

# **MASTER OF DIVINITY DEGREE, WORSHIP LEADERSHIP CONCENTRATION (M.Div.-WL)**

The Master of Divinity degree, Worship Leadership (WL) Concentration cultivates a Christian lifestyle, offers instruction in classical theological disciplines, and develops ministry skills with an emphasis on foundational musical knowledge and abilities. An undergraduate music degree is not required as a prerequisite for the WL concentration.

## **M.Div. Degree Objectives**

Students graduating from the M.Div. degree program will be able to:

1. Develop increased Bible and theological knowledge.
2. Facilitate interpretation of scripture using appropriate hermeneutical principles.
3. Encourage formulation of theological beliefs based on Biblical and historical perspectives.
4. Progress in the practice of classical spiritual disciplines.
5. Develop a Great Commission perspective that is demonstrated by skills in evangelism, equipping disciples, preaching and teaching, corporate worship, and leadership.

## **WL Concentration Objectives**

M.Div. students also completing the Worship Leadership Concentration will be able to:

6. Demonstrate increased knowledge of music and worship issues.
7. Develop basic musical skills for worship leadership.
8. Demonstrate ministry and leadership skills for the music and worship ministry of a local church.

An undergraduate music degree is not required as a prerequisite for the WL concentration. Before taking WL courses, however, students are required to satisfy pre-master's qualifications in music theory and conducting through placement exams or additional course work. Placement exams are given prior to each fall and spring semester. WL concentration students choose a major performance area – voice, piano, organ, or guitar (other instruments may also be considered depending on availability of applied faculty). A secondary performance area is also selected. If the major area of performance is voice or a non-keyboard instrument, the secondary area will be piano. If the major area of performance is piano or organ, the secondary area

will normally be voice. A limited level of proficiency in both piano and voice is required for all WL concentration students. Details on proficiencies, placement exams, and recital requirements are contained in the Church Music Program Handbook.

## CURRICULUM

<b>Foundational Core</b>	<b>43 hours</b>
2210-2211 Old Testament Survey I & II	6 hrs
2310-2311 New Testament Survey I & II	6 hrs
2400 Introduction to Hermeneutics	2 hrs
3100-3101 History of Christianity I & II	6 hrs
3110 Baptist History	3 hrs
3200-3201 Theology I & II	6 hrs
3400 Christian Ethics	3 hrs
5000 Personal Spiritual Disciplines	2 hrs
5201 Basic Evangelism	3 hrs
5312 Intro to Pastoral Care & Counseling	3 hrs
7001 Theology & Philosophy of Missions	3 hrs
<b>M.Div. Emphasis</b>	<b>23 hours</b>
Select: 2200-2201 Elementary Hebrew I & II <b>OR</b> 2300-2301 Elementary Greek I & II	6 hrs
3300 Introduction to Apologetics	2 hrs
Men take:	
5110 Principles of Preaching	3 hrs
5111 Expository Preaching	3 hrs
5401 Introduction to Pastoral Leadership	2 hrs
5430 Introduction to Pastoral Ministry	2 hrs
Women take:	
8110-8111 Principles of Teaching I & II	6 hrs
8306 Principles of Leadership	2 hrs
8406 Introduction to Adult Ministry	2hrs
5402 Worship Leadership	2 hrs
5445 Supervised Ministry	1 hr
8301 Church Administration	2 hrs
<b>WL Concentration</b>	<b>23 hours</b>
9200 Hymnology	2 hrs
9400 Music and Worship in the Church	2 hrs
9402 Music and Worship with Children	2 hrs
9410 Fundamentals of Music for Worship Leadership	2 hrs
9414 Music and Worship with Youth and Adults	2 hrs
CM Music Ministry Elective (select from 9416 through 9422)	2 hrs
CM Applied Voice	2 hrs
CM Applied Study (voice or keyboard instrument)	2 hrs
9551 Performance Lab (concurrent w/ Applied Study)	0 hrs
CM Choral Ensemble <sup>1</sup>	6 hrs
9550 Applied Recital	1 hr
<b>Electives</b>	<b>3 hours</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92 hours</b>

1. One hour each semester; M.Div.-WL students must be enrolled in a choral ensemble each semester they are enrolled full-time.