

# MASTER OF DIVINITY



**KAIROS**



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Developing Christian leaders for participation in the kingdom mission and in various forms of ministry is the primary function of the Master of Divinity program. The four-year course of study will prepare you for pastoral leadership and ordination in most denominations. Bible, theology, and ministry are at the core of the program. You will develop personal resources as well as the knowledge and skills necessary to become a spiritual leader. Graduates are equipped for a variety of pastoral ministries: chaplaincy, military chaplaincy, church planting, missions, youth ministry, and other church staff ministries as well as for participation in the kingdom mission. It also prepares capable individuals for doctoral studies.

## PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- Starting Well - Demonstrate a functional understanding of the Kairos system and that you have explored available resources for taking responsibility of your educational journey.
- Christian Spirituality - Articulate how your life in Christ exhibits the fruits and gifts Holy Spirit as formed in their Christian community and devoted to the glory of God the Father;
- Skillful Biblical Exegesis - Demonstrate skillful exegesis through in-depth biblical study and awareness of methodological frameworks;
- Cultural Exegesis and Gospel Proclamation - Demonstrate effective cultural exegesis and awareness of cultural frameworks, empowering you for effective, faithful, dynamic, and culturally appropriate communication of the gospel;
- Theology and Worship- Demonstrate a coherent Christian theological understanding and awareness of theological frameworks, informing your life and ministry, including corporate worship of the Triune God;
- Christian Tradition- Demonstrate appreciative and critical

awareness of your own and other Christian traditions as implemented in strategies for ministry;

- Christian Ethics - Articulate your understanding of Christian ethics and demonstrate how it informs daily living and your philosophy of leadership;
- Care and Collaboration - Demonstrate competent care and collaborative leadership informed by integrative reflection, an understanding of human and organizational systems, and emotional-relational intelligence;
- Integration in Community I, II & III - Demonstrate a competence in the integration of content, character, and craft specific to your vocational context;
- Mentored Life - Articulate and engage your vocation in a mentored life, intentional Christian community, and whole-life stewardship.
- Continuing Well - Close your Kairos journey by reflecting on your experiences and preparing to continue well on a path of lifelong learning.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

- Demonstrated mastery in all program outcomes with master assessment scores of 8 or higher with no score of 1 in any category
- Recommendation of mentor team

## KAIROS PHILOSOPHY

The Kairos philosophy provides you with flexible learning opportunities facilitated through contextually integrated educational moments and adaptable assignments. Learn and grow under the supervision of a mentor team, by the direction of faculty, and through participation in a cohort-based community of learning. Your educational journey will be oriented toward outcomes, and your coursework can be customized in light of your needs and calling. A flat monthly tuition fee provides access

to nearly every learning experience and resource in the Kairos network.

When you begin your program, you'll work with your mentor team to define mastery in your context and consider the ways you might learn best. You may choose to follow a developed "standard path," to adapt a standard path, or work with your faculty mentor to customize a new path. While traditional and self-paced learning experiences are available, coursework is most often done in context and under the supervision of your faculty mentor, vocational mentor, and personal mentor. Kairos gatherings, available to attend in person or online and offered several times each year, will connect with the wider Kairos community and expose you to the breadth and depth of the family of God.

## AREA OF FOCUS

If you are interested in focusing on a particular area of study to meet your specific vocational development needs, you can work with your mentor team or a Kairos partner to customize or concentrate in a particular academic area. Ministry partners offer concentration in areas such as spiritual direction or transformation, discipleship, missional church leadership, worship leadership, and more. Those pursuing or are required to pursue Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) or Biblical Languages for ordination or other vocational goals, will work with their mentor team to determine the available options. Partnership program, CPE, and outside Biblical languages study are not included in tuition.

## PROGRAM BREAKDOWN

<i>Course</i>	<i>Credit Hours</i>
<b>Starting Well</b> Areas of Focus: journey preparation, mentor team development	3
<b>Christian Spirituality</b> Areas of Focus: spiritual formation, life in Christ, fruits of the spirit	6
<b>Skillful Biblical Exegesis</b> Areas of Focus: Old and New Testaments, Bible interpretation, Biblical exegesis	6
<b>Cultural Exegesis and Gospel Proclamation</b> Areas of Focus: mission of the church, ethnohermeneutics, gospel communication, gospel communication in practice	6
<b>Theology and Worship</b> Areas of Focus: God, Christ, humanity, creation, spirit, church, Christian worship	6

<b>Christian Tradition</b> Areas of Focus: early church history, the reformation, modern church history, denominational heritage, Christianity	6
<b>Christian Ethics</b> Areas of Focus: ethical reasoning, Christian ethical reflection, Christian leadership	6
<b>Collaboration and Care</b> Areas of Focus: collaborative leadership, care, counseling, human and organizational systems	6
<b>Integration in Community I, II &amp; III</b> Areas of Focus: high-level integration, diversity of perspectives, empathetic listening	6 ea.
<b>Mentored Life</b> Areas of Focus: Christian discipleship, walking with fellow Christians, vocational resilience	6
<b>Continuing Well</b> Areas of Focus: program completion, graduation, lifelong learning preparation	3

72 CREDIT HOURS

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