

Pastoral Ministries

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Pastoral Ministries major prepares students for effective pastoral ministry with an emphasis on building a heart for people, a capacity for understanding and applying the Scriptures, and the skills necessary to lead a church through teaching, shepherding and administrating. This program is completed in four years.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the Pastoral Ministries major, the student will

- Prepare and present effective sermons from a variety of biblical genres, using a variety of sermonic styles.
- Develop strategies for leading a congregation in reaching their community with the gospel of Jesus Christ.
- Understand key current issues and provide solid biblical counsel in response to those issues.
- Understand basic pastoral functions and articulate a biblical ministry philosophy for effective leadership in the church.
- Comprehend basic biblical principles surrounding the administration of a local church education program.

DEGREE: Bachelor of Science

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

120 Credits ▪ All courses are three credits unless noted otherwise.

Fall Year 1 (15 credits)

CSU101	CSU First Year Experience (0)
BI100	Principles of Bible Study
BI111	Bible Survey
EN121	Academic and Researched Writing
SP100	Speech Communication *
ELEC	History Core Elective

Spring Year 1 (16 credits)

EN122	Writing Across the Disciplines
HP101	Living Well (1) *
LI203	Survey of Biblical Themes in Literature
PS100	General Psychology *
TH120	Building a Biblical Lifestyle
TH211	Theology Survey

Fall Year 2 (15 credits)

NT502	Elements of Greek – 1
PA311	The Personal Life of the Ministry Leader
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective
ELEC	Humanities Elective
ELEC	Math or Science Elective

Spring Year 2 (15 credits)

EV220	World Religions *
NT503	Elements of Greek – 2
PH206	Worldviews: Humanities and Science *
PS310	Dynamics of Discipleship
TH308	Theological Distinctives

Fall Year 3 (15 credits)

PA412	Expository Preaching
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective
ELEC	Ministry Leadership Elective
ELEC	Free Elective

Spring Year 3 (15 credits)

EM412	The Family Life of the Ministry Leader
PA404	Pastoral Ministries Seminar
PA421	Advanced Expository Preaching
PA442	Pastoral Counseling
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective

Fall Year 4 (14 credits)

EM413	Foundations of Ministry Leadership
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective
ELEC	Ministry Leadership Elective
ELEC	Ministry Leadership Elective (2)
ELEC	Free Elective

Spring Year 4 (15 credits)

TH480	Senior Seminar *
ELEC	Biblical Studies Elective
ELEC	Humanities Elective
ELEC	Free Elective
ELEC	Free Elective

* Courses offered both semesters