

# Intercultural Ministry: Bachelor of Arts

## Purpose

The purpose of the Intercultural Ministry major is to prepare students with the skills and attitudes to minister in a wide variety of cross-cultural contexts in the United States or abroad. Through academic training and internship experiences, students will learn healthy ministry models, emphasizing contextualization, sustainability, and empowerment of local church leadership. To allow for the vocational objectives of students, this major offers three areas of specialization:

- Deaf Ministry Track
- Global Ministry Track
- Urban Ministry Track

## Objectives

Upon completion of the Intercultural Ministry major, the student should be able to:

1. Tell the story of God’s mission and His people’s role in it from creation to the present.
2. Demonstrate attitudes and skills that will enable the student to thrive and build effective relationships in intercultural environments.
3. Reflect upon service and internship experiences to discover where their unique gifts and passions can best serve the body of Christ.
4. Devise sustainable ministry strategies that equip local Christians to build biblically faithful and culturally relevant churches.
5. Exhibit the ability to raise and maintain a healthy support network in the home culture through the use of appropriate communication and organizational skills.

## Curriculum for BA Degree in Intercultural Ministry

**122 hours**

| General Education Studies |  | 42 hours |
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| ENG101                    | English Composition                                | 3        |
| ENG102                    | English Literature                                 | 3        |
| FLC201                    | Introduction to Helping Skills                     | 3        |
| FLC203                    | Marriage and Family Counseling                     | 3        |
| GEN101                    | Introduction to College                            | 1        |
| GEN102                    | Fitness and Nutrition                              | 2        |
| HIS120                    | World History                                      | 3        |
| HIS201                    | Church History                                     | 3        |
| HIS301                    | History of the American Restoration Movement       | 3        |
| LEA350                    | Principles of Leadership                           | 3        |
| MTH1175                   | Liberal Arts Mathematics                           | 3        |
| PHI401                    | Capstone: Global Issues                            | 2        |
| PSY110                    | Human Development                                  | 3        |
| SCI1400 & SCI1405         | Earth Science & Earth Science Lab (taken together) | 4        |
| SSC201 or SSC218          | Introduction to Sociology or Cultural Anthropology | 3        |

| Biblical and Theological Studies |                                      | 33 hours |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| BGN101                           | Bible Tools and Interpretation 1     | 2        |
| BGN102                           | Bible Tools and Interpretation 2     | 2        |
| BGN401                           | Capstone: Advanced Biblical Exegesis | 2        |
| BNT101                           | New Testament Survey                 | 3        |
| BNT201                           | Gospels 1                            | 3        |
| BNT202                           | Gospels 2                            | 3        |
| BNT210                           | Acts and the Early Church            | 3        |
| BNT301                           | Paul and His Letters                 | 3        |

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| BOT101     | Old Testament Survey                           | 3 |
| BOT301     | Pentateuch                                     | 3 |
| BTH210     | Biblical Theology                              | 3 |
| BNT or BOT | Bible Elective, New Testament or Old Testament | 3 |

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| <b>Ministry Studies Core: Global Ministry and Urban Ministry</b> |  | <b>15 hours</b> |
| ICM101   | Introduction to Intercultural Ministry | 2               |
| MIN110   | Personal Evangelism                    | 2               |
| MIN201   | Introduction to Spiritual Formation    | 2               |
| MIN270   | Preparing for Residency                | 2               |
| NXT201   | Interpreting Next Generation Culture   | 2               |
| PCH101   | Introduction to Preaching              | 3               |
| WOR101   | Introduction to Worship                | 2               |

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| <b>Ministry Studies Core: Deaf Ministry</b> |  | <b>13 hours</b> |
| ICM101                                      | Introduction to Intercultural Ministry | 2               |
| MIN110                                      | Personal Evangelism                    | 2               |
| MIN201                                      | Introduction to Spiritual Formation    | 2               |
| NXT201                                      | Interpreting Next Generation Culture   | 2               |
| PCH101                                      | Introduction to Preaching              | 3               |
| WOR101                                      | Introduction to Worship                | 2               |

**Deaf Ministry Track 34 hours**

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| ASL101   | American Sign Language 1                             | 2               |
| ASL102   | American Sign Language 2                             | 2               |
| ASL103   | American Sign Language 3                             | 2               |
| DFM201   | Interpreting Sermons                                 | 2               |
| DFM301   | Signing for Worship                                  | 2               |
| DFM373   | Internship: Deaf Ministry                            | 3               |
| DFM401   | Capstone: Deaf Ministry Project                      | 2               |
| ICM270   | Preparing for Intercultural Ministry                 | 3               |
| <b>Semester at Deaf Missions, Council Bluffs IA (usually 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester of Junior Year)</b> |  | <b>16 hours</b> |
| DFM310   | Preparing Bible Visuals for Deaf People              | 2               |
| DFM311   | Lesson Preparation for the Deaf                      | 1               |
| DFM312   | Teaching Practicum                                   | 2               |
| DFM313   | Beginning a Ministry with Deaf People                | 3               |
| DFM314   | Focus Studies  | 1               |
| DFM315   | Communication Skills with Deaf People (Interpreting) | 2               |
| DFM316   | American Sign Language Concentration                 | 2               |
| DFM317   | A Survey of Deafness, Communication, and Culture     | 1               |
| DFM318   | Survey of Deaf World Missions                        | 2               |

**Global Ministry Track 32 hours**

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| ICM201 | Strategies for Global Ministry   | 3  |
| ICM202 | Theology of Christian Missions   | 3  |
| ICM270 | Preparing for Intercultural Ministry   | 3  |
| ICM401 | Capstone: Intercultural Ministry   | 2  |
|        | 3 courses of ICM or approved Electives   | 9  |
|        | 12 hours of Internship/Residency credits. These may begin in the junior year, and may be taken in 2-hour, 3-hour, 4-hour, or 6-hour blocks. The course numbers will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICM372 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (2 hours)</li> <li>• ICM373 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (3 hours)</li> <li>• ICM374 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (4 hours)</li> <li>• ICM376 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (6 hours)</li> </ul> | 12 |

**Urban Ministry Track****32 hours**

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| ICM202 | Theology of Christian Missions  | 3  |
| ICM210 | Strategies for Urban Ministry   | 3  |
| ICM270 | Preparing for Intercultural Ministry  | 3  |
| ICM401 | Capstone: Intercultural Ministry  | 2  |
|        | 3 courses of ICM or approved Electives  | 9  |
|        | 12 hours of Internship/Residency credits. These may begin in the junior year, and may be taken in 2-hour, 3-hour, 4-hour, or 6-hour blocks. The course numbers will be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● ICM372 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (2 hours)</li><li>● ICM373 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (3 hours)</li><li>● ICM374 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (4 hours)</li><li>● ICM376 Residency: Intercultural Ministry (6 hours)</li></ul> | 12 |