

Approval Chart for Curriculum Changes

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Course Number _____ or Degree Plan(s) MA in Christian Ministry
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Change: adjust degree requirements (see attached curriculum planning sheet)

Rationale: These adjustments (1) more clearly differentiate the MACM from the Master of Divinity and (2) provide 12 hours of electives for focused ministry tracks.

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8.	Course fee(s)	A	--	A	--				A	I
9.	From U to G <i>or</i> G to U	A	A	A	A				A	A
10.	Cross list with another department: U or G level	A	A	A	A				A	A
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		Provost	Department	Dean	TEC	UUAC	Graduate	Faculty	President	
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MASTER OF ARTS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY DE

Name:		Banner ID:
Address:		Email: @acu.edu
Phone:		Degree Catalog:
EBE:	Jr.	Sen.

REQUIREMENTS: 48 HOURS (Up to 12 hours advanced standing possible.)

TOOLS (0):	COMP	NEED	ADV.	SUBSTITUTION
BIMB 602 GST Orientation (0 credit)				
BIBM *** Theological Reflection and Practice (0 credit)				
BIBLE (15): Advanced standing for upper-division undergraduate textual courses may be granted.				
BIBL 610 Critical Interpretation of the Old Testament				
BIBL 620 Critical Interpretation of the New Testament				
BIBL 627 Biblical Exegesis				
BIBL 630 Biblical Theology				
BIBL 682 Teaching Scripture in a Contemporary Context *				
MINISTRY (12): Advanced standing for upper-division undergraduate ministry courses may be granted.				
BIBM 603 Foundations of the Theology of Ministry *				
BIBM 648 Christian Spiritual Formation *				
BIBM 657 Contexts of Ministry				
BIBM 629 Field Education Contextual Immersion				
HISTORY AND THEOLOGY (9):				
BIBH 651 History of Christianity I				
BIBH 652 History of Christianity II [or] BIBH 664 Restoration History				
BIBD 660 Systematic Theology I *				
Focused Track (12):				
Elective				
Elective				
Elective				
Elective				
TOTAL: 48				Total:

***Residential Classes**

APPROVAL:

Advisor: _____ Date: _____

Associate Dean: _____ Date: _____

Focused Tracks (using BIBM 657 Contexts in Ministry as a practicum for the specialty)

1. Student & Family Ministry

- BIBM 646 Youth and Family Ministry—C. Myers or Houston Heflin
- BIBM 673 Ministry with Children/Family—D. Pemberton & R. Brunner
- BIBM 635 Engaging Adolescents in Christian Formation—R. Brunner or Houston Heflin
- BIBM 693 Church and Family Ministry —S. Hamilton

Suggested Carousel

2. Spiritual Formation

- BMIS 621 Fundamentals of Spiritual Nurture—Kent Smith
- BIBH 633 Readings in Christian Spirituality—J. Childers
- BIBM 651, 652, 656 SPM (differentiate from 648)—B. Pickett
- BIBM 635 Engaging Adolescents in Christian Formation—R. Brunner

Suggested Carousel

3. Ministerial Leadership

- BIBM 601 Church Leadership—C. Reed
- CONR 617 Managing Conflict in Churches—J. Cope
- BMIS 650 Leadership in Intercultural Contexts—C. Flanders
- BIBM 658 The Practice of Ministerial Leadership—C. Reed

Suggested Carousel

4. Ministry & Bible

- BGRK 611 Greek or BHEB 671 Hebrew—Gibson/Thompson
- BGRK 612 Greek or BHEB 672 Hebrew—Gibson/Thompson
- BIBM 604 Homiletics—Sensing
- BIBM 627 Preaching Pauline Literature—Sensing

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5. Organizational Leadership using ACU Dallas Leadership courses or MBA

- Four courses

6. Pastoral Care using ACU Dallas MFT courses

- Four courses

7. Conflict Resolution using ACU Dallas Conflict Resolution courses

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The DMin degree plan, as listed in the catalog, requires 6 hours of core courses, composed of BIBM 702 Biblical & Theological Foundations for Ministry (3 hours) and BIBM 740 Practical Theology for Ministerial Leadership (3 hours). A separate approval process is underway to combine those two courses into a single 6-hour course, BIBM 716 Theological Foundations for the Practice of Ministry. If that change is approved, **the core course requirement for the DMin program will simply be BIBM 716 Theological Foundations for the Practice of Ministry (6 hours)**. BIBM 702 and BIBM 740 Practical Theology for Ministerial Leadership will be dropped as degree requirements.

This change will take effect for the 2016-17 catalog, which includes students beginning the DMin program in June 2016.

A slight variation of this proposal was approved by the GST faculty in November 2015.

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Attachment: DMin Degree Requirements, 2015-16 Catalog

*Proposed changes pertaining to this approval chart are highlighted in blue.
Changes being proposed separately but concurrently are highlighted in yellow.*

Requirements for the DMin are:

1. Orientation, 0 hours
BIBM 701: Doctor of Ministry Orientation
2. Core courses, 6 hours
BIBM 716: Theological Foundations for the Practice of Ministry (6 hours)
BIBM 702: Biblical and Theological Foundations for Ministry
BIBM 740: Practical Theology for Ministerial Leadership
3. Method and Project/Thesis, 9 hours
BIBM 740 724: Project/Thesis Seminar I (1 hour)
BIBM 740 726: Project/Thesis Seminar II (2 hours)
BIBM 799: DMin Project Thesis (6 hours; includes an oral exam)
4. Spiritual Formation (0 hours)
Two spiritual formation retreats
Mentoring/spiritual direction throughout the program

Ministry Electives (18 hours)

For a generalist degree, select any 6 electives (18 hours). Students wishing to specialize in a track should select 4 courses (12 hours) from the appropriate track plus 2 additional electives (6 hours).

Track Offerings:

Christian Spiritual Formation:

- BIBM 717: Christian Spiritual Formation
- BIBM 740: Immersion in Culture, Context and Community
- BIBM 740: Living in the Tradition
- BIBM 740: Forming Communities of Faith

Leadership for Missional Renewal:

- BIBM 706: Christian Leadership Development
- BIBM 719: Missional Ecclesiology
- BIBM 740: Leading Change in Christian Organizations
- BIBM 740: Immersion in Culture, Context, and Community

Preaching for Community Transformation:

- BIBM 703: Preaching in Contemporary Contexts
- BIBM 711: Preaching and Theology
- BIBM 723: Worship
- BIBM 740: Exegesis: Text and Congregation

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