

Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (MACM) Specialization in Prophetic Witness and Service

Program Description

The purpose of the Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (MACM) is to provide theologically informed and competent lay and ordained leaders in specialized ministry for the local church and the church at large. This program may also provide the academic requirements for ordination as Deacon in The United Methodist Church. A baccalaureate degree is required for admission.

The MACM degree program requires the completion of 54 credit hours and is equivalent to two years of full-time study. Full-time enrollment is 9-15 credit hours per semester. Half-time enrollment is six to eight credit hours per semester. Enrollment overload (over 15 credit hours per semester, over three credit hours in winter, or over six credit hours in summer) is discouraged and requires the permission of the student's advisor and the Dean of Academic Programs or VPAAD. All requirements must be completed within six years.

Requirement	Credit hours required	How Is The Requirement Fulfilled?
Introduction to Ministry	3	MIN 301
Preparing for Local Ministry (0.5 ea)	1	CTX 301 and CTX 302
Spiritual Formation Retreat	0.5	SFR 30*
Introduction to the Hebrew Bible	3	HBS 301
Introduction to the New Testament	3	NTS 301
Hebrew Bible or NTS 4** New Testament	3	HBS 4** or NTS 4**
Traditions I	3	HST 301
Traditions II	3	HST 302
Introduction to Systematic Theology	3	THL 301
Upper Level Theology	3	THL 4**
MACM Ministry Collaboration Group	0.5	CTX 4**
Introduction to Christian Ethics	3	ETH 301
Courses in Specialization		
Specialization Coursework	12	
Practica (4 required, 0.5 each)	2	PCM ***
Electives		
Denominational Studies	8	
Summative		
Praxis Project Proposal	1	MACM 401
Praxis Project and Conference	2	MACM 402
Total Hours	54 credit hours	

Specialization

The specializations for the MACM degree program provide for complementary combinations of disciplines so that the specializations can be tailored to a student’s ministry goals. This specialization has been designed in light of the mission of Saint Paul and the strengths of the faculty. A specialization (14 hours, to include 12 credit hours to be defined plus the two hours of Focused Contextual Education requirements) is to be declared within the first ten hours of the program.

The specialization in Prophetic Witness and Service is designed for those who do not intend to serve within the structures of the local church, but may be taken by students pursuing ordination.

Prophetic Witness and Service – MACM	Semester Credit Hours
Faculty Advisor: TBD	
Curricular Components *approval of course choices by specialization advisor is required	
Required Courses: (6 credit hours) <i>CHS 3** Prophetic Witness and Service</i> CHS 350 Restorative Justice and Systemic Sin in the Prison Industrial Complex	
Supporting Courses: (6 credit hours) Courses selected from CHL, CHS, ETH, HBS, HST, MIN 340, MIN 341, NTS, or THL or another related to the area of focus in consultation with the advisor.	
Total Hours	=12

Note: CHS 3** Prophetic Witness and Service course is still to be developed and approved but serves as the core course for this specialization.