



MASTER OF ARTS in Christian Formation 2023-2024

HOURS REQUIRED: 52

Suggested Sequence of Courses

	FALL			SPRING			SUMMER				
YEAR 1	TJA 501	Redemption and Justice in the Old and New Testament	3 ____	CERT	Certificate Course* / Elective†	3 ____	NT 508	Survey and Interpretation of the New Testament	3 ____		
	GS 500	Thinking Biblically and Theologically	3 ____	CF 602	Spiritual Formation for Life and Ministry	3 ____	OT 508	Survey and Interpretation of the Old Testament	3 ____		
	LD 501	Theological and Theoretical Foundations for Leadership	3 ____	CH 500	History Christian Movement	3 ____	TH 508	Intro to Theological Reflection	3 ____		
	TM 500	Intro to Mentored Formation	1 ____	TM 501	Mentored Formation	1 ____					
	TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS			10	TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS			10	TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS		
YEAR 2	CERT	Certificate Course* / Elective†	3 ____	CERT	Certificate Course* / Elective†	3 ____					
	CF 503	Theology for Christian Form.	3 ____	CERT	Certificate Course* / Elective†	3 ____					
	CF 504	Processes and Practices of Spiritual Formation	3 ____	CF 615	Communal Formation: Congregations, Cultures, and Contexts	3 ____					
	TM 601	Mentored Formation	1 ____	CF 600	History and Traditions of Christian Spirituality	3 ____					
				TM 604	Mentored Formation Summative Experience	1 ____					
TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS			10	TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS			13				

*Students enrolled in the Master of Arts in Christian Formation degree program may choose to enroll into a related graduate certificate in either Leadership, Spiritual Direction, or Theology, Justice, and Social Advocacy. If desiring to earn a graduate certificate, students must enroll into the graduate certificate prior to their last semester and complete all required coursework to be awarded a graduate certificate and fulfill requirements for the Master of Arts in Christian Formation degree program. Please see the Advising department for more information.

†6 elective credits must be taken from courses with the following prefixes: CF, LD, or TJA. The remaining 6 elective credits are open electives and can be taken from courses with any prefix as long as any prerequisites have been fulfilled.

Graduate Certificate in Leadership

- LD 550 Formational Leadership (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501) [3]
- LD 600 Power, Change, and Conflict (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550) [3]
- LD 650 Organizational Leadership (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550) [3]
- LD 700 Current Issues in Leadership (prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550; rec. prereqs: LD 600; LD 650) [3]

Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction

- CF 513 Theology and Practice of Spiritual Direction I (prereq: CERT SD or instructor permission) [3]
- CF 516 Theology and Practice of Spiritual Direction II (prereq: CF 513) [3]
- CF 614 Psychology and Spiritual Direction (prereqs: CF 513; CF 516) [3]
- CF 616 Critical Issues in Spiritual Direction (prereqs: CF 513; CF 516; CF 614) [3]

Graduate Certificate in Theology, Justice, & Social Advocacy

- TJA 502 Seminar in Cultural Analysis (or TJA 511) [3]
- TJA 600 Justice in the Public Square [3]
- TJA 611 Congregational Public Theology [3]
- TJA 612 Non-Profit Leadership, Organization and Social Entrepreneurship [3]



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Degree Requirements

Master of Arts in Christian Formation Core Courses: 28 hours	Christian Formation Degree Courses: 24 hours
<p><u>Biblical Studies:</u></p> <p>Thinking Biblically / Theologically 3 GS 500.3 Thinking Biblically and Theologically [3]</p> <p>New Testament 3 NT 508 Survey and Interpretation of the New Testament [3]</p> <p>Old Testament 3 OT 508 Survey and Interpretation of the Old Testament [3]</p> <p><u>Christian Thought:</u></p> <p>Church History 3 CH 500 History of the Christian Movement [3]</p> <p>Christian Formation..... 3 CF 602.3 Spiritual Formation for Life and Ministry [3]</p> <p>Theology, Justice, and Social Advocacy 3 TJA 501 Redemption and Justice in the Old and New Testament [3]</p> <p>Leadership 3 LD 501.3 Theological and Theoretical Foundations for Leadership (rec. coreq: GS 500) [3]</p> <p>Theology 3 TH 508 Introduction to Theological Reflection (prereq: GS 500) [3]</p> <p><u>Mentored Formation:</u></p> <p>Training and Mentoring (taken in sequence)..... 4 TM 500 Intro to Mentored Formation [1] TM 501 Mentored Formation [1] TM 601 Mentored Formation [1] TM 604 Mentored Formation Summative Experience [1]</p>	<p>Christian Formation..... 12</p> <p>CF 503 Theology for Christian Formation [3] CF 504 Processes and Practices of Spiritual Formation [3] CF 600 History and Traditions of Christian Spirituality [3] CF 615 Communal Formation: Congregations, Cultures, and Contexts (prereqs: CF 503; CF 504) [3]</p> <p>Graduate Certificate Courses / Electives12 <i>Students may choose either one graduate certificate from the following options or select 6 electives with a CF, LD, or TJA prefix AND 6 open electives.</i></p> <p><u>Graduate Certificate in Leadership:</u></p> <p>LD 550 Formational Leadership (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501) [3] LD 600 Power, Change, and Conflict (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550) [3] LD 650 Organizational Leadership (rec. prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550) [3] LD 700 Current Issues in Leadership (prereqs: GS 500; LD 501; LD 550) (rec. prereqs: LD 600; LD 650) [3]</p> <p><u>Graduate Certificate in Spiritual Direction:</u></p> <p>CF 513 Theology and Practice of Spiritual Direction I (prereq: enrollment in Graduate Certificate in SD or instructor permission) [3] CF 516 Theology and Practice of Spiritual Direction II (prereq: CF 513) [3] CF 614 Psychology and Spiritual Direction (prereqs: CF 513; CF 516) [3] CF 616 Critical Issues in Spiritual Direction (prereqs: CF 513; CF 516; CF 614) [3]</p> <p><u>Graduate Certificate in Theology, Justice, and Social Advocacy:</u></p> <p>TJA 502 Seminar in Cultural Analysis (or TJA 511) [3] TJA 600 Justice in the Public Square [3] TJA 611 Congregational Public Theology [3] TJA 612 Non-Profit Leadership, Organization, and Social Entrepreneurship [3]</p>