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Graduate Handbook

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Welcome!

It is a pleasure to welcome you to the Clamp Divinity School. The Clamp Divinity School – the part of the College of Christian Studies which houses the Master of Ministry, Master of Ministry Management, Master of Arts in Biblical Studies, Master of Divinity, Master of Divinity with a Youth Ministry Concentration, two Doctor of Ministry programs, and a PhD in Leadership – was born out of the sacrificial commitment of Mr. David Clamp, who lived frugally and saved his resources because of his vision to help train and equip new generations of church leaders. Recognizing Mr. Clamp's stewardship, all of us who serve in the College of Christian Studies take seriously the importance of teaching and learning that is focused on preparing God-called ministers for effective Kingdom service.

We look forward to these years of partnership with you in the Graduate program of the Clamp Divinity School. Let me challenge you to take seriously this opportunity for advanced ministry study. Read carefully, write wisely, think deeply. Our prayer is that God will use the Clamp Divinity School to empower your current and future ministry.

May God bless you, your family and your church as you engage in this learning adventure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Dudit". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Michael Dudit, Dean

College of Christian Studies & Clamp Divinity School

Graduate Studies at Anderson University

Graduate degrees are meant to provide the academic preparation for adult students who desire to enhance their capacity for service and leadership within a variety of professional settings. All graduate degree programs at Anderson University are intentionally designed to ensure that graduate students engage in courses of study that are progressively more advanced in academic content and intellectual rigor than undergraduate programs in the same or similar academic discipline. Courses of study within the graduate curriculum of the University require intensive study of scholarly literature and findings within each discipline, as well as ongoing student participation in research, pertinent practice and training within the discipline, or both.

Clamp Divinity School at Anderson University

Clamp Divinity School Mission Statement

The mission of Clamp Divinity School is to equip a new generation of God-called men and women to change the world through transformative Kingdom service.

Faculty

Dr. Michael Duduit, Dean of the College of Christian Studies and Clamp Divinity School

Dr. Kristopher Barnett, Associate Professor of Christian Ministry and Associate Dean, Clamp Divinity School

Dr. Channing Crisler, Director of M.Div. Program, Associate Professor of Christian Studies

Dr. Bryan Cribb, Associate Dean of CCS Undergraduate Programs and
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Dr. Charles Fuller, Director of Honors Program and Associate Professor of
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Dr. Timothy McKnight, Associate Professor of Christian Studies

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Admission

Anderson University accepts students on the basis of academic qualification, character and evidence of the potential to benefit from the university experience. Each applicant's record will be examined for evidence reflecting potential for intellectual and social growth, strength of character, and seriousness of purpose. The University considers all qualified applications without regard to race, religious creed, place of national origin, sex, disability, or ethnic group. Admission will be on a competitive basis, with the best qualified students receiving priority.

All candidates must submit the following minimum requirements for admission to Master's Degrees in the Clamp Divinity School:

- Official transcripts for all coursework leading to completion of a bachelor and/or graduate degree(s) from a regionally-accredited institution that demonstrates an acceptable undergraduate grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Three letters of recommendation. One of the recommendation letters must be from the pastor/minister of the local church where the applicant is currently a member; if the applicant is the pastor, then the letter may come from another leader within the church.
- A one-page essay explaining the reason for your application and the potential impact of the M.Min. degree on your ministry. The purpose of the essay is to establish the applicant's motivation for pursuing the degree and the applicant's professional goals.
- Minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper), 220 (computer) or 75 (internet) if English is not the student's first language, and proof of current Visa for International students.

Provisional Admission

Students who do not meet all of the requirements for the Master of Ministry may seek provisional admission under the following circumstances:

- A limited number of applicants who have a baccalaureate degree from a college or university that is not regionally-accredited may be accepted on a provisional basis.
- Applicants with a college cumulative grade point average below 2.5 on a 4.0 scale may be accepted provisionally on an individual basis.

In addition to regular admission requirements, applicants seeking provisional admission must score a minimum of 143 on the Verbal and 3.5 on the Analytical sections of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE). The Qualitative Section will not be considered.

The Associate Dean of the Clamp Divinity School will consider such applications based on academic merit and ministry experience on an individual basis. If accepted on a provisional basis, the student's academic record will be reviewed by the Associate Dean of the Clamp Divinity School after the student completes 12 hours of course work. At that time, if the student's GPA is at or above 2.0, the provisional status will be removed. If the GPA is below 2.0, the student will be dismissed from the program. If dismissed from the program, students can appeal to the Dean of the College of Christian Studies for one additional semester to raise the GPA to 2.0.

Non-degree seeking students

A limited number of students who do not have the prerequisites for regular admission may be admitted on a non-degree basis, in order to take courses in the Master of Ministry program without applying those toward an academic degree. Such applicants must fulfill all steps in the regular application process, while indicating on the application that they are seeking non-degree status. Non-degree students who complete all requirements of the Master of Ministry program will receive a suitable Certificate in Ministry reflecting their completion of the program curriculum. Non-degree students will not receive academic credit, and courses may not be applied toward an academic degree or be transferred to another institution.

Visitors

A limited number of students may apply to attend individual courses in a Visitor status. Students will not receive academic credit or certification of any kind, and will not participate in graded activities.

Transfer hours

Transferability of hours will be determined by the Program Director, in consultation with the University Registrar. Additionally, the following minimum standards must be met for all graduate transfer work:

- Only graduate level courses will be considered for graduate level transfer credit.
- The student earned a grade of B (3.0) or higher.
- The transfer courses must satisfy requirements in the student's graduate program.
- The institution where the student completed the course holds regional accreditation. *

**Courses completed at institutions that do not hold regional accreditation but have national or specialized accreditation may be eligible for transfer credit. However, the student will be required to provide a course description and faculty credentials. Program directors may request additional information.*

Number of Transfer Hours Accepted:

Degree/Program	Available Transfer Credit
MABTS	9
MMin	9
MMM	9
MDiv/MDiv YM	33

General Information about Graduate Courses

Graduate Courses at the Clamp Divinity School are offered via two delivery modes: classroom and online. The courses are offered in six seven-week terms through the year. Online courses will meet interactively online one evening per week. Students unable to participate live in the weekly class sessions may seek permission to substitute viewing of archived class sessions. In addition, online students will receive a major portion of course content via streaming video, to be viewed prior to each week's class session.

The Master of Ministry

Program Overview

The Master of Ministry (M.Min.) degree provides a solid foundation for ministry service by focusing on the core competencies of pastoral ministry. While providing a foundation of biblical and theological study, the program emphasizes practical ministry training, with a particular emphasis on leadership in ministry. The degree program will be appropriate for a variety of persons, including those already in ministry who are ready for advanced study, and persons entering ministry who seek an effective preparation for hands-on ministry service. The program will also be of value for committed lay leaders in the church who seek to advance their capacity and preparation for service.

All program requirements for the Master of Ministry degree must be completed within five (5) academic years from the student takes their first course. If the student does not enroll in the term to which admitted, the student's admission status is subject to further review at the discretion of the Dean.

Courses of Study

The courses that are offered in the Master of Ministry program are eclectic and stand alone and one is not a prerequisite for another

Courses

CHR 501 – Introduction to the Old Testament

CHR 502 – Introduction to the New Testament

CHR 503 – Biblical Hermeneutics and Exegesis

CHR 504 – Christian Theology

CHR 535 – Church History

CHR 540 – Christian Philosophy

CHR 553 – Leadership in Ministry I

CHR 554 – Leadership in Ministry II

CHR 555 – Leadership in Ministry III

CHR 560 – Pastoral Ministry

CHR 562 – Christian Preaching

CHR 565 – Evangelism and Church Health

The Master of Ministry Management

Program Overview

The Master of Ministry Management (M.M.M.) degree blends foundational theological training with substantive training in leadership, management, and organizational behavior. This 30-hour degree provides training for individuals serving as executive pastors, church administrators, leaders in non-profit organizations, and others.

Courses of Study

The courses that are offered in the MMM program are eclectic and stand alone and one is not a prerequisite for another

Courses:

CHR 501 – Introduction to the Old Testament

CHR 502 – Introduction to the New Testament

CHR 503 – Biblical Hermeneutics and Exegesis

CHR 504 – Christian Theology

CHR 553 – Leadership in Ministry I

CHR 554 – Leadership in Ministry II

CHR 555 – Leadership in Ministry III

BUS 501 – Management Thought and Application

BUS 505 – Strategic Human Resource and Management

BUS 520 – Organizational Behavior

BUS 555 – Marketing Management

The Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies

Program Overview

The Master of Arts in Biblical and Theological Studies degree provides a solid foundation in the disciplines of biblical and theological studies by focusing on core competencies in these disciplines. The program has five required courses, but also allows students the flexibility to pursue special interests in Bible and theology through five electives. The degree program is appropriate for a variety of persons, including those already in ministry who are ready for advanced study, as well as persons entering ministry who seek more in-depth knowledge in these areas. The program will also be of value for committed lay leaders in the church who desire to bolster their knowledge of the Bible and Christian Theology.

Courses of Study

The courses that are offered in the MABTS program are eclectic and stand alone and one is not a prerequisite for another

Courses:

Required:

CHR 501 – Introduction to the Old Testament

CHR 502 – Introduction to the New Testament

CHR 503 – Biblical Hermeneutics and Exegesis

CHR 504 – Christian Theology

CHR 535 – Church History

Elective: (5 Courses from the Following list)

CHR 507 - Biblical Theology

CHR 509 - Old Testament Topics

CHR 511 - Hebrew Poetry and Wisdom Literature

CHR 512 - Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

CHR 513 - Intermediate Biblical Hebrew 3

CHR 514 - Pentateuch

CHR 517 - Hebrew Prophets

CHR 518 - Historical Books

CHR 519 - Jesus and the Gospels

CHR 524 - Acts and General Epistles

CHR 525 - Pastoral Epistles and Revelation

CHR 526 - New Testament Topics

CHR 527 - Life and Letters of Paul

CHR 528 - Introduction to Biblical Greek

CHR 529 - Intermediate Biblical Greek

CHR 531 - Christian Thought

CHR 532 - Baptist History

CHR 539 - Christian Philosophy

CHR 541 - Christian Ethics

CHR 543 - Topics in Christian Theology

The Master of Divinity

Program Overview

The Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree is the standard degree in American theological education. The M.Div. provides a solid foundation for ministry service by leading students through a wide range of disciplines, including Biblical studies, theology, history, philosophy, pastoral ministry, preaching, evangelism and more. The degree program will be appropriate for a variety of persons, including recent college graduates entering ministry and those already in ministry who are ready for advanced study.

The Master of Divinity is a 75-hour degree program which is offered via multiple delivery modes, including classroom and online options. Both classroom and online classes allow students to select between traditional 15-week semesters and accelerated 7-week terms.

Courses of Study

The courses that are offered in the Master of Divinity fit into three broad categories: (1) Biblical Studies; (2) Theology; and (3) Practical Ministry. The program unfolds in a flexible manner. Many courses stand alone and do not require a prerequisite.

However, some courses require a prerequisite. For example, biblical studies elective courses require a prerequisite of CHR 501 or CHR 502. A theological studies elective requires a prerequisite of CHR 504.

Courses: Degree Requirements (75 Cr. Hrs.)

Biblical Studies Requirements (21 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 501 - Introduction to the Old Testament

CHR 502 - Introduction to the New Testament

CHR 503 - Biblical Hermeneutics and Exegesis

CHR 512 - Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

CHR 528 - Introduction to Biblical Greek

CHR 513 - Intermediate Biblical Hebrew

CHR 529 - Intermediate Biblical Greek

Biblical Studies Elective (3 Cr. Hrs.) – One (1) of the following

CHR 507 - Biblical Theology

CHR 509 - Old Testament Topics

CHR 511 - Hebrew Poetry and Wisdom Literature

CHR 514 - Pentateuch

CHR 517 - Hebrew Prophets

CHR 518 - Historical Books

CHR 519 - Jesus and the Gospels

CHR 524 - Acts and General Epistles

CHR 525 - Pastoral Epistles and Revelation

CHR 526 - New Testament Topics

CHR 527 - Life and Letters of Paul

Theological Studies Requirements (15 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 504 - Christian Theology

CHR 535 - Church History

CHR 539 - Christian Philosophy

CHR 541 - Christian Ethics

Theological Studies Elective (3 Cr. Hrs.) *One (1) of the following:*

CHR 531 - Christian Thought

CHR 532 - Baptist History

CHR 533 - World Religions

CHR 543 - Topics in Christian Theology

CHR 557 - Apologetics

CHR 558 - Topics in Apologetics

Ministry Studies Requirements (39 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 553 - Leadership in Ministry I

CHR 554 - Leadership in Ministry II

CHR 555 - Leadership in Ministry III

CHR 560 - Pastoral Ministry

CHR 562 - Christian Preaching

CHR 565 - Evangelism and Church Health

CHR 566 - Missiology

CHR 572 - Preaching Practicum

CHR 582 - Spiritual Formation in Ministry

CHR 594 - Internship

Ministry Studies Electives (9 Cr. Hrs.) – Three (3) of the following:

CHR 550 - Christian Education and Ministry Management

- CHR 557 - Apologetics
- CHR 558 - Topics in Apologetics
- CHR 563 - Pastoral Care and Counseling
- CHR 564 - Worship
- CHR 568 - Youth Ministry
- CHR 570 - Youth Ministry Administration
- CHR 571 - Topics and Issues in Youth Ministry
- CHR 573 - Topics in Christian Preaching
- CHR 575 - Church Planting

The Master of Divinity with Youth Ministry Concentration

Program Overview

This offering of the Youth Ministry Concentration within the Master of Divinity degree provides students with preparation for youth ministry in the church or parachurch context.

Courses of Study

The courses that are offered in the Master of Divinity fit into three broad categories: (1) Biblical Studies; (2) Theology; and (3) Practical Ministry. The program unfolds in a flexible manner. Many courses stand alone and do not require a prerequisite.

However, some courses require a prerequisite. For example, biblical studies elective courses require a prerequisite of CHR 501 or CHR 502. A theological studies elective requires a prerequisite of CHR 504.

Courses: Degree Requirements (75 Cr. Hrs.)

Biblical Studies Requirements (21 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 501 - Introduction to the Old Testament

CHR 502 - Introduction to the New Testament

CHR 503 - Biblical Hermeneutics and Exegesis

CHR 512 - Introduction to Biblical Hebrew

CHR 528 - Introduction to Biblical Greek

CHR 513 - Intermediate Biblical Hebrew

or CHR 529 - Intermediate Biblical Greek

Biblical Studies Elective (3 Cr. Hrs.) – One (1) of the following

CHR 507 - Biblical Theology

CHR 509 - Old Testament Topics

CHR 511 - Hebrew Poetry and Wisdom Literature

CHR 514 - Pentateuch

CHR 517 - Hebrew Prophets

CHR 518 - Historical Books

CHR 519 - Jesus and the Gospels

CHR 524 - Acts and General Epistles

CHR 525 - Pastoral Epistles and Revelation

CHR 526 - New Testament Topics

CHR 527 - Life and Letters of Paul

Theological Studies Requirements (15 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 504 - Christian Theology

CHR 535 - Church History

CHR 539 - Christian Philosophy

CHR 541 - Christian Ethics

Theological Studies Elective (3 Cr. Hrs.) One of the following:

CHR 531 - Christian Thought

CHR 532 - Baptist History

CHR 533 - World Religions

CHR 543 - Topics in Christian Theology

CHR 557 - Apologetics

CHR 558 - Topics in Apologetics

Ministry Studies Requirements (27 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 553 - Leadership in Ministry I

CHR 554 - Leadership in Ministry II

CHR 560 - Pastoral Ministry

CHR 562 - Christian Preaching

CHR 565 - Evangelism and Church Health

CHR 566 - Missiology

CHR 572 - Preaching Practicum

CHR 582 - Spiritual Formation in Ministry

CHR 594 - Internship

Youth Ministry Concentration (12 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 568 - Youth Ministry

CHR 570 - Youth Ministry Administration

CHR 571 - Topics and Issues in Your Ministry

CHR 577 - Media Ministry and the Church

The Master of Divinity, BA + MDiv

Program Overview

The Master of Divinity degree offered by most seminaries and divinity schools in the U.S., is typically a three-year program, which follows four years of undergraduate study. The Fast Track BA + M.Div. allows students to apply 30 hours of their undergraduate biblical, theological and ministry courses toward the MDiv program. This leaves them only 45 hours to complete the second degree, saving time and money in preparing for ministry.

Students in the BA + MDIV begin in the undergraduate Christian Studies degree like any other degree-seeking undergraduate student. The student has the option to elect to complete concentrations to their Christian Studies degree such as Youth Ministry, Pastoral Ministry, Preaching, Missions, Apologetics, or Biblical Studies.

During the sophomore year, a Christian Studies student who has earned a 3.0 GPA and presents a recommendation from a pastor at the church they attend, can apply to begin taking Fast Track courses. Although the student is still considered an undergraduate student, Fast Track courses are master level courses and include master-level requirements.

When the student completes 128 credits hours required for the undergraduate degree, he or she will graduate as any other undergraduate student.

Following the completion of the undergraduate degree, the Fast Track Course credits will be applied toward the M.Div. degree program. If a student has successfully completed 30 hours of Fast Track courses, he or she will only have 45 graduate credit hours left to complete to earn the M.Div. The

graduate requirements, including those taken in Fast Track, include 36 credit hours of Biblical and Theological Studies and 39 credit hours of Ministry Study.

Courses: Degree Requirements (75 Cr. Hrs.)

Biblical Studies Requirements (21 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 507 – Biblical Theology

CHR 513 – Intermediate Biblical Hebrew

or CHR 529 – Intermediate Biblical Greek

Biblical Studies Elective (15 Cr. Hrs.) – Five of the following

CHR 509 – Old Testament Topics

CHR 511 – Hebrew Poetry and Wisdom Literature

CHR 514 – Pentateuch

CHR 517 – Hebrew Prophets

CHR 518 – Historical Books

CHR 519 – Jesus and the Gospels

CHR 524 – Acts and General Epistles

CHR 525 – Pastoral Epistles and Revelation

CHR 526 – New Testament Topics

CHR 527 – Life and Letters of Paul

Theological Studies Requirements (15 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 535 – Church History

CHR 539 – Christian Philosophy

CHR 541 – Christian Ethics

CHR 543 – Topics in Christian Theology

Theological Studies Elective (3 Cr. Hrs.) One (1) of the following:

CHR 531 - Christian Thought

CHR 532 - Baptist History

CHR 533 - World Religions

CHR 557 - Apologetics

CHR 558 - Topics in Apologetics

Ministry Studies Requirements (39 Cr. Hrs.)

CHR 553 - Leadership in Ministry I

CHR 554 - Leadership in Ministry II

CHR 555 - Leadership in Ministry III

CHR 560 - Pastoral Ministry

CHR 562 - Christian Preaching

CHR 565 - Evangelism and Church Health

CHR 566 - Missiology

CHR 572 - Preaching Practicum

CHR 582 - Spiritual Formation in Ministry

CHR 594 - Internship

Ministry Studies Electives (9 Cr. Hrs.) – Three of the following:

CHR 550 - Christian Education and Ministry Management

CHR 557 - Apologetics

CHR 558 - Topics in Apologetics

CHR 563 - Pastoral Care and Counseling

CHR 564 - Worship

CHR 568 - Youth Ministry

CHR 570 - Youth Ministry Administration

CHR 571 - Topics and Issues in Youth Ministry

CHR 573 - Topics in Christian Preaching

CHR 575 - Church Planting

Tuition & Financial Aid

Tuition

The tuition charge is the basic cost of the student's education and covers the cost of instruction. It does not include textbooks and supplies, which the student purchases. Master's courses in the Clamp School are \$360.00 per semester hour.

A summary of costs:

- Tuition per semester hour of graduate credit \$360
- Tuition as Visitor per semester hour \$180
- Technology Fee per Semester: \$100 or \$200 (Depending on number of hours)
- Online Fee per semester: \$10
- Application for admission \$40
- Graduation application fee \$100
- (All fees are subject to change. Any subsequent changes will be announced separately.)

Graduate Financial Aid

See [Graduate Catalog](#) Anderson University

Academic Policies

The Clamp Divinity School adheres to the [Graduate Academic Policies](#) of Anderson University.

Notice of Non-discrimination

Anderson University does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or religion in its programs and activities. Please direct inquiries to Dr. L. Dianne King, Associate Vice President for Student Development/Dean of Student Success/Title IX Coordinator, Thrift Library Office 203, 316 Boulevard, Anderson, SC, 29621, (864) 231-2026, ldking@andersonuniversity.edu or to the Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education at 1-800-421-3481 or ocr@ed.gov.

Campus Life

Library

Students may use the services offered from the Thrift library. Complete information concerning library resources may be found at the University website: <http://andersonuniversity.edu/library>

Tobacco Products

Anderson University is a smoke-free, tobacco-free campus. The use of tobacco products is prohibited on campus grounds.

Anderson University Bookstore – AU Outfitters

You can purchase your textbooks through the AU bookstore or online. Visit the AU bookstore here: <https://andersonuniversity.edu/resources/au-outfitters>

Technology (email, self-service, etc...)

Anderson University Email Account

Students are responsible to regularly check their email accounts assigned by AU. All students will be assigned a student email account subsequent to their admission into the program. This email account will be the primary means of communication between the student and the faculty. If a student does not keep up with their email account, announcements, registration deadlines, and assignments will be missed and will not be excused.

Self-Service at Anderson University

Students will use self-service to register for courses and pay fees.

Students can access self-service at selfservice.andersonuniversity.edu.

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