



for Theological Studies

MASTER OF DIVINITY

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What is the Master of Divinity degree?

The Master of Divinity (M.Div.) degree is designed for students who intend to enter full time vocational ministry. The degree provides the most comprehensive program of study for the person who desires thorough theological and practical preparation. This program is accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS).

The M.Div. is designed to be completed in five to six years part time or three to four years full time. Courses are scheduled so that students who are working full time may pursue their studies without compromising their employment and family life.

Who should consider the M.Div. degree?

The M.Div. is ideal for people wishing to be exposed to, assisted with, and prepared for understanding and articulating their ministerial calling by seeking intellectual growth in knowledge of scripture and tradition in order to better shape their theology and practice of ministry.

What courses will I take as a M.Div. student?

Ministry Formation Studies (22 Hours)

- Global Perspectives in Ministry and Mission (2)
- Spiritual Formation (2)
- Theology and Ministry (2)
- The Theology and Practice of Christian Worship (2)
- Biblical Models of Christian Leadership (2)
- Models of Evangelism (2)
- Preaching (2)
- Supervised Ministry (4)
- Ministry Rotation I-II (4)

Historical and Cultural Studies (12 Hours)

- Global Church History (2)
- Historical Theology I, II, and III (6)
- Baptist History and Identity (2)
- Christianity and Culture: Postmodern
Theology and the Church (2)

Master's Sermon

Free Electives (6)

80 Total Credit Hours



Biblical Studies (24 Hours)

- Old Testament Interpretation I and II (4)
- New Testament Interpretation I and II (4)
- Advanced Biblical Studies Electives (4)
- Biblical Hermeneutics (2)
- Biblical Exegesis (2)
- Biblical Greek I and II (4)
- Biblical Hebrew I and II (4)

Biblical, Systematic, and Applied Theological Studies (16 Hours)

- Introduction to Theological Studies (2)
- Christian Ethics (2)
- Philosophy for Theology (2)
- Who is God? (2)
- Who is Jesus? (2)
- What is Salvation? (2)
- What is the Church? (2)
- What is the Mission of the Church? (2)

About The John Leland Center for Theological Studies

The John Leland Center for Theological Studies is named for the influential 18th century Virginia Baptist leader, John Leland, who is noteworthy for his opposition to slavery, his defense of freedom of the Gospel, and his advocacy in the cause of religious liberty.

Leland was founded in 1998 and offers classes in Northern Virginia, and several other locations throughout Virginia. Leland is a broadly evangelical, pan-Baptist institution whose students and faculty have ties to a wide array of denominations and churches. Leland Seminary was fully accredited to award its masters degrees by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS) in 2006. Leland is also a member of the prestigious Washington Theological Consortium.

Leland was founded to address the needs of local churches. Before Leland's inception, many Baptist and other evangelical students in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area had to leave their local churches, communities, and jobs to go to other regions of the country for theological education. Leland's curriculum was designed to allow current and future ministers and leaders to stay in the area to receive ministerial and leadership preparation. Leland offers courses in the evening and on weekends to accommodate the demands of full-time professionals without sacrificing academic rigor or quality.

Leland places great value on teacher/practitioners who are well qualified academically but also serve as pastors, educators, and leaders in local churches and ministries. This emphasis causes Leland to be ever mindful of the demands of local ministry and to maintain a consistent relationship with partner churches.

Leland's cutting-edge curriculum and international faculty are well suited for today's multi-cultural environment. Leland boasts one of the most ethnically and racially diverse student bodies among area seminaries, united to advance the Kingdom. Leland is a place to study God's Word and prepare for ministry with brothers and sisters from a wide range of churches.

Leland strives to keep costs low and scholarships accessible while maintaining high academic standards. As the most affordable accredited seminary in the area, Leland provides a great value for students.

Locations

M.Div. courses are offered at Leland's Main Campus in Arlington, VA and at the Hampton Roads Extension location. Hampton Roads M.Div. students must take a portion of their coursework at the Main Campus.

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Visit www.leland.edu to begin the application process. The application includes a basic application form, application fee, transcripts, recommendations, and essays. **Applications for Fall 2012 are due May 1, 2012 and November 1, 2012 for Spring 2013.**

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