VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY DIVINITY SCHOOL
Master of Divinity
PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING IN THE 2018-2019 YEAR
72 semester hours

Required Common Courses (39 hours)

_____ 5000 Foundations of Theological Education [3]

_____ 6500 Hebrew Bible [3] (Must be taken as part of the first 27 hours of coursework) First year-first semester.

_____ 6600 New Testament [3] (Must be taken as part of the first 27 hours of coursework) First year-second semester.

_____ 6700 History of Global Christianities I [3] (Must be taken as part of the first 27 hours of coursework) First year-first semester.

_____ 6708 History of Global Christianities II [3] (Must be taken as part of the first 27 hours of coursework. Students must have completed 6700 Global Christianity I.) First year-second semester.

_____ 6801 Introduction to Christian Theology [3] (Can only be taken after the completion of 24 hours of coursework. Students must have completed 6500 Hebrew Bible, 6600 New Testament, 6700 Global Christianity I, and preferably 6708 Global Christianity II.) Second year-first semester.


_____ an approved course in Ethics [3] (Designated in YES). May be taken at any point.

_____ 7900 Supervised Ministry and Seminar [6] (Taken after the completion of at least 24 credit hours.) Second year-both semesters.

_____ 7998 Master of Divinity Degree Project [3] (completion of 6801 Introduction to Christian Theology, and the two-semester sequence of 7900 Supervised Ministry and Seminar. Students benefit from having taken an ethics course.) Taken in third year, fall semester.

Two of the following courses [6]: Ministerial Arts

_____ 7000 Pastoral Theology and Care (Taught once a year), or an approved course (Designated in YES)

_____ 6901. Fundamentals of Preaching, or an approved course (Designated in YES, typically an approved course is taught every semester.)

_____ 6701. History of Christian Liturgy, or an approved course (Designated in YES)

_____ an approved course in Leadership and Ministry (Designated in YES)

_____ an approved course in Religious Education (Designated in YES)
**Concentration (12 hours)**

Concentrations are comprised of 12 credit hours including a praxis course or experience to be determined in consultation with the concentration steering committee.

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*Praxis fulfilled by: _______________________________
(may be an approved related placement in the 7900 Supervised Ministry and Seminar, an approved related field education elective, or a designated praxis course in the concentration. 7900 may not be one of the four courses of the concentration but may be used to fulfill the praxis requirement.)*

**Electives (21 hours)**

Student will select the remaining 21 credit hours based on their interests and in discussion with their advisor. [12 credit hours of graduate level courses (5000+) may be taken outside the Divinity School. Cross-listed course do not count against these outside hours.]

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_____ Completion of **Project 360** as part of second semester of Supervised Ministry Seminar *and* submission to Director of Field Education, Placement Supervisor, Academic Advisor, and Associated Dean of Academic Affairs. If the student desires a conversation with these people, the student may call a conference where the student will receive counsel and guidance about the student’s vocational and/or academic plans. Additionally, if any of the other parties feels the student would benefit from a more formal “Middler Review Conference,” any of them may call a conference.

_____ Completion of “**ATS Graduate Student Questionnaire**” prior to Commencement.