



Academic Programs

Degree Programs

Living Water University, as a degree-granting institution, offers undergraduate and graduate programs leading to the following degrees:

1. Bachelor of Christian Counseling
2. Bachelor of Theology
3. Master of Christian Counseling
4. Master of Divinity

Undergraduate Programs

BACHELOR OF CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

(Four Year Program, 144 Units)

The Bachelor of Christian Counseling degree is conferred upon satisfactory completion of a minimum of 144 quarter units. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 is required. The requirements can be summarized as follows:

Graduation Requirements

Courses	Quarter Units	Number of Classes (4 Credit)
General Education Courses	28	7
Bible and Theology Courses	40	10
Major Courses: Christian Counseling	56	14
Electives	20	5
Total	144	36

Program Description

The Bachelor of Christian Counseling is designed to prepare students for ministry of counseling. This program educates students to bring healing and hope to people in pain as counselors in churches or faith based organizations.

Program Objectives

The objectives of the Bachelor of Christian Counseling are:

- To provide a basic knowledge of general education with a Christian world view that can be used in all areas of life.
- To provide students with a practical Biblical foundation for Christian living.



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- To prepare students to effectively serve in a chosen field of ministry
- To acquaint the students with basic counseling techniques that will assist them in nurturing emotional well-being.
- To prepare students for handling loss and crisis situations.
- To give students tools for giving biblical guidance and counsel to those under their care.
- To aid students to develop their ability to integrate the concept of psychology and counseling with the theological perspective of the Bible.

Admission Requirements

The Criteria for entrance to Bachelor of Christian Counseling are:

1. Completion of Application Form for Admission (and supporting documents)
2. Possession of or candidacy for a high school diploma or GED.
3. Official transcripts from all schools attended including high school.
4. Payment of \$100.00 Application fee.

Program Requirements

General Education (28 Units)

General Education Requirement: 28 Units from the courses in designated general education categories.

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Arts, Music, and Media	Worship Foundations	AM105	4
	History of Music in the Church Introduction	AM106	4
	to Church Music	AM205	4
	Introduction to Film and Media	AM222	4
	Global Cinema	AM301	4
	Multi-cultural Worship	AM302	4
Economics	Introduction to Economics	EC224	4
English	English I	EN101	4
	English II	EN102	4
	English III	EN103	4
	College English Composition and Reading	EN201	4
	Presentational Communication	EN205	4
	Introduction to English Literature	EN213	4
	Creative Writing	EN302	4
	Communication	EN303	4
Foreign Languages	Foreign Language: Chinese	FL101	4
	Foreign Language: Spanish	FL102	4
	Foreign Language: Japanese	FL103	4
	Foreign Language: Russian	FL104	4



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History	American History	HS105	4
	Western Civilization to the 15th Century Eastern Civilization	HS106 HS107	4 4
Math	Math Fundamentals College Algebra	MA100 MA101	4 4
Philosophy	Introduction to Philosophy Logic	PH101 PH104	4 4
Political Science	Introduction to Political Science	PS212	4
	Introduction to International Relations	PS222	4
Science	General Physics	SC200	4
	General Biology	SC201	4
	General Chemistry	SC202	4
	Introduction to Computers	SC203	4
	Human Growth and Development	SC223	4
Social Sciences	General Psychology	SS101	4
	Sociology	SS103	4
	Psychology of Religion	PY201	4
Other	Senior Integrative Seminar	LA400	4

Biblical Studies (24 Units)

Of the 40 units that must be completed in the concentration of theology, 20 units must be derived from the areas of OT/NT/Biblical Languages. The following are a standard menu of courses that fulfill these requirements. Certain substitutions may be made with the permission of the student's advisor and the Dean of Students.

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Biblical Languages	Hebrew I	BL103	4
	Greek I	BL101	4
Old Testament	Introduction to the Old Testament	OT100	4
	Pentateuch	OT210	4
	Prophets	OT331	4
	Psalms and Wisdom	OT340	4
New Testament	Introduction to New Testament	NT101	4
	The Four Gospels	NT210	4
	Pauline Epistles	NT220	4

Theology/Ministry/Practical Theology (20 Units)

The remaining 20 units must be taken within the fields of Theology/ministry/practical theology. The following are the standard courses to fulfill this course of study:

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
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Theology	History of Early Church	HT101	4
	Systematic Theology I	ST102	4
	Systematic Theology II	ST103	4
	History of Christian Doctrine	ST203	4
Practical Theology	Christian Education	CE301	4
	Christian Counseling	PT301	4

Christian Counseling Major Courses (56 Units)

The following courses meet the Major Course requirements for the Bachelor in Christian Counseling degree:

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Counseling	Introduction to Christian Counseling	CC101	4
	Introduction to Behavioral Analysis	CC111	4
	Biblical Counseling	CC191	4
	Counseling Adolescents	CC222	4
	Christian Counseling and Human Sexuality	CC230	4
	Family Systems	CC240	4
	Effective Counseling Skills	CC281	4
	Marriage and Family Counseling	CC341	4
	Grief Counseling	CC351	4
	Stress Counseling	CC352	4
	Crisis Counseling	CC353	4
	Addictions Counseling	CC371	4
	Counseling Domestic Violence	CC372	4
Psychology	Psychology of Religion	PY201	4
	Developmental Psychology	PY210	4
	Cognitive Therapy	PY220	4
	Psychology and Theology	PY301	4

Electives – An additional 20 units to complete the degree. See the full course listing that follows in the catalog for options.

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY IN BIBLICAL STUDIES



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(4 Year Program, 144 Units)

The Bachelor of Theology degree is conferred upon satisfactory completion of a minimum of 144 quarter units. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 is required. The requirements can be summarized as follows:

Graduation Requirements

Courses	Quarter Units	Number of Classes (4 credit)
General Education Courses	36	9
Major Courses: Bible and Theology	76	19
Electives	32	8
Total	144	36

Program Description

The Bachelor of Theology is designed to give the student the maximum benefit of a broad education in theological studies with an emphasis in Biblical studies. General education requirements ensure that the student is broadly educated in the arts and sciences, while a significant portion of time is spent learning the fields of theology and history of Christianity. The majority of the student's coursework is dedicated to Biblical Studies, the specialty of the Living Water University.

Program Objectives:

- To provide a basic knowledge of general education with a Christian world view that can be used in all areas of life.
- To provide students with a practical Biblical foundation for Christian living.
- To prepare students to effectively serve in a chosen field of ministry
- To enable students to be conversant in the fields of theology and history of Christianity.
- To engender a grasp of academic study of the Bible, from a number of critical perspectives and hermeneutical methodologies.
- To be able to integrate the historical-critical study of the Bible into a faith environment, such as parish and community contexts of living Christian traditions.
- To prepare the student for further academic study, if desired, in the field of Biblical Studies.

Admission Requirements

The Criteria for entrance to Bachelor of Theology are:

1. Completion of Application Form for Admission (and supporting documents)
2. Possession of or candidacy for a high school diploma or GED.
3. Official transcripts from all schools attended including high school.
4. Payment of \$100.00 Application fee.



Program Requirements

General Education

General Education Requirement: 36 Units from the courses in designated general education categories. The following list is representative of the courses that are offered.

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Arts, Music, and Media	Worship Foundations	AM105	4
	History of Music in the Church	AM106	4
	Introduction to Church Music	AM205	4
	Introduction to Film and Media	AM222	4
	Global Cinema	AM301	4
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Of the 76 units that must be completed in the concentration of theology, 44 units must be derived from the areas of OT/NT/Biblical Languages. The following are a standard menu of courses that fulfill these requirements. Certain substitutions may be made with the permission of the student's advisor and the Dean of Students.

OT/NT/Biblical Languages (44 Units)

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Biblical Languages	Hebrew I	BL103	4
	Greek I	BL101	4
Biblical Studies	Bible Exposition	BS103	4
Old Testament	Introduction to the Old Testament	OT100	4
	Pentateuch	OT210	4
	Prophets: Major and Minor	OT331	4
	Psalms and Wisdom	OT340	4
New Testament	Introduction to New Testament	NT101	4
	The Four Gospels	NT210	4
	Pauline Epistles	NT220	4
	Romans	NT321	4

The remaining 32 units must be taken within the fields of Theology/Church History/Practical Theology. The following are the standard required courses to fulfill this course of study:

Theology/ Church History/ Practical Theology (32 Units)

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Church History	History of Early Church	HT101	4
Theology	Systematic Theology I	ST102	4
	Systematic Theology II	ST103	4
	History of Christian Doctrine	ST203	4
	Christian Ethics	ST302	4
Practical Theology	Preaching	PT102	4
	Christian Counseling	PT301	4
Christian Education	Christian Education	CE301	4

An additional 30 units of electives are required to complete the Bachelor in Theology degree. See the full course listing that follows in the catalog. Courses offered may vary from one semester to another.



Graduate Programs

MASTER OF CHRISTIAN COUNSELING

(Two Year Program, 64 Units)

Graduation Requirements: 64 units (2 years)

Courses	Units	Number of Classes (4 credit)
Bible and Theology	12	3
Major Courses: Christian Counseling	28	7
Exit Examination	0	0
Electives	24	6
Total	64	16

Program Description

The Master of Christian Counseling is designed to build the counseling knowledge and skills needed for those who desire to bring healing and hope to hurt people as counselors in churches or faith-based organizations. This program will prepare students for pastoral counseling, hospital chaplaincy, crisis pregnancy centers, family case management, or other counseling positions which do not require professional licensure. It is a brief program, intended to build upon previous study and to expedite the student's entry into the workforce, or prepare the student for even further study on the doctoral level.

Program Objectives

- To prepare graduate students for biblical and psychological counseling competency dealing with the emotional, social, and spiritual needs within the Christian community.
- To educate students to articulate a philosophy of counseling ministry based upon the integration of biblical, empirical, historical and social science research
- To help student learn the most widely practiced counseling methods and principles
- To increase their attentiveness to their personal spiritual formation and to demonstrate an understanding of biblical and theological foundations for counseling.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered for admission to the Master of Christian Counseling program:



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Applicants for admission must hold a Bachelor of Arts or equivalent degree from university or college with at least a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 (4.00 scale). The following documents must be submitted to the office of admission by the appropriate deadline:

1. A completed Application for Admission form
2. Application fee of \$100 (non-refundable)
3. Official transcripts from every college, university or seminary attended beyond high school to be sent directly to Living Water University
4. Two recommendations sent directly to Living Water University (One from applicant's minister and one from an academic advisor or professor)

Program Requirements

12 Units from Bible and Theology Courses:

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Bible Studies	Bible Exposition	BS401	4
Old Testament	History of the Old Testament	OT400	4
	Pentateuch	OT410	4
	Wisdom Literature	OT445	4
	Selected Psalms	OT447	4
	Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha	OT460	4
	Technology and the Dead Sea Scrolls	OT485	4
New Testament	New Testament Introduction	NT400	4
	The Four Gospels	NT410	4
	A Study of Mark	NT412	4
	Pauline Epistles	NT420	4
	Deutero-Pauline and Pastoral Epistles	NT425	4
	General Epistles	NT427	4
	Acts	NT430	4
	Luke-Acts	NT431	4
	Late Second Temple Judaism/ Judaism of Jesus Day	NT471	4
	Religions of the Greco-Roman World: The New Testament in Context	NT472	4
Biblical Languages	Hebrew I	BL401	4
	Hebrew II	BL402	4
	Greek I	BL403	4
	Greek II	BL404	4
Theology	Doctrine of God	ST504	4
	Doctrine of Jesus Christ	ST605	4
	Doctrine of Man and Sin	ST608	4
	Doctrine of Church	ST609	4



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28 Units from Christian Counseling Major Concentration:

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Psychology	Counseling Theory and Practice	PY401	4
Counseling	Christian Counseling	CC400	4
	Adolescent Christian Counseling	CC422	4
	Marriage and Family Counseling: Christian Perspectives	CC440	4
	Crisis Counseling	CC551	4
	Grief Counseling	CC451	4
	Family Systems	CC540	4

24 Units of Electives

Passing the Exit Examination which measures the students' knowledge in the materials covered in the Program.

Master of Divinity

(Three Year Program, 96 Units)

Graduation Requirements: 96 units (3 years)

Course	Quarter Units	Number of Classes (4 credits)
Bible and Theology Requirement	28	7
Professional Ministry Requirement	44	11
Electives	24	6
Exit Examination	0	0
Total	96	24

Residence Requirement: 45 units to be taken at Living Water University.

Program Description

The Master of Divinity program is designed to equip dedicated Christians for various ministries in the church setting, including the ordained ministries of instruction and leadership in the church. This program emphasizes developing the capacity to study and communicate the Christian Scriptures and the theological traditions and the capacity to model and facilitate Christian spiritual formation and communal practices.



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Program Objectives

- To attain basic biblical and theological understanding of the Bible.
- To be more competent in their service to others.
- To create a concern for the spiritual and psychological needs of others and an appreciation for the differences between people.
- To acquire counseling methods which are relevant and applicable to the helping and healing ministry.
- To enhance counseling skills and interpersonal relationships.

Admission Requirement

The Criteria for entrance to Master of Divinity are:

- Completion of Application Form for Admission (and supporting documents)
- Possession of or candidacy for an accredited Bachelor's degree or its equivalent
- At least a 2.0 Grade Point Average (on a 4.0 scale)
- Official transcripts from all schools attended including high school.
- Payment of \$100.00 Application fee.
- Two recommendations sent directly to Living Water University (One from applicant's minister and one from an academic advisor or professor)

Program Requirements

Students receive the Master of Divinity degree upon a successful fulfillment of the following program requirements:

Bible and Theology Requirement: 28 Units

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Bible (40 Units)	Hebrew I	BL401	4
	Greek I	BL403	4
	Greek II	BL404	4
	Biblical Exegesis	BL505	4
	New Testament Introduction	NT400	4
	The Four Gospels	NT410	4
	Pauline Epistles	NT420	4
	History of the Old Testament	OT400	4
	Pentateuch	OT410	4
	Wisdom Literature	OT445	4
Theology (20 Units)	Doctrine of God	ST504	4
	Doctrine of Jesus Christ	ST605	4
	Doctrine of the Holy Spirit	ST506	4
	Doctrine of Man and Sin	ST608	4
	Doctrine of Church	ST609	4
	History of Early Church	HT401	4



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Church History (12 Units)	Reformation History	HT403	4
	History of Modern Church	HT404	4

Professional Ministry Requirements: 44 Units

Category	Course Title	Course Number	Quarter Units
Professional Ministry	Homiletics I (Theory)	PT501	4
	Homiletics II (Practicum)	PT503	4
	Pastoral Theology	PT504	4
	Christian Counseling	PT401	4
	Worship	PT403	4
	Evangelism	PT405	4
	Mission	PT406	4
	Pastoral Leadership	PT407	4
	Church Growth	PT410	4
	Christian Education	CE501	4
	Discipleship	CE601	4
	Bible Study Methods	CE615	4

Electives: 24 Units