

Christian Ministry

This degree is designed for those age 25 and over who come into the program with experience in the churches or other related ministry. Students under 25 will not be allowed to pursue the BCM degree unless they have had experience in the field of religion as determined by the Dean of the School of Religion and Philosophy.

Major Requirements

■ Major Required Courses:

- Theological Research & Writing Lab (RLGN 0001)
- Old Testament & New Testament History (RLGN 1301-02, required from general core)
- Christian Theology (RLGN 4302)
- One from the following:
 - Church History (RLGN 4307)
 - Historical Theology (RLGN 4325)
 - Baptist History (RLGN 4330)
- One from the following:
 - Discipleship and Spiritual Growth (RLED 3309)*
 - Survey of Christian Education (RLED 4301)
 - Church Administration (RLED 4302)
- Biblical Interpretation (RLGN 4314)
- Research Writing Methods (RSWR 3345)
- The Christian Ministry (RLGN/RLED 4315)
- Upper-level Old Testament elective: (3 hours)
- Upper-level New Testament elective: (3 hours)
- Upper-level religion electives: (3 hours)
- Elective credit from historical, education, theological or practical areas: (3 hours)

* If on Ministerial Scholarship, the following are required to complete the 36-hour major:

- Introduction to Baptist Ministry (RLED 1301)
- Spiritual Formation (RLGN/RLED 3309)
- Supervised Ministry (RLGN 4361)

If not on Ministerial Scholarship, the six remaining hours may be completed with electives.

General Education Core

- English Composition (6 hours)
- World or U.S. History I and II (6 hours)
- College Algebra (3 hours)
- Science (3 hours)
- Additional math, science or foreign language (3 hrs)
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- Old Testament History (3 hours)
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- Federal and State Government (3 hours)
- Speech (3 hours)
- Computer Literacy (3 hours)
- Physical Education/ Police/Military Service (3 hours)
- Senior exit seminar (1 hour)

Other Degree Requirements

The BCM is a 124-hour degree. Besides the major, the following are required:*

■ Ministry-Related Electives:

This section includes 15 semester hours from an approved list of electives related to ministry work.

■ **Experiential Professional Development:** Up to 12 semester hours can be earned from work in a ministry-related field.

■ **General Electives:** Twenty-four (24) semester hours required.

* Wayland will consider for transfer collegiate-level work completed at an institution of higher education as well as non-traditional training such as MOS, Military Services Schools, CCAF, prior learning assessment, or testing such as CLEP, DANTES and Excelsior. See catalog for guidelines on transferring credit to WBU from other entities.



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