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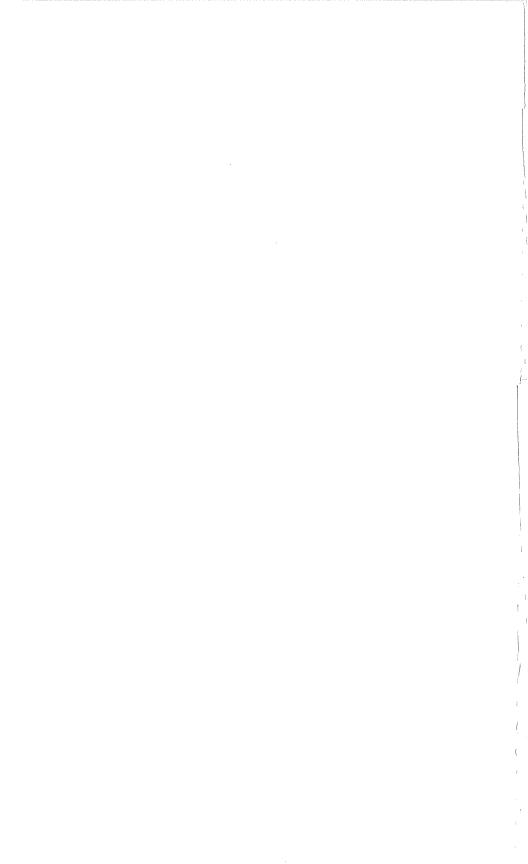
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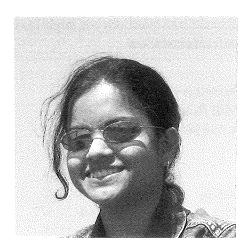
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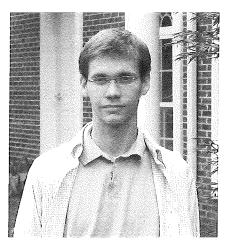
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Although my house is 8,900 miles away in India, I am at home at Luther Rice Seminary/University. The people here are much more than friends; they are my family. They have embraced me and loved me. In their love, they are showing the love of Christ, which I believe everyone experiences and gives. The faculty demonstrates that they care. I am honored to have been adopted into their family. With my education, I have been blessed in two ways: learning about God and all His wonders and learning about this institution. Luther Rice excels in the quality education it provides to students. Jesus said that 'His house would be a house of prayer for all nations' (Mark 11:17). Luther Rice Seminary/University demonstrates the true essence of that house.

LeeAna Sane, Master of Arts in Ministry graduate, May 2006.



I had been out of school for a few years when God opened the door for me to come here, and I can say that the experience has been nothing but a blessing. The faculty, staff, and student body are all very warm, and the practical approach of the curriculum began impacting my ministry immediately. I am looking forward to earning my Masters degrees from Luther Rice Seminary/University and seeing how God will use them to further His kingdom.

Chris Morrison, Bachelor of Arts in Religion graduate, May 2009

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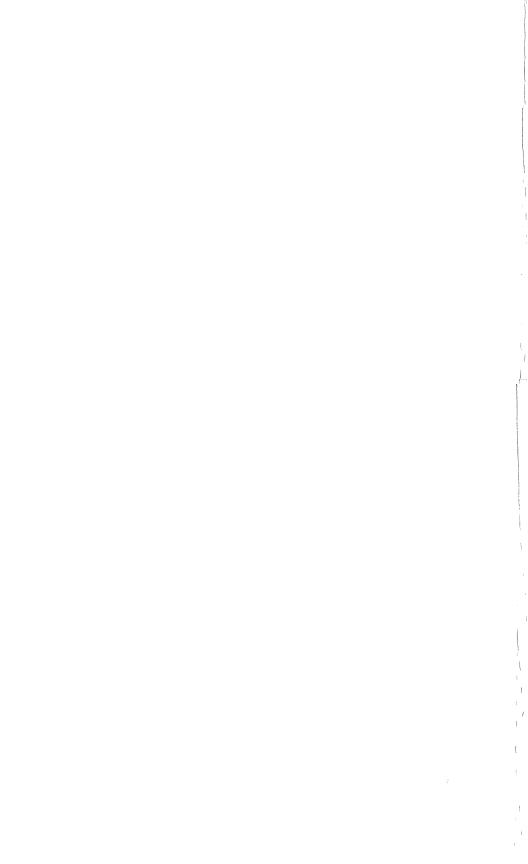
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# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### A BRIEF HISTORY

In 1961, Dr. Robert Gee Witty, Pastor of the Central Baptist Church, presented the need for a seminary in Jacksonville, Florida to several Southern Baptist pastors. In May, 1962, Dr. Witty secured five pastors who signed the charter application which he had prepared. On June 14, 1962, the State of Florida granted the charter. The Central Baptist Church agreed to provide space and office assistance for the new institution.

The first classes met in facilities provided by the church on September 11, 1962. All faculty were Southern Baptist pastors who served Luther Rice Seminary without pay.

Business of the Seminary was conducted until 1968 by the Board of Trustees, with Dr. Witty as Chairman. Frequently the faculty was invited to participate. Dr. Clyde Jones, Dr. Pat Wimberly, and Dr. Kenneth Umphrey served as part-time presidents until 1968. In that year, Dr. Fred Williams was elected as Chairman of the Trustees, and Dr. Witty became president. In 1970, Dr. Witty became the first full-time president.

By 1964, 94 students had registered, and 16 pastors served as part-time faculty. At that time the curriculum prepared by Dr. Witty for the external program was adopted by the Board of Trustees and offered to the public. This innovative, nontraditional system attracted thousands of students in the United States and such international interest that by 1978, students from 52 countries were registered. A faculty of full-time professors has served the institution since 1976.

In 1968, Luther Rice Seminary purchased property from the Central Baptist Church and returned the same property to the church as a gift when the Administrative Building at 1050 Hendricks Avenue was purchased in 1970. Later, classrooms were established in the Instructional Building located on Prudential Drive. The Bertha Smith Library, constructed on Home Street, was opened for use in the Spring of 1982. All were purchased and constructed debt free.

In May 1982, Dr. Witty retired as president to become the Chancellor. He retired from the chancellor's office in May, 1987. Dr. Witty went home to be with the Lord on June 20, 2007.

In May 1982, Dr. Gene Williams became president of Luther Rice Seminary. He had earned an academic doctorate (Th.D.) from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary and was known internationally as an evangelist.

In August 1988, a church building and property in Lithonia, Georgia (a suburb of Atlanta) were donated to the Seminary. In June, 1991, construction of new facilities began. In August 1991, the Seminary moved its main campus to this location.

At a Trustees' meeting in September 1991, Dr. Williams became Chancellor-Elect. At the same meeting Dr. James Bryant, Executive Vice President, was approved to become President-Elect. Dr. Bryant also had a broad ministry background. He had earned an academic doctorate (Th.D.) from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and had served as pastor of several Southern Baptist churches. His experience also included serving as a church staff member and on the Board of Trustees of two Southern Baptist seminaries.

Dr. Bryant was inaugurated on May 6, 1992. Dr. Williams became Chancellor at the same service, and he became Chancellor Emeritus in 2005.

Dr. Bryant resigned as President, effective April 1, 1993, and Dr. James L. Flanagan was elected Interim President, effective April 1, 1993.

Dr. Flanagan joined the institution in 1982, serving as a faculty member and later as Vice President for Academic Affairs. He served as the interim President from April 1, 1993 until May 13, 1994, when he was inaugurated as President. Dr. James L. Flanagan was elected Chancellor and CEO, effective September 30, 2005. Dr. Flanagan's academic preparation includes an earned doctorate (Ph.D.) from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Dr. John M. Borek, Jr., was elected President and COO, effective September 30, 2005. He joined the institution in 2004, serving as a faculty member and as Provost and COO. Prior to joining Luther Rice Seminary/University, he served, from 1997 until 2004, as the President of Liberty University. Prior to that time, he served a major university for 30 years as a faculty member and as a senior administrator. Dr. Borek's academic preparation includes an earned doctorate (Ph.D.) from Georgia State University. He is ordained as a Baptist minister.

In 2004, the Board of Trustees approved the use of the name Luther Rice University for the institution. The legal corporate name is now Luther Rice University, Inc.

Upon Dr. Borek's resignation to dedicate himself to consulting in May 2006, Dr. Flanagan reassumed the position of President.

#### HISTORICAL EXAMPLE

The man Luther Rice (1783-1836) is known in Baptist history for his contributions to missionary endeavor, Baptist cooperation, and ministerial education. A better name could not have been chosen by the founders of the University. What Luther Rice believed provides the philosophical basis on which Luther Rice Seminary/University is built.

Luther Rice believed in missions. He was a missionary who felt that every Christian had both the responsibility and the privilege of sharing in the work of worldwide evangelism.

Luther Rice believed in cooperation between churches. He devoted his life to traveling from church to church uniting Christians to support missions. His efforts resulted in the formation of the Triennial Baptist Convention (1814).

Luther Rice believed in Christian education. He established Columbian College (now George Washington University) in Washington, DC for the single purpose of training Christians to serve Christ effectively. At the time of his death, he was in South Carolina raising funds for the college.

Luther Rice believed in the authority of the Bible. His study of the Bible, while en route to Burma as a missionary volunteer with Adoniram Judson, convinced him of the necessity of changing his doctrinal position on baptism. The Bible provided him with the doctrinal foundation for his entire life and ministry.

Luther Rice believed in the power of the Holy Spirit. He believed that the Holy Spirit is the supreme teacher, the interpreter of Scripture, and the imparter of spiritual gifts to Christians.

Luther Rice believed in Bible preaching. He was an eloquent preacher who traveled the eastern and southern states preaching the Bible.

Luther Rice was a Baptist. He held to the great distinctive Baptist doctrines concerning the church, its ordinances, its autonomy, and its basis for cooperation.

#### CORE VALUES

- We value theological education that is grounded in sound biblical interpretation (2 Tim. 2.15).
- · We value the witness of Christ among all people (Acts 1:8).
- We value the declaration of the infallible Word of God among all people (2 Tim. 3.16-17; Col. 1.28).
- We value instruction that combines theory and practice with relevant ministry needs (Eph. 4.11-13).
- · We value an environment that promotes spiritual growth and transformation (Eph. 3.16-19).
- We value personal integrity in our students, faculty, staff, and business practices (1 Thess. 2.10-12).
- · We value globally accessible theological education (Matt. 28.19-20).
- We value our relationship with God and His church as providers of our spiritual strength and resources as we endeavor to bring glory to Him (Eph. 3.20-21).
- · We value on-going institutional quality and improvement (Col. 3.23-24).
- We value a community of faith and learning that embraces men and women who are diverse in ethnic, economic, social, and national backgrounds (Gal. 3.27-28).

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of Luther Rice Seminary/University is to provide theological education for Christian ministers and leaders around the world with an end to granting undergraduate and graduate degrees.

#### PHILOSOPHY

Luther Rice Seminary/University affirms the Bible as the inerrant and infallible Word of God and teaches all programs from a biblical worldview. The University maintains that providing a theological foundation consistent with its doctrinal statement will equip the student to carry out ministry around the world.

The University desires to inculcate a Christian ethic into its students so that they exemplify excellence in every area of life. The faculty members are committed to modeling Christian character for the students as an essential part of the learning process. The faculty does not merely impart knowledge but seeks to develop disciples of the Lord Jesus who will impact their world for His sake.

The University holds that learning occurs through various means including observation, instruction, and research. Because all truth has God as its source, the entire body of knowledge is consistent with, and not contrary to, God's revelation. Research and study in all disciplines are possible because of (1) the inherent logical structure of the created order, (2) the absolute nature of truth, and (3) humanity's creation in the image of God with the potential to relate to Him by faith and with the ability to engage their minds in academic pursuits.

#### GUIDING PRINCIPLES

In response to its commitment to Christian higher education, Luther Rice Seminary/University has adopted the following guiding principles:

- a. Luther Rice Seminary/University affirms the Bible as the foundational standard for all endeavors.
- b. Luther Rice Seminary/University values Christian excellence in all practices.
- c. Luther Rice Seminary/University strives to develop Christian character in each student.
- d. Luther Rice Seminary/University equips students to impact the world by fulfilling the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.

These guiding principles drive all University activities and programs.

#### DOCTRINAL STATEMENT

As stated on the application for admission, an applicant must affirm belief in Articles I through XI of this Doctrinal Statement. Article VII has been modified for students. See page 6.

- I. THE SCRIPTURES. We believe that both the Old and New Testaments are verbally inspired by God and are inerrant in the original writings. Through the providence of God, the Scriptures have been preserved and are the supreme and final and adequate authority in faith and life (Ps 19.7; 2 Tim 3.16; 2 Pet 1.21).
- II. GOD. We believe that there is only one true and living God existing in three Persons--Father, Son, and Holy Spirit--each a distinct Person, but all of one essence and all having the same nature, perfections, and attributes, and each is worthy of precisely the same worship, confidence, and obedience (Gen 1.26; Jer 10.10; Matt 3.16-17; 28.19).
- III. JESUS CHRIST. We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, begotten by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, that He shed His blood on Calvary as a vicarious substitute, was buried, rose again bodily, and ascended to the Father according to the Scriptures (Isa 7.14; Matt 1.18-25; 1 Cor 15.3; Heb 4.15).
- IV. HOLY SPIRIT. We believe that the Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity, very God, co-existent with the Father and the Son. The Holy Spirit is the chief agent in the regeneration, the chief convictor of sin, and the chief comforter of the believer. Simultaneous with regeneration, the Holy Spirit baptizes the believer into the body of Christ (Matt 28.19; John 16.7-11; Acts 5.3-4; Rom 8.9; 1 Cor 12.12-14)

- V. MAN. We believe that man is the direct creation of God--body, soul, and spirit--and is not in any sense the result of evolution but is made in the image of God. Adam, the first man, sinned by disobedience. This act resulted in the fall of mankind and incurred both physical and spiritual death for all (Gen 1.26-27; Rom 3.10,23; 5.12).
- VI. SALVATION. We believe that all who, in faith, receive the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior are born again by the Holy Spirit and thus become the children of God. Salvation involves redemption, regeneration, justification, sanctification, and glorification (John 1.12; 3.3; 17.17; Rom 8.29-30; Eph 2.8-9; 4.30; Tit 3.5).
- \*VII. SECOND COMING. We believe in the literal, visible, personal, pre-millennial, pre-tribulational return of Jesus Christ for His Church. At this event the dead in Christ and living believers will be translated to meet Him in the air. At the end of the seven year tribulation, Christ will visibly descend with the saints to establish His earthly millennial kingdom (Acts 1.11; 1 Thes 4.13-18; Rev 20.1-6).
- VIII. SATAN. We believe that Satan was originally created a perfect being. He rebelled against God. As a result, he became depraved, the Devil, an adversary of God and His people, and leader of a host of angels who fell with him. Satan has been judged and defeated at the cross and awaits his ultimate doom at the Second Advent of Jesus Christ (Isa 14.13-14; Ezek 28.13-17; John 16.11; 1 Tim 3.7; Rev 20.10).
- IX. HEAVEN. We believe in the eternal abode of God and the holy angels, where Jesus intercedes for His people on earth and where the spirits of departed saints await their resurrected, glorified bodies. Heaven is a literal place of conscious bliss to which all saints go upon death and from which the Lord Jesus Christ will come to receive those saints who are alive at His coming. To depart and be in heaven is to be "present with the Lord" and so is "far better" than to remain alive on earth, but the eternal blessedness of heaven is only for those who possess eternal life through faith in the atoning work of Christ (Heb 12.22-24; John 14.1-3; 2 Cor 5.1-10; Phil 1.23, 3.20-21; I Thes 4.16-18; Rev 21.1-22.5; John 14.6).
- X. HELL. We believe that hell is a literal place of judgment created for the devil and those angels who followed him in his rebellion against God. In the final state, the devil and his demons will spend eternity banished from the presence of God in the Lake of Fire. This same final punishment also awaits all unredeemed people who refuse to believe on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. The Scriptures declare that the torment of all the inhabitants in the Lake of Fire lasts forever. Prior to the final state, the soul of the unjust at death is condemned to hades in a state of conscious torment until the resurrection of the unjust. At this resurrection, the disembodied soul is reunited with the resurrected body and cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev 20.10; Matt 25.41; Mark 9.43-48; Rev 14.11; 20.10, 15; Luke 16.19-31; Jn 5.29; Rev 20.11-15).
- XI. THE PRIESTHOOD OF THE BELIEVER. We believe in the priesthood of all believers so that every Christian has direct access to God in prayer through Jesus Christ, our great High Priest, and that there is no mediator between God and man other than Jesus Christ (Heb 4.16; 1 Tim 2.5; Rev 1.6).

- XII. SECURITY OF THE BELIEVER. We believe that salvation is not only a gift from God but also is sustained by the Lord. The Holy Spirit permanently indwells the believer and seals him in salvation for all eternity. Therefore, since salvation is wholly of the Lord, apart from the works of man, we hold that the believer shall be kept by the power of God through faith unto eternal salvation (John 10.28; 14.16-17,26; 1 Cor 2.9-14; Eph 1.13; 2.8-9; 1 Pet 1.5; Jude 24-25).
- XIII. PROVIDENCE. We believe in the providence of God, but that He is not the author or approver of sin nor the destroyer of the free will and responsibility of man (John 3.16; Rom 8.28-30).
- XIV. THE LORD'S DAY. We believe that Sunday is the Lord's Day and is a Christian institution for regular observance of worship and spiritual devotion, both public and private (1 Cor 16.2; Rev 1.10).
- XV. CREATION. We believe the triune God created the universe apart from pre-existing materials and without any evolutionary process. We believe in the historicity of the first eleven chapters of Genesis (Gen 1.1; Matt 19.4; John 1.1-3; Rom 1.20; Col 1.16-17; Heb 11.3).
- XVI. THE LOCAL CHURCH. We believe that the New Testament church is a local body of baptized believers with Christ as its head and the Holy Spirit as its guide. New Testament churches promote God's work by cooperating together for missions and many other joint efforts. The local church is to be governed independently of outside persons, bodies, groups, or authorities (Matt 28.16-20; Acts 1.6-8; 6.3; 1 Cor 12.12-14; Eph 1.3-6,22-23; 1 Thes 4.16-18).
- XVII. *ORDINANCES*. We believe that the local church observes two ordinances-baptism and the Lord's Supper. We believe that all who have received Christ as Savior and Lord should be baptized in the Name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; that baptism is by immersion in the likeness of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ; and that the Lord's Supper should be observed in remembrance of Him to show forth His death for our sins until He comes again (Matt 26.26-30; 28.19-20; Rom 6.3-6; 1 Cor 11.23-26).
- \* For students, Article VII reads as follows: We believe in the literal, visible, personal return of Jesus Christ.

#### DENOMINATIONAL AFFILIATION

Luther Rice Seminary/University is committed to the doctrinal beliefs of the Southern Baptist Convention and to Southern Baptist churches, missions, and evangelism.

However, the right of each student to affiliate with another evangelical denomination is respected.

The University is a non-profit religious institution of higher education chartered by the State of Florida, is located in the State of Georgia where it operates as a foreign corporation, and is governed by a Board of Trustees. It is not owned, controlled, or endowed by any denomination, agency, convention, or association.

#### STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

In this day of disappearing moral absolutes, it is imperative that all Christians be reminded that the Bible, as the revelation of God's truth, must determine not only one's doctrinal beliefs, but also one's lifestyle. In a changing world, the Christian has an unchanging standard, the Word of God. The LRU "Standards of Conduct" are based upon the teachings and principles of Scripture, seeking to develop personal holiness and discipline exemplified in a lifestyle glorifying to God.

LRU offers educational excellence with a distinctive purpose. Included in that purpose is a student's total growth and development in preparation for a Christian ministry. We are interested in imparting spiritual knowledge and teaching biblical values, both of which promote the tradition of conservative, evangelical, and fundamental local churches. We are also dedicated to nurturing an exemplary lifestyle for our students.

The LRU Board of Trustees, administration, and faculty have committed to Luther Rice Seminary/University the highest standards of Christian conduct required to fulfill our stated mission. The following "Standards of Conduct" are intended to guide students who matriculate at LRU. A more detailed description of acceptable conduct is found in the Student Handbook. All LRU students are required to adhere to the "Standards of Conduct" and to indicate so on the application for admission.

#### Student Affidavit

I understand that preparation for Christian work requires my personal commitment to the Lord Jesus Christ and separation from sin. I further realize that as an LRU student, I represent the Lord Jesus Christ as well as the Institution. I am aware that the Scriptures prohibit certain behaviors and attitudes such as stealing, lying, gossiping, backbiting, profane language, drunkenness, drug abuse, sexual immorality, occult practices, cheating, lust, pride, bitterness, discrimination, jealousy, and an unforgiving spirit. In addition, I understand that certain types of activities are questionable and will avoid these activities for testimony's sake.

Therefore, as a member of the LRU family, I pledge myself without reservation to the following lifestyle commitments:

- 1. Strive for excellence as a student and in all that I do;
- 2. Submit to the authority of the Scriptures in matters of faith and conduct at the control of the Holy Spirit;
- 3. Cooperate respectfully with those in authority at the Institution;
- 4. Participate actively in promoting the cause of Christ, including endeavoring to win others to faith in Him;
- Refrain from behavior that will reflect discredit upon the Lord and offend a weaker brother:

- 6. Avoid the acts of the flesh: "Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like" (Gal 5.19-21). The term translated "witchcraft" (Gal 5.20) is *pharmakeia*, from which we get the words "pharmacy" and "pharmaceutical." Therefore, the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of drugs and alcohol (on or off LRU property) is strictly prohibited. This prohibition applies to all students and all employees. Further, such possession, use, or distribution will result in disciplinary action taken by the Institution and may result in local, state, and federal legal sanctions.
- 7. Maintain a personal appearance and dress which will honor Christ.

I understand that the "Standards of Conduct" are to guide my behavior both on and off campus for the time I am enrolled at LRU. FAILURE TO ABIDE BY THE "STANDARDS OF CONDUCT" CAN LEAD TO DISMISSAL FROM THIS INSTITUTION AT THE ADMINISTRATION'S DISCRETION.

While the Institution recognizes that personal preferences differ and that every member of the Institution community might not agree with every detail of these standards, I must honorably adhere to them. Such an attitude on my part is one of the ways I can develop Christian discipline, exhibit Christian maturity, and demonstrate the love of Christ in concern, both for the integrity of the Institution and the welfare of other helievers.

#### STUDENT DISCIPLINE

The breaking of the "Standards of Conduct" code can result in disciplinary action being taken against the student.

Violations of the criminal and civil codes of the United States and of state laws can also result in disciplinary action.

 $\label{lem:decomposition} Disciplinary\ action\ can \ range\ from\ temporary\ probation\ to\ permanent\ expulsion\ from\ Luther\ Rice\ Seminary/University.$ 

The Dean of Students, or an appropriate representative, will be responsible for recommending the discipline to be taken after consultation with the student and other Luther Rice Seminary/University faculty/staff who may be involved in or aware of the incident.

The student may appeal to the appropriate dean if he is dissatisfied with the disciplinary procedures taken.

#### **BASIC ASSUMPTIONS**

The administration and faculty make several basic assumptions about students at LRU. The assumptions dictate the nature of both student life and Christian service.

Student Maturity: The Institution assumes that its students have a measure of maturity and a degree of motivation which enable them to comply with the "Standards of Conduct."

Active Student Ministry: The Institution assumes that students will be involved in some aspect of Christian ministry. A student may be a pastor, deacon, church staff member, church musician, Sunday School worker, missionary evangelist, or a Christian witness.

Student Worship: The Institution assumes that students desire to worship God in fellowship with their peers. Therefore, LRU conducts chapel services for the oncampus program.

Student Counseling: The Institution assumes that students occasionally need to seek vocational, educational, or spiritual counsel from institution officials. Therefore, academic deans, all administrators, and faculty members are available, by appointment, to meet with students. The Academic Advising Office is available to assist students. For personal counseling issues, career counseling, or career testing, students can also contact the Discipleship Counseling Department for referrals.

Student Participation: The Institution assumes that students are a vital part of the institution and that their individual and collective voices need to be heard by the faculty and administration of the Institution. Every student, therefore, has the right and responsibility to participate in the student government. The student body elects its officers each year in the spring. The officers elected include the president, vice-president (graduate), vice-president (undergraduate), and secretary/treasurer.

The Student Council is designed to meet four basic objectives:

- 1. To cooperate with the officials of the Institution in promoting the best interests of the institution;
- 2. To promote the general welfare of the students;
- 3. To encourage students to honor the Lord Jesus Christ in all activities;
- 4. To promote fellowship among the on-campus students.

Alumni Support: The Institution assumes that students will desire to continue to support the Institution after they graduate. Therefore, the Alumni Association has been established to allow graduates and former students opportunity for fellowship, prayer, financial support, and promotion of LRU.

#### GENDER AND MINISTRY

Luther Rice Seminary/University recognizes that throughout church history God has been pleased to use both men and women in marvelous ways for the advancement of the gospel. We also recognize that the Christian community has long held diverse opinions regarding the roles of women in ministry. Sincere and godly people hold varying positions on this subject.

While recognizing and respecting this diversity, as an institution and faculty, Luther Rice Seminary/University believes and teaches that the role of church pastor can be fulfilled biblically only by a man (1 Tim 2.12; 3.1-7; Heb 13.7, 17). Christian women, however, are gifted and are called to a broad array of other ministries.

The recognition of scriptural gender distinctions neither disparages one sex nor exalts the other. It is simply the proper response to God's revelation regarding His creation (Gen 2.18; 3.16; 1 Cor 11.8, 9; 1 Tim 2.13-14), His children (Gal 3.28; Eph 5.22-33), and His church (1 Tim 2.12; 3.1-7, Tit 1.5-9).

We affirm the call of God and the ministry gifts that He graciously bestows upon both sexes for effective Christian service within the parameters of His Word. No student is excluded from pursuing any degree because of gender. In all classes every student is given the respect befitting a fellow servant and brother or sister in Christ (1 Jn 4.7-8).

#### SAME-SEX BEHAVIOR AND UNIONS

Given that the administration, faculty, and staff of Luther Rice Seminary/ University are committed to the fact that both the Old and New Testaments are the verbally inspired Word of God and that Scriptures are the supreme and final authority in faith and life, we are compelled to regard God's statements concerning the issue of same-sex behavior and partnerships as binding. An examination of both Testaments reveals that God is consistent concerning his position on this issue. Genesis 19 indicates that the homosexual lifestyle was a significant sin for which Sodom and Gomorrah were judged (see also Jude 7). In Romans 1, the apostle Paul, speaking under inspiration, depicts the downward spiral of human morality over time. In this passage, both homosexual and lesbian behaviors are condemned (vss 26-27).

In light of the Scripture, the administration, faculty, and staff of Luther Rice Seminary/University cannot with a good conscience towards God knowingly admit or retain a person who has adopted a same-sex lifestyle. While the Institution does not denigrate the dignity of the individual's personhood or deny the worth of his soul, the Institution cannot condone the chosen lifestyle.

#### **FACILITIES**

The LRU campus is located at 3038 Evans Mill Road, Lithonia, GA, 30038.

- Library: The Luther Rice Seminary/University's Bertha Smith Library, named in honor of an outstanding missionary, is housed in a state-of-the-art facility that provides a well-lighted, quiet, comfortable area for research and study. Woodlawn Hall, which houses the library on the first floor and classrooms on the second floor, is adjacent to other university buildings.
- 2. Parking: LRU provides ample student parking.
- 3. Student Housing: LRU does not own or provide dormitories or other living quarters for students and their families. Students are responsible for securing their own living quarters. Assistance is available to new students, however, through the Office of Student Services via email at StudentServices@LRU.edu.
- Food Services: Numerous eating establishments are near the campus. Vending machines with drinks, snacks, and meals are available in the student activity area.

#### FACILITIES FOR THE DISABLED

LRU supports the tenets and spirit of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Accommodations include special parking facilities, ramped entrances, elevator services, and accessible water fountains and restroom facilities. It is the responsibility of the student to inform the institution of any disabilities, physical and/or mental, which might in any way affect the student's academic progress. LRU will make reasonable accommodation to meet the needs of any student with a disability.

#### LOCATION (See map on page 121.)

The LRU campus has a strategic location on the east side of Metro Atlanta, providing numerous advantages.

Accessibility: The Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport provides air service to all major cities in the United States. Interstate Highways 20, 75, and 85 feed traffic into the area (www.atlanta-airport.com).

Public Transportation: The Metro Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA) provides excellent bus service nearby to the institution from virtually every area of Metro Atlanta (www.itsmarta.com).

*Housing:* Houses and apartments in all price ranges are readily available. For short-term lodging, several quality hotels are conveniently located nearby.

Recreation: Atlanta is well known for its recreational opportunities. Many sporting events are held in the city. A number of cultural attractions are also available.

*Employment:* The city of Atlanta is a major center for education, banking, insurance, medicine, wholesaling, tourism, and transportation. Atlanta has the capacity to absorb many students into the work force.

Educational Resources: Atlanta has several outstanding institutions of higher education which provide ample opportunities for students of LRU to take courses and earn degrees in fields other than religion and ministry.

*Church Stronghold:* Atlanta is a leading evangelical center. It is served by many strong churches which provide numerous opportunities for Christian service.

Other Amenities: The Mall at Stonecrest includes numerous eating establishments, cinemas, and shopping opportunities (www.mallatstonecrest.com).

Atlanta is the location of several Baptist organizations and institutions. Among them are the North American Mission Board, SBC; Georgia Baptist Convention; Atlanta Medical Center; as well as other denominational agencies.

#### THE PIONEER

The *Pioneer* is a quarterly publication. It is distributed to students, graduates, and friends of the institution. It includes needs of the institution, information about students and alumni, and plans for the future.

# LUTHER RICE SEMINARY/UNIVERSITY-BERTHA SMITH LIBRARY

The Bertha Smith Library is named in honor of an outstanding Christian missionary to China. The library's mission is to provide adequate and accessible quality educational resources and services in support of the curricular and developmental needs of members of the university community to facilitate theological education. This is accomplished by providing effective access to high quality library services and resources in a variety of formats.

In keeping with the mission, the library is housed in an adequate, well-lighted, and easy to access facility on campus. The library is a quiet and comfortable place with wireless internet access. Study space is provided for students. Computers for completing class assignments and other equipment, such as copiers, are supplied as well.

The Library holds a collection of over 100,000 cataloged items, including books, e-books, videos, CDs, DVDs, microfiche, and electronic as well as print journals. The vast majority of this collection is easily accessible to all students whether on or off campus.

Library services include circulation of books and multimedia materials, live online reference help, access to various electronic resources, indexes, interlibrary loans, library manuals & tutorials and other services designed to meet the needs of the 21st-century library user.

The library's participation in GALILEO (Georgia Library Learning Online) provides access to over 220 databases covering a variety of disciplines. Through these databases students have access to thousands of periodicals and journals that are indexed, abstracted, or provided in full text. Online access to citations and full-text scholarly journal articles in the area of religion and theology is provided through well known vendors such as EBSCO Host, ProQuest, and the Theological Journal Library. These resources are available to all students and can easily be accessed on or off campus.

The library has a web-based catalog that not only can be used in the library facility, but also through the world-wide web via the Luther Rice Seminary/University website. Materials may be checked out by on-campus as well as distance education students. Distance education students may receive these materials by simply requesting them by email, fax, telephone, live chat or letter. The library seeks to send these materials to the student within 24 hours of the request if received on a normal business day.

Distance education and on-campus students will find no shortage of help when questions arise regarding anything from research to database access. During business hours posted on the library website, personal help is available by phone, email, fax, or live chat available from the library website. Help is also available through an assortment of manuals, tutorials and search tips available from the library website.

The Bertha Smith Library provides interlibrary loan services through cooperative arrangements and agreements with different library consortiums and academic institutions. Through these arrangements and agreements students have access to literally millions of materials for their research needs. The library's webpage describes the interlibrary loan process and contains links to an online form. For more information about the library, see <a href="http://library.lru.edu/">http://library.lru.edu/</a>.

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#### DISCLOSURE POLICY

 Credits and degrees earned from colleges in the State of Florida which are licensed by the Commission for Independent Education do not automatically qualify the holder for a Florida teaching certificate. Any person interested in obtaining a Florida teaching certificate should contact the Office of Teacher Certification, Department of Education, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

- 2. Credits and degrees earned from colleges in the state of Florida which are licensed by the Commission for Independent Education do not automatically qualify the holder to participate in professional licensing examinations in Florida. Any person interested in practicing a regulated profession in Florida should contact the appropriate state regulatory agency in the field of interest.
- 3. Information regarding the institution may be obtained by contacting the Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400, (888) 224-6684, or the Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission, 2100 East Exchange Place, Suite 203, Tucker, Georgia, 30084-5313, (770) 414-3300.
- 4. Students pursuing a degree with a goal of being licensed or authorized in any profession should contact the licensing or regulatory agency of his state in order to determine whether courses or degrees from Luther Rice Seminary/University will qualify him for licensure or authorization. It will be important to inform that agency that LRU is accredited by Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools, an accrediting agency recognized by the US Department of Education and a member of the Council on Higher Education Accreditation.
- A degree from Luther Rice Seminary/University is not an indication that LRU is recommending the student for licensing or ordination. Each ecclesiastical denominational organization has its own set of guidelines for licensing and ordaining its ministers.
- 6. Credits and degrees earned at Luther Rice Seminary/University are not automatically transferable to all other colleges, universities, or seminaries. Any person interested in the transferability of credit from Luther Rice Seminary/University to another institution should contact the Admissions Office of that institution.
- 7. If the Institution proposes to have a physical presence in a state, proper permission will be sought in advance from the state's educational authority governing private educational institutions.
- 8. Degree program(s) of study offered by Luther Rice Seminary/University have been declared exempt from the requirements for licensure under provisions of North Carolina General Studies (G.S.) 116-15(d) for exemption from licensure with respect to religious education...Exemption from licensure is not based upon any assessment of program quality under established licensing standards.

#### ACCREDITATION AND RECOGNITION

- Luther Rice Seminary/University is a member of the Transnational Association
  of Christian Colleges and Schools (TRACS) [P.O. Box 328, Forest, VA 24551,
  Telephone: 434-525-9539, email: info@tracs.org], having been awarded Reaf
  firmed status as a Category IV institution by the TRACS Accreditation Commis
  sion on November 28, 2005; this status is effective for a period of ten years.
  TRACS is a recognized United State Department of Education (USDE), the
  Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) and the International
  Network for Quality Assurance Agencies in Higher Education (INQAAHE).
- 2. LRU operates under the authorization of the Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission, 2100 East Exchange Place, Suite 203, Tucker, Georgia, 30084-5313,(770)414-3300.
- 3. LRU is licensed by the Commission for Independent Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1414, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400, (888) 224-6684.
- 4. LRU is a member of ACCESS.

- 5. LRU is a member of AACRAO, The American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers.
- 6. LRU is listed under "The Best Alternative Programs/Nontraditional Education" in the Comprehensive Guide to the Best Colleges and Universities in the United States, published by the American Council for University Planning and Academic Excellence (ACUPAE).

Documents of accreditation and recognition may be viewed at the Office of Academic Affairs.

#### **LRU GRADUATION RATE**

The current graduation rate for LRU undergraduate students can be obtained through the following website. http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator?q=luther+rice+university&s=GA&zc=30038&zd=0&of=3&ct=2+3&id=135364

#### **PLACEMENT**

For those students and alumni who are not serving in a ministry field or who desire to change fields of ministry or for those seeking to change disciplines, LRU provides assistance through the Placement Office.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE

Students who are enrolled in at least 9 hours per semester are eligible to participate in a "Personal Security Program" offered by the GuideStone Financial Services of the Southern Baptist Convention.

To qualify for open enrollment in this health insurance plan, the following criteria must be met:

- You must apply within 30 days of enrollment (this is considered open enrollment).
   If a student applies after this time period they are subject to insurance underwriting, which would include a physical exam, blood test, and extensive medical information.
- 2. You must not have previously applied for participation in the Personal Security Program and been rejected for yourself or a family member.
- 3. You must not have previously enrolled in Personal Security Program plans.

Those students who fulfill criteria 2 and 3 above, but are no longer eligible for open enrollment must provide evidence of good health on student and all family members requesting coverage.

The cost of coverage in the Personal Security Program is determined by the student's geographical area of residence and age. Applications can be obtained from LRU. For questions regarding this program, students should call the GuideStone Financial Services at 1-800-262-0511.

#### SEXUAL HARASSMENT

Luther Rice Seminary/University is committed to providing a learning and working environment that is free of discrimination. In keeping with this commitment, unlawful

harassment, including sexual harassment, is strictly prohibited. Harassment is defined as unwelcome or unsolicited verbal, physical, or visual contact that creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment. Any students who believe that they have been subjected to such treatment should immediately report such to the Office of Student Services.

#### HAZINGPOLICY

Luther Rice Seminary/University strictly complies with Georgia State Law (Code 1981, 16-5-61, enacted by GA.L. 1988, p.694, 1.) prohibiting hazing. To haze means to subject a student to an activity that is likely to endanger the physical health and/or mental health of a student, regardless of the student's willingness to participate in such activity. Hazing is prohibited specifically as a condition or precondition of gaining acceptance, membership, office or other status in a student organization.

Some examples of hazing are: (1) acts that cause undue discomfort or bodily harm; (2) acts involving psychological mistreatment including acts of personal servitude or humiliation; (3) acts that endanger the life or health of students; and (4) acts that interfere with class schedules or academic pursuits. More specifically, hazing shall include whipping, beating, branding, forced calisthenics, exposure to weather, forced consumption of food, liquor, beverage, drug or other substance, or any other brutal treatment or forced physical activity which is likely to adversely affect the physical health or safety of any such person, or which subjects such student or other person to extreme mental stress, including extended deprivation of sleep or rest or extended isolation.

# DRUG FREE POLICY

Luther Rice Seminary/University requires that its campus, faculty, staff, and students be drug free. The institution, including all departments and affiliated institutions within it, expressly prohibits the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession, or use of a controlled substance on the campus and premises. Violation of this policy will result in the immediate dismissal from Luther Rice Seminary/University of any student involved in these activities. Any student using alcohol or participating in the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of drugs while on the properties owned or used by Luther Rice Seminary/University will be immediately dismissed. In addition, students involved in such illegal activities are subject to legal prosecution under federal, state, and local law and may be liable for personal injuries or property damage that occur when participating in the above activities.

Luther Rice Seminary/University also considers to bacco to be habit-forming and addictive and strictly prohibits smoking or the usage of other to bacco substances while on any of the campuses or while attending other institution related activities.

#### **ANNUAL SECURITY REPORT**

Prospective students may access a list of various criminal offenses and the occurrence of incidents that have occurred at the LRU main campus from the previous three academic years from the following website. http://www.lru.edu/Content.aspx?page=campus safety&tool=quicklinks.

The Luther Rice Seminary/University main campus security report is available in hardcopy format upon electronic request to studentservices@LRU.edu.



Dr. Ricketson leads discussion during the 2008 Leadership Conference



Graduation is an exciting time for students and their families

# ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

#### ADMISSIONS POLICY

Luther Rice Seminary/University is an Equal Opportunity higher education institution open to any qualified individual without regard to race, religion, sex, age, color, national or ethnic origin, or disability. This non-discriminatory policy includes admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, and other institution administered programs, except where required by specific religious tenets held by the institution.

The prospective student is assessed according to his academic background, personal testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ, and evidence of his Christian faith. In considering applications, the Office of Admissions reviews the prospective student's complete record, recommendation, and personal information. If the prospective student meets the required standard, he is admitted to LRU until he completes his program or becomes inactive (see "Readmission Policies").

Application must be made on the official form or website page furnished by the Office of Admissions. When the necessary information and fee have been received, action will be taken on the application by the Office of Admissions. The applicant will be notified of the decision.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

- 1. Apply online at www.LRU.edu or submit the application found at the back of this catalog with appropriate fee.
- 2. Have official transcripts from each institution attended sent directly to LRU. An official transcript request form is found in the back of this catalog. If more are required, please copy the one found in the back of the catalog.
- 3. Have the completed Christian character reference form sent to LRU.
- 4. Complete the Bible content test online at www.LRU.edu. This diagnostic test is part of the admissions process but does not determine eligibility to enter LRU except at the doctoral level.
- 5. Doctoral students have additional requirements for admission (see p. 18).
- 6. International students have additional requirements for admission (see p. 19).

All required admissions documents must be received before a transcript review and course recommendations are possible.

## ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

#### General

Acceptance to a degree program at LRU will be granted only after evaluation of the application, reference form, Bible knowledge exam, and official transcripts. The application must be accompanied by the appropriate fee (see "Tuition and Fees").

The online application is found at www.LRU.edu. A paper application form is found at the back of this catalog.

The applicant must also have signed that all of the information given is true and that he will adhere to the Standards of Conduct as long as he is a student of LRU. He must affirm his belief in Articles I through XI of the Student's Doctrinal Statement. Further, he must indicate that he has read and will abide by the financial policies of LRU. Finally, he must indicate that he has read and will respect the institution's purpose, philosophy, and objectives. Information proven to be false on the application may result in dismissal.

#### **Applicant File Retention**

Applicant file documents will be retained in the Admissions Office for a period of twelve months. If the prospective student's admission is not finalized in twelve months, the applicant documents will be destroyed.

# **Luther Rice University**

Applicants desiring entrance into the Bachelor degree program must have completed the requirements for a high school diploma, GED, or Ability to Benefit Test. For information regarding the GED, please contact your state Department of Education. Those desiring to enroll without a high school diploma or GED please see the "Ability to Benefit" on Page 23 of the LRU catalog. All applicants are required to complete a standardized Bible content test online.

## **Luther Rice Seminary**

#### Master Programs

All Master programs require satisfactory completion of a Bachelor degree or its equivalent with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 (on a 4.0 point scale). All students are required to complete a standardized Bible knowledge test.

Bachelor degree equivalency is understood in the sense that the applicant has satisfactorily completed 120 semester hours of recognized college level work in which the applicant received at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA (on a 4.0 scale). No Bachelor degree will be awarded to an applicant entering a Master program by equivalency.

## **Doctoral Program**

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A Master of Divinity degree or its equivalent from an accredited graduate school.\*
- An acceptable, verifiable, employment experience in a specific area of career ministry.
- An acceptable, verifiable two year history showing good professional standing, adherence to the fundamentals of the Christian faith, and good Christian character and conduct.
- 4. A cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) in recognized Master-level work.
- 5. An acceptable, verifiable ministry laboratory in which the applicant can pursue the required projects.
- 6. Minimum age of 25 years.
- 7. A score of 100 or better on the standardized Bible content test online.

- 8. A score of 400 or better on the Miller Analogies Test. For a schedule and the test site nearest you, call 1-800-622-3231 or visit www.milleranalogies.com. The test can also be administered on the LRU campus. The LRU institution code for the MAT is 4019. Scores received within the past 3 years will be accepted. D.Min. applicants who are exempt from TOEFL (i.e., those for whom the totality of instruction is offered in the Korean language) are also exempt from the MAT requirement.
- Submission of an acceptable scholarly research paper adhering to the Graduate Committee guidelines (available in the Admissions Office or online a www.lru.edu).
- \* LRU defines M.Div. equivalency as:
  - 1) An acceptable Master degree and
  - 2) A total of 90 semester hours of accredited, graduate-level theological/ministerial course work in which the applicant received a "B" or better.

Applicants who do not meet all of the above criteria, but who have another theological degree of at least 60 semester hours, may enter LRU as a "special student" and make up the deficit hours between their Master degree and the M.Div. (30 hours maximum) by taking specifically assigned Master-level courses from LRU at the regular M.Div. tuition cost. No M.Div. degree will be awarded. Alternatively, one may wish to enroll in the LRU M.Div. program and transfer as many hours as are applicable to the M.Div. degree (60 hours maximum). In this case, the M.Div. degree is awarded and the student applies for entrance into the D.Min. program as outlined above.

# International Admissions

Luther Rice Seminary/University is authorized under federal law to enroll international students. Any person desiring international admission should allow 3-6 months to complete the admissions process. All applicants from non-English speaking schools must supply official transcripts from the school with a certified English translation. Students who have a primary language other than English must certify that they are proficient in the English language.

International students in need of F-1 status must reach final acceptance by completing the initial admissions process and submit the following documentation prior to receiving the I-20:

- \* Student Visa (I-20) Application
- \* Affidavit of Support (notarized) or Letter of Sponsorship
- \* Verification of Funds from Student or Sponsor
  (Note: We cannot accept faxes or unofficial photocopies of financial letters or bank statements. All financial information must be statements with dates no older than 2 months prior to the I-20 application date.)
- \* Copy of Valid Passport
- \* Copy of Current Student Visa (if applicable)
- \* Copy of I-94 Card (if available)
- \* Official TOEFL Scores
- \* I-901 fee processed
- \* \$4,500 (USD) deposit to student account. (The first year of tuition and fees will be debited from this account. Any remaining balance owed must be paid before the start of classes).

Only Cash, Certified Bank Check (USD), or money order will be accepted for this payment.

#### **English Language Competency Requirements**

Proof of English proficiency is required to enter Luther Rice Seminary/University for students whose primary language is not English\*. All applicants who will be studying in the U.S. on an F-1 student visa and have a primary language other than English must verify English language competence. This requirement is a United States Citizen and Immigration Services (USCIS) regulation. Students may verify English competency by providing evidence of completion of either:

- · Completing an authorized English as a Second Language (ESL) program
- Completion of the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).

The TOEFL is the accepted industry standard for English aptitude certification. Each TOEFL exam mode has a separate scoring range, thus the need for three minimum score requirements. The minimum scores for admission are:

TOEFL	Bachelor	Graduate
Paper Based Test	500	550
Computer Based Test	173	213
Internet Based Test	61	79

Prospective students must provide LRU with an official copy of their test results. The TOEFL institution code for LRU is 8489. When the code number is entered on the exam, official test results will be automatically forwarded to LRU. Information on the TOEFL examination can be obtained at www.toefl.org or by writing TOEFL, P. O. Box 6155, Princeton, NJ 08451-6155, USA.

\*D.Min. students who are doing their work and receiving their instruction in Korean are exempt from the TOEFL requirement.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS IN F-1 STATUS

- \* All F-1 students should be enrolled as full-time students each semester throughout their entire program. Students in the bachelor program must maintain four classes each semester (12 hours), and students in the master program must be enrolled in three classes each semester (9 hours). Doctor of Ministry students must be enrolled in 3 credit hours, 12 clock hours per week while completing research or a combination of both. These hours must be maintained and verified to avoid being out of USCIS status.
- \* On campus Courses: Students are required to take a minimum of 9 hours on campus (BAR); graduate students must complete 6 hours on campus (MA, M.Div.). Three (3) additional hours are required and may be completed online or on campus.
- \* Online Courses: Students are not limited to one online course, but no matter how many he/she takes, only one course counts toward maintaining a full course of study. Students must remain active in the online course and complete all course assignments. Attendance is determined by weekly activity and completion of weekly course requirements. Any four week occurrence of inactivity will automatically result in a course grade of "F." This will count as an unauthorized drop below a full course of study in the SEVIS/USCIS system, which may be grounds for termination.

- \* Students are responsible for notifying the International Student Office of any change in their personal information no later than 10 days after the change is implemented. (Example: address, telephone, etc.) The student must also submit US Government form AR-11to report the change.
- \* A student may be recommended for off campus employment after the student has completed one year in his program of study and proves a financial need. Students in F-1 status with a work permit may work twenty hours per week while classes are in session and forty hours per week during vacation periods. Immigration laws prohibit dependents from securing employment.

**Note**: If you are currently a student at another institution and already have an F-1 visa, you need a new I-20 issued by Luther Rice Seminary/University. Therefore, you must submit the I-20 application packet, transfer clearance form, a copy of current visa, I-20, passport, and I-94, along with all other admissions requirements.

Caution: Prospective students are cautioned not to come to the United States on a Visitor's Visa and then attempt to get this changed to a Student Visa once they arrive in this country. The U.S. Immigration Service considers this as coming to the U.S. on false pretenses and may not approve such a request. The only exception is if individuals indicate to the U.S. Consulate in their country in writing that the purpose of a visit to the U.S. is to select a college.

The following terms and conditions are to be understood and adhered to by the Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa student:

- \* All International students are required by law to maintain a full-time student status.
- \* Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa students may engage in research without simultaneously registering for 1 course.
- \* A full time schedule for an F-1 Visa Doctor of Ministry student can include the following scenarios:
  - \* 3 credit hours of course work
  - \* 12 clock hours per week engaged in research with no course registration except Major Ministry Project. This research must be reported in writing and verified by University staff.
  - \* A combination of course work and 12 clock hours per week engaged in research
- \* Doctor of Ministry students must complete 12 clock hours per week engaged in research when not registered for any course work.
- \* Doctor of Ministry students must complete 12 clock hours per week engaged in research when registered for less than 3 credit hours of course work per semester.
- \* Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa students will not be granted extensions to complete research in the United States. The 5 year maximum program completion allotment will be strongly enforced by the Graduate Dean and Graduate Committee members.
- \* All Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa students must submit a weekly or monthly, as determined by student and Advisor, detailed research report while completing Major Ministry Project research regardless of the student course load.
- \* All Luther Rice Seminary/University financial policies and procedures apply to Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa students while registered in course work and/or research.
- \* Doctor of Ministry F-1 Visa students who fail to submit satisfactory, timely, and detailed research reports will be in violation of I-20 maintenance and may be reported in SEVIS.

#### Non-degree Students

A non-degree student is one desiring to take only a limited number of courses for credit, without enrolling in an official degree program. Students wanting to use LRU course credits to transfer to another institution would fall into this category. A non-degree student is coded as a *Special Student* in the LRU computer database.

The process for acceptance as a non-degree student is as follows:

- Submit a completed Special Student Application, along with the application fee, to the Admissions Office.
- 2. Submit an official letter from your current institution's Registrar stating that you are a student in good standing and what program of study you are enrolled, or a copy of the transcript of the highest degree earned. If the student is not currently enrolled in another institution, the most recent post-secondary transcript must be submitted.
- 3. Submit a statement describing your conversion experience, including what a person must do to receive eternal life and when you personally took that step.
- 4. When all the required documents are received by LRU, the application file will be reviewed. You will be notified by mail of your admissions status.

A non-degree student is subject to all current institutional policies, including but not limited to financial, academic, and behavioral requirements.

#### **AUDITS**

An auditor is one desiring to take a limited number of on-campus courses for which credit is not received. Online coursework may not be audited. Auditors pay only a \$100.00 attendance fee per course. Audited courses cannot be converted to courses for academic credits, no exceptions.

## APPEALING ADMISSION DENIALS

When applicants do not meet the regular admission requirements for entrance into an academic program, they will be notified of nonacceptance by the Admissions Office. Such decisions may be appealed by the students who believe that extenuating circumstances are responsible for their failure to meet the requirements for admission. Appeals are to be submitted in writing to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, who will refer the matter to the appropriate faculty committee (i.e., the undergraduate or graduate committee). The committee's decision will be relayed to the appellant by the faculty secretary, and that decision will be final.

Students who enter an academic program through the appeals process, without meeting the regular admissions requirements, may, at the discretion of the appeals committee, be admitted on condition of satisfactory performance in the first year of study. Such students will be notified of the probation or other conditions that apply when the faculty secretary informs them of their acceptance. Failure to fulfill such conditions may result in prolonged probation or dismissal.

#### READMISSION POLICIES

The following students are dropped from active status and are required to complete a reactivation application for readmission:

# Bachelor- and Master-level Students

- Any student who does not complete at least one course in a 12 month time period.
- 2. Any student who does not complete his program within the specified length of time (see "Program Time Limitations").
- 3. Any student who voluntarily withdraws.
- 4. Any student suspended for academic or disciplinary reasons.
- 5. Students who graduate.

Any previous balance owed to LRU must be paid at the time of reactivation.

A student who submits an application for reactivation will reenter his program at the tuition rate and with degree requirements in effect at the time of his reactivation.

If a student had been sponsored, any documentation from a former sponsor is considered void. It is the student's responsibility to request that the sponsor furnish new documentation.

Completed academic work that is older than the maximum program time limitations (see "Program Time Limitations") will not be counted toward degree requirements at reactivation.

#### Doctoral students

- 1. Any student who does not complete his program within the specified length of time (see "Program Time Limitations").
- 2. Any student who misses 3 tuition payments.
- 3. Any student who voluntarily withdraws.
- 4. Any student suspended for academic or disciplinary reasons.

In order for any earlier work and/or payments to be credited at the time of reactivation,

- 1. Students must reactivate with a minimum of 2 years remaining in their program of study, based upon the original date of acceptance into the program, excluding the period of inactivity. Students then have the balance of the 5 years from the original date of acceptance to complete the degree.
- 2. Any previous balance owed to LRU must be paid upon reactivation.
- 3. The reactivating student will reenter at the then current tuition rates and degree requirements.

If all the requirements listed above cannot be met at the time of reactivation, the student must apply to enter the doctoral program as a new student. No earlier academic work or financial payments will be credited toward the degree.

#### ABILITY TO BENEFIT

Those who do not possess a high-school diploma or its equivalent, have not passed the General Education Development (GED) tests, and are beyond the age of compulsory education, may still be able to enroll in undergraduate studies. In order to be accepted as a student under these conditions, the student must demonstrate an ability to benefit from the educational programs offered at LRU.

To determine an ability to benefit, students must take the US Department of Education approved test and achieve passing scores as determined by the DOE. The official test scores must be provided to the Admissions Office, as well as all other admissions documents, before the Applicant file will be reviewed for final approval.

The Ability to Benefit test that Luther Rice Seminary/University utilizes is the ASSET. The required Basic Skills Tests include Reading, Writing and Numerical-forms B2, C2, D2 and E2. Currently, the federally approved passing scores on the test are as follows: Reading (35), Writing (35), and Numerical (33). The test must be administered at an official ACT testing site by qualified personnel.

For information on the test and the nearest testing center, contact American College Testing (ACT) at www.act.org or call 319-337-1000.

#### **CHANGE OF DEGREE**

Graduate students changing degree programs are required to complete a minimum of 12 semester hours in their new program before being eligible for graduation from that program. To change a degree program, please submit a reactivation application with appropriate fee.

#### TRANSFER OF CREDIT

For Bachelor, MA, and M.Div. programs, a student transferring from an approved academic institution may transfer any applicable work for which he received at least a C or higher. An approved academic institution is one which is accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or the US Department of Education, or which LRU recognizes as a legitimate degree-granting institution. LRU recognizes non-accredited institutions based upon an evaluation of their academic catalog, faculty credentials, course offerings, and degree requirements. All courses transferred must have been completed in a timely manner.

For the D.Min. program, transfer of credit for work that received a "B" or better will be allowed, in addition to the above requirements.

In addition to the requirement of a minimum grade on transfer work, each course to be transferred must apply to the student's program of study as indicated on the student's program status sheet.

Credits or degrees from non-accredited academic institutions will be evaluated on an individual basis.

The last 30 hours of any degree must be taken through LRU in order to meet graduation requirements (D.Min. 24 hours).

The following reflects the maximum number of transfer credits possible in each degree program:

BA	90 hours
All MAs	6 hours
M.Div.	60 hours
D.Min.	6 hours

Students desiring to transfer courses to another academic institution should contact the Admissions Office of that institution with regard to its policies on accepting transfer credit. Institutions vary widely on their accreditation requirements and the modes of study that they accept. LRU students should use the information on accreditation (see p. 13 item #1) when contacting other institutions.

Students who need an official transcript sent should contact the Registrar's Office with a written request or by email to Registrar@LRU.edu, and pay the \$5.00 fee. The Request for Transcript forms provide all the information necessary for this. Students who have questions regarding the transfer of credit to LRU should contact the Admissions Office.

#### ADVANCED STANDING

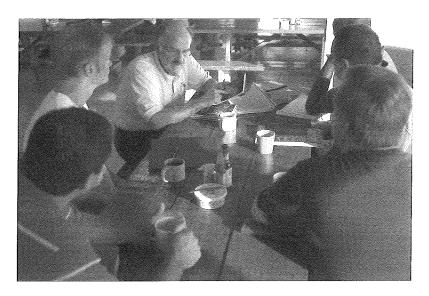
In addition to receiving credit through transfer, Master-level applicants may also receive credit for advanced standing. If an individual applies for one of the Master of Arts degrees or Master of Divinity degree program, the applicant may qualify for credit through advanced standing based upon his or her undergraduate transcript(s) and a score of at least 100 on the Bible content entrance test.

Only those courses taken as part of the applicant's undergraduate program which are equivalent to the corresponding listings in the current LRU catalog will be accepted as advanced standing credits. Further, the applicant must have received a "B" or better in each applicable course. These hours must have been earned at a college or university accredited by an accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) or the US Department of Education, or approved by LRU.

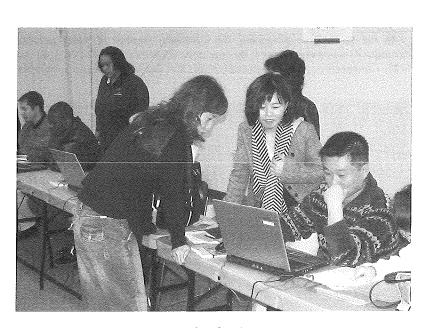
In the MA degree programs, the maximum number of hours possible through advanced standing is 6; the maximum allowable in the M.Div. program is 21. Advanced standing applies only to the MA and M.Div. degree programs.



Luther Rice Students



Luther Rice students on a mission trip to Jamaica receive instructions from Dr. Long



International Student Orientation

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### FINANCIAL POLICY

The generosity of individual donors and churches helps students receive quality professional training at a cost less than that charged by many institutions. The Institution strives to help every student receive the education he desires.

#### TUITION AND FEES

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University Tuition Charge (per semester hour) Technology Fee (per course)	\$ 203.00 45.00
Graduate Division  Master Programs  Tuition Charge (per semester hour)  Technology Fee (per course)	\$ 203.00 45.00
Doctoral Program Tuition Charge (per semester hour) Technology Fee (per course)	\$ 235.00 45.00
Miscellaneous Fees	
Application Fee Change of Program Fee Reactivation Miller Analogy Test Fee 099 Fee (remedial courses) Late Registration Fee (per class) Drop Fee (per course) Extension Fee (per course) Graduation Fee Undergraduate Master programs Doctor of Ministry Late Graduation Application Fee Late Course Fee (courses submitted after due date in year	\$ 50.00 50.00 50.00 50.00 150.00 30.00 10.00 50.00 240.00 275.00 100.00 50.00
of graduation) Replacement Diploma fee Replacement Status Sheet Fee Transcript Fee (each academic or financial aid transcript) Expedited Transcript Fee (processed within one hour) Letter of Certification Fee Lost Student ID Fee Processing Fee (for processing forms generated by entities other than LRU) Payment Plan Processing Fee Stop-check Fee Returned check or declined credit card fee	25.00 50.00 5.00 25.00 5.00 25.00 75.00 25.00 30.00 25.00
Auditor Fee (per course) (Only on-campus courses and modules may be audited.)	100.00

# All fees are non-refundable!

\* For on-campus, online classes, and modules, a late registration fee will be assessed per class in which the student registers after the registration deadline.

#### PAYMENT AND PARTIAL PAYMENT PLANS

All balances are due at the time of registration for classes. Registration is not complete until payment is received. Payments received after the start of late registration are considered late and subject to the late registration fee. Courses added during the late registration period are subject to late fees.

All tuition and fees are due and payable at the time the student registers. Payments may be made by cash, check, or by MasterCard, Visa, Discover card, or American Express. Students should not send cash through the mail.

If an account remains unpaid, LRU reserves the right to inform credit bureaus of past due account and to authorize collection agencies to collect on those accounts. Luther Rice Seminary/University has contracted with a third party vender as their acting collection agencies for selected past due balances. The student will be responsible for any additional cost incurred during the collection process.

Students desiring to make partial tuition payments may authorize up to four monthly partial payments. Luther Rice Seminary/University has contracted NellNet Education Planning to offer multiple payment plans. All payments and terms will be agreed upon by the student at the time the student selects a payment option. The following options will be available for payment plans. NOTE: Payment plans apply to full term classes only. A student may not select a payment for miniterm classes.

- Monthly ACH deductions from 2-4 months. This option will require a fee of \$25 to be paid at registration along with the first month's payment.
- Monthly Credit Card payments from 2-4 four months. This option will require a fee of \$25 to be paid at registration along with the first month's payment.

The following is an example based on a student registering for one class and selecting a partial payment plan as their method of payment.

Tuition per class: \$609

Technology Fee (per class): \$45 Tech fee is non refundable

Payment Plan Fee (per term): \$25.00 Payment plan fee is non refundable

	1st Payment	2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment	3 <sup>rd</sup> Payment	<u>4<sup>th</sup> Payment</u>
2 Months	\$352.00	\$327.00	-	-
3 Months	\$243.00	\$218.00	\$218.00	-
4 Months	\$188.50	\$163.50	\$163.50	\$163.50

**Note:** Potential Financial Aid students who do not complete the financial aid process but are let into class under a specified payment plan are responsible for payment for classes until financial aid funds arrive at the school. If a student selects a partial payment plan, payment will be issued to the 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor directly. The student will not issue payment to Luther Rice Seminary/University.

A charge of \$25.00 will be assessed for all returned checks and refused MasterCard, VISA, Discover or American Express card payments.

Any student who does not pay their bill per the arrangements agreed upon with the partial payment will be withdrawn from all registered classes and will not be allowed to register the following semester until the balance is paid. Unused tuition will be refunded to the students LRU student account minus a \$10.00 drop fee.

#### **Textbooks**

Books are available from MBS Direct, www.mbsdirect.net, 1-800-325-3252, www.amazon.com, or www.half.com

# Tuition (All modes of courses)

The tuition is due at the time of registration. The online preregistration confirmation may be used for billing purposes. All payments will be processed by the Business Office prior to approval for classes. The student name and identification number should accompany all payments.

# **Doctoral Program**

- 1. Upon notification of final acceptance, the student may register for courses at the current tuition and fee rate.
- Reactivation requires academic and financial approval and is subject to the current catalog requirements.

# SPONSORSHIPS: CHURCH, CORPORATE, OR INDIVIDUAL

A student's church, corporation, friends, or relatives may desire to contribute towards the student's education. Payments will be applied to the student's account and may be used for tuition, fees, etc.

A student receiving a sponsorship from a church or corporation may enroll in classes before the sponsor's payment is received as long as LRU has on file a completed "Sponsorship Authorization" form. This form can be obtained at <a href="https://www.LRU.edu">www.LRU.edu</a> or from the Student Accounts Office and must be signed an officer of the sponsoring organization who is not receiving any part of the sponsorship.

For sponsorships from individuals, the funds must be collected in full prior to acceptance into classes. Such designated funds are not tax deductible.

Any payment made toward the student's account should be accompanied with a note indicating the student's name and ID to ensure that it is applied to the correct student. Sponsorship funds placed onto the student's account become the property of the student, and any refund desired by the sponsor must be arranged solely between the student and sponsor.

Sponsorship monies will be held available for use for one year from date of last activity. Beyond the specified time, any unused and unrefunded monies will be applied to the LRU general fund.

NOTE! The student is responsible for any balance due should the sponsor fail to pay. If the balance is not made current, the student may be suspended from classes and not allowed to enroll in any further courses. Also, LRU may authorize collection agencies to collect on any unpaid account.

#### **FINANCIAL APPEALS**

Any student desiring to appeal non-academic decisions may, within 30 days of the decision, do the following:

- Request in writing a hearing with the immediate supervisor of the individual or individuals involved along with all parties present.
- If action is not satisfactory, request in writing a hearing with the President and those individuals present in the first meeting.
- 3. The decision of the President is final.

#### POLICY CONCERNING DONATIONS

Monies given to the Institution by institutions, foundations, churches, or individuals will be used for the purposes for which they were designated.

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#### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Students applying for financial aid are ultimately responsible for their student account regardless of the outcome of their financial aid.

# Federal Financial Aid Programs

Students attending LRU have access to federal student financial aid programs. As directed by the U.S. Department of Education (www.fafsa.ed.gov), federal funds are allotted to the lowest income families first, but funds are also available for middle and upper-income families.

Financial aid is available for bachelor and master-level students enrolled at least half time (6 hours) in courses that apply to their current degree program. Pell Grant recipients can take as few as one course, but this is not recommended because of time limitations for the degree program.

Financial aid is available for doctoral students enrolled in at least one course (3 hours) that applies to their current degree program.

Students are encouraged to complete their financial aid application (Free Application for Federal Student Aid and Virtual Financial Aid Office interview) as soon as possible. Please note applicants must have financial aid information complete 30 days before the start of a term. Students who do not have their financial aid complete at the time of registration will assume personal responsibility for payment, no exceptions.

# **Financial Aid Application Process**

To apply for financial aid, applicants must go to the LRU website (www.LRU.edu) and click on "Financial Aid." Students must then follow the 2-step application process listed on that page. This process entails:

- 1) Completing the 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- 2) Completing the 2009-2010 Virtual Financial Aid Office (VFAO) interview.

The VFAO provides information to the students of where they are in the financial aid process. Students will be contacted via the email that was provided in the VFAO application. The email will ask for needed information from the students and will provide a fax number to which the information needs to be sent. The overall process time minimally takes 2 weeks but could take longer depending on the student's promptness.

#### Grants

Pell Grant - Eligibility depends upon family income and ability to pay. The FAFSA is used to determine the student's eligibility and amount of grant available. The amount awarded depends upon the number of courses taken with the maximum award being \$2,675 per semester. Bachelor students may receive a federal Pell Grant each semester of attendance.

Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG) - This grant is awarded to the neediest students, which are students with a 0 Estimated Family Contribution (EFC). The maximum grant award may vary depending upon the availability of funds and the minimum award to a student is \$100 per year. Bachelor students may receive the FSEOG in the fall and spring semesters.

Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG) - This grant is awarded to first and/or second year bachelor students who meet the various eligibility requirements listed below:

- 1) Pell Grant eligible during the same award year.
- 2) Enrolled at least half-time
- 3) Have completed a rigorous secondary school program of study see <a href="http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/about/ac-smart/state-programs.html">http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/about/ac-smart/state-programs.html</a>) for a list of rigorous secondary school programs by state
  - a. First-year bachelor students must have completed secondary school after January 1, 2006 and not been previously enrolled in an ACGeligible program while at or below age of compulsory school attendance.
  - b. Second-year bachelor students must have completed secondary school after January 1, 2005 and must have a 3.0 cumulative GPA at the end of their first undergraduate year.

If a student qualifies for a grant that does not completely pay for his semester costs, the student is responsible for paying the difference before the first official day of the term. A student can apply for a student loan if additional funds are needed.

## Loans

Federal Stafford Loans - The following loans allow for repayment after graduation. These loans include:

\* Subsidized Stafford Loans - Interest on these loans will be paid by the government while the student is in school.

<u>Dependent</u> <u>Independent</u> (students not claimed as

Freshman - \$3,500 dependents by parents)

Sophomore - \$4,500 Undergraduate:

Junior - \$5,500 Freshman - \$3,500 Senior - \$5,500 Sophomore - \$4,500 Junior - \$5,500 Senior - \$5,500

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Graduate:

Master Level - \$8,500 Doctoral Level - \$8,500

\* Unsubsidized Stafford Loans - Interest on these loans will be paid by the student. The student can pay the interest while in school or allow the interest to roll into the loan, which the student will pay once the payment period begins.

<u>Dependent</u> <u>Independent</u> (students not claimed as Freshman - \$2,000 dependents by parents)

Sophomore - \$2,000 Undergraduate:

Junior - \$2,000 Freshman - \$6,000 Senior - \$2,000 Sophomore - \$6,000 Junior - \$7,000

Junior - \$7,000 Senior - \$7,000

Graduate:

Master Level - \$12,000 Doctoral Level - \$12,000

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\* Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) - The parent of a dependent student may apply for this loan in any amount, not to exceed the student's grade level loan eligibility. The student's parents pay the loan interest.

The funds will be transmitted to the institution's account and then forwarded to the loan recipient's account.

## **Annual Limits**

Undergraduate Graduate

Freshman - \$9,500 \$20,500 Full-time or the cost of Sophomore - \$10,500 attendance, whichever is the least.

Junior - \$12,500

Senior - \$12,500

#### VERIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID

LRU has developed the following policies and procedures regarding the verification of information provided by applicants for Federal aid under the Title IV Programs.

1. Only those students who are selected for verification by the U. S. Department of Education or who have conflicting information in their records will be required

- to submit supporting documentation. A student's file must be resolved before any financial aid may be disbursed, regardless of the student's verification status.
- 2. No Federal Pell Grant or Federal Loan will be disbursed prior to the completion of verification.
- 3. All students selected for verification will be notified in a timely manner and told what supporting documentation is required. At that time the student will be informed of the time parameters and the consequences of not completing the verification cycle. The student will receive notice of the result of the verification process and any other documentation needed. The institution will assist the student in correcting any information that is inaccurate and will notify any student whose award changes. The institution will use as its reference the most recent Verification Guide supplied by the U. S. Department of Education.
- 4. If the student receives an overpayment due to inaccurate or conflicting information on any application and refuses to correct the information or repay the Federal funds, the institution will refer the case to the U. S. Department of Education for resolution. Unless required by the U. S. Department of Education, no Federal financial aid will be disbursed to the student.

#### VETERANS' BENEFITS

LRU is approved by the State Approving Agency for veterans and their dependents. Veterans' benefits are available for all degree programs. Questions should be addressed to the VA or to the Veteran Benefits Representative at Luther Rice. www.Glbill.va.gov.

# Full Refund if Called to Active Duty

Luther Rice Seminary/University will refund 100% of ALL tuition and fees for military personnel who receive orders calling them into active duty and must discontinue studies during the academic semester. Please contact the Student Accounts Office and submit a copy of your official notification.

#### Military Tuition Reimbursement

All military branches have their own methods of tuition reimbursement. Contact the business office for assistance.

#### **Scholarships**

Because of its low tuition rate, LRU believes that all students are enjoying financial assistance to some extent. In addition, faithful stewards underwrite the expense ofministerial training by providing scholarship aid, which is applied toward tuition assistance.

LRU believes that it must exercise good stewardship and wise administration to ensure proper disposition of tuition assistance funds in order to provide maximum benefits to deserving students. Students desiring financial assistance, therefore, must submit a Financial Aid Form to the Financial Aid Office. These forms may be obtained after students receive acceptance into an LRU degree program. Requests should be addressed to the Office of Financial Aid. Each student approved by LRU for financial assistance will be required to reapply annually. LRU reserves the right to reject or review this assistance at any time.

Some of the scholarships that have been established are as follows:

Missionary Scholarship Fund Charles Drake Scholarship Fund Dr. M.D. Hart Scholarship Fund Dick and Mary Boykin Scholarship Fund Dr. Maurice and Virginia Timberlake Scholarship Fund

All of these scholarships support the LRU tuition assistance program. Students must apply for tuition assistance, not for a particular scholarship.

# FINANCIAL AID SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS POLICY

For all students receiving Pell Grant, Stafford Loans, College Work Study, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, and PLUS Loans.

In accordance with the federal regulations under Title IV of the Higher Education Amendments, a student must maintain satisfactory academic progress (SAP) in order to receive financial aid. SAP is measured both qualitatively and quantitatively.

The qualitative aspect entails a student's cumulative grade point average (GPA). The student must have at least a cumulative 2.0 GPA (C average) at the end of each term to be eligible to receive a future financial aid disbursement.

The quantitative aspect addresses the number of completed classes. The student must complete and receive a grade of D or higher in at least 2/3 (66%) of his classes. For example, if a student enrolls in 3 classes in the fall semester and 3 classes in the following spring semester, he must complete and receive a D or higher in at least 4 of those classes (2/3 of 6 total classes = 4 classes). The grades of F, R (Repeat), I (Incomplete), MI (Medical Incomplete), WP (Withdrew Passing), WF (Withdrew Failing), and W (Withdrew) count as non-completion grades and negatively affect the student's SAP. The grades of WD (Withdrawal Drop) and WC (Withdrawal due to Cancel course) do not factor into the completion rate and do not negatively affect the student's SAP.

When a student fails to complete the required 66% of their classes in an academic year, the student will be denied financial aid because they are not maintaining Satisfactory Academic Progress. In order to regain eligibility, a student must take and complete enough classes to obtain a 66% completion rate when these classes are combined with the two prior semesters that caused the failure to maintain SAP. During this period of regaining financial aid eligibility, the student is responsible for paying out of pocket for their classes. (For Example: If a student takes 3 classes in the fall semester and completes 1 of the 3, and in the spring semester takes 3 classes and completes 2 of the 3, the student has a completion rate for the 2 semesters of 50%. With this being less than the required 66%, the student will be denied financial aid. To regain financial aid eligibility, the student must enroll in, and complete, 3 classes, which when combined with the 3 completed classes in the above-mentioned fall and spring semesters, results in a 66% completion rate.

The LRU Financial Aid Office will review the qualitative aspect of a student's satisfactory academic progress at the end of each term and the quantitative aspect at the end of the spring semester of each academic year. If a student fails to make satisfactory academic progress and is consequently denied financial aid, he may submit an appeal (in writing) to the LRU Director of Financial Aid. The appeal should thoroughly explain why the student failed to make academic progress. The decision of the Director is final.

# **Payment**

The first monies to be received--whether grant or loans--will be used to pay the student's obligations to the Institution. There are no exceptions to this rule.

#### Refunds

Students with a surplus/credit on their account must enter a refund request via the LRU website by selecting "My Account" after student login. Refund requests are processed weekly and disbursed by one of three methods.

Method	Delivery Time
* Paper Check	Arrives within 7-10 business days of processing
* ACH Direct Deposit	Arrives within 24 hours of processing (allow for a 4 day pre-note period prior to processing)
* Debit Card	First disbursement: 5-7 business days Second disbursement: Same day as processing

The student is responsible for selecting which method they would prefer for there refund to be processed through. This selection can be made at the following link: <a href="https://www.salliemaebank.com/lru">www.salliemaebank.com/lru</a>. The student will need their LRU username and password to sign in.

Financial Aid refunds that are not requested by the student within 14 days of the monies being placed on the student's account will automatically be disbursed to the student. The student must request a full refund of financial aid money within 14 days of notification or monies will be sent to the student automatically after 14 days.

#### NOTE:

When financial aid recipients receive their student loan checks or their Pell Grant funds and drop all their classes prior to the 60% completion of the semester, this negatively affects the student's financial obligations as well as Luther Rice's. When a student drops classes before 60% completion, the student must pay the unused percentage of their loan/grant back to the financial institution. Luther Rice Seminary/University is also penalized for the unused percentage and must pay a portion back to either the U.S. Department of Education or the appropriate organization or both. The fees paid by Luther Rice in turn will be placed on the student account, no exceptions.

#### ENTRANCE/EXIT COUNSELING

Every student loan applicant must fill out a student loan counseling form. The application process will be through the institution's website www.lru.edu. The purpose for the application is to educate the applicant on their responsibilities and rights as a loan recipient. If a loan recipient drops below half-time, either quarter-time or completely, the recipient must fill out an exit counseling form, even if the loan recipient is returning the next semester. The exit counseling form is a reminder to the loan applicant of their financial obligations. After dropping below half-time the students' six-month grace period begins. There are exceptions to this rule. Dropping

below half-time at any point in the student's loan history, at Luther Rice or any other institution, will deduct from the total of 6 months. Therefore, when the cumulative grace period has been exhausted, the loan goes into repayment immediately.

#### REFUND POLICY

Students who withdraw or are withdrawn from class may be entitled to partial/full tuition refund. After the University has received a student's official drop online, any refund minus a drop fee will be returned to the student's LRU account within 30 days of the date of the drop. A student can request a refund from his/her account online at www.LRU.wedu. (Login and go to "My Account"). Refunds will be dispersed in full.

Classes registered for online must be dropped online. Classes registered for in writing must be dropped in writing. If a class is cancelled by LRU, all tuition and technology fees will be reimbursed and no drop fees will be assessed.

# On-Campus, Online, Modular, and Independent Study Courses

- If a student withdraws from class before the first day of the term, the student will receive a refund of 100% tuition and technology fee minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class within the first 7 calendar days of the term, the student will receive a refund of 100% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class between the 8th and 24th calendar days of the term, the student will receive a refund of 75% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- 4. If a student withdraws from class between the 25th and 49th calendar day of the term, the student will receive a refund of 50% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class on or after the 50th calendar day of the term, the student will receive no refund and will incur a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.

# Mini-Term Classes

- 1. If a student withdraws from class before the first day of the mini term, the student will receive a refund of 100% tuition and technology fee minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class within the first 3 calendar days of the term the student will receive a refund of 100% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class between the 4th and 12th calendar day of the term the student will receive a refund of 75% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class between the 13<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> calendar day of the term the student will receive a refund of 50% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- If a student withdraws from class after the 24th calendar day of the term, the student will receive no refund and will incur a drop fee. All other fees are nonrefundable.

# Friday and Saturday Classes (that meet for only 5 sessions)

- If a student withdraws from class before the first day of the term, the student will receive a refund of 100% tuition and technology fee minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- 2. If a student withdraws from class on or after the 1st day of class but prior to the 2nd day of class, the student will received a refund of 90% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- 3. If a student withdraws from class on or after the 2nd day of class but prior to the 3rd day of class, the student will receive a refund of 50% tuition minus a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.
- 4. If a student withdraws from class on or after the 3rd day of class, the student will receive no refund and will incur a drop fee. All other fees are non-refundable.

#### Fees

All fees are non-refundable.

#### REACTIVATION FEES

A reactivation fee will be charged to a student reactivating into a particular degree program. A reactivating student is one who has become inactive and is applying to re-enter LRU on the same academic level as his earlier application.

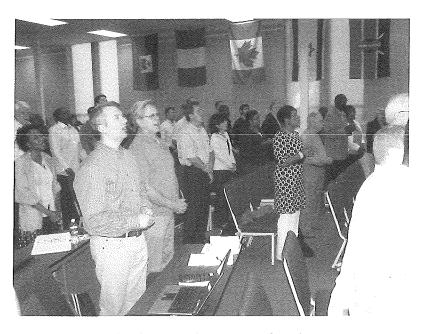
A student applying for a higher degree program (after graduating from any degree program) will be assessed the reactivation fee. Reactivating students and students changing degree programs enter the new program at the current tuition rate. Students will be responsible for any past due balance upon acceptance of reactivation. The students tuition rate will be determined by the semester in which he/she reactivates.

#### AUDITS

An auditor is one desiring to take a limited number of on-campus courses for which credit is not received. Auditors pay only a \$100.00 attendance fee per course. Audit fees are nonrefundable. A class may not be "upgraded" from audit to credit, no exceptions. Only on campus courses may be audited. Online courses may not.



Group of Luther Rice International Students



Chapel is a time of inspiration and worship

# ACADEMIC INFORMATION

#### **GENERAL**

On-campus, online (web-based), and hybrid (on-campus/online) classes are offered throughout the year in fall, spring, and summer terms.

#### PLACEMENT TESTS

- 1. Luther Rice Seminary/University requires all students who do not transfer an introductory English class and a college-level class in mathematics to take English and Mathematics placement tests.
- 2. Any student failing a placement test must take the 099 course in that discipline. These courses are non-credit courses designed to bring the student up to minimum academic standards. The student will be charged a \$150 fee for each 099 course.

# BEGINNING WORK AT LUTHER RICE

The following procedures show the general steps a student takes to begin work at LRU.

- 1. After acceptance, the student will receive a letter of acceptance and a Status Sheet with all transfer hours noted on it. The student should register for only those courses which will satisfy the requirements of that Status Sheet (one may register for other courses, but they will not count toward fulfillment of the degree requirements without special permission from the administration).
- 2. The student should keep in touch with an academic advisor, especially if any problems develop (1-770-484-1204).
- 3. For questions concerning finances, the student should contact the Business Office (1-800-442-1577).
- 4. For questions concerning course materials, the student should contact the Book Service (1-800-442-1577) or MBS Direct (1-800-325-3252 and online at www.MBSDirect.net).
- For questions concerning acceptance, the student should contact the Office of Admissions by email at Admissions@LRU.edu or by phone (1-800-442-1577).
- 6. For questions concerning academic status, the student should contact the Registrar's Office (1-770-484-1204) or by email at Registrar@LRU.edu.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

# Registration Log-In

After accessing our website at www.LRU.edu, click on Class Browser to see what classes are available. After viewing the schedule and deciding what courses you want to take, click Student Login. You will have to enter your Student ID# and a password. After selecting your courses, you will need to enter payment information. If problems arise, contact us at 770-484-1204 or 800-442-1577. Computers are available at LRU for local students who do not have access to one.

# On-Campus Courses

Prior to the beginning of each semester, on-campus students are required to complete the registration process at our website www.LRU.edu. No person is registered until all tuition and appropriate fees are paid.

Specific dates are assigned for registration each semester. Students registering for classes after the deadline must pay a Late Registration Fee per course. No student may register for on-campus classes after the second week of classes.

#### Online Courses

Students taking online courses are required to register online by visiting www.LRU.edu. Online courses begin and end with the on-campus semester dates. Professors will forward information to students concerning their online classes once the students are registered. If you do not receive information within two days after you have registered and paid for all tuition and fees, contact the Distance Education office (1-800-442-1577).

Specific dates are assigned for registration each semester. Students registering for classes after the deadline must pay a Late Registration Fee per course. No student may register for online classes after the second week of classes.

# **Extended Module (Hybrid) Courses**

Students taking extended modules are required to register at our website www.LRU.edu. Students must register no later than 30 days prior to the start of each extended module. No late registration is available for module courses.

## ADVISORS

All Bachelor and Master students may contact advisors in the Academic Advising Office (AAO) for assistance. Doctoral students are assigned a specific faculty member as an advisor. The advisors are available to guide and counsel students throughout their academic program. It is the student's responsibility to fulfill the requirements of the degree program and to maintain a current Status Sheet.

The AAO can assist students in these areas: choosing the appropriate classes in any mode to meet their academic goals, counseling students in case of academic problems, advising students regarding the transfer of credits into or out of LRU and the use of CLEP credits. AAO is available by phone at 770-484-1204 or 800-442-1577 during normal business hours. The student may also email the AAO at AAO@LRU.edu.

#### STATUS SHEETS

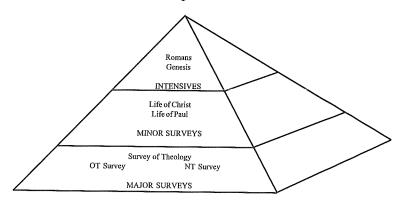
The individual degree program "Status Sheet" is an important tool. Understanding its usefulness is basic inplanning and fulfilling an ordered process of studies. Students are required to maintain an up-to-date status sheet throughout their degree program. A Status Sheet specifically expresses the requirements for graduation for each degree program. There is a replacement fee for a lost status sheet, so please retain the status sheet throughout the entire course of study.

After acceptance, the student receives the appropriate Status Sheet. It reflects the total hours required for the degree as well as the credits needed in each appropriate subject area, including the required courses.

If transfer credits have been accepted, they are recorded in given subject areas with the number of hours for each course. Some adjustments, such as quarter hours being assigned their equivalent in semester hours, may be made.

It is the student's responsibility to fulfill the requirements of the Status Sheet; the advisor only provides guidance. The course work selected (other than the required courses) must fulfill the academic requirements and should be in accordance with the student's own needs. Options may be available as to where a particular course could be placed on the Status Sheet. In such a case, the student should contact an academic advisor and discuss the options. This will also ensure that the student and the advisor have identical course placements. A copy of the completed Status Sheet must accompany an Application for Graduation. The Application for Graduation is considered incomplete without an accompanying completed Academic Status Sheet. In that case a Replacement Status Sheet fee will be added to the graduation fee.

# RECOMMENDED COURSE SEQUENCING



When planning the sequence of courses to complete a degree, the LRU faculty recommends that the student begin by establishing the broad-based courses of study (shown on the diagram as "Major Surveys"). These will fit easily within each required area of any program and will provide a solid foundation for later work.

Following the Major Surveys, the student should then select various courses which build upon those broad studies in more specific areas (the "Minor Surveys" on the chart). These will then sharpen the focus of what has been learned from the Major Surveys.

After completing a Major Survey (e.g., OT Survey) and a Minor Survey (e.g., Major Prophets), the student would be well prepared to take an "Intensive" course (e.g., Isaiah).

One should note that this is only a suggested plan of approach from the faculty. The student is not required to follow this plan in strict detail. Any specific questions should be addressed to the student's advisor.

#### MODES OF CREDIT

Students may earn credit toward a degree through any combination of the following modes:

# On-Campus Courses (-I)

On-campus semester courses normally meet in 3-hour sessions. Each course meets once weekly for 15 weeks in the fall, spring, or summer term. Other formats, such as semi-monthly and weekend classes are also provided to meet the needs of students unable to meet each week.

# Online Courses (-W)

Online studies are offered simultaneous to on-campus studies lasting 15 weeks each term. Throughout the term, students interact with faculty and with other students via email and Web bulletin boards. The online coursework is accomplished via the Internet through Blackboard. The courses are asynchronous, meaning students do not have to be online at the same time as their professor or their classmates. Attendance is verified by week online activity.

# Extended Modular (Hybrid) Courses (-C)

Extended Modular studies provide students an opportunity to complete courses through a combination of classroom and online work. The typical extended modular consists of one week in the classroom along with pre-classroom and post-classroom academic work submitted online during the regular 15 week semester. Modules coincide with the on-campus schedule.

# Independent Studies (-Y)

Luther Rice Seminary/University recognizes the importance of providing students with opportunities for working independently and accepting responsibility for their own learning. Such experiences help students develop the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for lifelong learning. It also provides an avenue for them to demonstrate "the skills of doing independent research that reflects critical thinking and spiritual perception," an important objective of LRU.

Independent Studies may be defined as study (being pursued for course credit) which is under the direct supervision of an appropriate faculty member but is not done in conjunction with a regularly scheduled class. The following guidelines apply:

- A. From 1-3 hours of credit may be granted per approved Independent Study.
- B. Cumulative credit through Independent Study is limited to 12 hours for the BA program, 6 hours for the MA programs, 15 hours for the M.Div. program, and 6 hours (electives only) for the D.Min. program.
- C. Independent Study must be requested in advance, using the proper request form provided by the Registrar's Office.
- D. Independent Study should correspond to (be compatible with) existing institution curriculum, i.e., numbers and titles should normally correspond to particular courses (instead of general listings such as "Topical Studies").
- E. Independent Study must include appropriate objectives and means of assessment in order to ensure equivalency with work done in other modes.
- F. Independent Study includes mutually agreed upon meetings (in person, online, or via phone) between the student and the supervising faculty member. While the directing faculty member must offer enough guidance to set the student on a fruitful path of study, both the student and the faculty director must remember that the student is involved in independent course work.
- G. Independent Study requests must be approved in advance by the student's advisor, the directing faculty person, and the appropriate Dean.
- H. Independent Study requests will generally be approved only if the course is required for graduation and is not going to be offered on a regular schedule prior to graduation.
- Independent Study requests must be made prior to the beginning of a regular semester and the student must register for the class (once approved) during normal registration periods.

# ONLINE TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS

Students taking online classes must have access to the following technology:

# **Hardware**

- 1.2 GHz or greater Intel Pentium, Celeron, or Centrino, or AMD Athlon processors
- 256 MB Ram or more
- 10 GB Hard Drive or larger

## Software

- Windows XP SP2 or higher
- Microsoft Office 2000 or later (Word, Excel, and Powerpoint are the required applications)
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 6.0 or higher
- Adobe Acrobat Reader
- · Java Run Time Environment
- · Windows Media Player

# **Internet Connection**

- High Speed Internet 128 kbps or higher via DSL, cable modem, or broadband
- Email Address (now provided by Luther Rice for current students)

# COLLEGE LEVEL EXAMINATION PROGRAM

LRU accepts CLEP (College Level Examination Program) scores that meet the American Council on Education recommendations for undergraduate credit. The tests require a fee and can be taken at various locations (see www.collegeboard.com/clep). The scores must be sent directly to LRU to be accepted and must be comparable to the LRU degree requirements. For more information on what CLEP tests could be accepted at LRU, contact the Academic Advising Office. All CLEP tests must be taken at least one year prior to the student's anticipated graduation date.

#### COURSE TIME LIMITATIONS

# 1. On-Campus and Online Courses

The student is to complete all assigned work within the semester.

When a student receives an Incomplete for a semester grade, the "I" will become an "F" after 30 days unless a change of grade has been submitted by the professor.

A student receiving a Medical Incomplete ("MI") may be allowed more than 30 days to complete the course requirements. Documentation from the treating physician will be considered in the determination of time limits.

# 2. Extended Modulars and Independent Studies

- a. Postcourse assignments for modules are due at the close of the semester.
- b. Work done for independent study is due as agreed upon by the student and the directing faculty member; however, under normal circumstances, independent study work must be completed within 15 weeks.
- c. For each of these modes, an extension of no more than 3 months may be given upon written request by the student. The request must include the reasons an extension has become necessary. Extensions will be granted only because of unavoidable circumstances. An extension fee will be charged if the request is granted. No more than one extension per course is allowed.

#### PROGRAM TIME LIMITATIONS

The minimum and maximum time limitations for the following degrees are effective upon acceptance by LRU into the particular degree program.

2-10 years

3-5 years

# College Division

BA degree

D.Min. (30 hours)

Graduate Division	
MA degrees (36 hours)	1-3 years
M.Div. degree (90 hours)	2-7 years

Any student exceeding these program time limitations must reactivate and will be required to complete the degree program under the published guidelines set forth in the catalog in effect when he reactivates into the program. For more information, see "Readmission Policies." All D.Min. students will be under the current policies on the date of reactivation.

#### CLASS ATTENDANCE

- 1. The student attending modules must attend all class meetings.
- 2. The student attending on-campus and/or online classes is required to attend at least 80% of the class meetings for each course in which he is enrolled. For semester-long on-campus or online courses, this means that a maximum of three class periods may be missed. Any student who misses more than 20% of the meetings will receive a "W," "WP," or "WF." Exceptions may be made only in cases of extreme circumstances and only with the approval of the Academic Dean. To confirm that one is active in an online class, a person must login to the course website at least once every week (prior to midnight each Sunday).
  - a. Absences should be taken only for important and necessary reasons.
  - b. The student is held responsible for absences due to late registration. Consequently, a student is not permitted to enroll for a course after the second full week of classes.
  - c. A professor will report to the Registrar any student who:
    - (1) Habitually comes in tardy or leaves early;
    - (2) Misses the whole class session three weeks in succession;
    - (3) Misses 20% or more of the classes for a particular course.
  - d. Each professor will employ the following rules for determining absences:
    - (1) Only tardiness of less than 15 minutes may be counted as a tardy;
    - (2) Three tardies count as one absence;
    - (3) Tardiness of more than 15 minutes counts as one hour of absence.
  - e. Excessive absences could affect the I-20 status of an international student. Such absences also result in one being required to repay any financial aid received as well as any additional charges incurred by LRU.

#### OFFICIAL CLASS ATTENDANCE

Students must be on the official class roll to be counted as present in a class. If a student is not officially registered for a course, he cannot be counted as present in a class. To be registered for a course, the student must be cleared through the student accounts office. Pre-registration on the website is not official until payment for the course is made or a third party paying the fee is approved. If a registration is approved after the actual start of the course, the class sessions the student attended prior to registration finalization will be deemed absences. These absences will be counted in the semester total and will be subject to the current institutional attendance policies.

#### GRADING SCALE

Undergradi	<u>iate</u>	<u>Graduate</u>	
91-100	Α	95-100	Α
81-90	В	88-94	В
71-80	$\mathbf{C}$	78-87	C
60-70	D	<b>7</b> 0-77	D
Below 60	F	Below 70	F

# GRADES, GRADE POINTS, & GRADE POINT AVERAGE

- 1. In order for a student to receive credit for a course, the student's name must appear on the official class roster provided by the Registrar's Office. Instructors verify their class rosters during the first week of a semester. A student who remains on an official class roster must be given a grade even if he or she never attended. A student cannot receive a grade even if the work was completed successfully if he or she is not properly registered.
- 2. All work is graded by letters which are interpreted as follows (including grade points for each semester hour):

<u>GRADE</u>	<b>MEANING</b>	GRADE POINT PER SEMESTER HOUR
A	Excellent	4
В	Good	3
C	Average	2
D	Poor	1
$\mathbf{F}$	Failure	0
R	Repeat	-
S	Satisfactory	-
* U	Unsatisfactory	-
N	Audit	-
I	Incomplete	~
MI	Medical Incomplete	-
WD	Withdrawal Drop	-
WP	Withdrew Passing	•
WF	Withdrew Failing	0 .
W	Withdrew	-
WC	Withdrawal due to C	Cancel course

*R*--This indicates the course was repeated.

\* *U*--This indicates additional work must be done to receive a passing grade. A "U" will become an "F" in 60 days if the work is not satisfactorily completed in that time period.

*N*--This grade is assigned only to those who audit a class. No arrangements may be made at a later date to change the grade to one allowing course credit.

*I*--This grade may be assigned only if the student has been unable to complete the course because of unavoidable circumstances. The reason for an "Incomplete" must be approved by the professor of the course and shall be noted on all grade reports. A course in which the student received a grade of "I" must be completed within 30 days after the end of a semester unless special permission is granted by the instructor and the Dean. Failure to complete the work within those time limits will result in a grade of "F." Merely failing to complete the work on time is not a legitimate justification for the use of "I." If the grade of "I" has not been officially changed within 30 days, the grade will automatically be changed to "F."

*MI*--This grade is an "Incomplete" assigned due to medical concerns. The same considerations given above for an "I" apply to the "MI" except that the 30 day time limit might be extended based upon recovery time required for the illness, accident, etc.

WD--During the first week of a class, a student may drop a course without academic penalty. These courses will show a grade of "WD" on the institution's internal database but will not be printed on outgoing transcripts. These courses will not be calculated on the cumulative grade point average.

WP--This indicates that the student is withdrawing as passing. This grade has no bearing on the student's GPA.

WF--This indicates that the student is withdrawing as failing. The grade of "WF" will be calculated as part of the student's GPA.

W--This indicates that the student has officially withdrawn from the institution. A "W" is not calculated as part of the student's GPA.

- The faculty may record a plus or minus after each passing grade where appropriate. This recording will be placed on the student's permanent record but will in no way affect the student's GPA.
- 4. Only courses taken at LRU are used in computing a student's GPA.
- 5. A change in a recorded grade (other than the grade of "I") may be made by an instructor only with the approval of the Dean. The Dean will recognize as justification for a change of grade only the fact that the professor made a grade calculation or recording error. A request for such change must be made in writing.

#### **COURSE LOAD**

#### **Full-time Students**

An on-campus student must carry at least 12 hours per semester to be considered a full-time undergraduate student. A full-time graduate student must carry at least 9 hours per semester. A semester load of more than 15 hours in the College or 12 hours in the Seminary requires permission of the appropriate Dean.

#### Students on Probation

No student (undergraduate or graduate) on probation may take more than 12 hours of course work in a semester.

## **Distance Learning Students**

Distance learning takes place through online, extended modular, and independent study. The distance education student may take courses through one or a combination of these modes or regular on campus courses. Like the on-campus student, the distance learner must carry at least 12 hours per semester to be considered a full-time undergraduate student. A full-time graduate student must carry at least 9 hours per semester. A semester load of more than 15 hours in the College or 12 hours in the Seminary requires permission of the appropriate Dean.

#### GRADE REPORTS AND CORRECTED COURSE RETURN PROCEDURES

# **On-Campus and Online Courses**

The grade will be posted online within 30 days after the completion of the semester.

# Independent Studies

It is strongly recommended that the student taking an independent study course keep a copy of all the work submitted.

After an independent study course has been received by LRU, the student will be notified of the grade within 1 month (2 months for D.Min. submissions). The student should record the grade on the Status Sheet.

In addition to the grade report being sent, LRU will forward a corrected copy of the student's course work. The following procedures will be used:

When any course work is submitted:

- The student should enclose a 10 x 13 manila envelope (or larger mailer if necessary), self-addressed, with sufficient postage affixed. The evaluator will enclose the corrected submission and return it to the student with a copy of the grade.
- 2. If no self-addressed, postage-paid envelope is enclosed, LRU will return the materials to the student with the copy of the grade. LRU will then bill the student's account \$10.00 or postage plus \$3.00, whichever is greater.

There may be some modification to this policy for foreign students.

# WORK IN OTHER INSTITUTIONS

Students are not permitted to transfer credit from work completed at other institutions when the work is done concurrently with the work done at LRU unless permission is granted in advance by the appropriate Undergraduate or Graduate Dean.

#### ADD/DROP PROCEDURES

When courses are dropped, LRU will follow the refund policy stated under "Refund Policy." When a course is officially cancelled by the institution 100% of the tuition and Technology fee will be refunded and no drop fee will be charged.

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#### On-Campus, Online, and Extended Modular Courses

- 1. No classes may be added after the second week of classes.
- 2. During the first week courses may be dropped without effecting one's GPA. These courses will not be recorded on the student's outgoing transcript.
- Courses dropped after the first week but before the eleventh week will be recorded as "WP" (Withdrawal Passing) or "WF" (Withdrawal Failing), depending on the student's grade at the time the course is dropped.

- All courses dropped in the last four weeks of a term will be recorded as an "F", except in extreme circumstances subject to approval of the professor and the Dean.
- 5. Students are required to officially drop a course to be withdrawn. Notifying the professor of the intended drop DOES NOT withdraw one from the course officially. Official course drops are done through the *My Classes* page after logging into www.LRU.edu.

# **Independent Study Courses**

- 1. If a student officially drops an independent study course in writing within 31 days after he registers, that course will not appear on the student's transcript.
- 2. If a course is officially dropped after 21 days, but within 15 weeks, the grade of "WP" or "WF" will be assigned, depending on the student's grade at the time the course is dropped.
- 3. If a course is not completed and not officially dropped prior to the due date, the grade of "F" will be assigned. If a student chooses to repeat a course, he or she must re-register for that course and be billed again at the current tuition rate.

#### COURSE CANCELLATIONS

For on-campus and online courses, LRU will notify students within one week after classes begin if the course is to be cancelled. All tuition and course-related fees will be refunded. In addition, no late fee will be charged to replace the dropped class with another class. Textbook refunds are the student's sole responsibility.

#### WITHDRAWAL FROM THE INSTITUTION

If a student finds it necessary to withdraw from LRU, the student must notify the Registrar's Office in writing or via email at Registrar@LRU.edu.

In order to withdraw from LRU, the student must have made satisfactory financial arrangements with the Business Office.

No withdrawal becomes official until each of the requirements listed above has been satisfied. Failure to make official withdrawal may disqualify the student for reactivation at a later time.

# ACADEMIC PROBATION, SUSPENSION, AND DISMISSAL

The GPA for online students will be calculated at the same time that it is calculated for on-campus students. The summer term will be counted as part of the spring semester. The student will be notified in writing by the Registrar's Office of any action involving probation, suspension, or dismissal.

#### 1. Bachelor and Master Degree Programs

#### Probation:

If a student fails to maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA for two consecutive semesters, he or she will be placed on academic probation.

A student will be allowed to continue on a semester-by-semester basis under the condition that he maintain a 2.0 GPA each semester. When the student's cumulative GPA reaches 2.0 or better, he or she will be removed from academic probation.

# Suspension:

While on probation, if a student fails to maintain a 2.0 GPA in any semester, he or she will be suspended for 1 semester.

After the period of suspension, a student may re-enroll on probation. The above probation procedures will be followed.

#### Dismissal:

Upon reaching the point of being suspended the second time, the student will be dismissed from the institution.

A student who has been dismissed may not make application to reactivate for at least 1 year. Reactivation is not guaranteed.

# 2. D.Min. Degree Programs

#### Probation:

AD.Min. student whose GPA falls below 3.0 will be placed on academic probation. No credit will be awarded for courses that receive a grade lower than B.

A student on academic probation will be allowed to continue on a course-by-course basis under the condition that he earns at least a "B" for each course. When the student's cumulative GPA reaches 3.0 or better, he will be removed from academic probation.

# Suspension:

While on probation, if a student fails to maintain a 3.0 GPA in any semester, he will be suspended for 1 semester.

After the period of suspension, a student may resume his coursework on probation. The above probation procedures will be followed.

#### Dismissal:

Upon reaching the point of being suspended the second time, the student will be dismissed from the institution.

A student who has been dismissed may not make application to reactivate for at least 1 year. Reactivation is not guaranteed.

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# 3. Academic Integrity

a. Plagiarism: According to the American Heritage Dictionary, 2nd College Edition, plagiarism is defined as taking and using "as one's own the writings or ideas of another." Plagiarism shall include failure to use quotation marks or other conventional markings around material quoted from another source. Plagiarism shall also include paraphrasing a specific passage from a source without indicating accurately what that source is. Plagiarism shall further include letting another person compose or rewrite a student's written assignment.

- b. Falsifying Information:
  - \* Forging a proctor's name.
  - \* Submitting another's work as one's own.
  - \* Providing false or misleading documentation.
- c. Other Forms of Academic Dishonesty:
  - \* During examinations, academic dishonesty shall include referring to written information not specifically condoned by the instructor or syllabus. It shall further include receiving written or oral information from a fellow student or proctor.
  - \* Academic dishonesty shall include stealing, buying, selling, or transmitting a copy of any examination.

Any student proven to have committed any of the above will receive an "F" for the course and will receive an academic warning. If the student is proven to have been guilty a second time, he or she will be dismissed.

#### ACADEMIC APPEALS

Any student desiring to appeal a grade received may, within 30 days of the grade being given, do the following:

- 1. An on-campus student must make an appointment with the professor of the class to discuss the issue.
  - A distance learning student must telephone or email the professor involved to discuss the issue.
- 2. After discussing the issue with the professor, the student must submit a written request to the professor for re-evaluation of the grade in question.
- 3. If the issue is not resolved satisfactorily, the student must address a written appeal to the Dean of the College if an undergraduate student and to the Dean of the Graduate School if a graduate student.
- 4. The decisions of the Academic Dean are final.

If the student desires to make an academic appeal based on extenuating circumstances, the following should be noted:

Consideration will be given to students who demonstrate in writing extenuating circumstances that hinder the completion of, or require withdrawal from, an on-campus class or on-campus classes. Other modes of study for completion of the on-campus class or on-campus classes will be included in the consideration.

Extenuating circumstances will include, but not be limited to, the following: death in a student's immediate family, crisis with a student's employment, prolonged serious illness of a student or a student's immediate family member, serious accident suffered by a student or a student's immediate family member, a student suffering a natural disaster, a military student's deployment or work.

In all cases which affect a student's immediate family member (except in the case of the death of a student's immediate family member), the phrase "immediate family member" will include a student's spouse, child, father, mother, father-in-law, or

mother-in-law. In the case of the death of a student's immediate family member, the phrase "immediate family member" will, in addition to the preceding, also include a student's brother or sister.

#### NON-ACADEMIC APPEALS

Any student desiring to appeal non-academic decisions may, within 30 days of the decision, do the following:

- Request in writing a hearing with the immediate supervisor of the individual or individuals involved along with all parties present.
- 2. If action is not satisfactory, request in writing a hearing with the President and those individuals present in the first meeting.
- 3. The decision of the President is final.

#### STUDENT GRIEVANCE POLICY

Luther Rice Seminary/University students who have a complaint about any aspect of their experience at the institution should follow the steps below. All requests will be handled confidentially.

- 1. In accordance with the teaching of Jesus (Matthew 18), the student who has a grievance should first try to resolve the issue with the party or parties involved. This may be done through written correspondence, by phone, or in a face-to-face meeting. If the issue is satisfactorily resolved by such a process, no other action is required.
- 2. If such a "Summary Disposition" as is detailed in item 1 above does not settle the issue, the student should submit the complaint in writing to <a href="studentservices@lru.edu">studentservices@lru.edu</a> or mail it to Student Services Luther Rice Seminary/ University, 3038 Evans Mill Road, Lithonia, Georgia 30038. The complaint must include detailed information, including specific dates, times, and the people involved, as well as an account of how the student has sought to resolve the issue up to this point (including copies of all correspondence to and from the parties involved.). The complaint will be submitted to the appropriate administrator by Student Services.
- 3. The appropriate LRU administrator will review the complaint and send a response to the student within 7 business days. If the student does not believe the complaint was handled properly he/she may submit the complaint in writing including the details from step 2 to the Administrative Council by emailing it to <a href="mailto:studentservices@lru.edu">studentservices@lru.edu</a> or mailing it to <a href="mailto:studentservices@lru.edu">studentservices@lru.edu</a> or mailing it to <a href="mailto:studentservices\_Luther-Rice Seminary/University">studentservices@lru.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:studentservices\_Luther-Rice Seminary/University">studentservices\_Luther-Rice Seminary/University</a>, 3038 Evans Mill Road, Lithonia, Georgia 30038.</a>
- 4. If, after the above steps have been taken, the student does not believe that the complaint was handled properly by the institution, he/she should contact the accrediting agency, Transnational Association of Christian Colleges and Schools at Post Office Box 328, Forest, Virginia 24551, 434-525-9539, or info@tracs.org.

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# REMEDIATION POLICY

LRU is aware of the difficult conditions under which some students have to study. If there is anything that a student cannot grasp or which requires further clarification, the student is encouraged to consult his or her advisor or the Director of Student Services.

# English as a Second Language

A student who practices English as a second language is required to pass the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) as a part of his or her entrance requirements.

# Remedial Programs

Except in the disciplines of English and Mathematics, LRU does not provide a remedial program for a student who is admitted and finds that he or she cannot work on the expected level of his degree program.

# Repeating a Course

LRU follows a non-punitive course of remediation in which a student may repeat a course that was taken at LRU and received a grade of "F" and have only the second grade calculated in the cumulative grade point average. The course repeated will have the original grade replaced with an "R" and a new course entry will be placed on the transcript showing the second grade.

#### MAKE-UP POLICY

Students are expected to take all quizzes, tests, and examinations and to submit all papers and assignments on the day and hour announced. Exceptions may be made in the case of serious illness or a death in the family, but the responsibility rests with the student to make arrangements with the professor to make up the work.

For those parts of a course submitted or taken late for reasons other than serious illness or a death in the family, make-up privileges are at the discretion of the professor.

#### GRADUATION

## Graduation Requirements

- 1. Bachelor and Master of Divinity Degree Programs
  - a. Satisfactory completion of the semester hour and course distribution requirements of the degree program.
  - b. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
- 2. Master of Arts Degree Programs
  - a. Satisfactory completion of the semester hour and course distribution requirements of the degree program.
  - b. A minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.
- 3. D.Min. Program
  - a. Satisfactory completion of the semester hour and course distribution requirements of the degree program.
  - b. A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0.

#### **Graduation Procedures**

Students planning to graduate within 12 months must follow the procedures listed below:

- 1. It is the student's responsibility to request an Application for Graduation.
- 2. All applicants living within the state of Georgia <u>must</u> attend the commencement exercises held in Metro Atlanta in May. Applicants living outside the area of mandatory attendance are strongly encouraged to attend.
- 3. All graduation fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- 4. Along with the Application for Graduation, the student must submit the appropriate graduation fee and a completed copy of his Status Sheet in order to graduate. This Status Sheet will be reviewed <u>and</u> verified by the Graduation Committee.
- 5. To avoid a late charge, the deadline for submitting an Application for Graduation and appropriate fee is **February 1** of the year in which the student plans to graduate. A late fee of \$100 will be charged on all applications submitted after February 1. No applications will be processed after March
  - 1. Delivery of graduation regalia and diplomas in time for the commencement exercises is guaranteed only if applications are received by February 1.
- 6. A student may receive a Letter of Completion before the May commencement exercises if he meets the following criteria. The diploma itself will be dated May, and will be awarded only in May.
  - a. The student must have submitted an Application for Graduation and the graduation fee by the deadlines stated above.
  - b. All academic work must be submitted by April 1 for May graduation.
- 7. There is also a Late Course Fee for each course needed for graduation received after April 1 of the graduation year. No courses will be accepted after April 15 of the graduation year.

#### **Graduation Week**

Commencement exercises are held only in May, on the Friday following Mother's Day.

#### Commencement Attendance

Attendance at commencement is mandatory for every student residing in the state of Georgia. Absences will be granted only for extreme emergencies and must be approved by the Board of Trustees. Though a student may complete his work earlier, he must attend the May exercises if he resides in the area of mandatory attendance. If a student does not attend graduation exercises, except for an approved emergency, he must reapply the following year, pay the current graduation fee again, and attend graduation. A diploma cannot be received until attendance at the graduation exercises. If a student has completed all the requirements for his degree program, but has not graduated, a Letter of Completion can be obtained from the Registrar's Office.

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# **TRANSCRIPTS**

1. Transcripts are released only to the student or to another institution at the student's written request. Official transcripts are sent only to other institutions, not to the student. Transcripts will be provided for a fee of \$5.00 for each address to which the transcript is sent.

- 2. A transcript will not be released until all accounts are paid in full.
- 3. Request for transcripts must be in writing. There is a 3-5 day turn-around time after transcripts are requested. During peak times of the year, the turn-around time could be 5-10 days. For an expedited transcript, the fee is \$25.00 and will be processed within one hour of request.

# RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS

Bachelor and Master-level students may complete their degrees through distance education courses, without residential study.

Doctoral students are required to attend four modular course weeks on campus. These may be taken at various times throughout the 3-5 years of the program. However, they must be completed prior to the Major Ministry Project. Doctoral students must also attend the one day Graduate Colloquy held on campus during graduation week. All other work may be done through distance education.

#### **PROCTORS**

A proctor is one who supervises the student as he takes examinations and verifies the integrity of the testing process. The proctor may not live at the same home address as the student, be a relative, or be actively applying to an LRU degree program.

# FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their education records:

- 1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the Institution receives a request for access. Students should submit to the Registrar, Dean, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official, written requests that identify the record(s) they wish to inspect. The Institution official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the Institution official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.
- 2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes are inaccurate or misleading. Students may ask the Institution to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the Institution official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the Institution decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the Institution will notify the student of the decision and advise the student of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- 3) The right to consent disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to institution officials with legitimate education interests. An institution official is a person employed by the Institution in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research, or support staff position (including law enforcement unit personnel and health staff); a person or company with whom the Institution has contracted (such as an attorney, auditor, or collection agent); a person serving on the

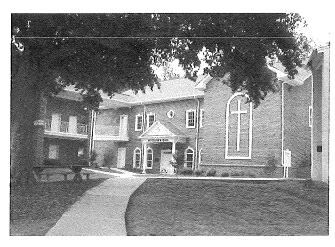
Board of Trustees; or a student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another institution official in performing his or her tasks. An institution official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the Institution discloses education records without consent to officials of another institution in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by State University to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, D. C. 20202-4605



Williams Hall



Woodlawn Hall

# LUTHER RICE UNIVERSITY

Luther Rice University has designed the Bachelor of Arts in Religion (BAR) with a balanced emphasis between biblical and theological subjects, ministry topics, and general education requirements (academic courses which are considered core to a college or university education), the student's entire college education will be functional and practical.

# **Degree Program Objectives**

Purpose: The purpose of the Bachelor of Arts in Religion/Biblical Counseling is to introduce students to the essentials of biblical counseling. Students who complete this degree will be equipped to serve as biblical counselors in local churches or in biblical counseling centers. This degree is not intended nor is it adequate to prepare individuals for a professional counseling career or for state licensure.

Graduates of the BAR/Biblical Counseling program will be prepared to:

- 1. Demonstrate effectiveness in oral and written communication.
- 2. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the Bible, Christian theology, and Church History.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of modern society and culture.
- Demonstrate an understanding of basic concepts in algebra and physical science.
- 5. Apply knowledge of the Bible and Christian heritage to a lifelong pattern of spiritual growth and personal development.
- Demonstrate an understanding of counseling principles and techniques required to meet individual needs.
- 7. Master the essentials necessary for the pursuit of a graduate degree in biblical counseling.
- 8. Utilize a biblical counseling process model in the practice of interpersonal ministry.
- 9. Practice biblical counseling that is ethically and legally informed.
- 10. Empathically and skillfully assess spiritually needy people for pastoral care, biblical counseling, or referral.

Purpose: The purpose of the Bachelor of Arts in Religion/Christian Worldview is to prepare students to serve in local churches or other forms of Christian work and ministry with a special focus on interpreting culture and advancing the Christian faith.

Graduates of the BAR/Christian Worldview program will be prepared to:

- 1. Demonstrate effectiveness in oral and written communication.
- 2. Demonstrate an understanding of World civilizations.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of modern society and culture.
- 4. Demonstrate an understanding of basic concepts in algebra and physical science.
- 5. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the Bible and Christian theology, and Church history.
- Apply knowledge of the Bible and Christian heritage to a lifelong pattern of spiritual growth and personal development.
- 7. Evaluate and develop ministries in light of the Great Commission and Great Commandment.

8. Develop appropriate apologetical and exegetical studies defending the truth of Christianity from reason and Scripture.

Purpose: The purpose of the Bachelor of Arts in Religion/Ministry is to prepare students to serve in local churches or other forms of Christian work and ministry.

Graduates of the BAR/Ministry program will be prepared to:

- 1. Demonstrate effectiveness in oral and written communication.
- 2. Demonstrate an understanding of World civilizations.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of modern society and culture.
- Demonstrate an understanding of basic concepts in algebra and physical science.
- 5. Demonstrate a working knowledge of the Bible and Christian theology, and Church history.
- Apply knowledge of the Bible and Christian heritage to a lifelong pattern of spiritual growth and personal development.
- 7. Evaluate and develop ministries in light of the Great Commission and Great Commandment.
- 8. Develop appropriate exegetical and expository messages and lessons from Scripture.
- 9. Organize and administer the ministries of the local church.
- Demonstrate an understanding of counseling principles and techniques required to meet individual needs.

## **General Education Electives**

Students may choose from a number of options at Luther Rice University. General Education Electives - 15 semester hours (unduplicated) in addition to the other General Education requirements from any of the following courses:

BU 101 (3 hours) BU 102 (3 hours)

CS 101 (3 hours)

GR 301 (3 hours)

GR 302 (3 hours)

HI 401 (3 hours)

SO 102 (3 hours)

SO 201 (3 hours)

SO 204 (3 hours)

SO 302 (3 hours)

SO 401 (3 hours)

SO 333 (3 hours)

Students who reside in Florida are required to complete 45 hours of General Education. In order to meet this state requirement, Florida students will take 15 hours of General Education electives and only 18 hours of regular electives.

# PROGRAM OF STUDY

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN RELIGION DEGREE - Four-Year Program Biblical Studies (non-language)/Biblical Counseling Concentration

Area	Semester	Hours
General Education Requirements		.36
RW 100 Intro to Theological Research and Writing	(0)	
English		9
EN 101 English Composition I	(3)	
EN 102 English Composition II	(3)	
EN 201 Public Speech	(3)	
History		6
HI 101 World Civilizations I	(3)	
HI 102 World Civilizations II	(3)	
Math		3
MA 201 College Algebra	(3)	
Science		3
SC 103 Physical Science	(3)	
Social Science		6
SO 201 Principles of Psychology and Counseling	(3)	
Social Science Elective	(3)	
MU 102 Music		3
General Education Electives		6
Bible/Theology/Evangelism Requirements		.39
OT 101 Old Testament Survey	(3)	
NT 102 New Testament Survey	(3)	
OT 303 Genesis	(3)	
NT 470 Revelation or TH 402 Eschatology	(3)	
TH 321 Christology	(3)	
NT 401 Life of Christ	(3)	
NT 402 Acts	(3)	
TH 201 Theology Survey I	(3)	
TH 202 Theology Survey II	(3)	
TH 441 Hermeneutics	(3)	
HI 202 Church History	(3)	
EV 101 Personal Evangelism	(3)	
EV 203 Spiritual Formation	(3)	
Biblical Counseling Requirements		.18
SO 333 Marriage and Family Counseling	(3)	,
BC 320 Introduction to Biblical Counseling	(3)	
BC 360 Methodology in Biblical Counseling	(3)	
BC 421 Theological Foundations in Biblical Counse	ling (3)	
BC 460 Biblical Counseling in Ministry	(3)	
BC 490 Biblical Counseling Practicum Modular	(3)	
Electives		.27
TOTAL		130

# PROGRAM OF STUDY

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN RELIGION DEGREE - Four-Year Program Biblical Studies (non-language)/Christian Worldview (Apologetics) Concentration

Area	Semester	Hours
General Education Requirements		36
RW 100 Intro to Theological Research and Writing	(0)	
English		. 9
EN 101 English Composition I	(3)	+
EN 102 English Composition II	(3)	ı
EN 201 Public Speech	(3)	ı
History		. 6
HI 101 World Civilizations I	(3)	
HI 101 World Civilizations I HI 102 World Civilizations II Math	(3)	
Math		. 3
MA 201 College Algebra	(3)	
Science		. 3
SC 103 Physical Science	(3)	
Social Science		
SO 102 Contemporary Ethics	(3)	
Social Science Elective MU 102 Music	(3)	2
General Education Electives		6
Bible/Theology/Evangelism Requirements		.39
OT 101 Old Testament Survey	(3)	
NT 102 New Testament Survey	(3)	
OT 303 Genesis	(3)	
NT 470 Revelation or TH 402 Eschatology	(3)	
TH 321 Christology	(3)	
NT 401 Life of Christ	(3)	
NT 402 Acts	(3)	
TH 201 Theology Survey I	(3)	
TH 202 Theology Survey II	(3)	
TH 441 Hermeneutics	(3)	
HI 202 Church History	(3)	
EV 101 Personal Evangelism	(3)	
EV 203 Spiritual Formation	(3)	
Christian Worldview (Apologetics) Requirements .		.18
PH 101 Logic	(3)	110
PH 301 Worldviews	(3)	
TH 310 Creationism	(3)	
PH 302 Principles of Philosophy	(3)	
PH 201 Philosophy of Religions	(3)	
PH 431 Apologetics	(3)	
Electives		.27
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# PROGRAM OF STUDY

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN RELIGION DEGREE - Four-Year Program Biblical Studies (non-language)/Ministry Concentration

Area	S	emester	Hours
General Education Requirements			.36
RW 100 Intro to Theological Research and Writin	g	(0)	
English	٠		9
EN 101 English Composition I		(3)	
EN 102 English Composition II		(3)	
EN 201 Public Speech		(3)	
History			6
HI 101 World Civilizations I		(3)	
HI 101 World Civilizations I HI 102 World Civilizations II Math		(3)	
Math			3
MA 201 College Algebra		(3)	
Science			3
SC 103 Physical Science		(3)	
Social Science			6
Social Science Elective		(6)	
MU 102 Music			3
General Education Electives			6
Bible/Theology/Evangelism Requirements			.39
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NT 102 New Testament Survey		(3)	
OT 303 Genesis		(3)	
NT 470 Revelation or TH 402 Eschatology		(3)	
TH 321 Christology		(3)	•
NT 401 Life of Christ		(3)	
NT 402 Acts		(3)	
TH 201 Theology Survey I		(3)	
TH 202 Theology Survey II		(3)	
TH 441 Hermeneutics		(3)	
HI 202 Church History		(3)	
EV 101 Personal Evangelism		(3)	
EV 203 Spiritual Formation		(3)	
Ministry Requirements			.18
PA 301 Leadership		(3)	.10
PA 302 Pastoral Work		(3)	
PA 310 Principles of Biblical Exposition or		(3)	
PA 312 Christian Rhetoric		(3)	
BC 320 Biblical Counseling		(3)	
PA 401 Principles of Church Administration		(3)	
MI 202 Survey of Christian Missions		(3)	
Electives		. ,	.27
TOTAL			120

# **BACHELOR-LEVEL COURSE CYCLE**

With two modes of study, LRU students have unparalleled flexibility in scheduling their courses. Campus and online courses are scheduled to begin and end at fixed times and are offered on a cyclical schedule so that students can plan ahead as they map out their course of study. The courses listed in this schedule are a minimum of what is planned. Courses may be added or deleted and the mode of delivery may be changed at the discretion of the university. The two-year recurring cycle is anticipated as follows:

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FALL 2009 On-Campus Classes		pus Classes
BC 450 Leg & Eth Issues in		Intro to Biblical Counseling
EN 201 Public Speech	BC 490	Bib Couns Pract Modular
EV 210 Church Growth Pri		
MI 202 Survey of Christian		Personal Evangelism
MU 102 Music Appreciation		Church History
NT 102 NT Survey	MA 201	College Algebra
NT 431 Gospel of John	NT 401	Life of Christ
NT 435 Romans	OT 303	Genesis
NT 437 Corinthian Epistles	PA 302	Pastoral Work
NT 421 Pastoral Epistles	PA 313	Principles of Biblical Comm
NT 470 Revelation	SC 103	General Physical Science
OT 101 OT Survey	SO 201	Prin of Psych and Coun
OT 332 Minor Prophets	TH 202	Survey of Theology II
PA 310 Principles of Bib E	xposition or TH 310	Creationism
PA 312 Christian Rhetoric	TH 321	Christology
PA 313 Principles of Bib Co		Eschatology
PA 401 Principles of Church	h Admin	
PH 101 Logic		
TH 201 Survey of Theology	I	
TH 441 Hermeneutics		
Online Courses	Online O	Courses
BC 320 Intro to Biblical Co		Methodology in Bib Couns
ED 201 Survey of Christian		0.
EN 101 English Composition		Spiritual Formation
EV 101 Personal Evangelism		Greek Grammar II
EV 203 Spiritual Formation		World Civilizations II
EV 210 Church Growth Prin		Music Appreciation
GR 301 Greek Grammar I	NT 102	
HI 101 World Civilizations		Acts
NT 401 Life of Christ	NT 431	John
NT 460 Hebrews	NT 435	Romans
OT 303 Genesis	NT 470	Revelation
PH 302 Principles of Philos	sophy PA 312	Christian Rhetoric
SO 102 Contemporary Ethic	cs PA 401	Church Administration
SO 201 Principles of Psy an	d Coun PH 101	Logic
TH 402 Eschatology	SO 401	World Religions
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Online Courses		
BC 450 Leg & Eth Issues in	Bib Co PA 310	Principles of Bib Exposition
EV 101 Personal Evangelism		Principles of Philosophy
MI 202 Survey of Missions	PH 431	Apologetics
NT 421 Pastoral Epistles	TH 321	Christology
OT 101 Old Testament Surv	ey TH 441	Hermeneutics
OT 202 Canada	-	

OT 303 Genesis

# FALL 2010

On-Cam	pus Classes	On-Cam	pus Classes
BC 360	Methodology in Bib Couns	BC 430	Adv Counseling Issues
EN 101	English Composition I	ED 201	Survey of Christian Ed
EV 101	Personal Evangelism	EN 102	English Composition II
EV 203	Spiritual Formation	EN 201	Speech
HI 101	World Civilization I	EV 210	Church Growth Principles
HI 202	Church History	HI 102	World Civilization II
MI 202	Survey of Christian Missions	NT 102	NT Survey
NT 103	Biblical Research Methods	NT 401	Life of Christ
NT 402	Acts	NT 435	Romans
NT 431	Gospel of John	OT 303	Genesis
NT 460	Hebrews	PA 301	Leadership
OT 101	OT Survey	PA 302	Pastoral Work
PA 401	Principles of Church Admin	PH 202	Contemporary Ethics
SC 102	Physical Science	TH 202	Survey of Theology II
SO 333	Marriage & Family Counseling	TH 402	Eschatology
SO 401	WorldReligions		
TH 201	Survey of Theology I		
TH 431	Apologetics		

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BC 460	Bib Couns for Ministe
EN 101	<b>English Composition I</b>
EV 101	Personal Evangelism
EV 203	Spiritual Formation
GR 301	Greek Grammar I
MU 102	Music Appreciation
NT 401	Life of Christ
NT 470	Revelation
OT 332	Minor Prophets
PA 301	Leadership
PA 302	Pastoral Work
TH 202	Survey of Theology II
TH 401	Ecclesiology

# Online Courses

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BC 320	Biblical Counseling
BC 360	Methodology in Bib Couns
BC 421	Theo Found in Bib Couns
EN 102	English Composition II
EN 201	Public Speech
GR 302	Greek Grammar II
MA 201	College Algebra
NT 460	Hebrews
OT 101	Old Testament Survey
OT 332	Minor Prophets
PH 201	Philosophy of Religions
PH 301	Worldviews
PH 401	Non-Traditional Beliefs
TH 201	Survey of Theology I
TH 321	Christology

# SUMMER 2011

# Online Courses

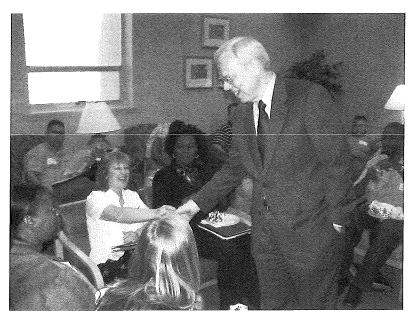
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BC 430	Advanced Couns Issues
BC 460	Bib Couns for Ministers
ED 201	Survey of Christian Ed
HI 202	Church History
NT 101	NT Survey
NT 401	Life of Christ
OT 303	Genesis
PA 302	Pastoral Work
PH 310	Creationism
SO 102	Contemporary Ethics

# SO 201 Prin of Psych & Counseling TH 202 Survey of Theology II

TH 441 Hermeneutics



Dr. Flanagan with Dr. Meerha Hahn of Hoseo University, Asan, Korea



Students meet Dr. Flanagan during New Student Orientation

## UNIVERSITY COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

## **BC: BIBLICAL COUNSELING AREA**

# BC 320 INTRODUCTION TO BIBLICAL COUNSELING (Required)

Three hours

This course introduces the concept of biblically based, Christ-centered counseling. Course distinctives include: (1) a thorough explanation of biblical counseling; (2) the role and character of the counselor; (3) the relationship of counseling to the local church; and (4) a comparison of the biblical counseling model with secular counseling models.

# BC 360 METHODOLOGY IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Three hours

This course outlines a biblical counseling process model. Course distinctives include: (1) initiating a counseling relationship; (2) gathering and interpreting data; (3) how biblically based life change occurs; and (4) maintaining lasting life change.

#### THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING BC 421

This course consists of a study of the key theological concepts that form the foundation of a biblical counseling process model. Course distinctives include: (1) the nature of God; (2) the nature of man; (3) the image of God in man; (4) the nature of sin; (5) regeneration and progressive sanctification; (6) the biblical concept of "flesh;" (7) the definition of essential biblical concepts including "soul, spirit, heart, mind, and conscience;" and (8) an overview of key biblical passages such as Romans 5-8.

# BC 430 ADVANCED COUNSELING ISSUES

Three hours

This course presents an overview of the traumas that must be managed in counseling from a biblical perspective. Course distinctives include: (1) crisis intervention models; (2) basic interviewing techniques; (3) assessment strategies for the crises of depression, suicide, substance abuse, child abuse, physical abuse, sexual abuse, sexual assault, abortion, and death and dying issues.

# BC 450 LEGAL AND ETHICAL ISSUES IN BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Three hours

An overview of the crucial ethical concepts and legal issues that are likely to be confronted in the implementation of the biblical counseling model in the church, community, and society. Course distinctives include: (1) biblical/ethical decisionmaking; (2) confidentiality; (3) privileged communication; (4) privacy; (5) the duty to warn and protect; and (6) the management of dual and multiple relationships.

# BC 460 BIBLICAL COUNSELING IN MINISTRY

Three hours

This course provides an overview of the strategies for implementing a biblical counseling ministry in the church and/or community. Specific skills and techniques essential to helping individuals and families in the context of church, community, and society will be evaluated. The training of competent lay counselors is a vital component of this course.

## BC 490 BIBLICAL COUNSELING PRACTICUM MODULAR Three hours

This unique course will present the counseling major with the opportunity to practice the skills, techniques, and methodologies discussed in previous classes in a live setting. Role-playing, group dynamics, learning labs, and videos will all be used as a part of this learning experience. Topics covered include: (1) helping skills; (2) the presenting problem; (3) taking a personal (social) history; (4) determining and diagramming a counselee's fleshly coping mechanisms; (5) conducting the active counseling stage; and (6) managing a forgiveness exercise. The course will consist of pre-modular assignments, a one week on campus intensive modular, and post-modular assignments.

## BU: BUSINESS - PERSONAL FINANCE AREA

## BU 101 PERSONAL FINANCE

Three hours

Personal Finance is a Biblically-based survey course designed to introduce the student to concepts, tools, and applications of personal finance and investments. Major topics include the process of financial planning, insurance, money management, investments, and estate planning.

## BU 102 BUSINESS OF THE CHURCH

Three hours

Business of the Church is a Biblically-based survey course designed to introduce the student to the practical aspects of church administration. Major topics of the course include basic accounting, economics and finance of the church; management of staff and volunteers; marketing and communication; and skills such as time management and personal financial management and other topics relevant to managing the business of the church.

## BU 301 GROWING THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH Three hours

This course teaches students to fulfill the Great Commission by planning, staffing, and scheduling for growth; understanding their demographic environment; and using printed materials, media relations, and the Internet to communicate the church's message.

#### CS: COMPUTER SCIENCE AREA

# CS 101 PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTER MANAGEMENT

Three hours

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A study of the use of software, such as Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint). Emphasis will not be on the mechanics of the software but the use of the software to present ideas, for persuasion, and for analysis. Class size is limited.

## ED: EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES AREA

ED 201 SURVEY OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (*Required*) Three hours A study of what Christian education is and its philosophical and historical backgrounds with an overview of the local church's total educational program.

## **EN: ENGLISH AREA**

## EN 099 REMEDIAL ENGLISH

Non-credit

This course is designed to help a student who needs additional work in English grammar prior to taking EN 101, as determined by academic background and the English placement test. The course will emphasize a basic review of grammar necessary to successful college level work. No credit will be awarded for this course, but the student will be billed a fee listed in "Tuition and Fees."

# EN 101 ENGLISH COMPOSITION I (Required)

Three hours

Prerequisite: Exit or exemption from Remedial English

This course involves the use of English for written communication, including exposition, analysis, and argumentation. Topics include grammar, proper sentence structure, paragraph development, word usage, and essay preparation.

# EN 102 ENGLISH COMPOSITION II (Required)

Three hours

Prerequisite: EN 101

This course emphasizes effective writing in a variety of contexts with attention to critical analysis, interpretation, evaluation, and research. Literature such as novels, short stories, and poetry will be used.

# EN 201 PUBLIC SPEECH (Required)

Three hours

A study of the requirements for effective oral communication. Topics will include selecting a speech topic, researching the topic, outlining, and organizing the speech, use of visual aids, persuasion, analyzing the audience, and critiquing the speech.

## EN 333 WORLD LITERATURE

Three hours

This course is a study of the foundations of world literature.

#### EV: EVANGELISM AREA

# EV 101 PERSONAL EVANGELISM (Required)

Three hours

A study designed to prepare students for involvement in witnessing for the Lord. Importance is attached to the memorization of Scripture and actually engaging in personal work.

## EV 203 SPIRITUAL FORMATION (Required)

Three hours

Spiritual Formation is a practical study of the theology of life in the image of Christ and some Biblical principles that guide the development and maintenance of that Christlike life, in the lives of Christians. The study will include consideration of the Biblical directions for appropriating the spirituality and victory that Jesus Christ gives for faithful Christian living.

## EV 210 CHURCH GROWTH PRINCIPLES

Three hours

This course is an introductory study of Church Growth beginning with the Biblical teachings on the subject. In addition, it is a consideration of the history and characteristics of the Church Growth Movement begun by Donald McGavran. The course also looks at how theology relates to the Church Growth concept with an application of the study to the local church.

#### GR: GREEK

## GR 301 GREEK GRAMMAR I

Three hours

This is an introduction to basic Greek grammar, vocabulary, and translation.

## GR 302 GREEK GRAMMAR II

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 301

This course is a continuation of GR 301, emphasizing third declension nouns, secondary tenses, moods, and irregular verbs.

## GR 401 GREEK SYNTAX I

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 302

This is an advanced study introducing Greek syntax that emphasizes noun cases and verb moods.

## GR 402 GREEK SYNTAX II

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 401

This continues GR 401, emphasizing verb tenses, participles, infinitives, and clauses.

The University participates in the Zondervan Greek Award Program which provides an annual award to an outstanding student of New Testament Greek. The recipient of this honor is awarded a letter of congratulations from the editor, the student's name on the school website and on a perpetual plaque located in the Bertha Smith Library, and a Zondervan resource or publication to be selected by the recipient.

## HI: HISTORY AREA

## HI 101 WORLD CIVILIZATIONS I (Required)

Three hours

A study of the development of civilization from the beginning of recorded history to the Reformation. Emphasis will be placed on the historical contributions from Egypt, Babylonia, China, India, Persia, Palestine, Greece, and Rome.

## HI 102 WORLD CIVILIZATIONS II (Required)

Three hours

A study of the development of civilization from the Reformation to present day. Emphasis will include the development of Europe, the U.S., the World Wars, and the fall of Communism.

## HI 202 CHURCH HISTORY (Required)

Three hours

An overview of the history of the Church from the first century AD to the present.

## HI 401 AMERICAN HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT

Three hours

A study of the political, social, and economic development of the U.S., with emphasis on the growth of the democratic tradition. Topics will include the founding fathers, voting behaviors, the judicial branch, civil rights, civil liberties, the legislative branch, the presidency, and the role of religion.

## MA: MATHEMATICS AREA

## MA 099 PREALGEBRA

Non-credit

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This course provides a transition from arithmetic to algebra. Emphasis is on the use of mathematics to analyze and solve real-life problems. No credit will be awarded for this course, but the student will be billed a fee listed in "Tuition and Fees."

## MA 201 COLLEGE ALGEBRA (Required)

Three hours

Prerequisite: Exit or Exemption from MA 099

A study of algebraic concepts, including linear functions, systems of linear equations, scientific notation, exponential functions, functional notation, and graphing.

## MI: MISSIONS AREA

# MI 202 SURVEY OF CHRISTIAN MISSIONS (Required)

Three hours

An introductory course dealing with the philosophy of world evangelization. Attention is given to what missions is, the qualifications of the missionary, his call, and methodology.

## MI 430 MISSIONS PRACTICUM

Three hours

An exposure in selected world areas for the purpose of acquainting students firsthand with some of the problems, needs, duties, conflicts, and cultural barriers of the missionary as he works with the national church.

## MU: MUSIC

# MU 102 MUSIC APPRECIATION (Required)

Three hours

A study of the development of music as revealed in major compositions of representative composers from each major period. This course is designed for students who desire to expand their appreciation and understanding of music. Prior knowledge of music is not required.

## NT: NEW TESTAMENT AREA

# NT 102 NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY (Required)

Three hours

An introductory survey of the historical setting and contents of the New Testament.

# NT 103 BIBLICAL RESEARCH METHODS (Required)

Three hours

This course is designed to acquaint the student with various Bible-study procedures and methods. Various aspects of Bible research will be introduced. As this course will also deal with the topics of how to study and time management, the student is advised to take this course early in the degree program.

## NT 401 LIFE OF CHRIST (Required)

Three hours

An examination of the life and teachings of Jesus Christ as presented in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.

## NT 402 ACTS (Required) Prerequisite: TH 441

Three hours

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament book of Acts. Acts records the formation and expansion of the early church.

## NT 421 PASTORAL EPISTLES

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament epistles to Timothy and Titus. First and Second Timothy and Titus address doctrinal issues concerning church leadership, administration, and ministry.

Three hours

#### NT 431 GOSPEL OF JOHN

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament Gospel of John. John presents Jesus as Son of God and describes God's plan of salvation.

#### NT 435 ROMANS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament epistle to the Romans. Romans comprises Paul's fullest theological treatment of the salvation-historical implications of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

#### NT 437 CORINTHIAN EPISTLES

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament epistles of Paul to the Corinthians. First and Second Corinthians identify the kinds of problems faced by the first century church and Paul's solutions to them.

#### NT 460 HEBREWS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament epistle of Hebrews. Hebrews presents Jesus Christ as the believer's high priest who is superior to angels, Moses, the Levitical priesthood, and the sacrificial system of the Old Testament.

## NT 470 REVELATION (Required or TH 402)

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

A careful examination of the contents of the New Testament book of Revelation. Revelation unveils Jesus Christ as the central figure in the culmination of God's redemptive program.

## OT: OLD TESTAMENT AREA

## OT 101 OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY (Required)

Three hours

An examination of the contents of the Old Testament with attention given to background, general analysis, and brief exposition of each book. Each book will be examined in its relation to the other canonical writings.

## OT 303 GENESIS (Required)

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

An expository study of the first book of the Bible with an emphasis upon a literal, six day creation.

## OT 332 MINOR PROPHETS (Hosea - Malachi)

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 441

The background and analysis of the twelve Minor Prophets.

#### PA: MINISTRY AREA

## PA 301 LEADERSHIP (Required or PA 302)

Three hours

A study of the life and service of the minister with emphasis on the personal, family, and professional life of the pastor.

# PA 302 PASTORAL WORK (Required or PA 301)

Three hours

A study of the call, qualifications, and duties of the minister with emphasis on the duties of preaching, teaching, evangelism, counseling, visitation, and administration. Administrating the ordinances of the church and funeral and wedding services are covered.

## PA 310 PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL EXPOSITION (Required) Three hours A study of the nature of biblical exposition and principles of message construction. Attention is given to the basic materials of the message, methods of preparation, and delivery, and problems of exposition.

## PA 312 CHRISTIAN RHETORIC

Three hours

The purpose of this course is to train students who do not sense a call to the pastorate in the elementary exercises of relating biblical concepts and utilizing Christian persuasion and exhortation for a variety of ministry settings. Aspects and principles of hermeneutics, homiletics (preaching), and delivery will be studied. This course is designed to be an alternative to Essentials of Biblical Exposition (PA 310).

## PA 313 PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL COMMUNICATION Prerequisite: PA 310 or PA 312

Three hours

Basic principles of voice, articulation, oral interpretation of Scripture, and expositional delivery are considered. Opportunity for practice is given in each of these areas and constitutes the basis for additional study in sermon content, structure, and delivery.

## PA 401 PRINCIPLES OF CHURCH ADMINISTRATION (Required)

Three hours

A study of the responsibilities of the church staff members and their relationship to lay leaders in the church. Attention is given to the concepts of team ministries, a mutual understanding of role responsibilities, training, counseling, and church doctrine as it relates to church administration.

## PA 405-406 INTERN PRACTICUM I & II

Three hours each

The Intern Practicums are practical applications of ministry goals and skills through Ministry Action Assignments under field supervision.

## PH: PHILOSOPHY

## PH 101 LOGIC

Three hours

A study of the major divisions of traditional logic: Categorical (categorical syllogisms with proofs of validity), Truth-Functional (truth tables, rules of replacement and inference and formal proofs), and Informal (induction, scientific reasoning, informal fallacies).

## PH 201 PHILOSOPHY OF RELIGION

Three hours

An introduction to the major issues of philosophy of religion, including the existence and attributes of God, religious epistemology, religious experience, and the problem of evil.

## PH 301 WORLD VIEWS

Three hours

An introduction to the major world views including theism, deism, atheism, pantheism, panentheism, finite godism, and polytheism.

## PH 302 PRINCIPLES OF PHILOSOPHY

Three hours

A study of the contributions, from antiquity to the 21st Century, from writers in philosophy. Topics include reality, knowledge, science, ethics, politics, art, and the mind.

## PH 401 NON-TRADITIONAL BELIEFS

Three hours

A study of the theology of contemporary religious groups in contrast with biblical Christianity.

## PH 431 APOLOGETICS

Three hours

A study of the defense of the Christian faith against counter-claimants to truth. Specific objections are dealt with and general methodology questions are discussed. The student is equipped to follow Peter's injunction, "be ready to give an answer (apologia) to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you." (I Pe 3.15)

## RW: RESEARCH AND WRITING

# RW 100 INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGICAL RESEARCH No hours AND WRITING (Required)

An introductory survey of basic research and writing skills that are required of undergraduate students. Topics include: Library research, theological tools, internet research, Turabian formatting, writing a term paper, documenting sources, and common writing errors. This course is taken independently online and offered monthly. Students must take the course prior to their second semester of classes.

## SC: SCIENCE AREA

## SC 103 GENERAL PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Required)

Three hours

A study of the concepts, laws and theories of physics and astronomy. Topics include motion, gravity, temperature, electricity, the solar system, nuclear physics and their application to the modern world.

#### SO: SOCIAL SCIENCES AREA

## SO 102 CONTEMPORARY ETHICS

Three hours

A study of the complex moral issues faced by contemporary society with emphasis on relevant theories and their application to ethical dilemmas. Topics include war, euthanasia, divorce, capital punishment, ethical decision making by leaders, and civil disobedience.

# SO 201 PRINCIPLES OF PSYCHOLOGY

Three hours

#### AND COUNSELING

A study of the major elements of psychology, including theories and applications. Topics will include human development, emotions, learning, perception, memory, personality, and behavior. The concept of the integration of biblical counseling and psychology is a major consideration of this course.

## SO 204 PRINCIPLES OF SOCIOLOGY

Three hours

A study of theories, methods, and concepts of sociology, focusing on the critical issues of society. Topics will include poverty, inequality, aging, violence, sexuality, work, technology, and drug abuse.

## SO 333 MARRIAGE AND FAMILY COUNSELING

Three hours

This course examines the relationship dynamics inherent in the premarital couple, the married couple, and the functioning family unit. Course distinctions include: (1) premarital counseling; (2) the biblical basis of marriage; (3) roles of the husband and wife; (4) parent and child relationships; and (5) communication and conflict resolution in marriage.

## SO 401 WORLD RELIGIONS

Three hours

A study of the major world religions, including their impact on the culture where they began and upon the world. Religions covered include Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Islam.

## TH: THEOLOGYAREA

## TH 201 THEOLOGY SURVEY I (Required)

Three hours

A general survey of Bible doctrine dealing with five of the ten major areas of systematic theology including Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Pneumatology, and Angelology. Also covered is an introduction to and the value of the study of systematic theology.

## TH 202 THEOLOGY SURVEY II (Required)

Three hours

A general survey of Bible doctrine dealing with five of the ten major areas of systematic theology including Anthropology, Hamartiology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology. This course, although a logical extension of TH 201, does not require TH 201 as a prerequisite.

## TH 310 CREATIONISM

Three hours

A study of origins from the perspective of scientific creationism and biblical theology.

## TH 321 CHRISTOLOGY (Required)

Three hours

A study concentrating on the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ. Particular consideration is given to the deity and the humanity of Christ, messianic prophecy, His work in the Old Testament, His salvific work on the cross, His literal resurrection, His ascension and present work in Heaven, and His future coming again. Attention is also given to modern assaults on the biblical portrayal of Christ.

## TH 401 ECCLESIOLOGY

Three hours

An examination of the New Testament church with particular attention given to its origin, distinctive nature, mission, government, offices, ordinances, and destiny.

## TH 402 ESCHATOLOGY (May substitute for NT 470)

Three hours

A study of the prophetic revelation of the plan and purpose of God. Intensive study is given to the rapture of the Church, the tribulation, the second coming of Christ, and the millennium.

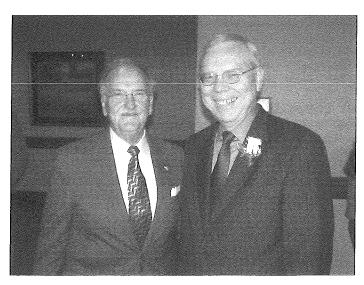
## TH 441 HERMENEUTICS (Required)

Three hours

A study of the basic principles and specific guidelines of biblical interpretation. Some attention is given to the historical schools of interpretation, but the focus of the course is on historical-grammatical interpretation and legitimate application of the Scriptures. General principles, such as reliance on the Holy Spirit; paying attention to context; knowing the ancient culture; and recognizing the different types of literary genre, are covered. Specific rules regarding the interpretation of types, symbols, poetry, proverbs, parables, and prophecy are also given.



Online students and missionaries in Austria, Brian and Pearl Williams, with Dr. Guthrie



Dr. James Flanagan, President, with Dr. Ron Long, Missions and Church Relations

# LUTHER RICE SEMINARY GRADUATE DIVISION

## MASTER PROGRAMS

Students enrolling in a Master-level degree program will experience a different kind of educational approach than what is typically found in an undergraduate program. Undergraduate programs provide a broad foundation of general knowledge. Although no particular undergraduate major is required for entrance into a graduate program, graduate studies build upon the undergraduate foundation by providing a higher level of knowledge, understanding, skills, and application. Such education is developed by challenging the student's intellectual and emotional capabilities in analysis, synthesis, evaluation, and judgment.

There are five Master programs of study: The Master of Arts in Apologetics, The Master of Arts in Christian Studies, the Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling, the Master of Arts in Leadership, and the Master of Divinity. The MA degrees are designed to train students in a limited field of study based on the students' interests or needs.

The Master of Divinity degree is designed to provide a broader base of knowledge to fit the needs of students preparing for a lifetime of ministry. The curriculum is representative of those areas considered essential for effective Christian service in a broad range of contexts.

#### PROGRAMS OF STUDY

# Master of Arts in Apologetics

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Master of Arts in Apologetics (MAA) is to equip students with knowledge in issues related to the rational and biblical defense of the truth of the Christian faith.

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MAA program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- Utilize the Church's theological heritage as an important resource in their personal spiritual development and ministry.
- 3. Articulate a comprehensive rational and biblical defense of the truth of Christianity, including (a) philosophical foundations for truth and the knowability of reality, (b) the existence and attributes of God, and (c) the truth of Christianity.
- Articulate thorough responses to major objections to Christianity, including skepticism, the problem of evil, attacks on the integrity and trustworthiness of the Scriptures.
- 5. Articulate thorough refutations of non-Christian views including postmodernism, non-traditional belief systems, world religions, atheism, and secular world views.
- 6. Serve with Christian character in their personal and professional lives.

CORE	18
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 561 Values and Ethics	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
APOLOGETICS	18
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)
TH 562 Issues in Ethics	(3)
PH 520 Logic	(3)
MI 620 World Religions	(3)
MI 625 Non-Traditional Beliefs	(3)
Choose one of the following:	
TH 536 Seminar in Apologetics	(3)
TH 537 Seminar in Apologetics	(3)
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## Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Master of Arts in Biblical Counseling (MABC) program is to train students to serve as counselors in local churches and other ministry settings. This program provides the biblical, theological, and practical education required to provide leadership in a church counseling center or in an independent lay counseling ministry. It is not intended, nor is it adequate, to prepare individuals for a professional counseling vocation or state licensure.

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MABC program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- 2. Utilize the Church's theological heritage as an important resource in their personal spiritual development and ministry.
- 3. Articulate a biblical philosophy counseling.
- Communicate biblical and theological truths through counseling and other appropriate means.
- 5. Evaluate and develop ministries in light of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- 6. Accurately and empathetically evaluate people and their personal circumstances and provide appropriate pastoral care or referral.
- 7. Serve with Christian character in their personal and professional lives.
- 8. Demonstrate a general knowledge of the Bible in the application of the Biblical Counseling Process.

<sup>\*</sup> When any of the above CORE courses have been waived or granted Advanced Standing due to previous or transferred work, the following courses will take priority as substitutions (in this order): TH 545-Spiritual Formation, BE 521-Essentials of Biblical Exposition, and EV 520-Theology and Practice of Evangelism.

- 9. To apply empathic interpersonal skills in the context of the counseling environment to help people resolve spiritual, relational, and behavioral issues and problems.
- 10. To implement ethically and legally informed counseling practices.

*CORE	18
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)
BIBLICAL COUNSELING	18
CO 526 Foundations of Biblical Counseling	(3)
CO 528 Biblical Counseling and Helping Skills	(3)
CO 620 Biblical Counseling in Marriage and Family	(3)
CO 628 Biblical Counseling Methodology	(3)
CO 700 Practicum/Internship	(3)
Choose one of the following:	(-)
CO 626 Issues, Ethics, and Legal Concerns	(3)
CO 620 D'E-15-1 C 11 C 11	(3)
TOTAL	26

<sup>\*</sup> When any of the above CORE courses have been waived or granted Advanced Standing due to previous or transferred work, the following courses will take priority as substitutions (in this order): TH 545-Spiritual Formation, BE 521-Essentials of Biblical Exposition, and TH 561-Values and Ethics.

## Master of Arts in Christian Studies

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Master of Arts in Christian Studies (MACS) program is to equip students with knowledge in biblical, theological, historical and ethical studies that will increase their Christian faith and witness.

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MACS program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- 2. Utilize the Church's historical and theological heritage as an important resource in their personal spiritual development and ministry.
- 3. Communicate biblical and theological truths through preaching, teaching, writing, or in such other ways as may be appropriate.
- 4. Serve with Christian character in their personal and professional lives.

CORE	18
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)
CHRISTIAN STUDIES	18
Old Testament Intensive	(3)
New Testament Intensive	(6)
Theology Intensive	(3)
HI 522 Church History	(3)
TH 561 Values and Ethics	(3)
TOTAL I	20

## Master of Arts in Leadership

PURPOSE: The Master of Arts in Leadership (MAL) program provides biblical, theoretical, and practical instruction that prepares men and women to assume positions of influence in churches, ministries, and other organizations. By addressing the follower and the leader perspectives from a biblical approach, the MAL offers a fresh Christian viewpoint to the leader/follower relationship.

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MAL program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- Articulate a biblical philosophy of leading/following consistent with their vocation.
- 3. Apply Christian leader/follower principles with excellence.
- 4. Utilize leader/follower theory and the Bible to diagnose and/or design organizations that glorify God.

*CORE	18
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)

<sup>\*</sup> When any of the above CORE courses have been waived or granted Advanced Standing due to previous or transferred work, the following courses will take priority as substitutions (in this order): TH 545-Spiritual Formation, BE 521-Essentials of Biblical Exposition, and EV 520-Theology and Practice of Evangelism.

LEADERSHIP STUDIES		18
**LD 511 Leader/Follower Theories and Practice	(3)	
**LD 512 Theological Foundations of Leading and Following	(3)	
(formerly LD 501)	,	
Choose four of the following:		
LD 513 Leader/Follower Values and Ethics	(3)	
(formerly LD 502)	, ,	
LD 514 Leader/Follower Development (formerly LD 506)	(3)	
LD 515 Principles of Strategic Planning (formerly LD 503)		
LD 516 Conflict Resolution (formerly LD 505)	(3)	
LD 517 Servant Leadership (formerly LD 504)	(3)	
LD 518 Becoming a Following-Leader	(3)	
TOTAL		26

## Master of Divinity

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Master of Divinity (MDIV) program is to provide for those pursuing vocational Christian ministry a wide variety of knowledge and skills including biblical, theological, historical, and practical studies. The student may choose between two tracks of study: 1) Christian Ministry and 2) Apologetics.

## MINISTRY TRACK

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MDIV in Ministry program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- 2. Utilize the Church's historical and theological heritage as an important resource in their personal spiritual development and ministry.
- 3. Articulate a biblical philosophy of ministry consistent with their vocation.
- 4. Communicate biblical and theological truths through preaching, teaching, writing, or in such other ways as may be appropriate.
- Evaluate and develop ministries in light of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- 6. Accurately and empathetically evaluate people and their personal circumstances and provide appropriate pastoral care or referral.
- 7. Lead in developing goals and designing and implementing ministry.
- 8. Serve with Christian character in their personal and professional lives.

<sup>\*</sup> When any of the above CORE courses have been waived or granted Advanced Standing due to previous or transferred work, the following courses will take priority as substitutions (in this order): TH 545-Spiritual Formation, BE 521-Essentials of Biblical Exposition, and EV 520-Theology and Practice of Evangelism.

<sup>\*\*</sup> These courses are required and are a prerequisite for taking further electives

CORE	27
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 545 Spiritual Formation	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)
EV 520 Theology and Practice of Evangelism	(3)
BE 521 Essentials of Biblical Exposition or	
BE 523 Christian Rhetoric	(3)
HISTORICAL STUDIES	6
HI 522 Church History	(3)
HI 622 American Christianity	(3)
CHURCH MINISTRIES	27
CM 701 Church Ministry and Management	(3)
CM 520 Ministerial Duties	(3)
CM 530 Educational Ministries	(3)
MI 520 Missions Perspectives	(3)
BE 522 Practical Biblical Communication	(3)
TH 561 Values and Ethics	(3)
EV 710 Principles of Church Growth	(3)
CO 620 Biblical Counseling in Marriage and Family	(3)
LD 503 Principles of Strategic Planning	(3)
ELECTIVES	30
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#### **APOLOGETICS TRACK**

OBJECTIVES: Graduates of the MDIV in Apologetics program will be prepared to:

- 1. Accurately interpret the Bible in light of its historical-grammatical context.
- 2. Utilize the Church's historical and theological heritage as an important resource in their personal spiritual development and ministry.
- 3. Articulate a biblical philosophy of ministry consistent with their vocation.
- Communicate biblical and theological truths through preaching, teaching, writing, or in such other ways as may be appropriate.
- 5. Evaluate and develop ministries in light of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- 6. Accurately and empathetically evaluate people and their personal circumstances and provide appropriate pastoral care or referral.
- 7. Lead in developing goals and designing and implementing ministry.
- 8. Serve with Christian character in their personal and professional lives.
- Articulate a comprehensive rational and biblical defense of the truth of Christianity, including (a) philosophical foundations for truth and the knowability of reality, (b) the existence and attributes of God, and (c) the truth of Christianity.

- 10. Articulate thorough responses to major objections to Christianity including skepticism, the problem of evil, attacks on the integrity and trustworthiness of the Scriptures.
- 11. Articulate thorough refutations of non-Christian views including postmodernism, non-traditional belief systems, world religions, atheism, and secular world views.

CORE	27
RW 500 Introduction to Theological Research and Writing	(0)
OT 520 Old Testament Introduction	(3)
NT 520 New Testament Introduction	(3)
TH 525 Systematic Theology I	(3)
TH 526 Systematic Theology II	(3)
TH 545 Spiritual Formation	(3)
TH 530 Hermeneutics	(3)
TH 535 Apologetics	(3)
EV 520 Theology and Practice of Evangelism	(3)
BE 521 Essentials of Biblical Exposition or	( )
BE 523 Christian Rhetoric	(3)
HISTORICAL STUDIES	6
HI 522 Church History	(3)
HI 622 American Christianity	(3)
CHURCH MINISTRIES	27
CM 701 Church Ministry and Management	(3)
CM 520 Ministerial Duties	(3)
CM 530 Educational Ministries	(3)
MI 520 Missions Perspectives	(3)
BE 522 Practical Biblical Communication	(3)
TH 561 Values and Ethics	(3)
EV 710 Principles of Church Growth	(3)
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ELECTIVES	12
TOTAL	90

#### MASTER-LEVEL COURSE CYCLE

With three modes of study, LRU students have unparalleled flexibility in scheduling their coursework. Campus, online, and modular courses are scheduled to begin and end at fixed times and are offered on a cyclical schedule so that students can plan ahead as they map out their course of study. The three-year recurring cycle is as follows. MI 630—Missions Practicum—is offered as available in connection with LRU mission trips; RW 500—Introduction to Theological Research & Writing is offered every month. The courses listed in this schedule are a minimum of what is planned. Courses may be added or deleted and the mode of delivery may be changed at the discretion of the university.

## 2009-2010

<u>FALL</u>		SPRING	
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	Ministerial Duties		Bib Coun in Marr and Fam
CM 711	Intern Practicum	MI 625	
CO 528	Bib Coun and Helping Skills	MI 630	Missions Practicum
MI 630	Missions Practicum	TH 536	Seminar in Apologetics
On-Cam	pus Classes	On-Cam	pus Classes
BE 521	Essentials of Biblical Exposition	BE 522	Prac Biblical Comm
CM 520	Ministerial Duties	CM 725	Family Education Ministries
CM 530	Education Ministries	CO 526	Foundations of Bib Coun
CM 701	Church Ministry and Man	CO 628	Biblical Counseling Meth
CO 620	Bib Counseling in Marr and Fam	ED 520	Methods of Teaching
EV 520	Theo and Practice of Evangelism	EV 710	Prin of Church Growth
LD 512	Theo Foun of Leading & Follow	HI 522	Church History
LD 513	Leader/Follower Values & Ethics	LD 515	Prin of Strategic Planning
NT 605	John	LD 517	Servant Leadership
NT 520	New Testament Introduction	NT 606	Acts
OT 620	Genesis	OT 520	Old Testament Introduction
TH 526	Systematic Theology II	TH 525	Systematic Theology I
TH 530	Hermeneutics	TH 535	Apologetics
Online C	'ourses	Online C	Courses
BE 522	Practical Bib Communication	BE 521	Essentials of Bib Exposition
CO 526	Found of Biblical Counseling	CM 520	Ministerial Duties
HE 530	Hebrew Grammar I	CM 701	Church Min and Management
HI 522	Church History	CO 528	Bib Coun and Helping Skills
LD 515	Prin of Strategic Planning	HE 531	Hebrew Grammar II
MI 520	Missions Perspectives	HI 622	American Christianity
NT 530	New Testament Theology	LD 513	Leader/Follower Val & Eth
NT 610	Romans	MI 620	World Religions
OT 520	Old Testament Introduction	NT 520	New Testament Intro
OT 615	Minor Prophets	NT 523	Jesus and the Gospels
PH 520	Logic	OT 620	Genesis
RW 500	Intro to Theo Res and Writing	RW 500	Intro to Theo Res and Writ
TH 525	Systemic Theology I	TH 526	Systematic Theology II
TH 545	Spiritual Formation	TH 710	Ecclesiology
TH 730	Worldviews and Origins	TH 561	Values and Ethics
TH 562	Issues in Ethics		

## SUMMER

#### Online Courses

- BE 550 Pastoral Preaching
- BE 523 Christian Rhetoric
- CS 501 Prin of Computer Management
- CM 705 Financial Planning
- CO 626 Bib Coun Iss, Eth, & Leg Con
- CO 629 Bib Cris Couns/Pastoral Care
- ED 520 Methods of Teaching
- EV 710 Prin of Church Growth
- HE 620 Hebrew Syntax
- LD 512 Theo Found of Leading and Following
- LD 516 Conflict Resolution
- MI 520 Missions Perspectives
- MI 625 Non-Traditional Beliefs
- NT 520 New Testament Introduction
- NT 524 First Corinthians
- NT 701 Revelation
- OT 520 Old Testament Introduction
- OT 530 Old Testament Theology
- OT 622 Isaiah
- RW 500 Intro to Th Res and Writing
- TH 525 Systematic Theology I
- TH 535 Apologetics
- TH 536 Seminar in Apologetics
- TH 561 Values and Ethics
- TH 720 Eschatology



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## 2011-2012

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August Modules CM 711 Intern Practicum		<u>January Modules</u> NT 525 Life of Paul	
BE 521 CM 520	Essentials of Biblical Exposition Ministerial Duties Educational Ministries Bib Coun Iss, Eth, & Leg Con Principles of Church Growth American Christianity Principles of Strategic Planning New Testament Introduction Romans Systematic Theology II Hermeneutics Values and Ethics Ecclesiology	On-Camp BE 522 CO 628 HI 522 OT 520 NT 701 TH 525 TH 720	Revelation Systematic Theology I
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SUMMER			
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TH 720 Eschatology

# MASTER LEVEL COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

#### BIBLICAL EXPOSITION

#### BE 521 ESSENTIALS OF BIBLICAL EXPOSITION

Three hours

A study of the nature of biblical exposition and principles of message construction. Attention is given to the basic materials of the message, methods of preparation, effective delivery, and problems of exposition. Emphasis is upon the accurate interpretation of the text and its relevant application to a contemporary audience.

## BE 522 PRACTICAL BIBLICAL COMMUNICATION

Three hours

Prerequisite: BE 521 or BE 523

BE 522 Online requires the student to possess or have access to a digital camcorder and a high-speed internet connection to submit preaching videos via email attachment.

Basic principles of voice, articulation, or al interpretation of Scripture, and expositional delivery are considered. Opportunity for practice is given in each of these areas and constitutes the basis for additional study in content, structure, and delivery.

#### BE 523 CHRISTIAN RHETORIC

Three hours

The purpose of this course is to train students who do not sense a call to the pastorate in the elementary exercises of relating biblical concepts and utilizing Christian persuasion and exhortation for a variety of ministry settings. Aspects and principles of hermeneutics, homiletics (preaching), and delivery will be studied. This course is designed to be an alternative to Essentials of Biblical Preaching (BE 521).

#### BE 550 PASTORAL PREACHING

Three hours

Prerequisite: BE 521 or BE 523

A study of the role of preaching as it relates to the office and ministry of the local church pastor. Course material and discussions will focus on the selection of Bible texts/books and the preparation of sermons to meet the needs of the contemporary church family. Topics studied will include understanding the congregation for pastoral preaching and biblical exposition with the role of the Holy Spirit in sermon planning and development as an effective means of extending the ministry of the pastor. A planned preaching program will be devised.

#### **CHURCH MINISTRIES**

#### CM 520 MINISTERIAL DUTIES

Three hours

A study of the various administrative, pastoral, and ministerial roles of those who provide spiritual leadership to a local congregation. Practical methodologies of those serving in such roles, whether as senior pastors or staff ministers, will be explored. This study also looks at practical matters of the servant's day-to-day personal, social, and professional life, how a declining moral culture can adversely affect these, and how such negative influence can be countered.

## CM 530 EDUCATIONAL MINISTRIES (formerly ED 530)

Three hours

A general overview of Church Christian Education. The primary focus will be on the church and its organizations; however, related fields of biblical education and church ministry will also be examined.

# CM 701 CHURCH MINISTRY AND MANAGEMENT (formerly ED 710)

Three hours

A study of the officers of the church--both staff and lay personnel. Specific duties of church officers and staff will be closely examined. The concept of team ministries will be studied along with a view of the role of individual responsibilities within the team. The role of the pastor will be examined in relationship to other members of the staff as well as to lay workers in the church. The place of church doctrine within the church administration and ministry will also be emphasized.

## CM 705 FINANCIAL PLANNING (formerly ED 705)

Three hours

A study of church stewardship planning based on biblical principles. It is a study of what God has to say about financial practices coupled with standard bookkeeping methodology. It defines the work of the church treasurer, financial secretary, budget, finance committee, and other church financial officers and terms.

## CM 725 FAMILY EDUCATION MINISTRIES

Three hours

(formerly ED 725)

A course designed to teach the scope and purpose of the multiple ministries of the local church to the family. Some church-related family ministries which may reach beyond the confines of the church will also be discussed. The Christian school and other avenues of ministry to children and youth will also be treated.

## CM 711 INTERN PRACTICUM

Three hours each

Prerequisites: TH 530, BE 521, OT 520, NT 520, TH 525, TH 526, TH 545, EV 520

The Intern Practicum is a practical application of ministry goals and skills through Ministry Action Assignments under field supervision.

## CM 712 MILITARY CHAPLAINCY PRACTICUM

Three hours

Students who are engaged in military chaplaincy may receive course credit for these activities. In order to receive credit students must document 180 hours of supervised "course" work. Documentation shall consist of the student submitting a time log indicating the amount of time spent in chaplaincy activities (classroom instruction, group activities, supervised ministry, video-based learning, reading assignments, co-supervision duties, written assignments, audio-based learning, counseling, and interpersonal ministry). The student shall also submit an evaluation letter from his or her immediate supervisor. The letter should include the student's name, the dates of the student's practicum/internship activities, the number of hours for which the student received supervision, a description of the student's practicum/internship activities, a general evaluation of the student's ministry potential, and an evaluation of the student's overall practicum/internship experience based on the following scale: superior, good, average, poor.

Students who are engaged in prison ministry may receive course credit for these activities. In order to receive credit students must document 180 hours of supervised "course" work. Documentation shall consist of the student submitting a time log indicating the amount of time spent in chaplaincy activities (classroom instruction, group activities, supervised ministry, video-based learning, reading assignments, cosupervision duties, written assignments, audio-based learning, counseling, and interpersonal ministry). The student shall also submit an evaluation letter from his or her immediate supervisor. The letter should include the student's name, the dates of the student's practicum/internship activities, the number of hours for which the student received supervision, a description of the student's practicum/internship activities, a general evaluation of the student's ministry potential, and an evaluation of the student's overall practicum/internship experience based on the following scale: superior, good, average, poor.

## CM 714 HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY PRACTICUM

Three hours

Students who are engaged in hospital chaplaincy may receive course credit for these activities. In order to receive credit students must document 180 hours of supervised "course" work. Documentation shall consist of the student submitting a time log indicating the amount of time spent in chaplaincy activities (classroom instruction, group activities, supervised ministry, video-based learning, reading assignments, co-supervision duties, written assignments, audio-based learning, counseling, and interpersonal ministry). The student shall also submit an evaluation letter from his or her immediate supervisor. The letter should include the student's name, the dates of the student's practicum/internship activities, the number of hours for which the student received supervision, a description of the student's practicum/internship activities, a general evaluation of the student's ministry potential, and an evaluation of the student's overall practicum/internship experience based on the following scale: superior, good, average, poor.

#### **BIBLICAL COUNSELING**

## CO 526 FOUNDATIONS OF BIBLICAL COUNSELING

Three hours

This course introduces the student to the principles of Biblical counseling. The course includes a study of the counseling process, the believer's new identity, the nature of the flesh, characteristics of the flesh, journey to the cross, the believer's victory, the Exchanged Life, Spirituotherapy, living in dependence on Christ, and growing in grace.

## CO 528 BIBLICAL COUNSELING AND HELPING SKILLS Three hours

This is a practical course designed to improve your counseling listening and helping skills. Subjects studied include active listening, empathy, advanced empathy, concreteness, confrontation, self-disclosure and other techniques designed to facilitate the counseling process. In addition, you will study specific techniques and skills related to the broad categories of attending, listening, responding, values clarification, decision-making, and action planning. The course is both didactic and experiential - we will practice many of the skills with each other during the learning labs.

## CO 620 BIBLICAL COUNSELING IN MARRIAGE AND FAMILY

Three hours

This course introduces the student to marriage and family counseling. The student will be introduced to an analysis of marriage, family, and parenting dynamics from a biblical perspective. Eight Christian approaches to counseling couples are surveyed. The foundations of a godly family and the structure of the counseling process are also examined. The importance of living the Christian life as a husband, wife, or counselor -- as empowered by God's grace will be emphasized throughout.

# CO 626 BIBLICAL COUNSELING ISSUES, ETHICS, AND LEGAL CONCERNS

Three hours

A survey of the professional, ethical, and legal issues related to the practice of Christian individual, marital, and family counseling. Topics covered include ethical decision-making, multiculturalism, confidentiality, multiple relationships, boundaries, and codes of ethics.

## CO 628 BIBLICAL COUNSELING METHODOLOGY

Three hours

Prerequisite: CO 526

The course is designed to introduce the student to and familiarize the student with the specific methodological techniques used in the biblical counseling process. After examining some of the techniques used by those who are under the broad umbrella of psychotherapy the focus will be narrowed to the methodologies used in the biblical counseling process model. Some of the methodologies examined include the presenting problem, taking a personal (social) history, identifying and diagramming fleshly living patterns, the use of Scripture, visual aids, and homework in the active counseling stage, the forgiveness exercise, and the need for continuing education in the discipleship process.

## CO 629 BIBLICAL CRISIS COUNSELING AND PASTORAL CARE

Three hours

This course introduces the student to the interpersonal dynamics of crisis counseling from a biblically-based and Christ-centered perspective. The student will be presented with an overview of the crises that can impact the individual and the family and will be given practical ministry guidelines to promote pastoral care and healing. The course will include instruction on the application of biblical principles to crisis situations, practical guidance in helping others recover from the losses of life, the phases of a crisis, and the process of crisis intervention. Topics will include trauma, death, suicide, loss, and grief and their impact on the family unit including children and adolescents.

# CO 700 BIBLICAL COUNSELING PRACTICUM

Three hours

Prerequisites: CO 526, CO 528, and CO 628

Prior to enrollment in the practicum, the student must secure permission from the LRU Counseling Department. Practicums may be completed by means of either an eight-week full-time internship, an extended part-time internship, or a combination two-week on site and resource based curriculum. All practicums are based on 180 documented hours. Students, who have already completed an AELM internship or AELM Advanced Training may receive credit for this practicum. For more information, the prospective or enrolled MABC student should consult the CO 700 Guidesheet/Syllabus available through the Counseling Department.

#### **COMPUTER SCIENCE**

CS 501 PRINCIPLES OF COMPUTER MANAGEMENT Three hours

A study of the use of software, such as Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint). Emphasis will not be on the mechanics of the software but the use of the software to present ideas, for persuasion, and for analysis. Class size is limited.

#### CHRISTIANEDUCATION

#### ED 520 METHODS OF TEACHING

Three hours

A survey course covering general methodology of instruction within the classroom. The methods considered will be appropriate for both church education and Christian day school classes. Attention will be given to aims and objectives, unit organization and preparation, study habits, and measuring the results of instruction. The course is designed to improve the ability of the Christian worker in the preparation and presentation of lesson materials. Emphasis will be given to creative and practical work, and age/grade differences will be considered. The use of the Bible in teaching all subjects will be strongly emphasized.

#### **EVANGELISM**

EV 520 THEOLOGY AND PRACTICE OF EVANGELISM Three hours

A study of the supreme task of evangelism. The theology of evangelism, methods of evangelism for personal witnessing and for church outreach, and contemporary challenges to evangelism are discussed. A practical component of the course contributes to the cultivation of an evangelistic mindset and lifestyle, moving the study from theology to praxis.

#### EV 710 PRINCIPLES OF CHURCH GROWTH

Three hours

A study of various means which promote church growth.

#### GREEK/HEBREW

## GR 531 GREEK GRAMMAR I

Three hours

This is an introduction to basic Greek grammar, vocabulary, and translation.

#### GR 532 GREEK GRAMMAR II

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 531

This course is a continuation of GR 531, emphasizing third declension nouns, secondary tenses, moods, and irregular verbs.

## GR 620 INTERMEDIATE GREEK GRAMMAR

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 532

This is an advanced study introducing Greek syntax that emphasizes noun cases and verb moods.

#### GR 621 GREEK EXEGESIS

Three hours

Prerequisite: GR 620

This continues GR 620, emphasizing verb tenses, participles, infinitives, and clauses.

The University participates in the Zondervan Greek Award Program which provides an annual award to an outstanding student of New Testament Greek. The recipient of this honor is awarded a letter of congratulations from the editor, the student's name on the school website and on a perpetual plaque located in the Bertha Smith Library, and a Zondervan resource or publication to be selected by the recipient.

## HE 530 HEBREW GRAMMAR I

Three hours

An introduction to the fundamentals of Hebrew grammar and syntax. In this course, the student will develop basic skills in translation and will assimilate a vocabulary of the most common biblical Hebrew words.

## HE 531 HEBREW GRAMMAR II

Three hours

Prerequisite: HE 530

A continuation of Hebrew I with an increased emphasis upon efficiency in the use of lexical and exegetical tools.

#### HE 620 HEBREW SYNTAX

Three hours

Prerequisite: HE 531

A study of advanced grammar and syntax designed to increase the student's ability in the translation and analysis of the Old Testament Hebrew text.

## **CHURCH HISTORY**

## HI 522 CHURCH HISTORY

Three hours

An overview of church history from the Apostolic Age to the present, noting doctrinal developments, major movements, and key figures in the history of the church.

## HI 622 AMERICAN CHRISTIANITY

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A study of the origin, growth, and contributions of Christianity in America.

#### LEADERSHIP

# LD 511 LEADER/FOLLOWER THEORIES AND PRACTICE Three hours

This course is a prerequisite to leadership electives and involves the study of the historical development of leader theory and follower theory. With an understanding of leader/follower theory, the student is able to integrate a biblical worldview that clarifies the application of leader/follower theory within organizations.

# LD 512 THEOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS OF LEADING Three hours AND FOLLOWING (formerly LD 501)

This course is a prerequisite to leadership electives and involves the study of foundational theological principles related to the development and exercise of Christian leading and following. Combining the use of proper biblical exposition and an understanding of leading from the New Testament, students will learn fundamental concepts that distinguish biblical leading/following from secular models. TH 530 is highly recommended before taking this course.

## LD 513 LEADER/FOLLOWER VALUES AND ETHICS

Three hours

(formerly LD 502)

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

This course focuses on how values and ethics are established and managed in ministry and how they are influenced by the personal beliefs, values and ethical standards of the individual leader/follower. This study examines how churches or Christian organizations can induce change that impacts the cultural values of the organization.

## LD 514 LEADER/FOLLOWER DEVELOPMENT

Three hours

(formerly LD 506)

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

This course helps students understand the internal, external, and divine influences impacting leader and follower development. Various components of leader/follower development are explored with an emphasis on personal development through spiritual formation and transformational processes.

## LD 515 PRINCIPLES OF STRATEGIC PLANNING

Three hours

(formerly LD 503)

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

This course examines the critical elements involved in strategic thinking and planning, particularly as it relates to the mission of the organization. Students will learn to apply the principles of systemic thinking and action to move churches, organizations, ministries, departments, and other groups toward the fulfillment of their God-given mission. Attention is given to the development of organizational core values and vision.

## LD 516 CONFLICT RESOLUTION (formerly LD 505)

Three hours

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

Change is considered inevitable; however, it remains a major source of conflict within organizations. This course equips students to apply biblical principles to personal, ministry, and group conflict and considers effective models for leading congregational change with minimal conflict. Attention is given to the processes of implementing change within an organization and decision-making processes.

## LD 517 SERVANT LEADERSHIP (formerly LD 504)

Three hours

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

This course involves a study of biblical "servanthood" and spiritual formation as the essence of Christian leading. Students will examine biblical models of this transformational approach to leading and develop a ministry philosophy for practicing and applying this leader style within the organization.

## LD 518 BECOMING A FOLLOWING-LEADER

Three hours

Prerequisites: LD 511, LD 512

As a Christian, understanding one's call to lead is predicated upon one's initial call to follow the person and teachings of the Lord Jesus Christ. This course will enable the student to identify key areas of following in his or her own life, and provide the necessary tools to embed a culture of following in organizations resulting in greater service and impact. Maintaining a follower first philosophy allows the student to serve more effectively and with greater personal fulfillment.

#### MISSIONS

## MI 520 MISSIONS PERSPECTIVES

Three hours

A survey of the theology, history, problems, and strategies of the Christian missionary movement.

## MI 620 WORLD RELIGIONS

Three hours

An analysis of the world's major religions and their contrast with biblical Christianity, including Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, and others.

#### MI 625 NON-TRADITIONAL BELIEFS

Three hours

A study of the history and theology of contemporary aberrant religious movements in comparison with biblical Christianity. Strategies for reaching members of such groups with the true Gospel are discussed.

## MI 630 MISSIONS PRACTICUM

Three hours

A mission trip to a foreign country to acquaint the student with missionary life and work. Assignments include detailing the history and culture of the target people group and a variety of practical hands-on ministries, depending on the needs of the mission team.

#### **NEW TESTAMENT**

## NT 520 NEW TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

Three hours

An examination of the elements related to the composition of the New Testament writings (authorship, date, setting, purpose, critical issues, etc.) and an evaluation of various views and methods in biblical scholarship today.

#### NT 523 JESUS AND THE GOSPELS

Three hours

A careful examination of the canonical witness to Jesus Christ and a critique of contemporary Jesus studies.

#### NT 524 FIRST CORINTHIANS

Three hours

Prereauisite: TH 530

An in-depth analysis of the background and a careful exegesis of the contents of the New Testament epistle of 1 Corinthians. First Corinthians identifies the kinds of problems faced by the first century church and Paul's solutions to them.

## NT 525 LIFE OF PAUL

Three hours

An in-depth study of the life of the apostle Paul, giving attention to his historical and cultural roots, conversion, personal experiences, writings, and missionary journeys.

## NT 530 NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY

Three hours

An analysis of the unique theological perspectives of each of the New Testament authors and their writings. The complementary contributions of each author contribute to a unified theology of the New Testament canon.

## NT 605 GOSPEL OF JOHN

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An in-depth analysis of the background and a careful exegesis of the contents of the Gospel of John. John presents Jesus as Son of God and God's plan of salvation.

NT 606 ACTS Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An in-depth analysis of the background and a careful exegesis of the contents of the New Testament book of Acts. Acts records the formation and expansion of the early church.

## NT 610 ROMANS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An in-depth analysis of the background and a careful exegesis of the contents of the New Testament epistle to the Romans. Romans comprises Paul's fullest theological treatment of the salvation-historical implications of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

## NT 701 REVELATION

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An in-depth analysis of the background and a careful exegesis of the contents of the prophetic and apocalyptic epistle of Revelation. Revelation unveils Jesus Christ as the central figure in the culmination of God's redemptive program.

#### **OLD TESTAMENT**

#### OT 520 OLD TESTAMENT INTRODUCTION

Three hours

An examination of the canon, text, and interpretation of the Old Testament, including an introduction to various critical approaches to biblical studies. The study refutes naturalistic, higher critical understandings of the text and defends the historic Christian view of the Old Testament Scriptures (2 Tim 3:16).

#### OT 530 OLD TESTAMENT THEOLOGY

Three hours

An examination of the dominant themes and the development of theological concepts of the Old Testament. The unique marks of each period and author are seen as complementary, contributing to a unified theology of the Old Testament canon. Emphasis is upon the progressive revelation of God.

#### OT 615 MINOR PROPHETS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

A general survey of the Old Testament minor prophets focusing on the historical background, authorship, analysis, and expositional value of each book.

## OT 620 GENESIS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

A study of the historical background, authorship, and analysis of the first book of the Bible with a special emphasis being given to the expository treatment of the text. This course also will deal with many of the critical issues pertaining to this historical book.

## OT 622 ISAIAH

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An analytical and expository survey emphasizing the historical setting, authorship, and prophetic nature of the book of Isaiah.

OT 624 DANIEL

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 530

An analytical study of Daniel from the premillennial standpoint, noting the historical and cultural context of the book and its relationship to the Book of Revelation. Emphasis will be given to the prophetic sections of the book.

#### PHILOSOPHY

#### PH 520 LOGIC

Three hours

A study of the major divisions of traditional logic: Categorial (categorical syllogisms with proofs of validity), Truth-Functional (truth tables, rules of replacement and inference and formal proofs), and Informal (induction, scientific reasoning, informal fallacies).

#### RESEARCH AND WRITING

# RW 500 INTRODUCTION TO THEOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND WRITING

No credit

An introductory survey of basic research and writing skills that are required of graduate students. Topics include: Library research, theological tools, internet research, Turabian formatting, writing a term paper, documenting sources, and common writing errors. This course is taken independently online and is offered monthly. Students must take the course prior to their second semester of classes.

#### THEOLOGY

## TH 525 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY I

Three hours

A systematic study of the following doctrines: Bibliology, Theology Proper, Christology, Pneumatology and Angelology.

#### TH 526 SYSTEMATIC THEOLOGY II

Three hours

A systematic study of the following doctrines: Anthropology, Hamartiology, Soteriology, Ecclesiology, and Eschatology.

#### TH 530 HERMENEUTICS

Three hours

A study of the basic principles and specific guidelines of biblical interpretation. Some attention is given to the historical schools of interpretation, but the focus of the course is on historical-grammatical interpretation and legitimate application of the Scriptures. General principles, such as reliance on the Holy Spirit; paying attention to context; knowing the ancient culture; and recognizing the different types of literary genre, are covered. Specific rules regarding the interpretation of types, symbols, poetry, proverbs, parables, and prophecy are also given.

## TH 535 APOLOGETICS

Three hours

A study of the defense of the Christian faith against counter-claimants to truth. Specific objections are dealt with and general methodology questions are discussed. The student is equipped to follow Peter's injunction, "be ready to give an answer (apologia) to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you" (1 Pe 3.15).

#### Three hours

#### TH 536 SEMINAR IN APOLOGETICS

Prerequisite: TH 535

An analysis of a particular issue or figure relevant to apologetics including Contemporary Atheism, the evolution/creation debate, biblical Inerrancy, truth and postmodern thought, and others. May be taken more than once as topics vary.

#### TH 537 SEMINAR IN APOLOGETICS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 535

An analysis of a particular issue or figure relevant to apologetics including Contemporary Atheism, the evolution/creation debate, biblical Inerrancy, truth and postmodern thought, and others. May be taken more than once as topics vary.

### TH 545 SPIRITUAL FORMATION

Three hours

Spiritual Formation is a practical study of the theology of life in the image of Christ and some Biblical principles that guide the development and maintenance of that Christlike life, in the lives of Christians. The study will include consideration of the Biblical directions for appropriating the spirituality and victory that Jesus Christ gives for faithful Christian living.

## TH 561 VALUES AND ETHICS

Three hours

A study of Christian morality from a biblical perspective. This course surveys the complex moral issues faced by modern men and women and provides Bible-based solutions to the ethical dilemmas of contemporary life in a post-modern age.

#### TH 562 ISSUES IN ETHICS

Three hours

Prerequisite: TH 561

An analysis of a particular issue or figure relevant to contemporary ethics including Moral Relativism, the Legislation of Morality, Gender Roles and the Bible, Truth and Postmodern Thought, Sanctity of Life in Modern Society, and others. May be taken more than once as topics vary.

### TH 710 ECCLESIOLOGY

Three hours

An examination of the distinctive nature of the church--its origin, mission, and destiny. Contemporary understandings and challenges are considered from a biblical perspective.

#### TH 720 ESCHATOLOGY

Three hours

An examination of the foundations of premillennialism; Israel, the nations, and the church in prophecy; the rapture; the tribulation; the millennium; the judgments; and the eternal state.

## TH 730 WORLD VIEWS AND ORIGINS

Three hours

A study of the evidences for and implications of competing views of origins. Scientific creationism, intelligent design, theistic evolution, and naturalism are considered.

## DOCTOR OF MINISTRY PROGRAM

The quality and success of the Christian ministry are very often determined by the minister's ability to think critically, biblically, and theologically; to communicate that thinking in oral and written fashion; and to apply that thinking in real-life ministry. The Doctor of Ministry degree presumes a level of theological knowledge and competence in ministry skills. The Doctor of Ministry student should have had Master level studies in Bible, theology, evangelism, homiletics, pastoral ministry, and Christian education equivalent to the Master of Divinity degree. This background is necessary since the Doctor of Ministry program provides an educational opportunity, in the context of the student's own ministry laboratory, to develop and enhance specific advanced competencies related to the practice of Christian ministry.

## STUDENTS WITHOUT A MASTER OF DIVINITY DEGREE

Applicants whose Masters degrees are not equivalent to the M.Div., but have at least 60 semester hours of theological/biblical/ministerial course work, may choose from the following options:

- 1. Enroll in one of the Master-level programs and complete at least 30 semester hours of master-level work, to be awarded a degree.
- 2. Enroll as a non-degree seeking special student and take graduate-level courses to make up the deficit between their degree and the 90 hour M.Div.

The M.Div. degree will not be awarded if less than 30 semester hours of such compensatory work is done. Students desiring the M.Div. degree should enroll in that program.

Award of the M.Div. degree or completion of the deficit credit does not guarantee acceptance into the Doctor of Ministry program. Once the M.Div. or its equivalency has been completed, the student should begin normal application procedures for the Doctor of Ministry.

#### ENROLLMENT

Consecutive, continuous enrollment is required until all doctoral study is completed and all graduation requirements are fulfilled. Students complete the program at their own pace within the time limitations, but they must take at least two courses per academic year. Tuition fees are paid per course per semester. Failure to meet these guidelines will result in the student being dropped from the program.

## TIME REQUIREMENTS

Since the Luther Rice Doctor of Ministry program is for persons already engaged in ministry, the length of time to complete the program varies. Normally the program is completed in 3 years. It may not be extended beyond 5 years.

If extenuating circumstances should force a student to suspend Doctor of Ministry studies for a prolonged period of time, the Registrar must be notified in writing of the student's intention to withdraw from the program. Upon withdrawal, the student may be on a leave of absence for up to one year.

This leave of absence will not count toward the program's time limits, nor will billing continue during the period of inactivity. When the student is ready to resume studies, a "Reactivation Application" should be accessed through www.LRU.edu or requested from the Admissions Office. Upon receipt of that completed application, billing will resume and the student may return to the Doctor of Ministry coursework. NOTE: ONLY ONE WITHDRAWAL IS ALLOWED DURING THE COURSE OF STUDY.

For more information, see "Readmission Policies" and "Withdrawal from the Institution."

A student desiring to graduate in May must have satisfactorily submitted the first draft of the Major Ministry Project by August 15 of the previous year, and satisfactorily submitted the final draft of the Major Ministry Project by February 1 of the graduation year. Final approval of the Major Ministry Project by the Graduate Committee must be received no later than April 1.

To encourage the students in lifelong learning, all students who graduate with an LRU Doctor of Ministry degree are invited to audit any future doctoral module on a space available basis without incurring tuition or an audit fee.

## **GRADING POLICY**

The Doctor of Ministry student must earn a minimum grade of "B" in each course. Failure to achieve a grade of "B" will necessitate repeating the course or taking an approved substitute course. For information on dropping below a 3.0 grade point average, see the section on "Academic Probation, Suspension, and Dismissal."

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Doctor of Ministry program is to provide advanced competencies and biblical insights into the practice of ministry for those actively involved in vocational Christian ministry.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

Graduates of the Doctor of Ministry program will be prepared to:

- 1. Demonstrate an advanced understanding and integration of ministry in relation to the biblical, theological, academic, and pastoral disciplines.
- 2. Articulate and apply a comprehensive and critical philosophy of ministry.
- Demonstrate advanced competencies in the areas of critical thinking, Research
  and Writing, Biblical Theology, Biblical Communication, Administration/
  Leadership, Pastoral Care, and Great Commission Strategies.

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- 4. Plan, implement, and critically evaluate major undertakings in ministry toward the fulfillment of the Great Commission and the Great Commandment.
- Evaluate personal, spiritual, and professional development and design a plan for lifelong learning.

#### **CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS**

The Doctor of Ministry Program consists of 30 semester hours. Four on-campus CORE modules serve as the centerpiece in the Doctor of Ministry program and must be taken prior to beginning work on the Major Ministry Project. The four CORE modules focus on Communication, Ministry, Research and Writing, and Exegetical Theology. All modules are three hours each, except the Colloquy, which is required but receives no credit, and provide dialogue and interaction with experts in the fields of Christian service and scholarship as well as important times of personal reflection and peer review. Each module is composed of the following three parts: precourse assignments, modular class time, and postcourse projects. Participants must register at least thirty days in advance of the first class session. Each module requires at least 1,500 pages of reading and runs concurrent with the on-campus semester schedules.

#### **CORE MODULES**

## DMRW 800 RESEARCH AND WRITING

Students are instructed in methods of theological research and academic writing, with special reference to the Major Ministry Project including, thinking logically and theologically, writing a thesis statement, researching biblical and theological topics and writing style.

## DMTM 800 THEOLOGY OF MINISTRY

This course relates the teachings of the Bible to the situations ministers face in contemporary ministry including new developments in the culture, philosophy and models of ministry, as well as the student's personal challenges and character development.

## DMBC 811 ADVANCED BIBLICAL EXPOSITION

An advanced study of the nature of biblical exposition with special attention given to effective inductive study, message research, structure, and delivery.

## DMBT 821 CRITICAL THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

An in-depth investigation of the great doctrines of evangelicalism, as well as contemporary challenges and their importance, and implications for effective Christian ministry.

#### **ELECTIVES**

In addition to the four CORE modules that are taken on the LRU campus, five electives are required in the Doctor of Ministry degree and may be taken on campus or online. Students may choose electives from any of the broad scope of course offerings.

## DMAL: ADMINISTRATION/LEADERSHIP STUDIES

## DMAL 824 ADVANCED LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION

An advanced study of the concepts of Christian leadership and administration, giving attention to their biblical basis, principles, meaning, and purpose. The successful implementation of these concepts is explored.

#### DMAL 831 LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY

This course is designed to enable the student to develop spiritual leadership. Consideration is given to leadership skill development and spiritual formation in the students with a view to their facilitating similar leadership skills and spirituality in others.

# DMAL 851 ADVANCED STRATEGIC PLANNING AND GOAL SETTING

This course is designed to enable students to plan strategies and to implement those strategies in order to accomplish set goals. Students learn to develop strategic planning components and to organize available resources to accomplish their goals.

# DMAL 900-950 ADMINISTRATION/LEADERSHIP TOPICAL STUDIES Not available online

Topics include effective leadership skills, conflict resolution, legal, ethical, and professional issues, stewardship planning, staff relations, and others as announced.

## DMBC: BIBLICAL COMMUNICATION STUDIES

## DMBC 821 CONTEMPORARY PREACHING

An intensive investigation into trends and debates in homiletical theory as it relates to modern views of the church and expressions of worship. Various techniques of exposition and delivery are analyzed. An analysis of historical preaching theory will be conducted as a means to assess contemporary approaches to homiletics and modern preaching theory.

### DMBC 826 ADVANCED BIBLICAL COMMUNICATION

Prerequisite DMBC 811

-Expository Preaching Lab

An interactive workshop in which doctoral candidates present exegetical insights and expository approaches to assigned biblical passages. Participants will be assigned several passages from a representative sampling of the various biblical genres. Candidate's conclusions and assertions will be discussed, analyzed, and debated among laboratory participants.

## DMBC 830 ADVANCED OLD TESTAMENT EXPOSITION

- Preaching from Old Testament Texts

An intensive course of study designed to assist the doctoral candidate in interpreting (exegesis), determining doctrinal and theological themes (theology), and proclaiming the message (homiletics) of the selected Old Testament texts. Attention will be given to each selected passage in light of its historical, theological, and cultural contexts in order to present that information in a meaningful homiletical manner.

#### DMBC 835 ADVANCED NEW TESTAMENT EXPOSITION

- Preaching from a selected New Testament Book

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An intensive course of study designed to assist the doctoral candidate in interpreting (exegesis), determining doctrinal and theological themes (theology), and proclaiming the message (homiletics) of a selected New Testament book (ie., The Gospel of Mark, The Epistle to the Philippians, The Epistle of James, etc). Attention will be given to each selected passage in light of its historical, theological, and cultural contexts in order to present that information in a meaningful homiletical manner.

#### DMBC 840 – 875 BIBLICAL COMMUNICATION TOPICAL STUDIES

Not available online

Topics may include Dynamic Teaching, Preaching through the Bible, Preaching Doctrine, Evangelistic Preaching, and others as announced.

#### DMBT: BIBLICAL/THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

#### DMBT 822 MODERN THEOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

An examination of the theological trends that impact the 21st century church. The students will evaluate these trends in light of the historically-based doctrines accepted by evangelicals today. The course will give the student the opportunity to be involved in researching the teachings of the Christian faith such as revelation, inspiration, interpretation, soteriology, and anthropology; applying their findings to the contemporary trend; observing the differences between traditional Christianity and the new trend; and drawing conclusions about these differences.

#### DMBT 835 APOLOGETICS

A critical analysis of the presuppositions and methodologies of selected groups or individuals who argue against the Christian faith. The student will discern the logical inconsistencies of these positions and construct a defense of the historic, Christian position.

#### DMBT 945 SPIRITUAL FORMATION

A practical study of the theology of life in the image of Christ and the development and maintenance of that Christian life. In this course, the student will create a 12-week course on Spiritual Formation that he can teach to his church. Building the course will necessitate in-depth research on issues such as the image of God, the ontological nature of man, the fall, justification, regeneration, the new man/old man, and issues in sanctification. The culmination of the student's work will be to answer the question "How does a person live a victorious life that is pleasing and acceptable to God?"

#### DMBT 960 CHRISTIAN ETHICS

A study of Christian values from a biblical perspective. This course will deal with selected moral issues in which the student will research the competing views within the issue and discern the Bible-based solution to the ethical dilemma.

#### DMBT 970 CREATIONISM

A study of the philosophy and science of origins. The course will interact with the atheistic worldview of philosophical naturalism that drives the interpretation of the scientific data along uniformitarian principles. During the course, the scientific data will be examined and conclusions will be drawn as to which worldview better interprets the data.

#### DMBT 971-995 BIBLICAL/THEOLOGICAL TOPICAL STUDIES

Not available online

Topics may include Worship, Theology and Practice of Prayer, Eschatological Perspectives, Current Doctrinal Controversies, and various biblical studies as announce.

#### DMGC: GREAT COMMISSION STUDIES

#### DMGC 825 CHURCH EVANGELISM IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY

This course investigates the various methodologies and philosophies being espoused throughout the world by which churches mobilize for evangelistic purposes. Strengths and weaknesses are discussed with a view to developing a church evangelistic methodology within the student's ministry culture and context.

#### DMGC 924 ADVANCED DISCIPLESHIP METHODOLOGIES

This course studies the various means by which Christians have been nurtured in the past and explores the biblical basis and merit of new methodologies. A biblically based philosophy of discipleship is developed and defended for implementation in the today's society.

#### DMGC 926 ADDRESSING NON-CHRISTIAN BELIEFS

Globalization creates challenges for the local church and is changing the way the Christians approach sharing the gospel. This course seeks to understand the basic beliefs of groups whose teachings are contrary to those of Christianity and develop communication strategies by which the gospel may be presented.

#### DMGC 930 MISSIONS PRACTICUM

A faculty led mission trip to a foreign country to immerse the student in a different culture and acquaint the student with missionary life and work.

#### DMGC931-950 GREAT COMMISSION TOPICAL STUDIES

Not available online

Topics relate to various aspects of church planting, church growth, disciple making, evangelism, and missions.

#### DMPC: PASTORAL CARE/COUNSELING

#### DMPC 827 ADVANCED BIBLICAL COUNSELING

This course teaches the student the advanced principles of biblical counseling. Included is a study of advanced counseling processes, the impact of spiritual identity on the sanctification process, assessing human sinfulness, achieving victory over defeating behavior patterns, living in the freedom of spiritual abundance.

#### DMPC 921 ADVANCED PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY COUNSELING

This course teaches the student advanced principles of counseling couples and families from a biblical perspective. Included are topics such as gender issues, parenting in a post-modern culture, and experiencing the grace of God in the midst of familial conflict.

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#### DMPC 927 BIBLICAL COUNSELING AND THE LAW

This course instructs students in contemporary ethical and legal issues. Included are topics such as ethical decision making, multiculturalism, confidentiality, multiple relationships, boundaries, and codes of ethics.

#### DMPC 929 THE SKILLED COUNSELOR

This course instructs students in advanced counseling skills. Included are topics such as empathy, concreteness, confrontation, self-disclosure, attending, listening, responding, decision-making, and action planning.

# DMPC 930-975 PASTORAL CARE/COUNSELING INDEPENDENT STUDIES

Not available online

Topics include Effective Pastoral Care; Dating, Courtship, and Premarital Counseling; Biblical Financial Principles; Crisis Counseling; and others as announced.

#### COURSE CYCLE

CORE modules, on campus and online courses are offered at fixed times and are scheduled cyclically so that students can map out a course of study ahead of time. All courses are offered within a three year time span. However, student participation in courses ultimately determines whether the course is taught. Completion of the degree program in the minimum three years may require some credit hours be earned through online courses. Courses may be cancelled for appropriate reasons by the institution.

#### Core Modules in Bold:

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<u>Fall 2009</u>	<b>Spring 2010</b>	Summer 2010
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#### MAJOR MINISTRY PROJECT

The Bible stresses the importance of applying in ministry what has been learned from the Word of God (John 13.17; Jas 1.22). The climax of the Doctor of Ministry program is a "hands-on" implementation of acquired knowledge and skill in a Major Ministry Project.

#### DMMP 950 MAJOR MINISTRY PROJECT

This is a supervised project addressing a specific concern in the student's present ministry context. The project must have measurable objectives, be biblically and theologically informed, be transferable to other ministries in similar contexts, and reflect knowledge and skills gained through the Doctor of Ministry studies.

The D.Min. candidate should register for this project the semester that work on the first draft begins. Registration for DMMP 950 is the same as registration for any other course.

The project is divided into two parts:

#### Major Ministry Project – First Draft

The First Draft of the Major Ministry Project is a detailed written account of the project. The report must contain the following elements:

- 1. An explanation of the problem addressed in the Major Ministry Project
- 2. A description of the ministry context in which the project was undertaken
- 3. A survey and analysis of relevant literature
- 4. An exposition of the informing biblical/theological data
- 5. A step-by-step account of how the problem was addressed
- 6. An evaluation of the project's effectiveness

# The work is to be submitted to the Registrar's Office of LRU, not to the faculty advisor.

This draft must be submitted in satisfactory form and with minimal grammatical errors no later than August 15 of the year prior to graduation.

#### Major Ministry Project - Final Draft

This is the Final Draft of the Major Ministry Project. It must be in final form with no grammatical errors and reflect any changes required by the advisor and/or Graduate Committee in their review of the first draft. It is due no later than February 1 of the graduation year. Two bound copies will be retained by LRU.

#### **COLLOQUY**

"He that walketh with wise men shall be wise" (Prov 13.20). The Doctor of Ministry Colloquy is based on the biblical premise that true believers sharpen one another "as iron sharpens iron" (Prov 27.17).

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#### DMCO 950 GRADUATE COLLOQUY

This a one-day campus review in which the student presents an oral report of the Major Ministry Project and is interviewed by faculty and peers regarding the project. Special guests will present sessions designed for the student's personal, professional, and spiritual edification.

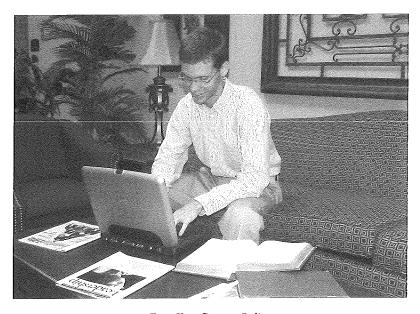
This final component of the Doctor of Ministry program is held on Thursday of graduation week. All graduating Doctor of Ministry Students must attend.

## COURSES

CORE	12
Research and Writing	(3)
Theology of Ministry	(3)
Advanced Biblical Exposition	
Critical Theological Perspectives	(3)
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ELECTIVES	15
Administration/Leadership Studies	
Advanced Leadership and Administration	(3)
Leadership Development for the 21st Century	(3)
Advanced Strategic Planning and Goal Setting	(3)
Topical Studies	(3)
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Biblical Communication Studies	
Contemporary Preaching	(3)
Advanced Biblical Exposition	(3)
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Advanced New Testament Exposition	(3)
Topical Studies	(3)
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Biblical/Theological Studies	
BiblicalFoundations	(3)
Apologetics	(3)
Spiritual Formation	(3)
Christian Ethics	(3)
Creationism	(3)
Topical Studies	(3)
Great Commission Studies	
Church Evangelism for the 21st Century	(2)
Advanced Discipleship Methodologies	(3)
Addressing Non-Christian Beliefs	(3)
Missions Practicum	(3)
	(3)
Topical Studies	(3)
Pastoral Care/Counseling	
Advanced Biblical Counseling	(3)
Advanced Principles of Family Counseling	(3)
Biblical Counseling and the Law	(3)
The Skilled Counselor	(3)
Topical Studies	
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MAJOR MINISTRY PROJECT & REPORT	3
Major Ministry Project	(3)
Graduate Colloquy	(0)
TOTAL HOURS	30



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# Academic Calendar

## 2009-2010

SUMMER	2,2009	
July	1	2009-2010 Academic Year Begins
	1	(Pell Grant Only) No FSEOG will ordered during the summer
	3-6*	Independence Day Holiday—Offices Closed
	6	Start Miniterm 2
	12	End Miniterm 1
August	30	Last Day of Summer Classes
FALL, 2009	)	
September	7*	Labor Day Holiday Offices Closed
-	8	Fall Semester classes begin, Late Registration
	18	begins Last Day to Register
	10	Last day to drop semester classes with "WD"
	22	Pell Grant and the FSEOG
	29	Fall Chapels Begin
November	13	Last Day to Drop Semester Course with "WP" or "WF"
	24	Last Chapel of the Semester
	26-27*	Thanksgiving Holidays—Offices Closed
December	20	Last Day of Fall Semester
	23-27*	Christmas Holidays—Offices Closed
	31	Offices Close at Noon
SPRING, 20	10	
January	1*	New Year's Day HolidayOffices Closed
	4-8	Modular Courses
	12-16	Modular Courses
	14	Spring Semester Classes Begin, Late Registration Begins
	18*	Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday—Offices Closed
	25	Pell Grant and ESECC

Pell Grant and FSEOG

Last Day to Register, Last Day to Drop with "WD"

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February	1	Graduation applications are due for May 2010 Graduation
March	8-11 25 29	World Missions Conference Luther Rice Day (Luther Rice, b. 1783) Last Day to Drop Semester Course with "WP" or "WF"
	29-31	Spring Break - Classes do not meet
April	1-2 2*	Spring Break - Classes do not meet Good Friday Holiday Offices Closed
May	2 13	Last Day of Spring Semester Doctoral Colloquy Founder's Day Graduation Banquet
	14 31*	Commencement Exercises Memorial Day Observed—Offices closed
SUMMER, 2	010	
May 17 - Au	gust 29	LRU Summer Session –No breaks during summer session
June	1-4 7-11	Modular Courses Modular Courses
July	1 2	2010-2011 Academic Year Begins Independence Day Holiday Offices Closed
August	29	Last Day of Summer Classes
September	6 7	Labor Day Holiday Offices Closed Fall semester classes begin, Late Registration begins
December	19	Last day of Fall semester

<sup>\*</sup> No Classes

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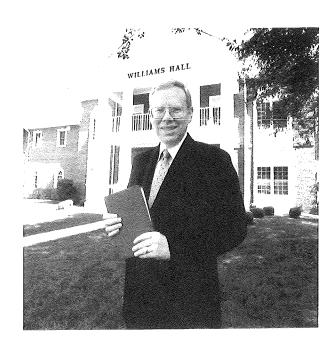
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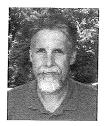
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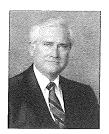
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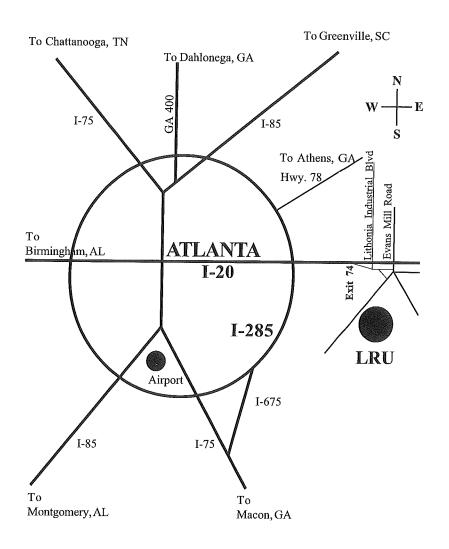
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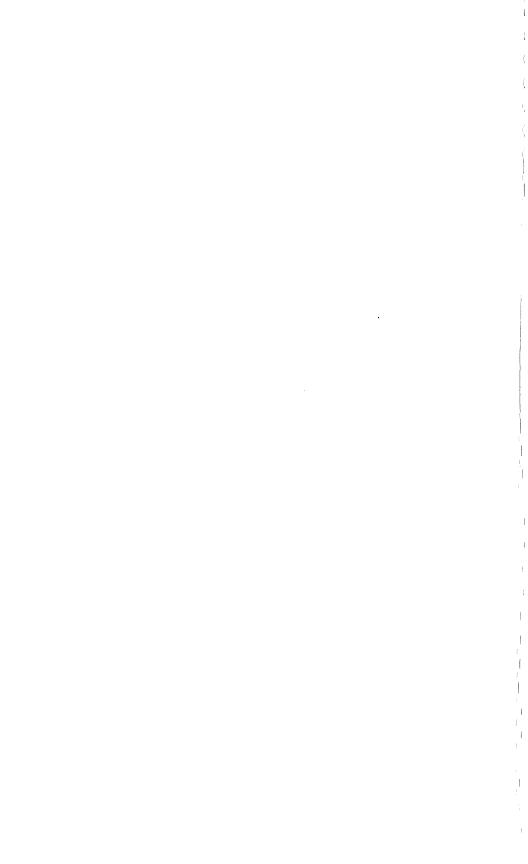
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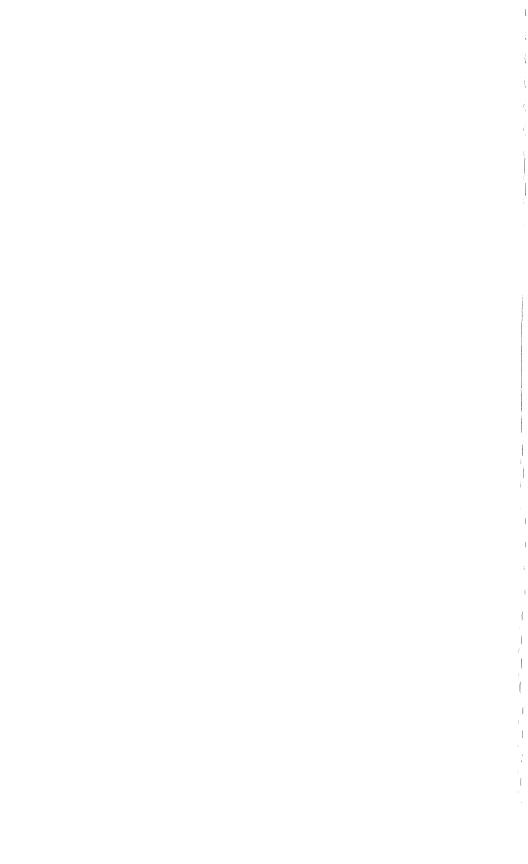


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#### APPLICANT'S AGREEMENT

(Circle your answers)

- YES NO I have carefully read the "Standards of Conduct," and I agree to adhere to these completely as long as I am an active student at Luther Rice Seminary/University.
- YES NO I have carefully read the "Financial Policy," and I agree to abide by all the policies set forth therein.
- YES NO I have carefully read LRU's "Doctrinal Statement," and I affirm my belief in each of the articles, numbers I through XI and agree to respect the entire doctrinal statement.
- YES NO I have carefully read the purpose, philosophy, and objectives, and I understand and will respect the Institution's purpose, philosophy, and objectives.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, all of the answers and statements in this application are true and give an accurate and adequate account of my background and beliefs.

Signature

Date

Admission to Luther Rice Seminary/University will not be granted unless the applicant can answer "Yes" to all four affirmations, the "Applicant's Agreement" is signed, the Application fee is included, all application documents are submitted, and is approved by the Admissions Committee.

#### THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS

- **Step 1**: Complete and submit the application in the back of the catalog or preferably online at www.LRU.edu, along with the \$50 application fee.
- **Step 2**: Request all your transcripts be sent directly to the Admissions Office at LRU. Unofficial transcripts cannot be accepted. Receiving transcripts is the slowest phase of the admissions process. Your personal diligence in this step will speed up your admissions.
- **Step 3**: Have your Christian Character Reference form completed and mailed by that person directly to the Admissions Office.
- **Step 4**: Take the Bible knowledge E-test online. Once an application is received, the applicant will receive an id and password to access the test through Blackboard on the LRU website.

Within 2 to 3 weeks of completing all of these steps, you will receive a final acceptance packet via regular mail. The packet outlines your course of study and tells you exactly how to get started.



#### LUTHER RICE SEMINARY/UNIVERSITY

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#### CHRISTIAN CHARACTER REFERENCE

#### TO THE APPLICANT:

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This questionnaire is to be completed by a pastor or church leader who is not a relative.

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í Í **Applicant**: Please photocopy this form, complete it (including signature), and send it to your high school and to each college, university, seminary, or institutions of higher learning you have attended.

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For specific information or questions you might have, please use our phone and email contacts below.

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