

The Master of Divinity Program

The Master of Divinity is the premier professional degree preparing students for God's unique calling in their lives.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?

The Master of Divinity is a professional graduate degree designed to prepare students for vocational ministry. The program consists of 72 credits, in which students learn biblical interpretation, biblical languages, theology, ministry formation, intercultural studies, leadership, and counseling.

WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

The Master of Divinity prepares students for a variety of ministries: pastoring, teaching, missions, counseling, chaplaincy, para-church ministries, and further theological study at the doctoral level. For many denominations and Christian organizations, the Master of Divinity is the standard professional degree required for vocational Christian service.

The Master of Divinity is a professional degree designed for those who intend to work in the ministry. It consists of 73 semester credit hours, with courses in Theology, Biblical Interpretation, Biblical Languages, Ministry Formation, Intercultural Studies, Leadership, and Counseling.

The M. Div. degree builds on M.A. in Christian Studies program, which consists of 37 semester credit hours. Individuals who have completed the M.A. can apply all 37 credits hours toward the 73 credits hours required for completion of the Master of Divinity degree.

Upon successful completion of the Master of Divinity, students will demonstrate:

- The nurturing aspects of leadership, such as mentoring, counseling, visitation, and crisis ministry.
- · An ability to communicate God's Word in a way that is accurate, clear and relevant.
- The ability to equip others in order to do church as a team.

Course Offerings

BI 6350 Hermeneutics

BI 6301 Old Testament Introduction

BI 6302 New Testament Introduction

Old Testament Book

New Testament Book

BL 6303 Intermediate Greek I

BL 6304 Intermediate Greek II

BL 6305 Biblical Hebrew I

BL 6306 Biblical Hebrew II

Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Rick Stinton



Born in a village in Angola, Africa, Rick grew up kicking a soccer ball as a missionary kid. He later tackled football with a passion during his teen years in Calgary, Alberta. Sure that his dreams of playing professional football was about to come true when he was drafted by the Calgary Stampeders, he was cut from the team. Rick then discovered his true calling in life as a pastor. He has served churches in Canada and the U.S., and most recently planted New Hope Kailua with an amazing group of people. Rick received his Master of Theology and Doctor of Ministry from Dallas Seminary. An advocate for Millennials, he loves to pursue, personally, and build into the lives of students a deep study of the Scriptures combined with practical ministry to others, born out of a passion for God and his people. Rick and his wife, Martha, have four adult sons, and love watching their family grow. They also enjoy traveling the world together teaching God's Word.



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