Master of Divinity Program
(Cordova Campus)

Description of the Master of Divinity Program (MDiv)

The master of divinity is a professional graduate degree beyond the Bachelor of Arts or equivalent, designed to equip students for effective ministry as a pastor, associate pastor, church planter, evangelist, or missionary. This is a program primarily related to preparation for the pastoral and missionary ministry, requiring ninety semester hours of academic credit for graduation.

Educational Objectives of the Master of Divinity Program

The master of divinity program is designed to promote growth in students toward personal maturity and professional ministry competence. The objectives of the program are accomplished through classroom instruction, the modeling of professors, the practice of ministry through the Practical Missions program, chapel services, and student organizations.

Foundational Studies

The master of divinity program seeks to guide students to develop the ability to understand and interpret the Christian faith in the light of its biblical, theological, and historical dimensions and to utilize insights gained from these disciplines for the effective practice of ministry in the church, the community, and the world.

Essential Skills for Ministry

The master of divinity program seeks to guide students to understand, develop, and utilize the essential skills for ministry in the effective performance of pastoral leadership roles, support staff roles, and missionary roles, including preaching, teaching, worship leadership, pastoral leadership, pastoral ministry, personal counseling, and evangelism.

Personal Growth and Professional Development

The master of divinity program seeks to guide students to develop lifelong patterns of continuing personal spiritual growth and professional development.