

# **Graduation and Transfer Policies**

## **Graduation Requirements**

### **Undergraduate Programs**

#### **Associate of Arts Program**

(AA in Christian Ministries, AA in Christian Counseling)

##### Graduation Requirements

The Associates degree in Biblical Studies program requires the completion of a minimum of 60 semester hours of credit, and demonstration of Christian character. Credits can be a combination of transfer credits and completion of course work with a Grade Point Average of C (2.0). At least 18 credits must be in General Education.

Degree Requirements: 60 credits

#### **Bachelor of Arts Program**

(BA in Christian Ministries, BA in Christian Counseling,)

##### Graduation Requirements

The Bachelors degree program in Biblical Studies requires the completion of a minimum of 126 semester hours of credit, passing the Bible Comprehensive Exam, and demonstration of Christian character. Credits can be a combination of transfer credits and completion of course work with a Grade Point Average of C (2.0). At least 45 credits must be in General Education. A minimum of 42 units must be completed at WMU and the remaining 84 units may be satisfied through transfer credit.

The student may submit a senior thesis (a major academic paper) earning 3 credits to complete the program. In this case, the student will take the course, BT400 Thesis, and present a prospectus and outline of the thesis during his/her final year of the program. The school will assign an academic supervisor according to the subject of the thesis. The text of the senior thesis will be approximately 30 pages double-spaced.

(BA in Christian Ministry – Praise and Worship Concentration, BA in Social Work)

##### Graduation Requirements

The Bachelor of Arts in Christian Ministries concentrate on Praise and Worship requires the completion of a minimum of 126 semester hours of credit, and demonstration of Christian character. Credits can be a combination of transfer credits and completion of course work with a Grade Point Average of C (2.0). At least 39 credits must be in General Education. A minimum of

42 units must be completed at WMU and the remaining 84 units may be satisfied through transfer credit.

### Bachelor of Science in Nursing Completion

#### Graduation Requirements

In order to obtain a nursing degree, students must have a minimum of 130 semester credits including the transfer credits with a rating of C (2.0) or higher. You should also show your character as a Christian. Transfer credits may be granted up to maximum 93 credits of 130 semester credits. In particular transfer credits for admission to a foreign school must be approved by NACES (<http://www.naces.org/>), and the cost of the tuition will be borne by the student.

## **Master's Program**

### **Master of Divinity**

#### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from the Master of Divinity degree program, the student is required to complete a minimum of 82 semester credits and write a Ministry project. The student must have a GPA of 2.5 or above. M.Div students must pass a comprehensive Bible exam before graduation.

To complete the program, a Ministry project must be submitted and approved by the graduation committee. The student will register for the course PT606 Ministry Project during the final year of the program and submit a prospectus and outline of the project for faculty approval. The school will assign an academic supervisor according to the topic of the project. The student will write a Ministry project on a topic which the student is interested and desires to further develop under the guidance of the supervisor. The length of the Ministry project will be approximately 50 pages of text, double-spaced. The Ministry project will meet the writing standards of World Mission University.

### **Master of Arts Theology**

#### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from the Master of Arts in Theology program the student is required to have completed a minimum of 42 semester credits with a 2.5 GPA or above. At least 24 credits must be completed at World Mission University.

### **Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology**

#### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology program the student is required to have completed a minimum of 47 semester credits with a 2.5 GPA or above. At least 24 credits must be completed at World Mission University. Students must demonstrate competence of at least average level on the Student Training Evaluation Form.

## **Master of Arts in Music**

### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from the Master of Arts in Music program, the student is required to have completed a minimum of 44 semester credits of course work with a 2.5 GPA or above. At least 23 credits must be completed at World Mission University.

Students must present a full recital and receive a passing grade. In addition, students in Choral Conducting and Vocal must pass a Keyboard Proficiency Examination before graduation.

## **Master of Arts in Worship Studies**

### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from the Master of Arts in Worship Studies program, the student is required to have completed a minimum of 43 semester credits of course work with a 2.5 GPA or above. At least 21 credits must be completed at World Mission University.

## **Master of Arts in Global Leadership – Coaching Concentration**

### Graduation Requirements

Degree Requirements: 39 Credits

The coursework for the MAGL degree consists of biblical(theology) studies (9 credits), coaching studies (24 credits), field education (11 credits), and electives (4 credits). These requirements may be completed by proficient, full-time students in two years.

## **Master of Arts in Global Leadership – Social Work Concentration**

### Graduation Requirements

Degree Requirements (39 Credits)

The coursework for the MAGL degree is divided into three major areas of study: biblical and missional studies (6 credits), spirituality/ leadership studies (6 credits), and social work studies (18 credits). In addition, students will have to complete field education (5 credits) and elective courses (4 credits). These requirements may be completed by proficient, full-time students in two years.

## **Doctoral Degree Programs**

### **Doctor of Ministry**

#### Graduation Requirements

Degree Requirements: 34 Credits

The program is a minimum of three years in length and requires the completion of seven (four semester hour) on-campus courses plus the completion and oral defense of a Professional Dissertation Project.

### **Doctor of Musical Arts in Church Music**

#### Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for graduation, students must:

Successfully complete and pass each of the 7 courses and 2 electives with an average grade of a B,

Maintain grades with only up to two B- (when a student earns a third B- in a course, he/she will be dismissed from the school), and

Complete DMA Paper, Recital with a passing grade (The recital will be done in Individual Instruction IV), Lecture-Recital, and the Comprehensive Examination.

### **Doctor of Ministry in Christian Counseling and Spiritual Formation**

#### Graduation Requirements

Degree Requirements: 34 Credits

The doctoral program combines classroom instruction and practicum. Students must successfully complete 34-semester units for graduation.

### **Doctor of Philosophy in Spirituality and Counseling-Coaching**

#### Graduation Requirements

Requirements for Graduation

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Successfully complete and pass each of the 10 courses with an average grade of a B. Students are allowed only two B- grades. When a student earns a third B- in a course, he/she will be dismissed from the school. After student meets the required languages and research method, s/he must complete the process of Dissertation including proposal defense, writing, and its oral defense, thereby receiving a pass grade.

Dissertation

Students will demonstrate academic and practical learning through completion of a doctoral dissertation. They will conduct research, develop and write their dissertation in an academic field of practical theology with their own concern and interest. The dissertation will be a minimum of 200 pages and a maximum of 300 pages in length. Information on the doctoral dissertation is available in the doctoral program office.

## **Transfer Policy**

### **Withdrawal & Leave of Absence**

Students wishing to withdraw from the school must complete a Petition to Withdraw, secure the necessary signatures, and submit it to the registrar's office. Courses must be officially dropped or a grade of "F" will be entered on the permanent record. Failure to properly withdraw will result in the student not being allowed to re-enroll in the future or to receive proper refunds.

In the case of discontinuing course work due to serious illness or other valid reasons, permission for a leave of absence may be granted by the Chief Academic Officer. The student must submit a Leave of Absence Form and in certain cases submit a petition with documentation (i.e., a note from a licensed doctor, etc.).

### **International Students**

Those who want to transfer out have to complete a Petition to Transfer, secure the necessary signatures, and submit it to the registrar's office.

International students who want to transfer in should complete the Transfer Release form and get necessary information from the previous schools for benefits of F-1 visa status.