

WORSHIP STUDIES

MASTER OF ARTS
PROGRAM (33 CREDITS)

The Master of Arts degree in Worship Studies is designed for worship leaders, music pastors, church musicians, lead pastors, associate pastors, missionaries, and laypersons interested in pursuing graduate studies in worship. Each course in the program will focus on unchanging Biblical truth as a basis for assessing the appropriateness and usefulness of traditions and innovations in worship.

Through this program Pentecostal spirituality is understood in both its unique distinctive and its historical connections with the classic Christian spirituality of the apostles, the church fathers, and the reformers. Emphasis will be placed on the ministry of the Holy Spirit in private and public worship.

The degree is a total of 33 credits and can be completed in approximately two years entirely online. Each course is three credit hours.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS - ALL TRACKS

Choose one:

WRS 505 Pentecostal Spirituality: Contemporary Pentecostal & Charismatic Worship	3 cr.
WRS 515 Historical Foundations of Worship	3 cr.
WRS 510 Biblical Foundations of Worship	3 cr.
WRS 520 Pastoring a Worshiping Community	3 cr.
WRS 525 Worship Leadership	3 cr.
WRS 595 Worship Practicum	3 cr.
WRS 599 Capstone Applied Research Project	3 cr.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BY TRACK

PASTORAL/PREACHING TRACK:

Any two graduate-level LED (Leadership) course offered by the college	6 cr.
Any graduate-level THE (Theology) course offered by the college	3 cr.
Any MTN (Music Technology) elective course offered by the college	3 cr.
WRS 545 The Senior Pastor – Lead Worshiper	3 cr.

WORSHIP LEADER TRACK:

Any two graduate-level LED (Leadership) course offered by the college	6 cr.
Any graduate-level THE (Theology) course offered by the college	3 cr.
Any MTN (Music Technology) elective course offered by the college	3 cr.
WRS 540 Developing & Leading the Worship Team	3 cr.

TOTAL

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PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Students will communicate competently through writing that addresses relevant issues in the field of worship studies.
2. Students will perform quality academic research in the field of worship studies using the most advanced and up to date scholarly works, and prepare them for entry into additional degree programs and doctoral studies.
3. Students will manage individual and group relationships within the context of worship leadership in the church.
4. Students will integrate theological knowledge and worship practice within the framework of a Christian worldview and Pentecostal spirituality.
5. Students will demonstrate acquired skills in professional ministerial settings.