MASTER OF PASTORAL MINISTRY DEGREE PROGRAM

The Master of Pastoral Ministry degree program offers courses in an expanded worldview of a liberating God in contemporary theologies, and the development of new models of partnership in ministry for the 21st century. Course content includes the study of Jesus' teachings, the growth of diverse faith communities in early Christianity, the role of women in the biblical and the mystical tradition, the history of the sacraments, renewed sacramental rites, spirituality, pastoral care, and social justice. Students use a reflection process that draws on the text, resources and lived experiences for the development of their pastoral ministry.

Admissions Process

To enroll in the Master of Pastoral Ministry (M.P.M.) degree program, apply directly to GMU, <u>complete</u> <u>and submit application</u> with \$25 application fee.

The application fee includes official confirmation of eligibility, selection of courses, and exact cost of tuition and monthly payments. The applicant is not required to move forward with coursework and tuition payments until this admissions process is completed.

Eligibility

A bachelor degree is required for acceptance into the Master of Pastoral Ministry degree program.

Credits Required

The total number of credits needed for completion of the Master of Pastoral Ministry degree will be 36.

Prior Learning and Life Experience Allowance

A maximum of 12 credits may be awarded for prior learning and life experience combined.

Credits Earned through Global Ministries University

Students must earn 24 credits through Global Ministries University.

Method of Study

Courses in this program are offered as an independent study or in a cohort model. Cohorts use a format to foster an interactive learning community. Students post assignments and are encouraged to comment on each other's posts.

Tuition:

\$8,000

Payment plan:

To take one course at a time, student may choose either a two or three-year payment plan.

To take two courses at a time, student must choose a one-year payment plan.

MASTER OF PASTORAL MINISTRY CURRICULUM

MPM100 Introductory

MPM101 Contemporary Theology for the People of God (core)

MPM200 Jesus, Life and Teachings

MPM201 The Challenge of Jesus for the 21st Century Christian (core)

MPM300 Women and Religion

MPM304 Celtic Holy Women: Our Wisdom Guides

MPM309 Women in the Bible and Christian Tradition

MPM400 Sacraments

MPM401 Sacraments: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow (core)

MPM402 Eucharist: Embracing an Open Table

MPM403 Baptism and Confirmation

MPM404 Reshaping the Priesthood as a Discipleship of Equals

MPM405 Marriage, Sexuality and Just-Love

MPM406 Anointing and Healing

MPM407 Compassion and Reconciliation – The Empowering Grace of Vulnerability

MM500 Scripture

MPM505 A New, New Testament: Exploring Sacred Texts

PCS507 After Jesus, Before Christianity

MM600 Pastoral Development

MPM601 Homiletics and Preaching

MPM602 Exploring Global Justice Issues for a World in Crisis

MPM603 Future Church: Evolving, Empowering and Egalitarian

MPM604 Introduction to Pastoral Care – Part 1

MM800 Master of Ministry Project

MPM801 Master of Ministry Project (6 credits) or two courses from above list.