

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Master of Divinity Program CIP Code: 39.0602

The Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree at MTS requires a minimum a three years of study. Its purpose is to prepare persons for ordained ministry and for general religious leadership responsibilities in congregations and other settings.

Master of Arts (Religion)(MAR) Program CIP Code: 39.0401

The Master of Arts (Religion) (M.A.R.) at Memphis Theological Seminary is designed for persons who want to prepare for further graduate study or acquire a general theological education not oriented toward ministry.

Master of Arts in Christian Ministry (MACM) CIP Code: 39.0401

The Master of Arts in Christian Ministry is designed to integrate biblical and theological studies with practical training for a specialized ministry. The degree offers students the opportunity to integrate theological reflection with the practice of lay professional ministry or other Christian service in various Christian organizations. This degree would help to prepare persons to serve as lay, deacon, or recognized ministers in a specialized form of ministry. It is not a degree for those preparing for pastoral leadership within a congregation.

Specializations

The specializations for the MACM degree program have been designed in light of the mission of Memphis Theological Seminary and the strengths of the faculty. Students will be assigned a faculty advisor who will guide the student in course selections in Cultural Context and the Practice of Ministry so that those reflect the specialized ministry in which the student chooses to focus. In addition to the Christian Ministry Seminar and Project, students will have 21 hours of course work in their area of specialization.

Master of Arts in Youth Ministry (MAYM) CIP Code: 39.0701

The Master of Arts in Youth Ministry (MAYM) degree at Memphis Theological Seminary is designed for persons who want to broaden and deepen their theological understandings and develop a practical skill base for ministry with youth in the church and the world. Candidates for the order of deacon in the United Methodist Church can meet ordination requirements with this degree. The curriculum equips students with basic theological disciplines while exploring deeply practical theology with young people.

Doctor of Ministry Program CIP Code: 39.0699

The Doctor of Ministry (DMin) degree is a terminal degree in the practice of ministry. It is offered to persons who are engaged in ministry and who wish to develop excellence in the practice of ministry. This is not a research degree preparing candidates for academic careers; its purpose is to help candidates become excellent practitioners of ministry.