

OTHER PROGRAMS:

Ph.D. The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Christian Theology is particularly designed to prepare you for the teaching, writing and leadership ministries of the church. It builds upon previous foundational theological study and encourages the development of valuable ministerial and teaching experience.

M.Div. The Master of Divinity 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.

M.T.S. The Master of Theological Studies 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 spiritual, intellectual, and practical formation in terms of biblical, historical, theological, and ministry competencies, equipping students to be effective leaders in the church and contemporary society.

Dip.Min. The Diploma in Ministry is a non-degree program which is virtually identical in its style, approach, and content to the M.Div. degree. Individuals who wish to be admitted to this program must meet the following standards:

1. be over the age of 35
2. have written endorsement from his/her denomination or ecclesiastical body
3. have no undergraduate degree but have experienced a call to ministry.

Cert.C.S. The Cert. C.S. is a non-degree program that allows for one or more of the following:

1. people over the age of 23 to take 10 courses as an introduction to theological studies
2. people without undergraduate degrees to take some basic first courses in the areas of theological study
3. people who already have their first theological degree to do up to 10 courses of continuing education for academic credit.

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- Educational preparation for the teaching profession
- Enhanced proficiency in theological disciplines
- Preparation for advanced study and research
- Development of reflective practitioners

Important reasons why this program may be for you!



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Description

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 theological studies. It comprises two years of full-time study, requiring one year of advanced-level course work and one year for the writing of the thesis in one area of Christian studies. The areas of study and thesis writing are:

- Biblical Studies (Old Testament or New Testament)
- Theological Studies
- Ministry Studies

This program has an academic, research-oriented emphasis, building on prior academic preparation in the general areas of theological education.

Admission Requirements

Applicants normally will have their undergraduate degree or equivalent in the field of Christian Theology or a directly related discipline, including one year of study of a biblical language. At a minimum, applicants will have the equivalent of one year of study of theological or religious studies (such as New Testament, Old Testament, Christian Theology/Interpretation, Christian History, Christian Ministry) appropriate to their academic interests.

Course Requirements

YEAR 1	Research Methods Interdisciplinary Studies in Christian Theology, either: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Life History of Christian Theology and Ethics• Biblical Theology Four courses in one of the following area(s): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advanced Topics in Biblical Studies• Advanced Topics in Theological Studies• Advanced Topics in Ministry Studies
YEAR 2	Thesis
TOTAL REQUIRED	6 half courses plus thesis

The Master of Arts (M.A.) may also be done part-time. However, it must be completed within four years.

Application Deadlines

The application deadline for January admissions is November 15th, and for September admissions, June 1st.

Accreditation

The M.A. in Christian Studies degree is approved by the Association of Theological Schools and is granted by McMaster Divinity College.



We're a seminary moving purposefully into the twenty-first century. You can continue learning and growing on the tier-one university campus of McMaster University, with access to leading-edge resources and modern facilities. MacDiv combines quality academic training with practical hands-on fieldwork, giving graduates excellence in knowledge, experience and confidence. If you're looking to serve God with an evangelically-grounded graduate degree, consider MacDiv – Canada's evangelical university-based seminary.