

Master of Arts in Practical Theology Objectives

At the conclusion of the program the student should be able to:

- MAPT1: Understand the biblical basis for Christian doctrine and the historical development of the Church and its ministries.
- MAPT2: Demonstrate a biblically based knowledge of complex issues confronting the contemporary Church.
- MAPT3: Utilize critical reasoning skills in areas of Christian thought and practice.
- MAPT4: Acquire linguistic, historical, and critical tools and skills for interpreting Scripture.
- MAPT5: Demonstrate the development of a biblical world-view in thought, ministry, and life.
- MAPT6: Develop effective communication skills and methods.
- MAPT7: Plan for personal spiritual development and demonstrate knowledge of the importance of personal spiritual formation, spiritual disciplines, and various Christian spiritualities.
- MAPT8: Develop awareness of the relationship between Pentecostal orthodoxy and orthopraxy empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Master of Divinity Objectives

At the conclusion of the program the student should be able to:

- MDiv1: Develop and apply a biblically sound hermeneutical framework and exegetical skills for interpreting Scripture as a unified narrative.
- MDiv2: Examine, analyze and establish a biblically sound theology through the study of historical, systematic, biblical, and Pentecostal approaches to theology.
- MDiv3: Become capable in biblical languages for the purpose of proper exegesis and interpretation of Scripture.
- MDiv4: Develop effective research and writing skills related to theological study
- MDiv5: Understand the biblical basis for Christian doctrine and the historical development of the Church and its ministries.
- MDiv6: Demonstrate and apply knowledge of spiritual development, personal spiritual formation, spiritual disciplines, and various Christian spiritualities, emphasizing Pentecostal spirituality.

MDiv7: Introduce, examine, and analyze culture and worldviews for the purpose of effective ministry in a variety of intercultural settings.

MDiv8: Develop and apply a biblical ethic for life and leadership.

Chaplaincy Concentration Objectives

The chaplaincy concentration prepares students to:

CHAP1: Apply the biblical, theological, and doxological aspects of chaplaincy in pluralistic settings.

CHAP2: Practice a ministry of God's presence internally and be a bearer of God's presence to others.

CHAP3: Practice biblical leadership and ministry skills that display God's presence.

CHAP4: Develop evangelistic strategies for bringing others to Christ in pluralistic settings.

CHAP5: Care for the emotional and spiritual needs of others.

Pastoral Counseling Concentration Objectives

The pastoral counseling concentration prepares students to:

PCC1: Apply Scriptural principles for spiritual and emotional health in multi-cultural settings.

PCC2: Use theologically-based counseling skills in discipleship ministry.

PCC3: Care for the emotional and spiritual needs of others.

PCC4: Foster healthy relationships among members of the body of Christ.

PCC5: Counsel individuals dealing with issues related to grief, loss, crisis, and/or addiction.

Pastoral Leadership Concentration Objectives

The pastoral counseling concentration prepares students to:

PL1: Rediscover and articulate his/her calling and giftedness to make their unique contribution in any organization.

PL2: Define, understand, and utilize leadership emergent theory to build leaders, create teams, and improve their organizational setting.

PL3: Demonstrate the ability to identify potential ministerial leaders and create a leadership development series to provide quality leaders in a local ministry context.

Preaching Concentration Objectives

The preaching concentration prepares students to:

- P1: Articulate a biblical theology of preaching.
- P2: Practice genre sensitive exegesis in sermon preparation.
- P3: Build sermons that are true to the biblical text and well organized.
- P4: Analyze listeners and cultural trends that impact preaching effectiveness.
- P5: Preach sermons that maintain listener interest.

Spiritual Formation Concentration Objectives

The spiritual formation concentration prepares students to:

- SF1: Explain key emphasis of major spiritual movements, developments and practices throughout biblical and church history.
- SF2: Summarize the spiritual lives and practices of influential people throughout biblical and church history.
- SF3: Identify and integrate spiritual thinking, disciplines, spirituality, and theological rationale of past Christian spiritual movements and individuals into a 21st setting.
- SF4: Express, investigate, interpret, and appraise concepts, facets, and practices of and for congregational spiritual renewal.
- SF5: Validate when, how, and why participation in the spiritual formation concentration has fostered and developed the student's personal spiritual life.