



CIU 5-Year B.A./M.Div. Program Frequently Asked Questions

- **How do I apply for the program?**
 - Once you have been accepted into CIU, you may complete the secondary application process through Admissions.
- **Who can apply for this program?**
 - Any student possessing the minimum academic requirements can apply. Students will be evaluated based on their academic qualifications and committee interview.
- **If I do not meet the minimum requirements but I still want to apply, what should I do?**
 - You may apply for provisional acceptance into the program through the same steps. If you are provisionally accepted into the program, you will receive the same benefits as other students but you will be accountable to keep a 3.3 GPA each semester.
- **Does pre-qualification guarantee admittance into the CIU Seminary and School of Ministry?**
 - No, pre-qualification merely gets you in the 5-year B.A./M.Div. program. Applicants to the M.Div. stage of the program will be evaluated at the time they apply to assess their readiness to begin graduate-level work.
- **What if I do not get into the M.Div. stage of the program?**
 - Your advisor will help steer you toward another degree at CIU.
- **Can transfer students apply for this program?**
 - Yes, transfer students may apply for the program based on the same qualifications as other students. After a transfer student's transcript is evaluated by Academic Records, the Faculty Mentor will help develop a student's degree plan based on how many courses they transfer in.
- **Why are church affirmations required twice?**
 - This program is primarily aimed at producing pastors for the local church. It is important that a student's home church affirms their sense of call to pastoral ministry in order to get into the program. The local church affirmation required for admittance into the M.Div. stage of the program demonstrates that a student has been committed to serving in a local church since arriving at CIU.
- **Which courses can be filled through Proficiency Exams?**
 - Romans
 - History of Bible Interpretation
 - History of Global Christianity I &

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- History of Global Christianity II
- Doctrine of Scripture
- Studies in Historical Theology
- **Are these degrees accredited?**
 - Yes, this program meets the requirements of both the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) and the Association of Theological Schools (ATS).

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