



M.Div.

M.T.S.

M.A.

Ph.D.

M c M a s t e r D i v i n i t y C o l l e g e



BIG & SMALL

Best of Both

Independent Christian Seminary

McMaster Divinity College is governed under the leadership of its own President, Senate, Board of Trustees, and Charter that allow MacDiv to operate as a free-standing evangelical seminary.

Major University Campus

Located at the heart of McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, MacDiv offers students access to facilities and resources that only a tier-one university can, including a two-million volume library, athletic facilities, and multiple food courts and restaurants on campus.

 **macdiv** is...



In a changing world, interpreting scripture and understanding God's truths are more important than ever. Scripture never changes, but knowing how to apply it effectively in your world is a skill obtained through knowledge and experience.

MacDiv is a seminary known for academic excellence that provides the opportunity to develop expertise through innovative programs and a practical approach to ministry and vocation.

Whether you are training for leadership in the church, academy, or society, MacDiv has a program to equip you for wherever God takes you.

Stanley E. Porter



Stanley E. Porter
President and Dean
Professor of New Testament





DIVERSE

Across the world and across the church, MacDiv's student body is an impressive reflection of diversity, uniting believers from over 30 denominations, 5 continents, and 10 ethnicities. Even though we are diverse in many ways, we are united in our purpose, passion, and worship.



CLEARLY EVANGELICAL

We affirm that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, whose sacrificial death and triumphal resurrection saves us from our sin and gives us new and eternal life.

Top 5 Denominations at MacDiv

- Baptist
- Pentecostal
- Christian & Missionary Alliance
- Mennonite/Mennonite Brethren
- Presbyterian



AFFORDABLE

Academic excellence plus lowest tuition in Canada – that's genius! MacDiv has been blessed to be able to offer students the lowest tuition rates of any accredited evangelical seminary in Canada. In addition to having the lowest fees per course, almost 100 percent of our full-time students receive financial assistance to help fund their commitment to serving God through graduate-level education.

Fees for the 2010-2011 Academic Year*

M.T.S. & M.Div. \$ 536.13/3-Unit Course

M.A. \$ 1,072.26/6-Unit Course**

Ph.D. \$ 11,304.13/Year

* Prices and fees are subject to change. Textbooks and supplies extra. Fees shown are in Canadian dollars and are higher for visa students. Please refer to our website or contact the Admissions Office for a complete breakdown of fees.

** The cost for students writing their thesis in the second year of the M.A. program is equivalent to 18 units.



M.Div.

Master of Divinity

Admission Requirements

Accredited Bachelor's Degree
Minimum B- Average

3 Letters of Recommendation

- Academic
- Pastoral
- Character

Personal Statement

Course Requirements

	UNITS	Choose Your Focus! 4 Courses in Focus Area 2+2 Courses in Two Other Areas
Biblical Studies	21	
Ministry Studies	27	
Theological Studies	18	
Electives	24	
Total Units (3 Units Per Course)	90	

For Leaders in Ministry

The Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree addresses the development of character and call in preparation for professional Christian ministry. It provides for spiritual, intellectual, and practical formation in terms of biblical, historical, theological, and pastoral competencies, equipping students to be effective leaders in the church and contemporary society. The M.Div. is excellently suited for those preparing for full-time ministry roles, both within and outside of the church.

Includes Ministry Formation

Intentionally designed to develop your future vocation, Ministry Formation gives you hands-on ministry experience with the opportunity to integrate classroom learning with real-world ministry practice, and to reflect on personal and theological issues along the way.

Ministry Formation is a required course in all three years of the M.Div. program.



APPLY BY	START
JUNE 1	SEPT.
NOV. 15	JAN.

3 YEAR PROGRAM

THESIS OPTION

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No Bachelor's Degree?

Denominational Endorsement

35 Years of Age

Called to Ministry

Earn Your Dip.Min.

Diploma in Ministry

For Pastoral Ministry

The Diploma in Ministry is a non-degree program and is virtually identical in its style, approach, and content to the M.Div. degree. It is for those who do not have an undergraduate degree, who are over 35 years old, and who have a written endorsement from their denomination or ecclesiastical body.

M.T.S.

Master of Theological Studies

Admission Requirements

Accredited Bachelor's Degree
Minimum B- Average

3 Letters of Recommendation

- Academic
- Pastoral
- Character

Personal Statement

Course Requirements

Biblical Studies

UNITS

12

Ministry Studies

9

Theological Studies

18

Electives

21

Total Units (3 Units Per Course) **60**

Choose Your Focus!

4 Courses in Focus Area

3 Open Electives

For Leaders in Society

The Master of Theological Studies (M.T.S.) degree addresses the development of character and call, with a particular focus on providing a theological foundation for both lay and vocational ministry. It provides for increased biblical literacy, theological understanding, and ministry competencies, equipping students to be effective leaders in the church and contemporary society. The M.T.S. is ideal for lay people desiring increased effectiveness, those entering ministry later in life, and those who are in the marketplace and desire to have a greater impact.



APPLY BY	START
JUNE 1	SEPT.
NOV. 15	JAN.

2 YEAR PROGRAM

THESIS OPTION



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No Bachelor's Degree?

High School Diploma or Equivalency

23 Years of Age

Called to Ministry

Earn Your
Cert.C.S.
Certificate in Christian Studies

Introduction to Theological Studies

The Cert.C.S. program gives you a range of courses that are relevant to your own faith development and hands-on involvement with your church. This program will equip you with a solid understanding of theology and biblical history that gives you the knowledge and confidence to share with others. Whether it's teaching through a home Bible study or sharing the Gospel at work, the Cert.C.S. builds your knowledge for effective ministry.

M.A.

Master of Arts in Christian Studies

Admission Requirements

Accredited Bachelor's Degree
Minimum B+ Average

2 Letters of Recommendation
• Academic

Statement of Intent

Course Requirements

Year 1 Research Methods
One Interdisciplinary Study in Christian Theology, in thesis area:

- Life History & Vocation
- Biblical Theology
- Ministry & Evangelical Thought

Four courses in your thesis area:

- Advanced Topics in Biblical Studies
- Advanced Topics in Theological Studies
- Advanced Topics in Ministry Studies

Year 2 Thesis

Total Required: 6 Courses Plus Thesis

Advanced Competence in Biblical, Theological, and Ministry Studies

The Master of Arts (M.A.) in Christian Studies degree is particularly designed to prepare you for doctoral level studies or to develop advanced competence in biblical, theological, or ministry studies. It is two years of full-time study, requiring one year of advanced-level course work and one year for the writing of the thesis.

	APPLY BY JUNE 1 NOV. 15	START SEPT. JAN.
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2 YEAR PROGRAM



Our Mission
is to develop effective evangelical Christian leaders for the church, academy, and society through university-level education, professional training, and ongoing support.

THEOLOGICAL STUDIES



James Peterson B.A. M.Div. M.A. Ph.D.
Professor of Theology and Ethics



Gordon Heath B.Th. M.Div. Ph.D.
Associate Professor of Christian History



Steven Studebaker B.A. M.A. Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Systematic and Historical Theology

BIBLICAL STUDIES



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Ph.D.

Doctor of Philosophy in Christian Theology

Admission Requirements

Accredited Bachelor's Degree
Minimum B+ Average

Accredited Master's Degree
Minimum B+ Average

Major Written Work
• Master's Level Thesis or Equivalent

2 Letters of Recommendation
• Academic

Statement of Intent



Supervision

From the outset, as part of the admission process, students work with a primary supervisor whose expertise and scholarly interests correspond with the student's dissertation area.

Entrance Language Requirements

Biblical	<p>Ministry Studies: 9 Units - Greek or Hebrew</p> <p>Theological Studies: 12 Units - Greek or Hebrew</p> <p>Biblical Studies: 12 Units of 1 Lang. & 6 Units of the Other</p>
Modern	<p>1 Modern Research Language: French or German</p>

Leadership in the Academy

The Ph.D. in Christian Theology is particularly designed to prepare you for teaching, writing, and leadership ministries. It builds upon previous foundational theological study and encourages the development of valuable ministerial and teaching experience. This degree is usually completed in four years, with the first two years devoted to coursework and comprehensive exams, and two years to writing the dissertation. Students may take up to six years to complete the program. Students will gain competence in research methods and mastery of their dissertation area. The program also develops aptitude in teaching methods and vocational practice.



APPLY BY
JAN. 15

START
SEPT.

4 YEAR PROGRAM
UP TO 6 YRS. ALLOWED



INCLUDES
VOCATIONAL PRACTICE
EACH TERM OF COURSEWORK



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MINISTRY STUDIES



Cindy Westfall B.A. M.A. M.Div. Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of New Testament



Paul Evans B.C.S. M.T.S. Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Old Testament



Michael Knowles B.A. M.Div. Th.D.
Professor of Preaching



Phil C. Zylla B.A. M.Div. Th.M. D.Th.
Academic Dean and Associate Professor
of Pastoral Theology



Lee Beach B.R.E. M.Div. Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Christian Ministry



Wendy J. Porter B.A. Ph.D.
Director of Music and Worship

Quick Facts

- Over 300 students enrolled annually
- 33% of students are female
- Students from 5 continents
- Over 30 denominations represented
- Lowest tuition in Canada
- Over \$300,000 awarded annually in student aid
- Less than one hour to Toronto's CN Tower
- One hour drive to the USA border



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