incomplete) will be assigned when submitted work is satisfactory but, due to unforeseen circum-
stances, one or more assignments is outstanding. An “I” will not be given to enable a student to do additional work to raise a deficient grade.

Conditions for removal of the “I,” including the time limit for its removal (normally one month after the final exam), will be decided by the faculty member and documented for the dean. All incomplete grades beyond 30 days require the approval of the dean. It is the responsibility of the student receiving an “I” to submit the outstanding assignments and remove the grade at the earliest possible date. In no case will an “I” grade be carried for more than one year from the assignment of the Incomplete. An “I” grade does not carry quality points and is not calculated in the GPA. A student need not be enrolled in order to remove a grade of Incomplete. No student may graduate with an “I” on record.

**Graduation**

Columbia International University has three graduation dates per year on which diplomas and certificates are issued: one at the end of Summer Studies (in August), one at the end of fall semester (in December), and one at the end of spring semester (in May).

Students planning to receive a degree or certificate at any of these graduations are required to submit to the Office of the University Registrar a completed application for graduation, with evidence of fee payment, by the deadline specified in the CIU academic calendar. If a student fails to complete all requirements by the date set, the degree or certificate will not be issued. A new application to graduate must be filed and another diploma fee must be paid by the deadline for the new term of expected graduation.

**Internships**

The purpose of the internship program is to provide supervised experience in ministry in line with the student’s vocational objectives. Such an experience allows the student to engage in professional activities while receiving feedback and supervision from an experienced mentor. An internship is required in all Ministry Leadership degree programs.

All internships have as their principal component the practice of ministry. Internships promote personal growth as the intern integrates the academic and the experiential with all that he or she is as an individual. Internships are planned around specific objectives. After an internship assignment has been confirmed, the student designs a list of ministry objectives and personal objectives which he or she hopes to accomplish during the assignment. Supervision of the student before, during, and after the internship is common to all internships. CIU SSM personnel work along with field personnel to assure that the student receives maximum benefit from his or her internship. Another ingredient common to all internships is evaluation from a variety of sources. Three persons are primarily engaged in the evaluation process: the field supervisor, the faculty supervisor, and the student himself or herself.

A variety of options for the time framework of an internship are available. These are listed and described in the Course Descriptions section under “Internship.”

**Non-Accredited Degrees**

The faculty and administration of CIU SSM recognize that there are higher education institutions, both in the United States and around the world, that have chosen to offer quality instruction and training without the benefit of accreditation by an organization approved by the United States Department of Education. In general, students graduating with a bachelor’s degree from such institutions are not eligible for admission to the programs of the seminary. In a limited number of cases, however, it may be determined that the academic rigor required in the bachelor’s program was sufficient to merit considering the applicant for admission. Applicants in this category must satisfy the general admissions requirements for CIU SSM and specific requirements for the program to which they are applying. As evidence of ability to pursue successfully an academic program, applicants must have both the minimum GPA in undergraduate study required by the program to which they are applying and scores above the 50th percentile on the Graduate Record Examination or the minimum as defined by a given program.

Applicants must also provide the following documents from the institution(s) where they completed their earlier study:
• An institutional catalog or other document that includes the institution’s history; information on faculty credentials; the institution’s relationship to state, regional, national or international educational agencies; the grading system; and course descriptions.

• A list of accredited institutions that have accepted students from the institution for graduate work.

• The syllabi from at least four classes appropriate to program preparation as selected by the applicant.

International students from non-accredited institutions outside the United States will also need to provide an evaluation of their degree by the World Education Services (WES). More information on this process is available online at http://www.wes.org/.

All students admitted to a CIU SSM program based on a degree from a non-accredited institution are admitted with probationary acceptance. Therefore, after one regular semester (minimum of nine hours), the student’s work is evaluated to determine whether the probationary status should be removed, extended for an additional semester, or whether the student should be withdrawn from the program. Generally, probationary status is removed for students who achieve the requisite GPA (3.0 for Pastoral Counseling, 2.7 for all other programs).

Plagiarism

CIU expects students to be honorable in all their academic work. Students are to do and to be responsible for their own work. Dishonesty in assignments, examinations, written papers, or other academic work is contrary to scriptural principles of Christian living and is an affront to fellow students and the faculty. Plagiarism occurs when a student presents another person’s ideas or words as his or her own, or when a student intentionally or unintentionally fails to cite the source of his or her ideas. The following are specific examples of plagiarism:

1. The words, sentences, ideas, conclusions, examples, and/or organization of an assignment are borrowed from a source (e.g., a book, an article, another student’s paper, tapes) without acknowledging the source.

2. A student submits work done by another student — in part or in whole — in place of his or her own work.

3. A student submits assignments received from the Internet, from commercial firms, or from any other person or group.

4. A student knowingly aids another student in plagiarizing an assignment as defined above. Plagiarism will result in academic penalty, and may result in failure in the assignment, failure in the course, and further disciplinary action. When appropriate, the student’s chaplain will be informed. (Adapted with permission from the St. Paul Bible College Handbook and the Student’s Guide to Public Communication for the University of South Carolina by William M. Strickland.)

Readmission

If four or more consecutive semesters have elapsed since enrollment, a student must complete the full application procedure. If fewer than four consecutive semesters have elapsed, no application procedure is necessary, but clearance from the CIU SSM Admissions Office is required. Students may contact the Admissions Office for information on gaining clearance. If a student is not enrolled at CIU SSM for two consecutive semesters, degree requirements are based on the catalog in effect at the time of readmission.

Records and Privacy Rights

Records: The registrar maintains a cumulative permanent record for each student on a semester by semester basis, showing courses taken, credits earned, grades received and grade points accumulated. The student has access to an online report on academic work at the end of each semester. In addition, the faculty advisor keeps a current record of progress toward completion of the program.

Student Assessment for Institutional Improvement: In order for CIU SSM to assess and improve its academic programs, periodic measurements of student perceptions and intellectual growth must be obtained. A student may be required to participate in one or more evaluative procedures, including examinations in general academic development and/or the major field of study. Data obtained through evaluative measurements are pooled and used solely to improve the quality
of the educational experience of future generations of students.

**Student Privacy Rights:** The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (Buckley Amendment with which Columbia International University fully complies), protects the privacy of the educational records, establishes the right of students to inspect these records, and provides guidelines for the correction of inaccurate or misleading data through informal hearings. Student records include financial accounts and financial aid records, Christian Service Learning assignments and evaluations, grades, veteran affairs, and Student Life Department files. The student has the right to file complaints concerning alleged institutional failure to comply with this Act. Copies of the institutional compliance policy are available in the university Registrar's Office.

CIU designates the following categories of student records as public “Directory Information” and may use its discretion in disclosing the following data:

Name, postal address, e-mail address, telephone number, photographs, dates of attendance, classification, prior institution(s) attended, major fields of study, awards, honors, degree(s) conferred (including dates), past and present participation in officially recognized sports and activities, and place (not date) of birth.

Forms requesting the withholding of “Directory Information” may be obtained from the university registrar and must be returned prior to the first day of the second full week of classes. A request to withhold any category of information will result in withholding of all “Directory Information.” Unless this form is filed, your approval for disclosure of “Directory Information” is assumed.

**Registration**

Entering students register for courses following notification of acceptance to CIU SSM. Upon acceptance, an online ID and password are mailed to the student’s home address. Prior to registering, students receive instructions on the registration process and guidance concerning a course of study from a faculty advisor. For returning students, registration materials are available online during the posted preregistration period and at the beginning of each term. Preregistration usually begins in the 11th week of the preceding semester. All financial obligations must be met before a student may register.

**Transcripts and Diplomas**

Graduates are issued a diploma bearing the corporate name, Columbia International University.

Diplomas, certificates, and final transcripts will not be issued if the student has any remaining financial obligations to Columbia International University. Pre-1994 graduates, upon request, may receive a Columbia International University replacement diploma, dated with the original graduation date and containing a marginal subscript indicating “Replacement Diploma: [date of issue].” There is a $40 fee for a replacement diploma.

Copies of former student transcripts are $10 each.

**Transfer Credit**

Course work taken in another school, though not calculated into the GPA, may be credited up to one-half of a degree if not used previously for the award of the same degree or its equivalent. Applicants who have completed work in an institution which is accredited regionally or nationally (CHEA recognized) may receive transfer credit for courses in which they received a grade of “C” (2.0 GPA) or better. Transfer credit may apply to a student’s program at CIU SSM in one of the following ways: (a) courses that are parallel to required courses in the CIU SSM curriculum of the student’s program may be received as meeting the requirement, and (b) courses that do not parallel any required course may be received as elective credit up to the limit of electives for the particular program in which the student enrolls. Transferred courses may be applied to the free elective category of a degree only if a comparable course is offered at CIU SSM.

To obtain an estimate of transfer credit, applicants must submit official transcripts for all postsecondary study to the Office of the University Registrar along with an application for admission and a request for a transcript assessment. In some cases, applicants may be asked to send a catalog or prospectus from colleges or other postsecondary institutions attended. The Registrar’s Office
will provide an initial assessment of transfer credit, but a final assignment of transfer credit may not be completed until the end of the student’s first semester of study at CIU SSM. A copy of the transfer policy is available upon request from the Office of the University Registrar. Please contact the transcript facilitator in the Office of the University Registrar for further assistance.

For transfer of credit from a non-accredited institution to be considered, the institution must have been placed on CIU SSM’s approved list following the examination of institutional evidence that courses meet the standard of academic rigor set by Columbia International University.

After matriculation, requests for transfer credit must be approved by the student’s advisor and dean by academic petition.

Withdrawal from Courses
In some cases, it may become necessary or advisable for students to drop courses for which they have registered. Prior to the drop/add deadline, the student should consult with his or her advisor before changing his or her schedule online. After this date, the student must obtain a “Course Withdrawal” form from the Office of the University Registrar, complete the requested information, and obtain all required signatures before submitting it to the Office of the University Registrar for processing. Course withdrawal should be made as early as possible in the semester. Note the tuition refund schedule for students withdrawing from a course (see Detailed Schedule of Expenses). Students withdrawing from a course after the first five weeks of any semester (or after the first day of class in the case of Winter and Summer Studies courses) will receive a “WF” on their transcript for the course, except for a granted medical withdrawal or some other serious circumstance excused by the Seminary dean. Students are responsible for following established withdrawal procedures. Failure to follow withdrawal procedures will result in a grade of “F” for the course.

There are deadlines for adding, dropping, and withdrawing from courses that are set to comply with federal regulations. For detailed information, contact the Registrar’s Office, which publishes a schedule of the dates for each term. Under exceptional circumstances a student may submit a written request for an administrative or medical withdrawal beyond the published dates. Information on those policies also is available from the Office of the University Registrar.

Withdrawal from CIU SSM
In cases where it becomes necessary or advisable for a student to withdraw from school, it is the responsibility of the student to obtain a “School Withdrawal” form from the Office of the University Registrar for processing. Failure to attend classes does not constitute withdrawal, and failure to follow withdrawal procedures will result in grades of “F” for all courses. Students withdrawing from school after the first five weeks of any semester (or after the first day of class in the case of Winter or Summer Studies courses) will receive a “WF” for all courses unless the reason for withdrawing is illness or some other serious circumstance excused by the Seminary dean. Note the tuition refund schedule for students withdrawing from school.
Educational Opportunities
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Winter and Summer Studies
Columbia International University Seminary & School of Ministry offers core and elective courses every year in an intensive one-week format during January (Winter Studies) and one-week format from June to August (Summer Studies). The abbreviated format of these sessions provides unique opportunities for students to accelerate degree completion and for those involved in ministry, missions, and other vocations to fit continuing education into their schedules.

Through these intensive course offerings, CIU SSM is able to bring outstanding leaders in various fields to the campus. In the more intimate atmosphere of smaller classes, learning takes place in a relationship close enough to get to know and be influenced by world-class specialists.

Students should be aware that an intensive course includes pre-attendance and/or post-participation reading, reflection, research, and evaluation. For dates of the next Winter and Summer Studies terms, see the online academic calendar.

AccessCIU: Online On Purpose
AccessCIU is designed to help students pursue their seminary education while remaining in their current ministry or occupation. Through AccessCIU, CIU SSM offers students both individual online courses and the opportunity to earn a degree using a combination of “high tech” online courses and “high touch” concentrated classroom experiences.

Course Options
CIU SSM offers online courses that allow students to begin their seminary education without relocating, to accelerate their resident study by taking courses during time away from campus for work or other reasons, and to engage in lifelong learning after graduation. Students may earn up to 49 percent of a degree by taking online courses. The entire Bible and Theology and Biblical Ministry Certificates are available in online course format.

Online courses are offered during the Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters in a cohort model, and a minimum of five students must be enrolled to avoid cancellation of a course. Fall and Spring courses run 13 to 16 weeks in length with assignments due every one to three weeks. Students must be able to invest at least 10 hours per week to take one Fall or Spring online course. Summer courses are compressed with assignments every week, and students must be able to invest 15 to 20 hours per week to take one Summer online course. Syllabi are available when registration opens, and some assignments may be available online before the semester begins.

Once students register for a course, they have access to the CIU library for research and can begin submitting assignments electronically. The professors who facilitate online courses provide prompt feedback and encouragement beginning with the published start date and continuing throughout the duration of each course. Discussion forums and chats provide the interactive experience of an online community. To take an online course, students must have a computer with Internet access. Courses offered in online format are noted at the end of each course description in the “Course Titles and Descriptions” section of this catalog. A complete list of online courses can be found at www.ciu.edu/distance

Degree Options
CIU SSM makes it possible to earn any of the following degrees by spending a maximum of four weeks each year away from home:

Bible and Theology Certificate
Biblical Ministry Certificate
Master of Arts (Intercultural Studies)
Master of Arts (Muslim Studies)
Master of Arts (Theological Studies)
Master of Arts in Bible Exposition
Master of Arts in Global Studies
Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership
Master of Divinity (Bible Exposition)
Master of Divinity (Global Studies)
Master of Divinity (Ministry Leadership)
The curricular requirements for each degree are those set out elsewhere in this catalog; it is the delivery system that differs. Students travel to our Columbia or Atlanta campuses in January and June to participate in two one-week concentrated classroom experiences. Each classroom experience includes pre-class preparation and post-class practice using a variety of instructional media. Between trips, students complete online courses in their work or ministry setting. Throughout the year they engage in ministry skills development projects and spiritual formation activities in the context of their home churches.

The schedule set out in “Pursuing a Degree through AccessCIU” is designed to optimize the academic year. Completing four intensive and two online courses each year makes it possible for a student to complete a Biblical Ministry Certificate in 20 months, a Master of Arts in 40 months, or a Master of Divinity in 60 months. In consultation with an academic advisor, however, the student has the freedom to tailor a program of study to meet the circumstances of his/her family, work, and ministry situation as long as the curricular and residence requirement for the degree are met.

Additional details on the AccessCIU degree options, minimum computer hardware and software requirements, and answers to frequently asked questions may be viewed at www.ciu.edu/accessciu.

**Pursuing a Degree through AccessCIU**

**A Typical Year**

**Summer Term (June through mid-August)**

Two Concentrated classes (prepare at home; participate on campus; practice at home)

**Fall Term (mid-August through early December)**

One Online course (study from home as part of a cohort)

**Winter Term (January and February)**

Two Concentrated classes (prepare at home; participate on campus; practice at home)

**Spring Term (March through May)**

One Online courses (study from home as part of a cohort)

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**Korntal, Germany Site**

Columbia International University operates a complete degree site in Korntal, Germany, a village with longstanding evangelical and missionary heritage, located just northwest of Stuttgart, the capital of Baden-Württemberg. CIU-Korntal offers German language programs and English language courses that are contextually attuned to the culture and context of German-speaking Europe. The campus is a place of spiritual preparation and missiological study for all who wish to prepare for missionary service, both in Germany and internationally. Students enrolled at CIU-Korntal may earn the Biblical Ministry Certificate or the Master of Arts degree.

CIU-Korntal began as a partnership between CIU and the Arbeitsgemeinschaft Evangelikaler Missionen (AEM). In 1978 AEM launched a program of continuing education for missionaries which matured, in 1985, into the Freie Hochschule für Mission (FHM). Shortly thereafter, a desire to offer university credit led to discussions exploring a partnership with CIU. In 1990, a credit-offering program of FHM was recognized as an extension site of CIU, and in 1994, CIU-Korntal was established as a complete degree site of Columbia International University. When the Akademie für Weitmission Korntal (AWM) was founded as the successor to FHM in 2000, an integral aspect of AWM was continuation of the partnership agreement with CIU.

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**Atlanta, Georgia Site**

CIU SSM offers intensive courses in January and June at the Continuing Education School on the campus of the Evangeline Booth College of the
Salvation Army Southeastern Territorial Headquarters in Atlanta, Ga. Located 20 minutes from the Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport, the Continuing Education Center provides state-of-the-art classrooms, WiFi access, guest rooms, and access to both a full-service dining facility and a wellness center. Courses offered in Atlanta are scheduled to permit you to pursue a seminary degree through AccessCIU; they may be applied to any degree offered by CIU SSM. Enrollment is open to anyone meeting CIU SSM admission requirements. Detailed information about the Atlanta site may be found at www.ciu.edu/seminary/atlanta.

Other Educational Programs at CIU

College of Arts and Sciences

CIU’s College of Arts and Sciences offers collegiate programs leading to a one-year Bible certificate, two-year Associate of Arts degree, and four-year bachelor’s degrees. All bachelor’s degree programs feature a Bible major with a professional major and/or minor. This college provides the core curriculum for all undergraduate students in Bible, general education, and the leadership core. Professional majors and minors include Applied English, Business and Organizational Leadership (minor only), Communication, General Studies (for transfer students), Humanities, Middle Eastern Studies, Music, and Psychology. Undergraduate majors offered through other colleges on campus include Bible Teaching, Biblical Languages/Pre-Seminary Studies, Family and Church Education, Intercultural Studies, Pastoral Ministries, Teacher Education (via a MAT program), Teaching English as a Foreign Language (minor only), and Youth Ministry. The College of Arts and Sciences is large enough to offer a complete range of academic studies and extracurricular activities, yet small enough for a family atmosphere. Thirty percent of the students are married. An exceptional faculty ministers to motivated students in an atmosphere of discipline, dedication, and joy.

College of Counseling

The College of Counseling equips Christians who desire to minister through counseling to become well-qualified, spiritually and emotionally healthy, licensed mental health professionals. The purpose of the College of Counseling is not only to prepare students to be licensed professionals in the mental health field, but also to be effective leaders who bring counseling research and skills together within biblical truth. The practitioner approach of the College of Counseling includes a focus on the heart (personal and spiritual development), the head (research and professional knowledge) and the hands (effective interpersonal and clinical skills).

Graduates of the College of Counseling are awarded the Masters of Arts degree in Counseling. Within this graduate degree program the College of Counseling provides two program track options: the Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) track and the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) track. The LMFT track prepares students to work with individuals, couples, and families from a family systems perspective.

Students are prepared to work with clients across a spectrum of mental and emotional disorders, as well as to promote mental health, wellness, and spiritual transformation. As licensed mental health professionals, graduates are biblically informed and professionally knowledgeable in the principles and practices of diagnosis, treatment, referral, and prevention. Employment opportunities include private practice, community-based mental health centers, hospitals, and other treatment centers, as well as in ministries, missions, and member care.

College of Education

The College of Education (COE) “equips Christian educators to think, teach and lead biblically in educational settings throughout the world.” This mission encompasses the preparation of teachers to enter both early childhood and elementary classrooms (MAT) and the equipping of practicing teachers and administrators for leadership positions through graduate studies (M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction, M.Ed. in School Administration and Ed.D. in Educational Leadership at both secondary and higher education levels).

In order to fulfill our mission, COE courses of study are based upon a philosophy of education that approaches both the means and the ends of education by thinking biblically about the nature of students, instructional strategies, and curricular content (knowledge, skills and dispositions).
Upon graduation teachers receive certification through the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and South Carolina Department of Education and are thus qualified as classroom teachers within Christian and public schools both in the United States and in International Schools around the world. Their preparation includes training that equips them to think in culturally responsive ways within classrooms that are increasingly diverse. Students are involved in leading urban Bible clubs, teaching Bible in Christian schools, and field observations and student teaching within our two Ben Lippen School elementary campuses and local public schools.

It is the vision of the College of Education that we not only prepare highly qualified classroom teachers but also instructional leaders and administrators that reflect the educational philosophy and values of CIU. Currently more than 100 graduate students are working during the summer months to become Christian school principals and headmasters, curriculum supervisors, and administrators in Christian higher education or international theological institutions. These students, drawn to CIU through the reputation of our faculty and graduates, come to study at CIU not only from schools across the United States, but Australia, Ethiopia, Mozambique, Indonesia, Korea, Bolivia, China, Taiwan, Mexico, the Dominican Republic and the Philippines. There is no question that COE reflects CIU’s middle name – international.

Regardless of where our students are, beginning college freshmen or completing their doctoral degrees, COE students believe that they can and will impact the kingdom through education. COE strives to equip them to be discerning and wise educators whose lives will exemplify the thinking and dispositions of a Christian educator.

**College of Intercultural Studies (CICS)**
The CICS faculty and staff members are Dr. Mike Barnett, Dr. Dave Cashin, Dr. Lindsay Hislop, Dr. Warren Larson, Joe LeTexier, Dr. Chris Little, Dr. Lishu Yin, Trevor Castor, Carol Larson, and Danise Stokeld. They have over 130 years of combined cross-cultural ministry and work experience from around the globe. Their experience adds a fresh, practical perspective to the rich theoretical texts of our courses. Students also benefit from a vast matrix of strategic relationships with international companies and organizations across the globe. The mission of the CICS faculty and staff is to equip students for effective life and work in a culturally diverse world.

CICS also offers the Master of Arts in Teaching English as a Foreign Language (M.A.TEFL) degree. The M.A. TEFL prepares professional teachers of English as a foreign language with the knowledge and skills needed to teach in an effective, culturally sensitive way and to prepare graduates to take up leadership roles in the field of teaching English to speakers of other languages. The program specifically prepares graduates to teach English in both non-English and English-speaking cultures. Bible co-requisites are given in the Graduate Academic Catalog.

**Ben Lippen School**
Ben Lippen, a Scottish phrase meaning “mountain of trust,” is an evangelical Christian school for grades Pre-K-12, founded in 1940 by Robert C. McQuilkin, first president of Columbia International University. Ben Lippen School continues to strive toward McQuilkin’s goal of teaching young people that there is “life in abundance” (John 10:10) for those who follow Jesus Christ as Lord. The school is college preparatory, coeducational, and receives both resident and day students.

The Ben Lippen School family consists of students from a wide range of cultures and backgrounds. As many as 30 foreign countries and 25 states have been represented in a single year. Some students come from homes of missionaries, pastors, and other full-time Christian workers. Others come from families representing all areas of professional and educational careers. This “melting pot” of young men and women offers an educational experience in itself.

The proximity of Ben Lippen School to Columbia International University provides an opportunity for convenient Christian schooling for children of CIU students.

**Cooperative Educational Programs**
**Carolina Theological Consortium**
In order to advance the cause of Christ through
graduate level theological education in North and South Carolina and to affirm a spirit of collegiality, CIU SSM is a full member of the Carolina Theological Consortium. Other members of the consortium are Erskine Theological Seminary in Due West, S.C, Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary—Charlotte, in Charlotte, N.C., and Reformed Theological Seminary—Charlotte, in Charlotte, N.C. Students in good standing in each of the member schools may cross-enroll in masters or doctoral degree courses offered by any of the schools and may borrow library materials from any of the schools. Admission of students who wish to cross-enroll is on a space-available basis.

**Institute of Theological Seminars**
The Institute of Theological Seminars (ITS), a joint ministry of Great Commission Center International (GCCI) and Christian Renewal Ministries (CRM), is dedicated to providing graduate theological training for Chinese Christian professionals. Through a formal articulation agreement, CIU SSM permits students who have completed studies at the Institute of Theological Seminars to become transfer students with advanced status in the certificate and degree programs of CIU SSM. Students transferring from ITS must have completed a bachelor’s degree from a recognized college or university at the time they pursue course work at ITS.

**Zwemer Center for Muslim Studies**
The Zwemer Institute was established in 1979 to offer in-depth courses in Islam, produce papers, foster dialogue, and facilitate research on pertinent topics. In 2003, the Zwemer Institute moved to the campus of CIU SSM to become the Zwemer Center for Muslims Studies. Every year the Zwemer Center offers graduate-level courses on the Columbia campus. Most courses are in one-week intensive format offered in January and July; some are available through distance education year-round; and a few are offered on campus during the regular semesters. All intensive courses may be taken as non-credit seminars. The Zwemer Center also offers non-credit seminars at other locations upon request.
Admissions
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Race, ethnic origin, nationality, sex or handicap are not factors in our admissions policies.

Qualified applicants for Program 1 who intend to earn a degree are encouraged to declare a degree program when they enroll. It is possible to delay declaration of a degree program, but normally not beyond the beginning of the second semester of the Biblical Ministry Certificate program. A “Degree Change” form (available outside the door of the CIU SSM Dean’s Office — Schuster 140) is needed when declaring or changing programs following initial enrollment.

Who Should Apply?
The Seminary requires applicants to provide evidence of:

1. Conversion and development in Christian character, potential for effectiveness in Christian ministry, submission to the will of God, ability to do serious study, and willingness to accept the administration’s authority and guidelines.

2. A baccalaureate or graduate degree from an accredited institution.

3. Ability to pursue successfully an academic program, normally a 2.5 GPA minimum in undergraduate study. (See “Probationary Acceptance” section below if you do not meet these standards.) A 3.0 GPA in undergraduate study is required to enter the Master of Arts in Pastoral Counseling Degree.

4. Effective use of English. When English is not a student’s first language, a satisfactory score on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) may be required. (See “International Applicants” section, below.)

5. An appropriate undergraduate background. The best preparation for CIU SSM usually is a well-balanced undergraduate program that includes courses in the humanities and sciences. It is helpful for undergraduate studies to include:

   English (grammar and composition): 6 semester hours
   Philosophy: 3 semester hours
   Social Sciences (especially psychology or sociology): 3 semester hours

   Natural Sciences: 3 semester hours
   History: 6 semester hours
   Speech: 3 semester hours

An applicant whose academic background does not include any of these areas may be requested to remove the deficiency as a condition for admission.

In addition to the requirements listed above, Program 2 has other specific entrance requirements that must be met. (See Programs of Study.)

How to Apply:

1. Request an application packet from the Admissions Office at (800) 777-2227 or P.O. Box 3122, Columbia, S.C. 29203, or from our Web site at www.ciu.edu/seminary. The Admissions Office can assist you whether you intend to study full time or part time, on or off campus, including non-degree and special student status.

2. Submit:
   • An application and the $45 application fee (non-refundable).
   • Official transcripts from each postsecondary institution you have attended.
   • References from your pastor and two other persons on forms provided. Note that your references should mail the forms directly to the Admissions Office.
   • Instructions on other required items are provided in the application packet.

3. Within 21 days from receipt of letter of acceptance, confirm your intention to enroll by sending a $300 enrollment deposit and, if living on campus, a $100 security deposit. The enrollment deposit is waived for the spouse of a currently enrolled, full-time CIU SSM student.

4. A medical form will be sent from the Health Services Office after acceptance. Please note: The completed form, including immunization verification and insurance information, must be received by health services before you may register for classes.
Information to Assist You:

International Applicants
Applicants whose first language is not English are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) examination. A score of 550 on a paper-based examination or 213 on the computer-based examination is required for admission to CIU SSM. If the applicant completes the exam through iBT, the required score is 79. International students transferring to CIU SSM from another graduate school also must meet this requirement. The TOEFL Exam is available through American consular offices.

International applicants must provide official, original transcripts from all academic work beyond the secondary school level. These documents must be sent directly from the University and not by the applicant. Any records not originally in English must be accompanied by a certified translation into English. International applicants who completed their postsecondary work outside of the United States are required to have their transcripts evaluated by a foreign credential evaluation agency. Please contact the Admissions Office for further information.

The TOEFL is not required of students taking all their work at the CIU SSM Branch Campus in Korntal, Germany.

Acceptance for study does not imply the availability of scholarship or other financial assistance.

CIU Graduates
CIU (undergraduate) graduates wishing to apply for the Seminary & School of Ministry within one year of their CIU graduation will need to complete an abbreviated application process with the Admissions Office. If a CIU graduate is applying after one year of graduation, they will need to complete the entire application process.

Return after Absence
Students who have not been enrolled in the Seminary & School of Ministry for one to three semesters will need to contact the Admissions Office to complete an internal rejoin process. Those students who have been out for four or more semesters will need to reapply.

Non-Accredited Degrees
The faculty and administration of CIU recognize that there are higher education institutions, both in the United States and around the world, which have chosen to offer quality instruction and training without the benefit of accreditation by an organization approved by the United States Department of Education. In general, students graduating with a bachelor’s degree from such institutions are not eligible for admission to the programs of the Seminary & School of Ministry. However, in a limited number of cases, it may be determined that the academic rigor required in the bachelor’s program was sufficient to merit considering the applicant for admission. Applicants in this category must satisfy the general admissions requirements for CIU Seminary & School of Ministry and the specific requirements for the program to which they are applying. As evidence of ability to pursue successfully an academic program, applicants must have the minimum GPA in undergraduate study required by the program to which they are applying.

Applicants must also provide the following documents from the institution(s) where they completed their earlier study:

- an institutional catalog or other document that includes the institution’s history; information on faculty credentials; the institution’s relationship to state, regional, national or international educational agencies; the grading system; and course descriptions.

- a list of accredited institutions that have accepted students from the institution for graduate work.

- the syllabi from at least four classes appropriate to program preparation as selected by the applicant.

International students from non-accredited institutions outside the United States will also need to provide an evaluation of their degree by the World Education Services (WES). More information on this process is available online at http://www.wes.org.

All students admitted to a Seminary & School of Ministry program based on a degree from a non-accredited institution are admitted with provisional acceptance. Therefore, after one regular semester
(minimum of nine hours), the student’s work is evaluated to determine whether the provisional status should be removed, extended for an additional semester, or withdrawn from the program. Generally, probationary status is removed for students who achieve the requisite GPA.

**Non-Degree Students**
Although students normally are accepted to complete requirements for the certificate or a degree, students not applying for a degree also may be accepted on a conditional basis. Non-degree applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree and be committed to lifestyle standards consistent with the ethos of Columbia International University. Information on eligibility, limitations, and application procedures is available in the CIU SSM Admissions Office.

**Divorced Persons**
Certain limitations and conditions may apply in the admission of persons who have been divorced. If you are divorced, please advise the CIU SSM Admissions Office.

**Veterans**
CIU SSM is approved by the State Approval Agency, South Carolina Department of Education, state of South Carolina, for training persons eligible for benefits under Veterans Affairs programs. The VA certifying official has an office in the Student Financial Service Department.

**Provisional Acceptance**
When mitigating circumstances warrant, qualified applicants who have not completed an accredited baccalaureate degree may be accepted provisionally into designated Ministry Leadership degree programs. The CIU SSM Admissions Office can provide further information.

**Probationary Acceptance**
A limited number of applicants may be accepted on a probationary basis if they have an accredited baccalaureate degree but do not meet other academic requirements (2.0 to 2.5 GPA). Applicants with less than a 2.5 GPA at the baccalaureate level may, at the discretion of the Admissions office, be placed on academic probation. After nine semester hours of study, the student’s work is evaluated to determine whether probationary status should be removed, an alternate program recommended, or enrollment terminated.

**Ethical and Doctrinal Criteria**
Columbia International University reserves the right to deny or revoke the admission of any candidate whose behavior or lifestyle is inconsistent with biblical principles or with the ministry standards of the CIU community. An applicant will not be admitted who denies any teaching expressed in the Doctrinal Statement, section 1-7. For graduation, affirmation of the Doctrinal Statement is required, except for agreement with the pre-millennial position in section 8.

**Instances of Fraud**
Anyone found to have been admitted to CIU SSM on the basis of false information will be immediately dismissed and will forfeit all financial payments made and academic credits accumulated during all periods of enrollment following that admission.

**Explanation of Expenses**
A listing of current fees is available on request from the CIU SSM Admissions Office and online at www.ciu.edu/seminary/admissions. While the following list of fees and expenses is representative of the costs students may incur, tuition, fees, and expenses are adjusted from time to time and the university may impose new fees without prior notice. Advanced Standing Proficiency Examination Fee: This fee applies to any student request for a proficiency examination toward Advanced Standing with credit for degree programs. The fee is non-refundable.

**Application Fee**: The application of each entering student must be accompanied by a non-refundable payment.

Audit Fee: An audit fee is charged for all audited classes.

**Enrollment Deposit**: Each new applicant and those re-enrolling must make an enrollment deposit within 21 days following acceptance. When husband and wife apply at the same time and are accepted to enter CIU SSM at the same time, the husband pays the enrollment deposit but the wife’s enrollment deposit is waived. This deposit is considered an advance payment and is credited to the
student’s account. Students who decide not to enroll should notify CIU SSM immediately because the amount of refund, if any, depends upon the date notification is received. If circumstances arise that force an entering student to delay arrival, he or she must advise the Admissions Office prior to the first day of orientation or forfeit the deposit. (See Refunds.)

**Health Insurance:** All students taking courses for academic credit on the CIU campus are required to carry medical/hospitalization insurance. CIU offers a group insurance plan (including an option for family coverage) for any student needing to purchase insurance. Students will be automatically charged for single coverage if proof of insurance is not provided at the time of registration.

**Room Advance:** A room advance deposit is required of all students living in campus residences. For entering students this fee is to be paid at the same time the enrollment deposit is paid, within 21 days following the acceptance. The room advance is held to reserve the student’s space as long as the student continues living in the campus residence and is refunded upon the student’s departure from the campus residence.

**Room and Board:** The room and board fee should be paid in full at the beginning of each term. Any student living on campus is to participate in one of the meal plans offered. (Exceptions are given only on request of a physician.) The 21-meal plan includes all meals Monday through Sunday. The 14-meal and 10-meal plans include any 14 or 10 meals of the student’s choice during the one week period from Monday breakfast through Sunday dinner.

**Student Activity Fee:** The Student Activity Fee is charged each fall and spring semester to students registered for six or more semester hours. It provides funds needed for the Graduate Life Council, Student Missions Connection, the African American Student Association, and other student organizations. A portion of the fee is also distributed to various areas for the maintenance of student services. Students who register for fewer than six semester hours during fall semester but who register for six or more hours during spring semester, are charged the fall Student Activity Fee rate for spring semester. Transcripts: A charge is made for each transcript.

**Tuition:** Tuition and fees cover approximately two-thirds of the cost to operate CIU SSM, including the costs of instruction, use of the G. Allen Fleece Library, the Student Computing Center, and facilities provided for students not included in the cost of room and board.

**Yearbook Fee:** Students not charged a Student Activity Fee may purchase a copy of the “Finial” by paying the yearbook fee.

**Payment Policies**
Upon registration, students become financially responsible for their charges for the entire semester. Withdrawal does not relieve a student of this obligation. A diploma or transcript of academic record will not be issued to a student who is financially obligated to the CIU SSM.

Payments to CIU may be made in cash, by check, or by personal credit card. The College Card, a credit card for school-related expenses, is obtainable through Columbia International University.

Any approved but uncredited financial aid scholarships or grants may be taken into account in calculating the payment amount, provided relevant information is clearly provided to the CIU Accounting Office at the time of payment. Payments for intensive and modular winter and summer courses must be made at registration or prior to the close of registration for the course period.

There are two plans for financial payments to the university for fall and spring semesters:

1. The Semester Plan requires payment of the entire balance due for the semester upon receipt of the fee statement or no later than the last day of registration. Payments may be made in cash, by check, or charged to a personal credit card.

2. The Monthly Payment Plan offers a more regular payment schedule to students. The plan calls for 10 monthly payments. All accounts must be paid in full to the plan administrator (Academic Management Systems) by May 15; thus a 10-
month plan requires enrollment and the first payment by August of the preceding year. The fall payment plan begins in August prior to enrollment. The spring payment plan begins in January prior to enrollment. There is a $50 enrollment fee, but no interest is charged.

Veterans and others training under Chapters 30, 31, 34, and 35 of Title 38, United States Code, must be prepared to pay all fees at the time of registration, including (if an on-campus student) room and board.

A student who has not made or arranged for full payment prior to the last day of registration will be dis-enrolled from all courses.

Refunds
Some fees, including the registration fee, course fees, and student activity fee are nonrefundable.

Amount of Refund
For those Entering Fall Semester
Full refund if notification is received before May 1
50% refund if notification is received between May 1 and July 1
No refund after July 1

For those Entering Spring Semester
Full refund if notification is received before Dec. 1
50% refund if notification is received between Dec. 1 and Jan. 1
No refund after Jan. 1

Enrollment Deposit: Should an applicant decide not to enter CIU SSM after paying the enrollment deposit, she or he should notify the Admissions Office immediately.

Room Advance: Should an applicant decide not to enter after paying the room advance, she or he should notify the Admissions Office immediately. A student deciding not to continue at the Seminary or to remain on campus must notify the Student Life Office of her or his intent to leave. For both students and applicants, refund of the room advance will be in keeping with the refund schedule, above.

Postponement of Enrollment: If an accepted applicant chooses to postpone enrollment after paying the enrollment deposit and room advance, these payments will be held on deposit until the student enrolls, provided notice of postponement is received prior to the original enrollment date. If notice is received subsequent to the original enrollment date, the payments will be forfeited. Students admitted after the deadline for full refund may be refunded the enrollment deposit but the refund schedule will apply to the room advance.

“No-Shows”: An applicant who fails to appear on the first day of the term for which he or she was accepted, with no previously approved arrangement with CIU SSM for late admission, is considered a “no-show” and forfeits refund of all advance payments.

Tuition: All tuition will be refunded to students who withdraw from CIU SSM before classes begin. Students who withdraw from CIU SSM after classes begin or who reduce their course load in such a way as to affect total tuition charges for the semester will receive refunds according to the following schedule:

• Through the end of the registration period: 100%
• Through the second week of classes: 90%
• Through the fourth week of classes: 50%
• Through the eighth week of classes: 20%
• NO OTHER REFUNDS ARE PROVIDED

Students who withdraw totally or partially receive tuition refunds based on the date of withdrawal. On-campus students who reduce their loads to fewer than nine semester hours may continue to live on campus as space is available. Students receiving financial aid must also check with Student Financial Services concerning refunds.

Room Rent: Room rent is billed for the semester at the time of registration. Since room space once reserved cannot be reassigned subsequent to registration, room rent does not fall under the schedule for refunds and cannot be refunded.

Board: Board is billed for the semester at the time of registration. If a student withdraws from CIU SSM, a full refund will be given for board beyond the week of withdrawal. Should the student owe CIU SSM any money, the refund will be credited as a payment on his or her account.
Music Lessons: Music lessons are regulated by the policies of other courses, so discontinuation of music lessons must be processed as a dropped course. Music fees cannot be refunded after the close of the registration period.

Veterans: If a veteran studying under Title 38 should withdraw, whether voluntarily or by dismissal, refunds for tuition and other fees (except the registration fee) are made on a strict pro rata basis. The registration fee is not refundable.

Financial Aid: In order to provide CIU scholarships to as many eligible students as possible, all current CIU scholarships are forfeited when a student withdraws before the end of a term.
Student Financial Services
Student Financial Services

When students are unable to fund their education fully from personal resources, it is CIU's policy to attempt to assist them in obtaining additional financing from federal, state, institutional, and private foundation resources to the extent possible. Students who wish to be considered for aid from these sources must meet general eligibility requirements as well as fund-specific criteria. Eligibility requirements and instructions for applying are outlined below. International students are not eligible for federal aid but may qualify for institutional aid.

Federal Financial Aid

Federal Financial Aid - Eligibility

The federal government administers aid programs with the purpose of assisting students whose personal resources are not sufficient to pay for seminary, as well as programs that are not based on financial need. This assistance may come in the form of loans or federal work-study. The primary document used to apply for federal aid is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This document is available online at: www.fafsa.gov. CIU's FAFSA school code is 003429.

To be considered for federal financial aid a student must meet the following general eligibility requirements:

- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the applicable award year
- Be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a regular, degree-granting program of study (or other eligible program as defined by the federal government)
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen (as defined by the federal government)
- Be registered with the Selective Service (if male and otherwise required)
- Not be in default on a federal student loan or owe a refund for a federal student grant program
- Be making satisfactory academic progress toward a degree or certificate
- Be enrolled on at least a half-time basis, which is defined as 4.5 credit hours.

Other requirements may apply. Once you submit your FAFSA, the Office of Student Financial Services will contact you to discuss the completion of your application file. You must respond immediately to any request for additional information or documentation. Failure to do so could cause you to forfeit awards.

Federal Financial Aid – Types

Seminary students, if eligible, can receive federal loans and work study. Current information on federal aid is available online at www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/federalaid/, or by visiting the Office of Student Financial Services.

Federal Work-Study (FWS)

The FWS program provides employment positions for undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate financial need. These earnings assist students with educational expenses.

Objectives and Purpose of the Work-Study Program

The objectives and purpose of the FWSP are to provide:

- To furnish valuable work experience for qualified students through the performance of necessary part-time jobs on campus and specified community service positions.
- Provide students opportunities to develop skills and identify interest that will later support their candidacy for internships and job searches.
- To provide financial assistance to students to help fund their academic studies.
- To ensure that student employment policies and procedures are in compliance with federal, state, and local laws.

The Office of Student Financial Services and the Office of Career Services oversee the Federal Work Study Program. All jobs are listed on CIUOnline. Students are encouraged to apply early.

William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program

The Federal Direct Loan is a long-term educational loan with a 6.8 percent fixed interest rate. The student borrows from the U.S. Department of Education. Students who demonstrate financial
need according to the FAFSA may be eligible for the Federal Direct Subsidized Loan. If you receive this type of loan, the U.S. Department of Education will pay the interest as long as you remain enrolled at least half time. The U.S. Department of Education will continue to pay the interest for six months after you leave school (by graduating or withdrawing) and during any deferment period. Students who do not demonstrate financial need according to the FAFSA may be eligible for the Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan. The U.S. Department of Education does not pay interest on this type of loan. The borrower can either pay the interest or allow the interest to be capitalized (added to the principal). With the unsubsidized loan, the interest is the borrower’s responsibility from the time the loan is disbursed until it is paid in full. For seminary students the annual subsidized limit is $8,500 and the overall annual limit is $20,500.

**Federal Financial Aid – How to Apply**

U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens must submit the FAFSA (usually each January). The FAFSA becomes available online on Jan. 2 each year. Both U.S. citizens and international students complete the CIU scholarship application. It usually becomes available in February, but it is completed only once. Funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Applications are available online at http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/process/.

**Summer Students**

Although CIU does not offer regular scholarships during summer terms, students can be considered for federal loans.

**International Students**

International students do not complete the FAFSA. Instead, they should contact the Office of Student Financial Services to obtain the necessary instructions related to the application process. International students seeking financial aid should be aware that they are required by the U.S. federal government to demonstrate they have the funds necessary to attend the university, prior to arriving in the United States. The U.S. government has determined that, barring unforeseen circumstances, adequate funding should be available from the same or equally dependable sources for subsequent years of study. (U.S. Federal code 22 CFR 41.61 (b)(ii).) Highest consideration in awarding CIU financial aid to international students will be given to those students who meet the following criteria:

- Have a proven record of ministry effectiveness, especially in leadership positions
- Explicitly affirm their intention to return home to engage in a specific ministry role for which “Western” theological education is a strategic advantage
- Receive endorsement and financial backing from their native church and/or coordinating mission agency
- Have strong references from CIU alumni, particularly those with whom they minister
- Demonstrate mission quality to the institution
- Demonstrate strong Christian character and spiritual maturity

**Institutional Financial Aid – Eligibility**

Columbia International University has numerous scholarship and grant opportunities available to qualified students. U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens must submit both the FAFSA and the CIU Scholarship Application. International students should contact the Office of Student Financial Services to obtain the necessary instructions related to the application process. These forms must be submitted each school year for the student to be considered for CIU grants and scholarships for the next school year.

Seminary students must be enrolled for at least nine hours to be eligible for CIU Scholarships and Endowment Grant/Scholarships. Moreover, they must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress and display excellent Christian character. These grants and scholarships are only awarded during the fall and spring semesters. CIU scholarship awards are made to entering and continuing CIU students. Approximately 40 Endowment Grants/Scholarships have been established by individuals, families, and institutions that are deeply committed to God’s work around the world and to the role that CIU plays in training laborers for that work.

**Institutional Aid – How to Apply**

U.S. citizens and eligible non-citizens must submit the FAFSA and the CIU Scholarship Application.
Applications are available online at http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/process/. If any aid program requires a separate application, a link to the required application will be provided on our Web site: http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/ciuaid. Click “Grants,” “Scholarships,” and “Donor Scholarships” to review all award programs.

Institutional Scholarships – Funding Requirements
Specific conditions and qualifications may be required for individual scholarships and are noted accordingly. In addition to meeting the previously stated general requirements, all applicants must also meet the following program requirements:

- Be enrolled at least nine hours during each semester (including extension and distance education classes)
- Be willing to provide an appropriate “thank you” letter to scholarship donors
- Maintain a 2.0 grade point average
- Not be in default on a federal student loan or owe money back to a federal grant program
- Display excellent Christian character

CIU awards institutional financial aid on a first-come, first-served basis, based on available funding. All scholarships are subject to revision.

CIU Grants and Scholarships
Through the generosity of many friends and alumni, CIU is able to make available grants and scholarships. It is best to understand a grant as an entitlement that the student receives, possibly in conjunction with other grants. Scholarships are awarded based on the basis of specific criteria. Students are eligible for any grant for which they are qualified, but may receive only one scholarship. The Office of Student Financial Services works with the student to determine the best overall financial package for the student. For more detailed information, please refer to the financial aid page on the CIU Web site: http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/

Spouse Tuition Benefits
CIU is committed to the principle that training both the wife and husband makes a stronger family and ministry team. CIU has created two programs out of the institution’s commitment to that principle: the Guest Pass and the Partners in Ministry Scholarship.

The Guest Pass
The Guest Pass permits the spouse of a provision- al or fully admitted CIU student to attend courses at no charge on space-available basis with the permission of the professor. The spouse must be in the same course as his or her partner. Guests do not take exams or participate in course assignments; participation in classroom discussion is at the discretion of the professor. Course syllabi and other materials are not normally available. A Guest Pass must be obtained from the Registrar’s Office.

The Partners in Ministry Scholarship
This scholarship is available to the enrolled spouse of a full-time, degree-seeking student in either the undergraduate, graduate school, or seminary. Award amounts vary based on available funding. Contact Student Financial Services for details.

Private Foundations
Literally thousands of scholarships are offered each year through private foundations and civic organizations. The best resources available for discovering these opportunities are the public library, the Internet, and college financial aid offices. Students are encouraged to visit http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/resources/ for links to scholarship search Web sites. Through your own diligence in seeking out possibilities, God may choose to provide for you through private foundations and organizations.

Other Aid Sources
Veteran’s Benefits
If you are an eligible veteran, you are encouraged to pursue the possibility of Veteran’s Educational Benefits. You should contact your regional VA representative at (888) 442-4551 for information and applications. Also visit the CIU veteran’s Web site at http://www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/va/. Review this page to learn how to apply your benefits as a CIU student.

Of Interest to Veterans
This catalog contains valuable information, including the following:
The names of school governing body, officials, and faculty
Calendar
Entrance requirements
Receiving credit for prior education
Grading system
Academic probation
Academic progress
Unsatisfactory conduct
Readmission
Leave
Attendance
Academic records
Graduation requirements
Tuition and fees: Web site
Refund policy: Web site

Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits
Students who are overcoming physical and/or developmental obstacles may be eligible for Vocational Rehabilitation benefits through their state of residence. Students should contact their local Vocational Rehabilitation agency for more information.

Financial Aid Policy for Satisfactory Academic Progress
In order to remain eligible for federal and institutional aid, all students must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress in their respective programs of study. Satisfactory Academic Progress includes both qualitative measures (obtaining and maintaining a satisfactory Grade Point Average), and quantitative measures (obtaining a minimum number of credits toward a degree within specified time limits). The requirements are as follows:

Qualitative Measures
Students enrolled in CIU SSM degree programs must maintain a cumulative GPA greater than or equal to the cumulative GPA required for graduation from their respective degree programs. CIU SSM programs have a 2.3 minimum GPA requirement for graduation. Students falling below the minimum GPA for one semester are automatically placed on Financial Aid probation. Students falling below the minimum GPA for two consecutive semesters will be considered ineligible for additional financial aid until reinstated.

Quantitative Measures
Credit hours are evaluated on the basis of the student’s enrollment. Enrollment is defined and Satisfactory Academic Progress target levels are established as of the last day to register for courses. Satisfactory Academic Progress is evaluated at the end of spring semester. The determination of satisfactory or unsatisfactory status applies to the next academic year. At the end of the spring semester, graduate and seminary students are considered eligible under this measure if they earned no fewer than 12 semester hours of graduate credit per academic year, regardless of hours attempted.

Remedial course work will be considered as part of the student’s degree program, but course incompletes, withdrawals, or repetitions may not be used as credit toward obtaining satisfactory academic progress for the purposes of financial aid if these hours are considered attempted yet not earned. Summer course enrollment is not used to determine a student’s total semester hours of enrollment, but semester hours earned during summer sessions are assessed regarding the student meeting the minimum earned hours requirements. (Therefore, a student who is not meeting the minimum earned hours requirement may restore his or her record to compliance with this standard through summer enrollment.) Notifications of Financial Aid ineligibility to current students applying for financial aid will be mailed during the summer.

Appeals
A student who has been determined to be ineligible for financial aid because of a lack of compliance with the satisfactory academic progress standards can have his or her eligibility restored only if the appropriate one of the following conditions has been met:

1. A sufficient number of credit hours have been earned
2. The student’s GPA has been raised to the required level
3. If a student who has been deemed ineligible for financial aid successfully changes his or her Satisfactory Academic Progress standing, it is the student’s responsibility to notify the Office of Student Financial Services in writing of this change.

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A student may submit a Satisfactory Academic Progress Appeal to the Office of Student Financial Services. If it is established through the appeal process that the student encountered some type of extenuating circumstances (e.g., prolonged hospitalization, death in the immediate family), the appeal might be approved, resulting in restored eligibility. A student who wishes appeal must submit a letter to the Office of Student Financial Services stating the reason for failing to meet Satisfactory Academic Progress and whether or not he or she has resolved the difficulties. This letter must be submitted no later than two weeks from the date the Office of Student Financial Services issues a notification of unsatisfactory progress.

**Note to CIU Scholarship/Endowment Applicants**

In order to make CIU scholarships and endowments available to as many eligible students as possible, all CIU scholarships and endowments are entirely forfeited when a recipient withdraws from CIU before the end of a term or drops below nine hours of enrollment. In such an event, CIU scholarship and endowment recipients are responsible for complete repayment of funds.

**Procedures**

The Financial Aid Office will run a Satisfactory Academic Progress report in June. Notifying students of their unsatisfactory progress early in the summer may permit some students to make up courses during the summer. A probationary report will be run in January so that the Office of Student Financial Services can send letters to students warning them of potential unsatisfactory academic progress.

**Financial Aid Refund Policy**

If a graduate or seminary student who is receiving financial aid withdraws from school, either partially or completely, during the course of an enrollment period (semester or short term), policies have been established in accordance with federal regulations to ensure a fair and equitable refund of tuition.

Refund policies are subject to federal regulations and may change during the course of a school year. Contact the Office of Student Financial Services for a complete copy of the current refund policy. Note to CIU Scholarship/Endowment Applicants: In order to make CIU scholarships and endowments available to as many eligible students as possible, all CIU scholarships and endowments are entirely forfeited when a recipient withdraws from CIU before the end of a term or drops below nine hours of enrollment. In such an event, CIU scholarship and endowment recipients are responsible for complete repayment of funds.

**Student Rights Statement**

Students attending schools that participate in federal student aid programs (Title IV programs) have the right to notify the State Postsecondary Review Entity (SPRE) of complaints related to the institution’s management of the Title IV programs, or regarding misleading or inappropriate advertising and promotion of the institution’s educational programs, or other complaints about the institution. Students must first complete the institution’s internal grievance process. The SPRE may be contacted by telephone at (803) 737-2264, or by mail at the following address: The S.C. SPRE Complaint System, 1333 Main Street, Suite 200, Columbia, SC 29201.

The CIU Scholarship Application must be completed to be considered for any of the following scholarships, except for those scholarships specifically mentioned as requiring separate scholarship applications. Students are encouraged to submit the CIU Scholarship Application yearly by the April 15 priority deadline. To apply for scholarships requiring separate applications please visit www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/ciuaid. Click “Grants,” “Scholarships,” and “Donor Scholarships” to review all award programs.
Scholarships, Endowments and Grants

The CIU Scholarship Application must be completed to be considered for any of the following scholarships, except for those scholarships specifically mentioned as requiring separate scholarship applications. Students are encouraged to submit the CIU Scholarship Application yearly by the Jan. 31 priority deadline. To apply for scholarships requiring separate applications please visit www.ciu.edu/semgrad/financialaid/ciuid. Click “Grants,” “Scholarships,” and “Donor Scholarships” to review all award programs.

AFRICAN PASTORS SCHOLARSHIP
International students returning to their homeland

AMBASSADORS FOR CHRIST
Preparing for a ministry of spreading the gospel among unreached peoples

BITTERMAN MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a ministry of spreading the gospel among unreached peoples

SARA M. BOLICK ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation

SAM P. BOLICK MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation in missions

JEAN C. BREWER MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
A graduate student in the field of education preparing to teach in a Christian school in the United States

LEONARD & EDNA BROWN ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation

LUCY SELLS & J. WALTER CARPENTER FAMILY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation

CARTER FAMILY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
International students returning to their home country to minister

MARGARET M. CHILDS MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for career missionary service

JEANIE CHILDS-PHIFER ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian vocation

CLASS OF ’42 & ’43 ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian vocation

JOHN & NAOMI COTHran ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian vocation

CROSS-CULTURAL MISSIONARY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
A U.S. citizen intent on career service with an evangelical faith mission agency in a role other than development or relief work

BETTY F. DENT SCHOLARSHIP
Worthy and needy student who is a legal resident of South Carolina

DATWYLER/WEBB ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation

FULBRIGHT & HOLCOMB ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Commitment to evangelize people groups that are atheist/non-religious, Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist, or with tribal religions

FURLOUGHING MISSIONARY SCHOLARSHIP
Must be affiliated with a recognized mission agency and on furlough

GENERAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP

CBCS GRADUATE ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP

ROBERT A. HALL MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing to be a school teacher and recommended by the Education faculty

GAVIN & MARGARET HAMILTON MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP
International student planning to return to home country
VANCE H. HAVNER SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian work in evangelism or missions

ADOLPH & EMMA HERMANN SCHOLARSHIP
An international student with long-standing involvement in ministry

HICKMAN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Child of a missionary working with the TEAM mission agency

MARTHA C. HOKE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WOMEN IN MINISTRY
A woman (single or married, U.S. or international) who has given evidence of fruitful ministry with preference to those who have or plan to minister in overseas, cross-cultural settings

MARTHA E. HOUGH MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for vocational Christian service

INTERNATIONAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP (CECIL B. DAY)
International Student who plans to return to homeland

VIRGINIA HAMILTON LEWIS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP (MINISTRY)
Children of CIU alumni

VIRGINIA HAMILTON LEWIS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP (MUSIC)
Children of CIU alumni who are studying music

MACEDONIAN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
U.S. citizen preparing for full-time missionary work outside the United States and its territories

RALPH WASHINGTON MASON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Planning on a career in missions

LULA HOLDER MASON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Planning on a career in missions

CHARIS MAYNARD MEMORIAL RECONCILIATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND
African-American who is committed to a ministry of racial reconciliation

NATHAN A. McDANIEL MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Full-time Christian service as a minister, missionary, or in Christian education or church music

ELIZABETH McMURRAY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian service

MURIEL McQUILKIN SCHOLARSHIP/LOAN FUND
Used to help students get to the mission field as soon as possible after graduation, typically by replacing alternate loans

FRANK MERRY SCHOLARSHIP FOR MUSLIM STUDIES
Furloughing missionary whose ministry focus has shifted to Muslim ministry

MILLER’S SCHOLARSHIP
International student

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP
Money for lessons

REV. ELIE WALLACE NESMITH ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for vocational Christian service

NORTON FAMILY ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Seminary student preparing for Christian service with special consideration being given to international students

JUDY OATES MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Planning to work overseas in a Muslim ministry

JOHN W. P. OLIVER ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Seminary student who demonstrates a commitment to the furtherance of the Victorious Christian Life message

JOY ORAM ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a career in foreign missions with preference being given to children of missionaries

FRANKLIN & ELSIA OWENS MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP
A graduate student in the Master of Arts in Counseling program or an undergraduate enrolled in the psychology program
MARY ELIZABETH REID SCHOLARSHIP
A female student planning to serve the Lord in either Japan or China (mainland or Taiwan) as a full-time Christian vocational worker

RHODES MUSIC ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Enrolled in a music course

ED RICE ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Youth workers working full time while going to school

BERTHA RIKARD ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
African pastors who are attempting to complete their studies with the intent to return to their home country for continued ministry

CECIL C. ROLAND ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Music major

ANTHONY ROSSI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
Career missionary to Italy with Bible Alliance Mission

MARVIN R. SCHUSTER SCHOLARSHIP
Students from Georgia and Alabama or former employees of Burger King

ALBERT & RUTH SCRIBNER ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Career in missions and completed at least one third of undergraduate education at CIU

HAP STRUTHERS ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Students actively pursuing a career as a chaplain in the U.S. military either through the chaplaincy candidate program or as a stated career goal

MIRIAM “MICKEY” E. STOUT ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Planning to perform Bible translation in one of the indigenous tribes of the world

STUDENT ASSOCIATION CONCERN SCHOLARSHIP
Columbia area African-Americans with proven academic achievement

TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN SCHOLARSHIP
Presbyterian students

LARRY K. & SARAH JANE STRONG VOAS ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for full-time Christian work in evangelism or missions

FAYE C. WEAVER MEMORIAL ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Pursuing ministry in foreign missions

DOROTHY WONG MEMORIAL ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Planning to work in China or any Asian country

JOHN A. WILCOX ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Committed to spreading the gospel as a career missionary

CONSTANCE WYCKOFF MEMORIAL ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Children of missionaries currently working full time on the mission field

YOUTH MINISTRY ENDOVED SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a full-time Christian vocation working with youth

YOUTH MINISTRIES SCHOLARSHIP
Preparing for a ministry to youth, particularly inner-city youth, in the United States

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS
Doris R. Andres Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Class of ’50 Endowed Scholarship
Dan DeHaan Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Margaret Gaillard Romaine Endowed Scholarship
Bertha Rikard Endowed Scholarship
Dr. & M.S. Floyd Nesbitt Endowed Scholarship
M.E. McNeil Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Timothy E. McQuay Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Hugh & Sally Reaves Endowed Scholarship
James Reed Memorial Endowed Scholarship
D.L. Scurry Foundation Scholarship
Elizabeth R. Sessions Endowed Scholarship
Suburban Community Church Scholarship
Blanche Culvern Sullivan Endowed Scholarship
Spiritual Life

“. . . but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love” (Ephesians 4:15-16; NIV).

The goal of Student Life is for all members of the Columbia International University community to know God in an intimate way; and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to mature, becoming more Christlike as we grow in our ability to support and encourage one another in this academic community.

With the Bible as our ultimate authority for what we teach and for how we should live, we promote a lifestyle that derives its core beliefs from the Bible. This rationale is outlined in biblical and ministry standards contained in regularly revised handbooks for students, staff and faculty.

We do not assume that any of us have arrived at any ultimate level of maturity; instead, we seek to grow and live in such a manner that we reflect what we believe the Bible teaches regarding the virtues of holiness, honesty, integrity and peace. In terms of student learning objectives, the faculty and student life professionals seek to model, mentor and motivate students as they develop their own views on family, community, personal disciplines, spiritual formation and godly behavior.

Growth in Community:
The primary responsibility for spiritual growth and personal development lies within the individual; we believe this growth takes place best within a community of believers committed to one another in love. Growth involves instructing, modeling, encouraging and submitting to one another using common community standards.

Growth in community is fostered through personal involvement with other believers. This means we need to cultivate relationships in which we are free to disclose with increasing transparency our needs, weaknesses, fears and failures to trusted friends. It also means we must accept the responsibility that comes with trust — humility, caring concern and commitment to our friends’ welfare and growth.

This kind of mutual care is essential to personal growth. Beyond its personal benefit, it affords vital preparation for future ministry.

As members of a Christian community, we have a responsibility to each other and for each other. “Loving one another” is expressed in many ways. We love when we serve each other in humility, gentleness and genuine concern. We love when we lift up those who are burdened, struggling or falling short. How we fulfill our ministry to one another in love will depend upon our personal maturity, spiritual gifts, available resources and the depth of relationships we establish.

We believe it is important for our educational program to involve the whole CIU community. Faculty, staff and students grow through interaction with each other and with supervisors, family and church friends as we all progress toward our common spiritual and personal goals. In addition to course-related experiences, CIU seeks to promote spiritual growth and personal development through chapels, prayer days, ministry skills experience and informal fellowship on the campus and in our homes.

Student Rights and Responsibilities
An Outline of Expectations:

Authority of the University
Although Columbia International University exists for students, the Board of Trustees, by charter and by-laws, is ultimately responsible for the educational programs and campus life. The president of the university reports to the Board of Trustees and is responsible for the organization and administration of the school.

Scriptural Commands and Clear Teaching
The God revealed in the Bible desires to transform, illumine, and empower both faculty and students. He is the source of all authority and has power to transform His children into the image of Jesus Christ; He is the one who changes our lives in community.

Scripture teaches that certain attributes are available to individuals through the Holy Spirit. These attributes include “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law” (Galatians 5:22-23; NASB). This “fruit of the Spirit” is to be
sought, encouraged, and demonstrated in our relationships.

In contrast to encouraging these positive attributes of the heart, Scripture condemns attitudes such as greed, jealousy, pride, lust, and hatred. Although these attitudes are sometimes difficult to discern, they can hinder relationships with God and others and lead to unacceptable behavior. Certain behaviors are expressly prohibited in Scripture and therefore are to be avoided by members of the university community. These include theft, gambling, lying, dishonesty, gossip, slander, backbiting, profanity, vulgarity (including crude language), sexual promiscuity (including adultery, homosexual behavior, premarital sex, and pornography), drunkenness, immodest attire, and occult practice.

**Scriptural Principles Contextually Applied at CIU**

*Within the context of our educational mission and cultural circumstances, certain responsibilities represent our attempt to apply clear scriptural principles at CIU.*

These responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- The responsibility to actively participate in the university’s life of prayer and faith:
  - To observe Sunday as a special day of rest, worship, and service to the Lord. This includes involvement in a local church and refraining from academic study and work, unless given permission;
  - To have a time of daily communion with the Lord in prayer and meditation on the Word with a focus on personal godliness, spiritual growth, right relationships with others, and God’s direction for life;
  - To attend chapel services for worship, inspiration, fellowship, spiritual growth, and the dissemination of community information;
  - To attend Prayer Days each semester for corporate prayer.
- The responsibility to practice complete honesty in connection with course work, interpersonal relationships, and daily activity in every setting:
  - To acknowledge the source of words, sentences, ideas, conclusions, examples, and/or organization of an assignment that are borrowed from a book, an article, another student’s paper, tapes, etc.;
  - To use only legally authorized duplication and/or distribution sources for music and movies.
- The responsibility to uphold a level of behavior consistent with the university’s model of training for Christian servanthood and leadership:
  - To take care of body, mind, and soul through proper nutrition, adequate sleep, regular exercise, and abstention from harmful practices such as the use of tobacco and illegal drugs;
  - To maintain biblical principles of truth, honor, and purity with regard to visual and listening choices such as movies, music, Internet, computer games, and blogging;
  - To limit behaviors that may cause offense or moral failure, such as restricting expressions of physical affection to what is appropriate for the level of commitment of the relationship and refraining from social dancing and drinking of alcoholic beverages.

For further explanation of the implications of these responsibilities, please refer to the Student Handbook.

**The University and the Law**

In keeping with scriptural admonitions to bring ourselves under the authority of government, members of the university community are expected to uphold the laws of the local community, the state of South Carolina, and the nation. Any alleged violations of federal, state, or local laws may be referred to the appropriate law enforcement officials and/or to the appropriate university or judicial body.

**University Practices**

In addition to subscribing to biblical expectations, members of the university community intentionally commit themselves to following the university’s institutional standards of behavior. This commitment reflects the conviction that these standards serve the good of the individual, the community, and the institution.

**Student Academic Responsibilities**

The faculty has the responsibility to inspire, develop, and equip students for lifelong pursuit of God and servant leadership in His global cause.
Students have the responsibility to embrace, inquire, and refine their knowledge, critical thinking processes, skills, and talents for service to God and others. Most importantly, we expect God to participate in the learning process. His role is to transform and illumine the minds of both students and teachers and to empower all for a life of godliness and service.

Academic responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- The responsibility to share with the faculty in the maintenance of the integrity of scholarship, grades, and academic standards.
- The responsibility to learn the content of a course of study according to standards of academic performance established by the university and the faculty member for each course taken.
- The responsibility to promote by words, attitude, and actions a classroom atmosphere that is conducive to the teaching and learning process for all concerned and to respect the standards of conduct established by the university and each faculty member.
- The responsibility for class attendance and to submit all class assignments (e.g., examinations, tests, projects, reports), by scheduled due dates or accept penalties. If any problem arises regarding course work or attendance, the student will be responsible for initiating contact with the instructor.
- The responsibility for meeting degree requirements as provided in the university catalog.
- The responsibility to register, add, and/or drop courses in a timely manner to ensure others will have an opportunity to take courses. The student is responsible to follow the university guidelines if he/she desires an incomplete or needs to withdraw from the university.
- The responsibility for the financial cost of attending the university.

Basic Rights of Students
Students enrolled at the university enjoy certain rights, including, but not limited to:

Access
- The right to access the programs and services of the university without regard to color, sex, race, age, disability, or national/ethnic origin.

- The right to receive counsel regarding financial aid sources and implications of student debt repayment prior to incurring financial obligation to the institution.
- The right to withdraw without obligation within a time frame published by the university.

Appeal
- The right to appeal decisions involving judicial or administrative action.
- The right to appeal decisions involving grades.
- The right to seek exceptions to program requirements or academic policies by petition.

Information
- The right to inspect and review educational records except where a student has waived such rights or where access is prohibited by the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974.
- The right to receive a syllabus for each course that states the goals of the course, the requirements that must be met, the system of grading, and the attendance policy.
- The right to full disclosure of all expenses per semester prior to becoming financially obligated to the institution.
- The right of access to campus crime statistics.
- The right to data on advancement, retention, and graduation ratios.
- The right to own intellectual property created in fulfillment of coursework unless specified otherwise in writing. All revenue generated or compensation awarded through such intellectual property belongs to the owner.

Privacy
- The right to prevent disclosure of directory information or educational records to a third party.
- The right to seek amendment of educational records.

Voice
- The right to be heard with regard to the formulation and improvement of educational programs, policies, and services.
- The right to organize, to assemble, and to express opinions, subject to established procedures.
Judicial
- The right to know, in person when possible, the charges made against him/her in any disciplinary procedure.
- The right to expect that two or more witnesses and/or corroborating evidence support any accusation.
- The right to an appeal process if a student disagrees with disciplinary measures assigned by a representative of the university.
- The right to request that a neutral party be present as an advocate at appeal meetings. This person must be a member of the university’s Student Senate and is present only to assist the student in presenting his/her case or testimony, not to serve in a role defending the student’s actions.

Complaints
- The right to bring formal complaints against the university and, if not resolved through the normal channels, to register a complaint with the university’s accrediting agencies.
- The right to file a formal complaint of discrimination on the basis of disability with the Office of Civil Rights (OCR) in the U.S. Department of Education.
- The right to notify the State Postsecondary Review Entity (SPRE) of complaints related to the university’s management of the Title IV programs, or regarding misleading or inappropriate advertising and promotion of the university’s educational programs, or other complaints about the institution.

Policies and procedures governing the above responsibilities and rights appear in various university publications. Revisions may be made to such policies and procedures and shall become effective following dissemination or update.

Student Discipline
When Student Life personnel must address matters of student conduct requiring discipline, it is done with redemptive intent. Assessment takes into account the nature of the problem and the student’s attitude, previous conduct, and length of enrollment at CIU. Students are offered opportunities to grow through counseling and/or logical or natural consequences. The ultimate goal is restoration of healthy relationships with God, other individuals and the community. The Student Handbook lists some of these avenues.

Student Complaints & Grievance Policy
It is the goal of CIU to provide services and educational opportunities without discrimination on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, disability or sex. CIU provides a process for students to voice complaints and file formal grievances when they are dissatisfied with a university service or policy or an action by a university employee. The process aims to be constructive and positive in resolving differences.

This Student Complaints and Grievance Policy covers academic and non-academic matters except in areas where formal policies and procedures take precedence. The details of the Academic grievance procedure are listed below; the details of the Non-academic Grievance procedure, and distinctions between the two, can be found in the Student Handbook.

General Principles:
- Whenever possible and in a timely fashion, a student should voice a complaint informally with the faculty member, staff member, or other student involved.
- The appropriate division (Higher Education, Ben Lippen School or Broadcasting) will handle student complaints and grievances as quickly and as fairly as possible.
- Anonymous complaints and grievances will not be addressed formally.
- There will be no adverse effect on or retaliation against either a student who, in good faith, voices a complaint/grievance or against any person who, in good faith, provides information regarding a complaint/grievance.

Academic Grievance Procedures
If a student has a concern about an academic matter, the following process should be followed:

Step 1:
In keeping with the Matthew 18 principle, the student should discuss the matter with the faculty member involved. Faculty will listen to concerns or questions and, when deemed appropriate, amend
decisions. After this discussion, if the student feels that one of the following reasons applies, Step 2 of the appeal process may be taken:

- The decision rendered was not supported by sufficient evidence (i.e., expectations in the class syllabus).
- The academic consequence is more severe than called for by the situation.
- A stated university policy has been misapplied.
- Discrimination.

**Step 2:**
Within three days of receiving an answer from the faculty member, a letter of appeal should be delivered to the director of the student’s major program. If the program director is the faculty member involved, Step 3 should be taken. If no program director is in place, the matter should be addressed to the student’s academic advisor.

The letter of appeal should outline the concern, describe the steps taken and the answer given, and provide an explanation of why one of the above stated reasons can be applied to the situation. The program director/academic advisor will call a meeting with both the student and the faculty member to discuss the problem and issue a written decision on the appeal within 30 days. If the student feels that the decision does not correctly address the reason for the appeal as stated above, then the student should move on to Step 3.

**Step 3:**
Within three days of receiving a written decision from the program director/academic advisor, the student should deliver a letter of appeal to the dean/associate dean of the college who will direct the appeal to the Academic Grievance Committee. The letter will be given to the committee chair, and the matter will be presented to the Academic Grievance Committee for resolution. The committee is comprised of a minimum of three program directors or their designees and other faculty and staff as appropriate to provide expertise related to the specifics of the grievance. The Committee will meet within 14 days of receipt of the grievance.

The student may request to be in attendance for the discussion of the issue to present a verbal statement, bring witnesses and evidence, and to answer questions. In addition, the student may request a neutral observer (only) who is a student at CIU to join them at this meeting. Neither the student nor the observer will be allowed to be present during the decision-making process. Following the appeal discussion and decision, the Academic Grievance Committee chairman will provide a written response to the student outlining the decision within 30 days.

An appeal of the Academic Grievance Committee decision may be made only if there is evidence that the grievance procedures were not followed, new evidence surfaced, or inappropriate or disproportionate consequences were imposed. The written appeal must be presented to the dean/associate dean of the college within three days of receipt of the written Academic Grievance Committee decision.

A student has the right to register a complaint with the provost and/or university president and then, if still deemed necessary, to one of the following agencies:

**Southern Association of Colleges and Schools**
1866 Southern Lane
Decatur, GA 30033-4097
www.sacs.org

**Association for Biblical Higher Education**
5850 T.G. Lee Blvd., Ste. 130
Orlando, FL 32822
Tel. (407) 207-0808
www.abhe.org

**The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada** (seminary only)
10 Summit Park Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15275
www.ats.edu

**Office for Civil Rights**
U. S. Department of Health and Human Services
Atlanta Federal Center, Suite 3B70
61 Forsyth Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30303-8909
Voice Phone (404) 562-7886
FAX (404) 562-7881
TDD (404) 311-2867
www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/index.html
Student Services

Athletics/Physical Fitness
Since we seek to train and develop the whole person, physical fitness is a key aspect of the overall program. Students are encouraged to develop healthy habits in the areas of sleep, diet and exercise. The university is developing an intercollegiate athletic program; however, one is not in place at the time of publication of this catalog. Facilities, equipment, organized intramural team sports and fitness and nutritional information are available to assist students in achieving and maintaining a viable fitness program.

Career Services
The Career Services Office provides a range of services to assist students with their career and employment needs. The office maintains a password-protected job database with current listings for on- and off-campus jobs. There are usually numerous campus jobs available in various departments, some requiring little or no experience and some needing more skill and ability. Part-time and full-time off-campus positions are available in churches, educational institutions, mission agencies, parachurch organizations and the marketplace, locally, nationally and worldwide.

Through personalized assistance, students receive guidance in conducting a job search, self-assessment, resume and cover letter writing and interviewing.

In addition to the services listed above, career counseling and help with the placement process also occur in a variety of settings and activities on campus, particularly through academic advising, program specific courses, ministry skills/internships and chapels. Representatives and recruiters from Christian organizations such as churches, denominational agencies, mission organizations and educational institutions are on campus recruiting personnel on a regular basis throughout the school year.

Most CIU students find employment in their chosen field within a year after graduation. Students should maintain close contacts with their denominations and local churches and gain experience that will help them achieve their vocational goals. Students should make use of their entire academic career to investigate organizations, institutions and agencies that interest them.

Chaplain Ministries
Many CIU students grow through discussing life issues with Student Life personnel and other faculty. Non-clinical counseling encourages students in their relationships with God and others, in biblical self-image and in handling the challenges of life, community and ministry. Referrals to on-campus licensed professionals or other licensed therapists in the Columbia area are available upon request.

Food Services
Food service at CIU is provided through a contract with Pioneer College Caterers, Inc. Pioneer offers on-campus students a choice of six meal plan options. Various plans are available during Summer Studies sessions. Off-campus students and guests may purchase meals during regular academic terms.

Grad Life Council
GLC, a student organization, initiates and coordinates programs and activities designed to maximize the spiritual, social and physical benefits of all graduate and seminary students. Each elected member bears responsibility for leading in a designated area and for facilitating communication between students and faculty.

Health Services
An on-campus clinic staffed by a registered nurse and a visiting physician is provided for the health care needs of CIU students. Students are responsible for the cost of medicines, physician’s fees, testing procedures and hospital charges. All students must carry hospital and medical insurance. A group insurance plan is required of students not covered by another medical plan.

Housing
On-campus housing is available for single students in the residence halls on a limited basis, as well as for married and single students in the Pine View Apartments. The CIU Village, located on CIU property, is a mobile home park for married students and families.

Pine View Apartments opened in August, 2010. One, two- and three-bedroom units, both furnished
and unfurnished, can be leased by single and married students. Amenities include washer/dryer, microwave, full kitchen, ceiling fans, cable TV and Internet. Each bedroom has its own bathroom and walk-in closet. For more information, go to http://ciu4me.com/pineview/ or e-mail gprice@ciu.edu.

The CIU Village consists of both student- and school-owned mobile homes. There is an application process for renting school-owned homes.

There is a wide range of off-campus housing possibilities. The Student Life Office maintains a database of available housing on our Web site at www.ciu.edu/studentlife/off-campus/list.php.

International Students
CIU strives to provide a hospitable environment for its many international students. Many faculty members have significant overseas ministry experience. A special international student handbook is published each year to introduce international students to the life of the school and the community. The school’s emphasis on cross-cultural ministry and biblical studies provides an atmosphere in which international students are encouraged to relate biblical truth to their cultures and in which North American students are encouraged to appreciate other cultures and consider how the Scriptures may be lived out and communicated in those cultures.

Over 1,000 international students from 91 countries reside in the Columbia area. This large international community and the many churches in the area provide a variety of learning and ministry experiences. The Student Life Office informs, encourages and helps international students and their families with non-academic concerns, including transition issues and immigration policy and paperwork.

Koinonia Food Co-op
Student families operate an on-campus food co-op, providing quality Harvest Hope Food Bank goods and products at no cost and other household items at a reduced cost to off-campus students, faculty, staff and alumni. There is a fee to join the co-op.

Married Student Services
The Married Student Association coordinates events designed to include the whole family. Wives Fellowship meets monthly to encourage and equip student, staff and faculty wives. Student spouses and families are also encouraged to be involved in other activities of the student body.

Spouses are encouraged to enroll in an academic program or individual courses. (See “Spouse Tuition Benefits” in the Student Financial Services section of this catalog.)

New Student Orientation
The orientation program provides a comprehensive introduction to the CIU community and CIU’s educational philosophy. All entering students are encouraged to attend the orientation session. Students who are unable to attend should notify the Student Life Office.

Post Office
CIU operates a full-service post office for faculty, staff and students with regular afternoon hours throughout the academic year. Students are assigned a personal post office box for receiving mail. The Post Office sells stamps, postcards and air forms, and receives and forwards letters and packages for the U.S. Postal Service. UPS, FEDEX and DHL are also available for deliveries and mailings.
Course Titles and Descriptions
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Courses numbered 5000-5999 are basic courses usually taken in the first year of study.

Courses numbered 6000-7999 are designed for more advanced students. Those numbered 7000-7999 normally are scheduled in the final year of the M.Div. curriculum.

Courses numbered 9000-9999 are designed for doctor of ministry students. Under special circumstances, advanced master’s degree students may be admitted by petition if they have at least three years of field ministry experience.

Students desiring a course offered “on request” must submit an academic petition to the seminary dean, signed by a minimum of five students who intend to enroll in the course. This petition must be submitted prior to the regular semester immediately preceding the semester in which the course is desired.

Prerequisites are listed with some course descriptions. Equivalent courses taken in another institution may substitute for the stated prerequisite, provided transcript documentation is on file and the substitution has been approved by the seminary dean.

Courses offered in online format are noted at the end of each course description. Online courses include recorded lectures, study guides, textbooks, and other materials. They may be completed in any location. To enroll in an online course, contact the Registrar’s Office.

Course availability is subject to sufficient student enrollment.

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**Chapel**

**CHL 5001, 5002, 5003 Chapel 1-3 .........(0, 0, 0)**

This course will encourage your participation in the university’s chapel program. Chapel provides you with an opportunity for corporate worship with the CIU community, hearing and responding to teaching and preaching from the Word of God, hearing from missionaries and alumni serving around the world, exposure to our core values, and fellowship with one another. You will be encouraged and challenged in your personal walk with the Lord and service for Him.

**BIB 5112**

**Genesis to Song of Solomon: God’s Plan of Creation and Redemption .........................(3)**

In this course you will focus on the structure and contexts (historical, political, social, and religious) of each book, major theological passages and issues, and the application of these texts to the life of the New Testament believer. God introduces His purpose for creating the world and redeeming human beings and establishes Israel as the nation through which He would bless all the nations in Jesus Christ. (Also in online format)

**BIB 5113**

**Prophets: God’s Message of Redemption and Judgment .....................................................(3)**

In this course you will focus on the structure and contexts (historical, political, social, and religious) of each prophetic book, major theological passages and issues, and the application of these texts to the life of the New Testament believer. The prophets of Israel proclaim God’s program for Israel and the nations of the Old Testament period and anticipate the redemptive work of Christ whose predicted life and death would secure salvation for the world. (Also in online format)

**BIB 5132**

**Gospels: God’s Means of Providing Redemption .................................................................(3)**

In this course you will focus on the structure and contexts (historical, political, social, and religious) of each book, major theological passages and issues, and the application of these texts to the life of the New Testament believer. The gospel writers narrate the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God’s appointed Redeemer of the world, who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament. (Also in online format)
BIB 5133
Acts to Revelation: God’s People Proclaiming Redemption Globally .................................................(3)
In this course you will study the introductory background, structure, and content of the New Testament books, Acts to Revelation, understood within their first century life setting. The authors of Acts, the letters, and Revelation not only relate the advance of the Early Church in proclaiming redemption globally, they provide the contemporary church with normative missionary documents to guide it in fulfilling Christ’s commission. (Also in online format)

BIB 5410
Hermeneutics: Interpreting and Applying the Bible ..................................................................................(3)
This course introduces you to the principles and processes of biblical interpretation and application. Emphasis will be placed on both theory and practice. Within the framework of an exegetical method, you will learn to apply basic principles to selected missiological passages from the Old and New Testaments. Special attention will be given to the principles used in correctly interpreting parables, poetry, and prophecy. (Also in online format)

BIB 5888
Israel Study Tour ..................................................(3)
You will participate in an intensive study tour of the most important accessible biblical sites in Israel, with emphasis on those located in Judea, Galilee, and Jerusalem. Instruction is provided by a resident faculty member who plans and supervises the tour.

BIB 6010
Acts in Historical, Theological, and Missiological Perspective .................................................................(3)
A study of Acts examines the birth and growth of the early church. In addition to studying the historical sequence of events, you will consider Luke’s theological themes, learn to extrapolate legitimate biblical principles from historical narrative, and apply those principles in the development of contemporary missions strategy. Attention will be given to the use of Acts for teaching and preaching.
Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent. (Also offered as ICS 6010)

BIB 6030
Biblical Theology of Missions .........................................(3)
You will engage in a comprehensive study of the biblical foundation for mission as it relates to the church’s missionary obligation before God to the world in both word and deed. Special attention will be given to exposing you to important issues within evangelical missiology today. (Also offered as ICS 6030)

BIB 6045
Biblical Contextualization .............................................(3)
In this course you will study how to understand and apply the Bible faithfully and effectively in a cross-cultural setting. You will look at the Bible’s teaching about culture and hermeneutics, especially language, revelation, truth, scriptural authority, application and contextualization. You will assess case studies of contextualization in missions. Your summative exercise will produce a biblically-controlled example of contextualization. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent. (Also offered as ICS 6045)

BIB 6310
Progress of Redemption ............................................(3)
You will engage in a study of God’s redemptive plan as it unfolds chronologically throughout the entire Bible. Special attention will be given to the methods God has employed and to the response He desires from His people.

BIB 6320
Old Testament Theology .....................................................(3)
In this introductory study you will explore the theological thought of the Old Testament. You will examine the major themes which give unity to the writings of the Old Testament. Special attention will be given to God’s salvation for Israel and the world as well as to the interpretation of the Old Testament in the New Testament and its application in contemporary culture. (Also in online format)

BIB 6330
New Testament Theology ..................................................(3)
In this introductory study you will explore the theological thought of the New Testament, trace the progression of thought beginning with Jesus, and seek to discover each writer’s distinctive contribution to the overall message of the New Testament. Special attention will be given to the gospel of the kingdom as proclaimed and applied by the various biblical authors. (Also in online format)
BIB 6410
History of Bible Interpretation .................................(3)
In this course you will examine the history of biblical interpretation from the early Jewish and Rabbinic writers through the Middle Ages and Reformation up to the postmodern writers. You will explore relevant worldview assumptions, the rise of various types of historical and literary criticism, and a defense of both traditional literal hermeneutics and the single-meaning located in the mind of the original author.

BIB 6421
Old Testament Tools and Techniques .........................(3)
This course will introduce you to special issues in Old Testament interpretation and the use of Hebrew-based tools. You will learn a word study method and the process for approaching the special considerations of the narrative, wisdom and prophetic portions of the Old Testament. Special emphasis is placed on helping you strengthen your skills in interpreting and communicating the message of the Old Testament writings. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent.

BIB 6431
New Testament Tools and Techniques .........................(3)
This course will introduce you to the use of Greek-based tools for the study of the New Testament text. Basic to the course is an understanding of the grammar and syntax of Koine Greek in comparison with that of English. Special emphasis is placed on helping you strengthen your skills in interpreting and communicating the message of the New Testament writings. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent.

BIB 6503
Genesis ....................................................................(3)
In this course you will consider the content of Genesis with particular focus on the theology from creation to the Abrahamic Covenant. Attention will be given to the development of major themes throughout Scripture, the hermeneutical difficulties of narrative, and the use of Genesis for teaching and preaching.

BIB 6540
Psalms ....................................................................(3)
The historical context of corporate and individual faith and worship in ancient Israel provides the background to help you understand the message of the Psalms and their relevance for contemporary Christian experience. Attention will be given to different Psalm types, the structure of Hebrew poetry, the universal perspective of the Psalms, and the use of Psalms for teaching and preaching. (Also in online format)

BIB 6543
Proverbs and Job .......................................................(3)
A study of the wisdom books of Proverbs and Job seeks to help you set them in their international context and in the context of biblical theology. Attention will be given to the books’ teaching on practical living, their dominant theological emphases, their implications for Christian ministry in our times, and the use of Proverbs and Job for teaching and preaching.

BIB 6548
Isaiah ......................................................................(3)
A study of the book of Isaiah will guide you in an examination of its structure, content, and contemporary significance. Attention will be given to the book’s theological themes, its emphasis on knowing God and making God known, its use in the New Testament, and the use of Isaiah for teaching and preaching.

BIB 6601
Matthew.................................................................(3)
In this study of Matthew’s portrayal of the life, ministry, and teaching of Jesus you will consider the author’s historical, catechetical, apologetic, and missiological purposes. Attention will be given to major theological themes, contemporary application of Jesus’ teaching in the five major discourses recorded by Matthew, and the book’s use for teaching and preaching.

BIB 6610
John .........................................................................(3)
In this study of the fourth gospel you will explore its cultural and theological context. Attention will be given to tracing the movement of the book, exegesis of selected passages, the Upper Room Discourse in chapters 13-17, and the use of John for teaching and preaching.

BIB 6616
Romans .................................................................(3)
A study of Paul’s letter to the Romans will help you understand its message in the light of the original,
first century situation. Consideration will be given to the significance of the letter's message for today.

Special emphasis is placed on the development of your exegetical skills and on the use of Romans for teaching and preaching. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent. (Also in online format)

**BIB 6645**

**Prison Epistles**......................................................(3)

This course will give you a greater appreciation for Paul's prison epistles by helping you develop an understanding of the historical background of his ministry prior to writing the letters and helping you interpret each letter textually and contextually. Special emphasis will be given to the use of the Prison Epistles for teaching and preaching.

**BIB 6659**

**Hebrews** .................................................................(3)

In this course you will trace the orderly exposition of the epistle to the Hebrews, with particular attention given to the person and work of Christ as high priest, the fulfillment of the Old Testament in the new covenant, and the life of persevering faith of the Christian sojourner. Attention will be given to the use of Hebrews for teaching and preaching.

**BIB 6680**

**Revelation** .................................................................(3)

All the themes of the Bible come together in the last pages of Scripture. In this course you will examine the structure, historical occasion, biblical background, key theological concepts, and present day significance of the book of Revelation. Selected passages will be treated in detailed exegesis.

**BIB 6788**

**The Spirit World in Biblical Perspective** ......(3)

This study introduces you to the biblical teaching on the spirit world. You will focus on what the texts of the Old and New Testaments teach on spiritual warfare, angels, evil spirits, and the power of God.

**BIB 6950**

**Faculty Directed Study in Bible** .................(1-3)

A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**BIB 7041**

**Preaching Missions from Matthew** ...............(3)

This cross-disciplinary course will engage you in a study of Matthew's portrayal of the life, ministry, and teaching of Jesus as well as introducing you to methods to follow when preparing a series of sermons on the first gospel. Attention will be given to such issues as introductory matters, gospel study methods, Jesus' teaching on mission, Matthew's "universal blessing" theme, preaching resources, and preaching approaches. You will prepare a series of messages on the book and will gain experience by preaching in class. (Also offered as HOM 7041)

**BIB 9950**

**Doctoral Studies in Bible**.................................(1-3)

A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**Biblical Languages**

**ARM 6110**

**Biblical Aramaic**....................................................(3)

This course provides you with a foundational study of Biblical Aramaic. Initially, you will focus on mastering the basic grammatical and syntactical aspects of Aramaic. You will then move to reading from the Aramaic portions of Ezra and Daniel. *Prerequisite:* HEB 5110 or equivalent.

**GRE 5110, 5111**

**Greek 1 and 2: Beginning Grammar** .............(3, 3)

Together, these courses introduce you to the basic grammar and vocabulary of New Testament Greek. Emphasis is placed on understanding word formation and building vocabulary as a foundation for developing reading proficiency. You will begin to read the Greek New Testament during these courses. (Also in online format)

**GRE 6210**

**Greek 3: From Exegesis to Exposition** ..........(3)

You will learn the skills needed to analyze Greek grammar and syntax, use exegetical tools and methods, and prepare sermon/lesson outlines based on the New Testament text. The goal of course assignments is to prepare you for preaching and teaching. *Prerequisite:* GRE 5111 or equivalent. (Also in online format)
GRE 6307  
**Greek 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Luke** ...(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of the gospel of Luke in the Greek text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in the genres of narrative, parable, and apocalyptic literature in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. Prerequisite: GRE 6210 or equivalent. (Also in online format)

GRE 6325  
**Greek 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Galatians** .................................................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of Paul’s letter to the Galatians in the Greek text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. Prerequisite: GRE 6210 or equivalent.

GRE 6328  
**Greek 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Ephesians** .............................................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of Paul’s letter to the Ephesians in the Greek text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. Prerequisite: GRE 6210 or equivalent.

GRE 6950  
**Faculty Directed Study in Greek** ..............(1-3)  
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

GRE 9950  
**Doctoral Studies in Greek** .........................1-3)  
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

HEB 5110, 5111  
**Hebrew 1 and 2: Beginning Grammar** ......(3, 3)  
Together, these courses introduce the basic grammar and vocabulary of Old Testament Hebrew. Emphasis is placed on understanding word formation and building vocabulary as a foundation for developing reading proficiency. You will begin to read the Hebrew Old Testament during these courses. (Also in online format)

HEB 6220  
**Hebrew 3: From Exegesis to Exposition** ......(3)  
You will learn the skills needed to analyze Hebrew grammar and syntax, use exegetical tools and methods, and prepare sermon/lesson outlines based on the Old Testament text. The goal of course assignments is to prepare you for preaching and teaching. *Prerequisite:* HEB 5111 or equivalent.

HEB 6503  
**Hebrew 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Genesis** .............................................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of the historical book of Genesis in the Hebrew text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. *Prerequisite:* HEB 6220 or equivalent.

HEB 6540  
**Hebrew 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Psalms** ..............................................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of the poetic book of Psalms in the Hebrew text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. *Prerequisite:* HEB 6220 or equivalent.

HEB 6543  
**Hebrew 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Proverbs and Job** ............................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of the wisdom books of Proverbs and Job in the Hebrew text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments
include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. **Prerequisite:** HEB 6220 or equivalent.

**HEB 6548**  
**Hebrew 4: Exegesis and Exposition of Isaiah** .................................................................(3)  
You will engage in advanced exegetical study of the prophetic book of Isaiah in the Hebrew text. Attention will be given to strengthening skills in reading, translation, grammatical analysis, and exegesis in order to enrich understanding of the book’s message. Course assignments include preparation and/or practice in communicating that message. **Prerequisite:** HEB 6220 or equivalent.

**HEB 6950**  
**Faculty Directed Study in Hebrew** ..........(1-3)  
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**HEB 9950**  
**Doctoral Studies in Hebrew** .......................(1-3)  
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**Pastoral Counseling**

**CNC 5400**  
**Ministry of Counseling: Theory and Practice** ..........................................................(3)  
This course will introduce you to basic pastoral counseling techniques and paradigms with the goal of learning how to apply biblical principles, techniques and paradigms to specific issues such as anger management, marital breakdown, addiction development, crisis management, anxiety, depression, and grieving.

**CNC 6001**  
**Integration of Theology and Psychology** ......(3)  
This course will introduce you to the nature and scope of the integration of psychology and theology at three levels — the philosophical, the theoretical, and the practical. Working from the presupposition that Scripture is fully authoritative, you will discuss the benefits of open dialogue between the truths found in general and special revelation as they relate to counseling issues. You will also discuss the impact of personality and personal history on your spiritual practices and theological leanings.

**CNC 6330**  
**Church and Mission Health** .................................(3)  
This course will help you understand the counseling, relational, occupational, medical and leadership issues that exist in ministry both in the United States and in missionary endeavors. You will use a variety of tools to examine your own health with application to churches and missionary organizations.

**CNC 6340**  
**Transformational Care of the Whole Missionary** .........................................................(3)  
This course will assist you in caring for missionaries in a way which enhances their effectiveness as spiritual leaders. You will focus on the mental, spiritual, and occupational issues and needs of people in ministry. You will learn how to use biblical truth and a variety of helping tools to bring missionaries to their full potential as human beings.

**CNC 6400**  
**Pastoral Counseling Techniques** ......................(3)  
This course will introduce you to the foundational techniques and skills of pastoral counseling. You will learn how to listen empathically, how to facilitate spiritual life assessment and change, and how to counsel strategically within the client’s process of spiritual, emotional, and relational growth and healing. Emphasis will be placed upon who the counselor is, as well as what the counselor does.

**CNC 6410**  
**Crisis Counseling** ..............................................(3)  
This course is designed to train you to respond with wise counsel to those who have endured a crisis such as the death of a family member, divorce, loss of a child, illness and political trauma. Attention will be given to the emotional, spiritual, relational and physical symptoms that may occur in the aftermath of crisis.

**CNC 6411**  
**Sexuality Counseling** .......................................(3)  
This course addresses the biological, developmental, relational, emotional and spiritual issues that are involved in understanding human intimacy and
sexuality. You will learn basic diagnostic and treatment skills and how to use a variety of treatment skills, the Bible, and the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders IV in teaching and counseling sexual issues.

**CNC 6412**  
**Addictions Counseling** .............................................(3)  
This course will train you to understand the etiology of addictions and enable you to understand and deliver treatment on both a professional and lay level. Addictions in the areas of sexuality, pornography, work, thought and substance abuse will be addressed. The issues of dependence, control, sin and responsibility will be studied.

**CNC 6413**  
**Interpersonal-Relational Skills Building** ..........(3)  
In this course you will explore your own pain and the pain of those to whom you are ministering in the missionary care setting. You will address questions such as “Why do people suffer while following the call of God?” and “How do I integrate theology into a therapeutic setting when the client continues to suffer?” Special attention will be given to the communication skills necessary to bridge interpersonal relationships, to resolve conflict among mission teams and/or mission organizations, and to manage conflict positively.

**CNC 6440**  
**Organizational Member Care Services**.........(3)  
In this course you will examine the operational structure and needs of providing member care within a missions organization. Emphasis will be given to organizational procedures, policy creation, and the role of the caregiver within the operational structure to ensure health in the missionary and the mission agency.

**CNC 6441**  
**Counseling Grief and Loss**.................................(3)  
In this course you will learn to understand and identify the process and progress of how people deal with loss in their lives. You will also learn how to guide a person through the grief process so that the loss can be placed in its proper perspective and the individual can readjust and grow. Special attention will be given to anger, depression, anxiety, and social withdrawal, along with loss of hope and faith. Using specific tools you will be able to address your own losses, the losses in others, and the losses that can affect communities and institutions.

**CNC 6450**  
**Reconciliation and Mediation** .........................(3)  
This course is designed to prevent and address relational/theological breakdown in the local church or mission field. Using biblical principles of forgiveness, reconciliation, and restoration along with secular research in the area of mediation, you will learn how to address and resolve interpersonal breakdowns.

**CNC 6460**  
**Clinical Pastoral Education** .........................(3)  
This intensive laboratory experience provides you with pastoral conversations, clinical seminars, self-insights, and individual as well as group supervision. This training enables you to develop effective pastoral care skills with which to minister in an institutional environment.

**CNC 6470**  
**Member Care Counseling Skills and Supervision** ............................................................(3)  
This course will focus on developing your knowledge and skills for effective counseling in a missionary care setting. Emphasis will be on experiential learning utilizing interviewing strategies in a lab with supervision.

**CNC 6540**  
**Spiritual Transformation and Group Process** ............................................................(3)  
This course will introduce you to the various types of groups which should exist in churches and institutions and how those groups can be used in a strategic effort to help people develop community, heal wounds, grow spiritually, serve others, accomplish goals and maintain accountability. You will learn group process, stages of group development, healthy and unhealthy groups, and the power of groups for task accomplishment and spiritual transformation.

**CNC 6541**  
**Career Dynamics and Trends in Missions**.................................(3)  
In this course you will explore pivotal moments in the various seasons of missionary service which ensure growth and longevity in a lifelong commit-
ment to the missionary call. You will study the career span of a missionary and will define critical seasons and decisions. Special attention will be given to designing models for the missionary care provider which will enable you to minister to lifelong needs and to enhance career health and satisfaction.

CNC 6571
Home Life Enhancement Skills..........................(3)
This course will show you how to succeed in establishing a home life while serving cross-culturally. You will examine the skills and resources necessary to build a home life on the field which nurtures the individual, provides a place of relaxation, and enhances positive support systems.

CNC 6730
Premarital, Marital and Family Counseling ...(3)
This course will train you to prepare couples for marriage, to assess and address basic marital problems, and to understand and respond to typical family issues. Using the Bible, assessments, and systems thinking, you will be taught how to use pastoral counseling skills in the arenas of prevention, treatment, and recovery of basic marriage and family issues.

CNC 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Pastoral Counseling ..................................................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

CNC 9950
Doctoral Studies in Pastoral Counseling ..................................................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

Global Studies

GLS 5002
International Student Teaching .........................(3)
This course will enable you to experience teaching in a cross-cultural environment as you will teach in church-related schools and in government schools. The subjects you will teach will be the Bible and other core subjects. You will also observe schools and teachers, study national curricula materials, and interact with other national educational person-

nel and students. You will have opportunity to visit schools in urban and rural locations and you will be able to get pre-service orientation, on-site orientation, field supervision and post-field experience, debriefing and evaluation. (Also offered as EDM 5002)

GLS 5310
Creative Access and Business as Mission..................................................(3)
In this course you will discover the biblical basis, strategic value, ethical viability, and current methods of taking the gospel to restricted access peoples. You will propose a creative access strategy for a specific population segment.

GLS 5430
Mobilizing Christians for Personal Evangelism ..............................................(3)
This course gives you the opportunity to study and gain experience in the cultivating, sowing, and reaping aspects of personal evangelism. Special emphasis will be given to practical application of knowledge and skills through sharing the gospel with non-Christians in a non-church context, as well as to training other Christians how to reach the unreached. (Online format only)

GLS 6051
Missional Leadership: Character, Context, and Challenge ..............................................(3)
In this course you will explore the distinguishing contours of the missional church revolution as well as the leadership required to lead it. You will focus on three primary shifts: the shift from an internal to an external ministry focus, the shift from a program-driven to people-driven development agenda, and the shift from church-based leadership to apostolic-era leadership. (Also offered as MIN 6051)

GLS 6510
Communicating Cross-Culturally .......................(3)
You will explore the complex interrelationship between culture and language, including verbal and non-verbal systems, role expectations, strategies for culture learning and dynamics of change. Specific attention will be given to the implications for communicating the Christian message where understanding in a cross-cultural context has less to do with knowledge than with attitudes, sensitivities, and adaptations.
GLS 6540
Strategies for Evangelism and Church Planting ..............................................(3)
In this course, you will study each biblical passage in which Jesus meets with His disciples in order to develop a comprehensive understanding of the tactics He used for ministry multiplication. You will then trace the replication of these tactics through the book of Acts. Finally, you will learn practical steps to implement these tactics within either of two contexts: the emerging church among unreached peoples, or the established church among reached peoples. (Also in online format)

GLS 6580
Facilitating Church Planting Movements ....(3)
This course sharpens your strategic thinking, planning, and implementation skills for facilitating church planting movements. You assume the role of a strategy coordinator and propose a master strategy for a movement of churches planting churches among a specific population segment.

GLS 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Global Studies ..(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

History

HIS 5092
Central Europe Study Tour .............................................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected Reformation countries. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course. (Also offered as ICS 5092)

HIS 5093
Southern Europe Study Tour ..........................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected Mediterranean countries. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course.

HIS 5094
Western Europe Study Tour ..........................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected countries in Western Europe. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course.

HIS 6221
History of Global Christianity 1 ....................(3)
This course provides a global survey of Christianity from its birth to the close of the Middle Ages. You will discuss and analyze the Early Church’s growth, challenges, and compromises, including the Crusades and early missionary efforts. Special attention will be given to the way in which the Early Church responded to the Great Commission by establishing churches in African, Slavic, Indian, Sinic and Latin American civilizations. Attention will also be given to Christianity’s relationship with both Judaism and Islam before 1500.

HIS 6231
History of Global Christianity 2 ....................(3)
This course provides a global survey of Christianity from the Reformation of the 16th century to the early 21st century. You will examine the Reformation as a global phenomenon, comparing church reform in Europe with simultaneous developments in Africa, Russia, and Latin America. Special attention will be given to the interaction of Christianity with Slavic, Sinic, Islamic, Hindu, Western, African, Jewish, and Latin civilizations.

HIS 6950
Faculty Directed Study in History ..............(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.
HIS 7250
Seminar on the History of Global Christianity .............................................................(3)
This working seminar will involve you in readings, research, writings, and teachings on selected topics in the history of Christianity. Emphasis is on student-led dialogues and critical synthesis and today’s relevance of developed topics. Prerequisite: HIS 6221, HIS 6231, or equivalent.

HIS 7610
History of the AME Church ..................................(3)
The purpose of this course is to help you review, with appreciation, the African Methodist tradition and historical development, and to help you value the African Methodist tradition so as to enable responsible participation in the life and leadership of the African Methodist Church, effective communication of the tradition, and informed engagement in the ecumenical dialogue.

HIS 7650
Presbyterian Church History ..................................(3)
In this course you will survey Presbyterian history from its roots in Calvin’s Geneva and Knox’s Scotland to its current expression in the Presbyterian Church in America. Special attention will be given to the development of American — especially Southern — Presbyterianism as the immediate background for understanding the history and current concerns in the PCA.

HIS 9950
Doctoral Studies in History...............................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

HOM 6300
Foundations for Biblical Preaching ......................(3)
This course will introduce you to the theology and practice of preaching with an emphasis on structural variety, clear biblical exposition, and suitable application. You will preach, will be evaluated by your peers, and will evaluate your own recorded sermons. You are encouraged to take this course concurrently with a Greek/Hebrew exegesis course or a Bible book study. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent.

HOM 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Homiletics....................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

HOM 7041
Preaching Missions from Matthew ......................(3)
This cross-disciplinary course will engage you in a study of Matthew’s portrayal of the life, ministry, and teaching of Jesus as well as introducing you to methods to follow when preparing a series of sermons on the first gospel. Attention will be given to such issues as introductory matters, gospel study methods, Jesus’ teaching on mission, Matthew’s “universal blessing” theme, preaching resources, and preaching approaches. You will prepare a series of messages on the book and will gain experience by preaching in class. (Also offered as BIB 7041)

HOM 7241
Outstanding Preachers and Their Methods ..................(3)
You will study the lives and ministries of noted preachers, both contemporary and historical, including those from various national and ethnic backgrounds. Special attention will be given to ministry contexts, preaching and homiletical styles, and unique contributions to the preaching tradition. Applicable principles will be studied for transferability.

HOM 7411
Advanced Biblical Preaching.....................................(3)
In this course you will review basic homiletical methods, homiletical variety, series preaching; and annual planning. Prerequisite: HOM 6300 or equivalent.

HOM 9950
Doctoral Studies in Homiletics .........................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

Intercultural Studies

ICS 5010
Introduction to World Religions ......................(3)
You will survey the origins, beliefs, practices, impact, and folk expressions of major world religions such as Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam.
will evaluate the status of each religion in reference to Christian missions.

ICS 5020
Islam through Christian and Muslim Eyes ...(3)
This overview of Muslim faith and practice with an emphasis on comparisons with Christianity will help you develop a better understanding of Islam and learn to explain the gospel to Muslims with greater passion and sensitivity. (Also in online format)

ICS 5031
The Mission of God ............................................(3)
You will study the mission of God as it is revealed in the Bible and throughout history. You will compare and evaluate principles, dynamics, philosophies, and practices of cross-cultural missions. You will grow in your ability to share the gospel with individuals from cultures other than your own. (Also in online format)

ICS 5043
Contemporary Issues in Missions ..................(3)
This course offers you the opportunity to identify and analyze issues arising from the global mission of the church at the beginning of the third millennium.

ICS 5046
Principles of Language Learning ....................(3)
This course will train you in effective principles of language learning emphasizing Learning Acquisition Made Practical (LAMP), Total Physical Response (TPR), and phonetics. The goal is to provide you with the knowledge needed to learn a new language in any context.

ICS 5050
Perspectives on the World Christian Movement..................................(3)
A study of Acts examines the birth and growth of the early church. In addition to studying the historical sequence of events, you will consider Luke’s theological themes, learn to extrapolate legitimate biblical principles from historical narrative, and apply those principles in the development of contemporary missions strategy. Attention will be given to the use of Acts for teaching and preaching. 

ICS 5092
Central Europe Study Tour ................................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected Reformation countries. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course. (Also offered as HIS 5092)

ICS 5093
Southern Europe Study Tour ...................................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected Mediterranean countries. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course. (Also offered as HIS 5093)

ICS 5094
Western Europe Study Tour..............................(3)
You will focus on the cultural and religious history of selected countries in Western Europe. Prior to the tour, lectures will introduce you to the area’s geography, philosophy, theology, missions, literature, and arts. Specific reading and writing requirements will be included in the syllabus compiled by the instructor. Attendance at pre-trip lectures is required. You will spend equal time in preparation, required lecture periods, and prescribed activities on the tour as you would normally invest in a residence course. (Also offered as HIS 5094)

ICS 6010
Acts in Historical, Theological, and Missiological Perspective .................................................(3)
A study of Acts examines the birth and growth of the early church. In addition to studying the historical sequence of events, you will consider Luke’s theological themes, learn to extrapolate legitimate biblical principles from historical narrative, and apply those principles in the development of contemporary missions strategy. Attention will be given to the use of Acts for teaching and preaching. 

Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent. (Also offered as BIB 6010)
ICS 6012
Islamic Theology .................................................(3)
In this course you will examine both theological and philosophical concepts in Islam. Drawing primarily from Muslim writers, you will compare and contrast Islamic thought with biblical revelation.

ICS 6013
The Spirit World of Islam......................................(3)
This study of Islam’s animistic roots, beliefs, practices, and localized expressions equips you to understand folk Islam from a biblical perspective in order to communicate the gospel in a way that speaks to the worldview and felt needs of Muslims.

ICS 6017
Principles of Church Planting Among Muslims ......................(3)
This course provides you with a survey of the major ecclesiological options and their historical development. The goal is to help you develop principles for establishing and nurturing biblically-rooted churches in Muslim countries. Prerequisite: ICS 5020 or equivalent.

ICS 6020
History of Missions ..............................................(3)
In this course you will survey the expansion of Christianity with an emphasis on the cultural and strategic dimensions of its growth. Special attention will be given to factors arising during the post-Reformation era which have influenced the development of Christian missions.

ICS 6021
African-American Perspectives on World Missions ......................(3)
This course provides you with a theological, historical, cultural, and strategic overview of the African-American missions movement. You will develop a balanced perspective on justice issues and the gospels, as well as mobilization concerns for the African-American church.

ICS 6022
The Hispanic Church’s Perspective on World Missions .................(3)
In this course you will study the history, theology, reconciliation, justice and strategy elements of the Hispanic church’s missions movement.

ICS 6024
Understanding Cultures and Worldviews .......................................(3)
This course will enable you to understand the worldview assumptions which are foundational to a person’s belief systems and behavior patterns. You will analyze the culture and worldview of an ethno-linguistic or socio-economic grouping of people from a biblical worldview perspective. You will also consider elements of biblical contextualization. Prerequisites: BIB 5410; ICS/MIS 5031, or ICS/MIS 5050, or equivalent. (Also in online format)

ICS 6025
Life of Muhammad ......................................................(3)
In this course you will look at Muhammad, primarily in Muslim tradition, including the growth of his importance in popular piety as an intercessor and object of devotion. You will examine his birth, early life, spiritual awakening, revelations, and his rise to political power in the social, political, and religious context of Arabia out of which Islam emerged.

ICS 6030
Biblical Theology of Missions .............................................(3)
You will engage in a comprehensive study of the biblical foundation for mission as it relates to the church’s missionary obligation before God to the world in both word and deed. Special attention will be given to exposing you to important issues within evangelical missiology today. (Also offered as BIB 6030; also in online format)

ICS 6037
Understanding the Qur’an .................................................(3)
In this course you will examine the doctrine of revelation in Islam and the way in which the Qur’an influences the daily life and worship of Muslims. Special attention will be given to using the Qur’an and sound doctrine to witness among Muslims.

ICS 6039
Doing Theology in Context.................................................(3)
You will engage in a detailed discussion on the interaction between Bible and culture in which epistemological, hermeneutical, theological, and ecclesial dynamics are taken into consideration in order to strengthen the church’s witness by remaining both faithful to Scripture and relevant to context. Prerequisites: BIB 5410 and ICS 6024 or equivalent. (Also offered as THE 6039)
ICS 6040
Cultural Anthropology ...........................................(3)
This course will introduce you to the discipline of cultural anthropology and the study of other cultures. You will learn concepts and field methods which will help you acquire an understanding of the society, culture, and customs of the people God has called you to reach.

ICS 6043
Tentmaking Strategies for the 10/40 Window ......................(3)
This course will help you understand the scope of tentmaking, and will demonstrate biblically and historically that the opportunities for church planting via tentmaking entry strategies are limitless. Through numerous case studies, mostly taken from Muslim settings, you will explore the growing need for tentmakers to plant churches among the least-reached people groups.

ICS 6045
Biblical Contextualization ......................................(3)
In this course you will study how to understand and apply the Bible faithfully and effectively in a cross-cultural setting. You will look at the Bible’s teaching about culture and hermeneutics, especially language, revelation, truth, scriptural authority, application and contextualization. You will assess case studies of contextualization in missions. Your summative exercise will produce a biblically-controlled example of contextualization. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent. (Also offered as BIB 6045)

ICS 6046
Folk Religion..........................................................(3)
The dynamics of humankind’s religious experience as influenced by supernatural powers and spirits will be reviewed, described, evaluated and contrasted with biblical teaching and practice. You will study the widespread beliefs and practices associated with the occult in its various expressions, and the impact of the occult on humankind individually and socioculturally. The goal is to help you develop an awareness of the activities of the powers of darkness and a strategy for responding to these activities with biblical “spiritual warfare” principles. (Also in online format)

ICS 6051
Women in Islam......................................................(3)
In this course you will examine the way in which the lives of Muslim women have been affected by rapid political and socio-economic change. Special attention will be given to ways by which you can communicate the gospel relationally to Muslim women through godly living and speaking.

ICS 6071
Approaches to Muslims ...........................................(3)
You will analyze and evaluate ways Christian witness relates to conversion discipleship and church planting among Muslims. Special attention will be given to what message your lifestyle and public behavior communicate to Muslims. You will learn to respond to Muslim concerns and objections, clarify their points of confusion, and help them see Jesus as the supremely attractive Savior.

ICS 6072
Responding to Muslim Concerns ..............................(3)
This course will help you address specific Muslim misunderstandings and objections to core Christian beliefs. In it you will analyze Muslim claims in reference to the Qur’an, traditions and Muhammad, the prophet of Islam.

ICS 6073
Islam in the Twenty-first Century ...............................(3)
In this course you will explore the issues behind the anger and agenda of militant Islam. You will examine not only the roots of Islamic fundamentalism and the radicalization of Muslims throughout the world but also liberal and modernist trends. Special attention will be given to the problem of Israel, the reasons Islam is growing so rapidly in the West, and implications for Christian witness.

ICS 6075
Team Principles and Dynamics.................................(3)
You will study biblical, historical, and philosophical precedents for work groups and teams. You will analyze current team theories, principles, philosophies of leadership, case studies, strategic rationales, and how they relate to existing ministry and work realities.
ICS 6092
Strategy for Kingdom Advance .....................(3)
This course will give you a fresh perspective on missiology and the changing globe with special attention to your own area(s) of particular interest. You will examine specific strategies and issues in missions, and you will think strategically about your own vision and planning. You will create and evaluate your own life path as you receive input from your classmates and the global connections of the instructor.

ICS 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Intercultural Studies ....................................................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

ICS 7041
Church Planting in the Twenty-First Century Urban Context ........................................(3)
This course combines essential factors in contemporary mission approach: the urbanization of the world, the globalization of the city, and world evangelization through church planting. You will begin by investigating the theological and biblical foundations of the city and the expansion of God’s kingdom. Then, you will analyze principles of intentionalized church planting, will walk through the process of planting, will discuss the special challenges posed by urban settings, and will discuss practical ministry approaches to those challenges. You will also engage in a group learning experience in which you apply the course material to actual urban church planting opportunities.

ICS 9950
Doctoral Studies in Intercultural Studies ...(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

Internship
INT 6211, 6212, 6213, 6214
Internship 1-4 ............................................(1.5, 1.5, 1.5, 1.5)
While serving as an intern, you will have the opportunity to explore, develop and enhance your personal and practical skills needed in ministry. This course is designed as a practicum, completing the third part of the SSM educational triad (Biblical competence, spiritual formation, and practical ministry skills).

INT 6254, 6255
Pastoral Counseling Internship 1-2 ....(1.5, 1.5)
This course focuses on the ethics, paradigms, spirituality and skills needed to do quality pastoral counseling. You will be taped and evaluated demonstrating pastoral counseling skills in the counseling lab. With appropriate supervision, you will see clients at an off-campus setting.

INT 6930
Best Practices for International Workers ....(3)
You will learn from experienced international workers the basic practices for preparation, entry, language/culture acquisition, and thriving in a cross-cultural field environment. Some classes meet in homes of experienced international workers.

INT 6950
Faculty Directed Internship .....................(1-3)
Under the direction of a faculty member you will participate in a ministry setting which correlates directly to your vocational goals. This course is available by approval of the associate dean for ministry skills development.

Ministry Studies
MIN 5002
International Student Teaching ..................(3)
This course will enable you to experience teaching in a cross-cultural environment as you will teach in church-related schools and in government schools. The subjects you will teach will be the Bible and other core subjects. You will also observe schools and teachers, study national curricula materials, and interact with other national educational personnel and students. You will have opportunity to visit schools in urban and rural locations and you will be able to get pre-service orientation, on-site orientation, field supervision and post-field experience, debriefing and evaluation. (Also offered as GLS 5002)

MIN 5025
New Paradigms for Youth, Family, and Culture .........................................................(3)
In this course you will explore the ways in which different paradigms of ministry affect youth, families
and culture. What does it mean to be family-based in youth ministry? What is the role of the family in the Church? How does Christianity affect culture? What is the role of the church today and in the future? How does culture play a part in the shaping process? What will youth ministry look like in the future? What implications for the future arise from the phenomenon of the “emerging church”? (Also offered as YOU 5025)

**MIN 5030**  
**Advanced Youth Communication** .................................... (3)  
This course is designed for individuals who intend to focus on vocational communication (pastor, youth leader, itinerant speaker, evangelist, and teacher). You will explore the crucial elements of effective communication, including how to understand learning and teaching styles and how to connect with a variety of audiences and sizes. You will explore keys for personal and spiritual preparation, places to find illustrations, ways to connect God’s Word with students, uses of humor, and the place of timing and speed in communication. You will grow in your understanding of hindrances to effective communication, techniques for body language, and the ways the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit work in the process of transforming people. (Also offered as YOU 5030)

**MIN 5035**  
**Programming for Youth Ministry** .................................. (3)  
This course will prepare you for the daily “nuts and bolts” ministry to junior high, senior high, and college students. You will examine the organization of your ministry, your personal life and schedule, how to build a team ministry, and how to organize and lead retreats and camp experiences. (Also offered as YOU 5035)

**MIN 5110**  
**Issues in Contemporary Youth Culture** .......................... (3)  
In this course, you will engage in an in-depth look inside today’s youth culture. You will examine the questions they ask about such topics as parents, self-image, friendships, peer pressure, music, love, sex, dating, abuse, drugs, and teen violence. You will give special attention to addressing these issues from a biblical perspective and to equipping students to speak, teach, and counsel youth and families about their felt needs.

**MIN 5140**  
**Spiritual Disciplines** ..................................................... (3)  
You will engage in a biblical and historical overview of spiritual disciplines taught in an experiential learning style which helps you practice the means of grace toward the goal of Christlike living.

**MIN 5300**  
**Foundations of Spiritual Formation** ................................... (3)  
This course will examine the foundational principles for effective life and ministry. You will evaluate what God has done in your life, where you are currently in your ministry development, and how you can prepare for future ministry opportunities. Special emphasis will be devoted to your personal sanctification and establishing redemptive relationships with others. (Also in online format)

**MIN 5310**  
**Biblical Foundations of Leadership** .................................. (3)  
This course will provide a biblical perspective for leadership ministry in churches and organizations. Special attention will be given to laying a biblical foundation and creating a leadership development grid, so that you will have a framework for lifelong leadership learning.

**MIN 5410**  
**Evangelizing and Discipling Youth** ................................ (3)  
This course will equip you with the principles and practices you need to disciple a young person to know God and make Him known. It will give you a specific look at adolescent Christian life and how it relates to growing mature leaders in youth organizations. You will review various models, strategies, and programs that target teens and collegians in a ministry of disciple-making.

**MIN 5411**  
**Leadership Development Through Lifelong Learning** ............ (3)  
Within the field of leadership, this course helps you experience and understand what healthy self-leadership is and learn how to establish healthy leadership in your context of ministry. You will attend the Willow Creek Community Church Leadership Summit, read extensively in books dealing with leadership, and will complete a personally-tailored project which will apply the skills taught.
MIN 5437
Outdoor Experiential Discipleship ...................(3)
This course will help you learn how to foster spiritual development in yourself and in others. The majority of the course time is spent in a wilderness setting applying adventure-based learning activities. Course enrollment is limited.

MIN 5440
International Student Ministry ......................(3)
This course is designed to enable you to serve effectively as a servant leader among the international students, scholars, spouses, and children residing in the United States and Canada. It requires attendance at the annual conference of the Association of Christians Ministering Among Internationals (ACMI), as well as the completion of pre- and post-conference assignments.

MIN 5710
Counseling Youth and Families ......................(3)
This course will prepare you to meet the counseling needs of adolescents. You will address such areas as parent-teen relationships, anxiety, anger, suicide, and substance abuse. The course will give you a framework for utilizing a family systems model and will offer practical techniques and principles of counseling.

MIN 5800
Cross-cultural Youth Ministry .......................(3)
In this course, you will survey youth ministry approaches in different cultures. You will explore the cross-cultural ministry principles central to your ministry and will develop a culture-specific ministry vision, strategy, and program.

MIN 6051
Missional Leadership: Character, Context, and Challenge .........................................................(3)
In this course you will explore the distinguishing contours of the missional church revolution as well as the leadership required to lead it. You will focus on three primary shifts: the shift from an internal to an external ministry focus, the shift from a program-driven to a people-driven development agenda, and the shift from church-based leadership to apostolic-era leadership. (Also offered as GLS 6051)

MIN 6170
Community and Church-Based Spiritual Formation ..........................................................(3)
This course introduces you to advanced biblical and spiritual formation principles for designing individual, small and large group, and church-wide experiences that help people know God and live His Word. You will learn a variety of approaches for encouraging and evaluating spiritual maturity in adult learners through practical projects and classroom experience. Prerequisite: MIN 5300 or equivalent. (If you have not completed the necessary prerequisite, you should take MIN 5300 which will automatically substitute for this course.)

MIN 6344
Transformational Bible Teaching ....................(3)
This course examines the teaching-learning process to help you understand the conditions that foster deep, personal change toward Christlikeness. You will learn how to adapt instructional methods and structures to differing expectations, learning styles, cognitive processes and social relations of learners in multicultural contexts. For your major project you will prepare and teach from the Bible in a context of your choice, experimenting with and refining what you learn in class. Prerequisite: BIB 5410 or equivalent.

MIN 6412
Transformational Leadership .........................(3)
In this course you will study the biblical principles of transformational leadership. Special emphasis is devoted to team building, mentoring, discipleship, and leadership development in the context of developing relationships of trust in an environment of grace.

MIN 6430
Prayer and Discipleship ................................(3)
This experiential course will help you develop a lifestyle of prayer and will equip you to assist others in their spiritual development. Special attention will be given to strategies for mobilizing others through discipleship.

MIN 6450
Church Planting Today ..................................(3)
In this course, you will take an in-depth look at the most effective church planting models being practiced today, with a special emphasis on the small
group based model. One of the primary goals will be to help you discover church planting principles which can be applied in a wide variety of contexts. You will also consider both the characteristics of effective church planters and church planting pitfalls to avoid.

**MIN 6530**
**Pastoral Ministry: Theology and Practice** ..................................................(3)
In this course, you will explore the biblical, theological, and historical foundations of pastoral ministry. You will examine the nature of pastoral ministry from a shepherding perspective as well as the roles and tasks involved in it. Special attention will be given to contemporary discussions and research on the identity and ministry of pastors as well as to key issues in the church of the present and of the future.

**MIN 6615**
**AME Polity and Law** ..........................................................(3)
Through extensive use and discussion of the Book of Discipline, this course seeks to expose you to the resources, developments, and trends of the African Methodist Episcopal denomination’s polity and to prepare you to function effectively within, be appreciative of, and affect creatively that polity.

**MIN 6620**
**Baptist Church Polity** ..................................................(3)
This course will provide you with a guided study in the history, doctrine, and polity of Baptist churches. If you are interested in ministering in a Baptist context, this course will provide important background for that ministry.

**MIN 6650**
**Presbyterian Church Polity** ..................................................(3)
This course will provide you with a guided study in the constitutional documents of the PCA, the biblical-theological background for the Presbyterian form of church government, and the reformed view of the sacraments.

**MIN 6660**
**AME Worship** ..........................................................(3)
This course examines African Methodist worship to prepare you to plan and lead worship in a range of this denomination’s churches. Emphasis is placed on familiarity with African Methodist worship resources, denominationally approved orders of worship, and with various specific dimensions of worship like Word, sacrament, prayer, music, calendar, weddings, and funerals.

**MIN 6950**
**Faculty Directed Study in Ministry** ......................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**MIN 9600**
**Doctoral Studies Independent Study Project** ..................................................(3)
You will design and pursue a field-based project corresponding to your ministry situation and integrating the theory of ministry and practice of ministry. You will prepare a project proposal, carry out the project (including research, relevant activities, and evaluation), and write a project report.

**MIN 9950**
**Doctoral Studies in Ministry** ..................................................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

**Research**

**RES 6420**
**Biblical Studies Research and Writing** ..........(3)
This course offers you a guided study in the techniques and tools for research in a biblical studies issue. You will learn to evaluate the accumulated evidence and to use that evidence to argue through to a conclusion. Attention will be given to the standard as well as to the latest techniques in biblical studies. **Prerequisite:** GRE 6210 or HEB 5111 or equivalent.

**RES 6501**
**Master’s Thesis 1** ..................................................(3)
You will research and write on a topic in your field under the guidance of two faculty members who will critique your work as you proceed. **Prerequisite:** RES 6420, 7961, or 7962, or equivalent.

**RES 6502**
**Master’s Thesis 2** ..................................................(3)
You will defend your thesis before a committee composed of at least three faculty members. **Prerequisite:** RES 6501.
RES 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Research.........(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

RES 7961
Bible and Theology Integrative Seminar ......(3)
This course offers you a guided study in the techniques and tools required to pursue in-depth academic library-based research on a focused topic. As the summative exercise for the course, you will produce a 25-30 page research paper of publishable quality on a biblical, historical, or theological topic chosen in consultation with the course instructor.

RES 7962
Intercultural and Muslim Studies Integrative Seminar ..................................................................(3)
This course offers you a guided study in the techniques and tools of bibliographic and field-based research on intercultural and Muslim studies. As the summative exercise for the course, you will plan, research and write either a thesis or a 25-30 page research paper of publishable quality on a topic chosen in consultation with the course instructor. You will demonstrate your ability to elucidate a clear research problem, master related material and research methods, make a clear argument, and delineate original thought processes.

RES 9400
Doctoral Research Seminar..............................(3)
This workshop approach to the logic, design, methods, and execution of ministry-based research guides you in the process of producing a dissertation-project research proposal.

RES 9900
Professional Research Project .........................(3)
You will design and pursue a field-based research project which is reported in dissertation style and format. Prerequisite: RES 9400 and doctoral candidacy status.

RES 9950
Doctoral Studies in Research .........................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

Theology

THE 6039
Doing Theology in Context.................................(3)
You will engage in a detailed discussion on the interaction between Bible and culture in which epistemological, hermeneutical, theological, and ecclesial dynamics are taken into consideration in order to strengthen the church's witness by remaining both faithful to Scripture and relevant to context. Prerequisites: BIB 5410 and ICS 6024 or equivalent. (Also available as ICS 6039)

THE 6200
Historical Theology..............................................(3)
This course will provide a study of the historical development of Christian doctrine. Special attention will be given to the factors which have produced the ecclesiastical and theological diversity present in the contemporary Christian Church.

THE 6310
Systematic Theology 1 ......................................(3)
In this course you will explore the major divisions of theology (Prolegomena), the doctrine of the Bible (Bibliology), the doctrine of God (Theology Proper), the doctrine of Christ (Christology), and the doctrine of last things (Eschatology). You will gain experience in integrating what you learn into real world situations and in understanding how theological concepts are expressed differently across cultures. (Also in online format)

THE 6320
Systematic Theology 2 ......................................(3)
In this course you will explore those areas of theology especially relating to and serving as the foundation for the sanctification and Christian growth of the believer. Areas studied will include the doctrine of man (Anthropology), the doctrine of sin (Hamartiology), the doctrine of salvation (Soteriology), the doctrine of the Holy Spirit (Pneumatology), and the doctrine of church (Ecclesiology). The course particularly focuses on God's plan of transforming you into Christ's likeness and helping you experience godly living in today's world. (Also in online format)
THE 6341
Theological Methods and Issues .........................(3)
In this course you will investigate and evaluate the different prominent boundaries and perspectives within Evangelical theology and locate yourself within them. You will interact in-depth with selected contemporary theological issues in global Christianity which are encountered in the realities of cross-cultural ministry. Prerequisites: THE 6310 and THE 6320 or equivalents. (Also in online format)

THE 6370
Eternal Destinies ...................................................(3)
This course will guide you in a critical investigation of the doctrine of the afterlife, including a discussion of the views of world religions and several “Christian” cults, with particular emphasis being given to the biblical data on heaven and hell. Special attention will be devoted to the Evangelical doctrine of the afterlife, to recently proposed alternatives to the orthodox views, and to implications for your missiological responsibilities.

THE 6500
Christian Social Ethics.............................................(3)
You will examine various approaches to ethical decision-making and evaluate them against the teaching of Scripture. The goal of the course is to prepare you to deal with ethical issues which arise in Christian ministry, whether in the local church or in an intercultural setting. Issues examined will include capital punishment, just war theory, abortion, stem cell research, cloning, euthanasia, and physician-assisted killing.

THE 6700
Apologetics.............................................................(3)
This course offers you an introduction to the area of Christian apologetics. Special attention will be given to the analysis and evaluation of outstanding models of apologetics, to problem areas, to common objections made to the Christian faith, and to evangelistic strategies in the postmodern world.

THE 6950
Faculty Directed Study in Theology ..........(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

THE 7650
Reformed Theology ...............................................(3)
Designed to supplement the Systematic Theology sequence, this course will guide you in a study of the theological distinctives of the Reformed tradition.

THE 7690
Wesleyan Theology ...................................................(3)
In this course you will examine the spiritual theology of both John and Charles Wesley with particular attention to its relation to the ministry of the Wesleyan movement in 18th century England.

THE 9950
Doctoral Studies in Theology ..............................(1-3)
A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.

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BIB/ICS/MIS 6007
Leadership: Biblical and Intercultural Aspects ...................................................(3)
You will engage in an examination of the role and function of leadership in a cross-cultural ministry context. This course aims at formulating a biblical understanding of leadership which includes sensitivity to cultural differences while maintaining the counter-cultural nature of the gospel with the resulting challenges relating to differing world views. Special attention will be given to how Westerners handle conflict compared to peoples of the two-thirds world and how Scripture speaks to both contexts.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6009
New Testament Foundations of Church Growth ...................................................(3)
You will examine the biblical-theological basis, presuppositions, and goals of church planting and growth. Special attention will be given to key New Testament passages, problems of indigenization, and the independence of national churches.

BIB/THE 6020
The Holy Spirit: A Biblical-Theological Investigation ...................................................(3)
Using the methods and tools of biblical theology, you will explore what Scripture teaches about the person and work of the Holy Spirit from Genesis to Revelation. Special attention will be given to the theme of Holy Spirit empowerment and its implications for living the Christian life.
BIB/THE 6025
Theology of the General Epistles ...................(3)
This course offers you an overview and exegetical study of central theological themes found in the New Testament books of Hebrews, James, 1-2 Peter, and Jude. You will also explore their interrelation to other parts of New Testament theology.

BIB/ITE 6031
Biblical and Philosophical Foundations for Education .................................................(3)
This course gives you the opportunity to examine the biblical, theological, and philosophical foundations that determine and shape educational practice. Reflecting on these concepts will help you develop a personal philosophy of teaching and learning and explore its implications in your own context.

BIB/THE 6033
Christian Worldview in Genesis Perspective .........................................................(3)
With Genesis 1–2 as your starting point, you will examine central aspects of human existence such as religion, work, finiteness, gender distinctions, marriage and family, that contribute to the development of a Christian worldview.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6077
Gender Roles and Missions.................................................(3)
In this course you will examine the various aspects of gender issues in missions from a biblical-theological, cultural, historical, and missiological perspective. You will consider foundational theological positions on gender roles with a view to the hermeneutical principles and areas of tension. At the conclusion of the course you will be able to express and support a personal theological position while, at the same time, respecting the convictions of others. You will also be equipped to use principles of contextualization for gender issues in different cultural contexts.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6078
Ethics and Missions .........................................................(3)
You will examine the place and validity of ethical admonition in biblical revelation, missionary proclamation, and church building. You will engage in a practical study of present-day ethical issues and the application of scriptural standards in cross-cultural missionary work.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6095
Principles of Communicating God's Word Interculturally .............................................(3)
In this course you will explore the biblical-theological foundations for communicating God's Word in cross-cultural settings. You will examine the cultural characteristics of various modes of communication in order to enable you to contextualize your presentation effectively.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6096 Biblical Leadership across Cultures ......................................................(3)
This course will introduce you to an understanding of leadership grounded in the life and teaching of Jesus Christ. You will focus on the universal applicability and cross-cultural relevancy of Christlike leadership. Special attention will also be given to the role of the Holy Spirit in Christian leadership as well as current cultural issues in modern leadership studies.

BIB/ICS/MIS 6099
Ephesians in Missiological Perspective ..........(3)
In this course you will engage in an exegetical exploration of Paul’s letter to the Ephesians with an emphasis on missiological aspects and themes relevant for church planting. Special attention will also be given to historical, theological, and ethical perspectives of the book.

BIB 6538
Old Testament Theology in Light of the Psalms .................................................................(3)
You will explore the origin, character, and historical context of the Psalter. Special attention will be given to key theological themes, the relationship of the Old Testament to the New, and the significance of biblical typology as a hermeneutical principle.

BIB 6551
Jeremiah .................................................................(3)
In this course you will examine the times, person, and ministry of the prophet Jeremiah. You will study selected texts exegetically and place them within a wider biblical-theological context. Special attention will be given to the tensions and afflictions which the prophet experienced and the divine grace which sustained him.
BIB 6560
**Messiah in the Old Testament** ............................................(3)
You will focus on the development of the concept of the Messiah throughout the Old Testament by pursuing exegetical studies within a broader hermeneutical, historical, and theological framework. The examination of relevant literature will help you develop your own approach to this important exegetical-theological theme.

BIB 6604
**Gospel of Mark** ..............................................................(3)
In this course you will engage in an exegetical study of Mark’s Gospel while giving special attention to historical, theological, and missiological aspects of the book. Special attention will also be given to Mark’s presentation of the nature of Christian discipleship.

BIB 6609
**Luke** ...............................................................................(3)
Your study of Luke’s presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ will give special attention to the genre and structure of the gospel, Luke’s use of the Old Testament, his understanding of salvation, the ethical implications of the gospel, and the meaning of Luke’s message for missions and your personal life. Exegetical exercises will help you develop your skills in interpreting and teaching texts from the synoptic gospels.

BIB 6620
**First Corinthians** ............................................................(3)
Through the exegesis of selected passages and practical application of those passages, you will explore ways of solving problems related to divisions in the Church. Special attention will be given to church discipline, lawsuits among Christians, Christian marriage in non-Christian environments, the celebration of the Lord’s Supper, spiritual gifts, and the meaning of Christ’s resurrection.

BIB 6630
**Exegesis of 1 Peter** ...........................................................(3)
In this course you will engage in a study of 1 Peter with special focus on the historical background, themes and message, and theology of the letter, as well as its contribution to New Testament theology and its practical application for Christian life and ministry.

BIB 6639
**Thessalonian Epistles** ....................................................(3)
In this in-depth study of Paul’s letters to the Thessalonians, you will trace major concepts, perform word studies, develop synthetic charts, and develop interpretive skills. Special attention will be given to the significance of the letters for Christian conduct and ministry today.

BIB 6640
**James** .............................................................................(3)
In this exegetical study of James’ letter, you will explore the historical background, content, message, and New Testament themes of the letter. You will also examine practical application for your daily life and for cross-cultural ministry.

BIB 6649
**Pastoral Epistles** ............................................................(3)
In this exegetical study you will set Paul’s pastoral letters against the background of apostolic times. Special attention will be given to the way in which Paul handled false doctrine, to the basic teaching on leadership and church growth, and to the application of the apostle’s teaching to contemporary situations.

CNC 5075
**Intercultural Counseling** ...................................................(3)
This course will help you learn how to apply counseling skills in intercultural settings. You will examine human needs in the world community, the role of the counselor in different cultural circumstances, and the professional roles of intercultural pastor, missionary, business person, and professional counselor.

HOM 6140
**Intercultural Homiletics** ......................................................(3)
You will explore the biblical-theological foundations of culturally relevant preaching. You will be exposed to the cultural characteristics of various models of preaching in order to equip you to contextualize the communication form of “sermon.”

ICS/MIS/THE 6005
**Christianity and Religious Pluralism** ..............................(3)
In this course you will examine the nature, concepts, and expressions of other religions for the purpose of developing an evangelical theology of religion compatible with missiological interaction.
ICS/MIS 6006  
Aspects of Intercultural Management ..........(3)  
This course explores management principles within the framework of Christian values in the context of cross-cultural service. During this course you will interact with prevailing realities in other cultures, potentially conflicting expectations and values, inherently incompatible sensitivities, and regionally differing resources and networks.

ICS/MIS 6023  
Missions in the 21st Century .........................(3)  
In this course you will explore the use of statistical research in missiology to discover theological and ethical implications of changing demographics and to evaluate the changing face of missions in a globalized world.

ICS/MIS 6026  
Mission in Europe ........................................(3)  
In this course you will analyze and reflect on significant political, religious, and societal changes in Europe. You will explore the diversity of the European context in light of various religious-socio-logical and strategic approaches to missions, critique past and current approaches to missionary work in Europe, and consider the applicability of those approaches to future missionary strategy. As a result, you will be able to develop and apply concrete proposals for missions in Europe which are based on careful theological, strategic, and practical assessment of the challenges and opportunities facing this diverse continent.

ICS/MIS 6027  
Transformational Project Management ..........(3)  
This course will introduce you to planning instruments for development projects in missions. Project cycle management and logical-framework-analysis are two major concepts you will study.

ICS/MIS 6029  
Participatory Approaches to Transformational Development ........................................(3)  
This course will offer you a forum to study and evaluate best practices for the use of development projects in missions. You will engage in a participatory process for planning, implementing, monitoring, and evaluating projects in cooperation with main stakeholders.

ICS/MIS 6033  
Cross-cultural Communication: Theories and Methods.......................................................(3)  
You will explore the complex interrelationship between culture and the various aspects of the communication process in its verbal and non-verbal dimensions. You will reflect on strategies for learning culture and the dynamics of cultural transformation. Specific attention will be given to the implications for communicating the Christian message in culturally relevant ways.

ICS/MIS 6034  
Missions, Transformation, and Development .................................................................(3)  
In this course you will explore the holistic interrelation of missions, conversion, and spiritual growth with regard to the social, economic and political change dynamics of humanity.

ICS/MIS 6036  
Principles of Transformational Development Projects .................................................................(3)  
This course will help you develop a holistic understanding of development projects with reference to the interrelation of missions, conversion, and spiritual growth with the social, economic, and political change dynamics of humanity.

ICS/MIS/THE 6038  
Asian Missions and Theology: History and Present.................................................................(3)  
In this course you will focus on three main areas necessary for understanding the growing role of the Asian church in worldwide Christianity. First, you will examine important Asian contributions to Christian theology. Second, you will review past and present missionary movements in Asia. Third, you will investigate current developments in Asian theology and the growing role that evangelistic and missionary movements founded by Asian churches play both in Asia and worldwide.

ICS/MIS 6044  
Issues, Strategies, and Ethics for Development .................................................................(3)  
In this course you will explore the global, economic, and political contexts of Christian institutions necessary for the development of a distinctly Christian understanding of global responsibility and action.
ICS/MIS 6047
Transforming Local Communities ......................(3)
In this course you will explore the foundational knowledge and techniques necessary for the development of distinctly Christian community development projects based on a doxological motif.

ICS/MIS/THE 6049
Roman Catholicism and Missions ......................(3)
In this course you will explore the philosophical-theological system of the Roman Catholic Church, its role in contemporary European culture, and its missionary activity outside Europe.

ICS/MIS 6054
Cross-Cultural Study Tour ..................................(3)
Through exposure to theoretical principles and to hands-on experience, this course will teach you how to begin learning another language and to become competent in cross-cultural settings. Although emphasis will be placed on learning Arabic and understanding Islamic societies, the principles taught are applicable to any cross-cultural situation.

ICS/MIS 6056
South and East Asia Religions ..........................(3)
Beginning with a general introduction to Asian religions, you will move into a deeper examination of Hinduism, Buddhism, Taoism, and Shintoism. You will read original sources from these religious traditions, consider worldview issues, and discuss approaches to communicating the uniqueness of Jesus Christ and the gospel message.

ICS/MIS 6057
Area Study..............................................................(3)
In this seminar-style course you will engage in research on a specific geographic region or among a specific cultural group. You will explore the geography, demography, history, politics, economics, family and social structures, indigenous religions, and the state of the Christian Church as they apply to your chosen region or group and will relate those factors to missionary strategy and practice.

ICS/MIS 6066
Approaches to Understanding Society and Religion ..............................................(3)
This course will guide you in understanding and applying cross-cultural research tools to analyze aspects of society and religion which are vital to cross-cultural ministry. Special attention will be given to Islamic societies, but the principles learned may be used in any cross-cultural context.

ICS/MIS 6080
Intercultural Church Growth ................................(3)
In this course you will engage in a comprehensive survey of the biblical, theological, and sociological foundations of church growth theory. Special attention will be given to the factors which promote and hinder the planting and development of local congregations in non-Western settings.

ICS/ITE/MIS 6081
Intercultural Teaching and Learning in Missions.........................................................(3)
You will examine cultural influences on the process of teaching and learning with special emphasis on the educational ministry of missionaries. You will discuss and evaluate different models for teaching, leadership development, and theological education in the missionary context.

ICS/MIS 6088
Principles of Church Planting ..............................(3)
This course offers you the opportunity to examine principles, models, and best practices for planting thriving, reproducing, missional churches in various cultural contexts.

ICS/MIS 6093
Reflections on Religious Conversion ...................(3)
In this course you will build on a biblical understanding of conversion and consider factors observed to be important in the process of coming to faith in Jesus Christ. You will give attention to the implications for those who come to faith in hostile environments and to ethical issues related to witness. You will also consider conversion away from Christianity and between other religions.

ICS/MIS 6094
Intercultural Principles of Human Growth and Change .................................................(3)
This course will help you develop a theoretical framework for effective approaches to facilitate human growth and personal development in intercultural settings. You will examine main schools and streams of counseling used in Western cultures in light of their applicability in cross-cultural settings. You will also discuss non-western etiologi-
1. **ICS/MIS 6097**
   **Ethical Leadership across Cultures** *(3)*
   In this collaborative course you will look at the basis of moral choice, the manner in which leaders make those choices, and the moral implications of decision making. The ultimate goal of this course is to help prepare you to provide ethical leadership within and beyond your own cultural context.

2. **ICS/ITE/MIS 6098**
   **Leadership Development across Cultures** *(3)*
   This course will help you consider the values, reasoning processes, teaching and learning processes, and developmental theories that are needed for leadership development to be culturally relevant. The overall aim of this course is to help you build a Christian philosophy for culturally-relevant leadership development.

3. **ITE 6148**
   **Non-Traditional Approaches to Ministry Formation** *(3)*
   In this course you will examine principles and case studies of non-traditional education, both formal and nonformal, with special attention given to ministry formation in international contexts.

4. **ITE 6345**
   **Principles of Teaching for Theological Education** *(3)*
   You will survey theological course design and development, principles of adult education, and learner assessment. Special attention will be given to developing instructional practices for international theological education.

5. **ITE 6410**
   **Education for Church Ministry** *(3)*
   Because the training of workers for church ministries is essential for sustainable church development, training for church ministries is one of the essential tasks of pastoral leadership. In this course you will learn to plan and implement training modules for workers in church ministries.

6. **ITE 6420**
   **Teaching through Case Studies** *(3)*
   In this course you will focus on writing and teaching case studies as a teaching method for ministry and educational contexts. During the course, you will design and present a case study.

7. **ITE 6480**
   **Principles of Leadership and Administration** *(3)*
   You will assess theories of leadership and administration against social science and theological criteria. Special attention will be given to characteristics, roles, and responsibilities of administrator-as-leader and to the function of application of administration in international ministries.

8. **ITE 6510**
   **Principles for Cross-Cultural Curriculum Design** *(3)*
   This course provides you with a research-based, theoretical foundation for understanding and explaining the process of human learning, retention, and retrieval. From this foundation you will derive instructional principles and practical procedures for analyzing educational needs, designing culturally-appropriate curricula and instruction, and evaluating curricular effectiveness in a variety of formal and non-formal educational contexts.

9. **ITE 6950**
   **Faculty Directed Study in International Theological Education** *(1-3)*
   A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest related to International Theological Education.

10. **MIN 6441**
    **Cell Group Ministry Skills** *(3)*
    You will explore the biblical basis, structure, types, and administrative activities related to cell group life. You will develop skills in how to begin, expand, and maintain a group ministry and will develop a strategic plan for cell ministry in your current or future areas of ministry.

11. **MIS 6950**
    **Faculty Directed Study in Missions** *(1-3)*
    A faculty member will direct your study as you participate in a seminar or pursue research in an area of special interest.
RES 7963
Integrative Research Project in Biblical Theology .....................................................(3)
Under faculty supervision, you will design, implement, and evaluate learning goals in the context of an integrative project and relevant literature related to the discipline of Biblical Theology in Global Perspective.

RES 7964
Integrative Research Project in Intercultural Studies ..................................................(3)
Under faculty supervision, you will design, implement, and evaluate learning goals in the context of an integrative project and relevant literature related to the discipline of Intercultural Studies.

RES 7965
Integrative Research Project in International Theological Education..........................(3)
Under faculty supervision, you will design, implement, and evaluate learning goals in the context of an integrative project and relevant literature related to the discipline of International Theological Education.

RES 7966
Integrative Research Project in Missiology .................................................................(3)
Under faculty supervision, you will design, implement, and evaluate learning goals in the context of an integrative project and relevant literature related to the discipline of Missiology.
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Academic Calendar
# 2011-12 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## FALL SEMESTER

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