

# CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES (CHM)

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## **CHM 501 Theory and Theology of Ministry - 3 Units**

Examines major theories of teaching and learning in dialogue with Christian theology and educational practice. Students analyze research-based principles of learning, models of motivation, human development, and culturally responsive pedagogy, and evaluate their implications for teaching across ministry and higher-education contexts. Emphasis is placed on reflective practice, collaborative learning, and the integration of theory with instructional design, assessment, and classroom leadership appropriate to adult learners.

## **CHM 505 Educational Ministries and Leadership - 3 Units**

Examines how biblical exegesis, theology, and the social sciences inform educational ministry and Christian leadership for diverse ministry contexts. Integrates learning theory, human development, curriculum design, and leadership practice across the lifespan, including intergenerational and multicultural settings. Emphasis is placed on reflection on practice, team-based leadership, and the application of theory to real ministry challenges through case studies and practitioner engagement. Students develop competencies for leading educational ministries with theological depth, contextual awareness, and collaborative skill in service of the church's mission.

## **CHM 510 Topics: Ministry Foundations - 3 Units**

Introduces foundational biblical, theological, and practical dimensions of Christian ministry. Examines core principles of ministry leadership, congregational life, spiritual formation, and mission within diverse contexts. Emphasizes integration of theology and practice while developing essential competencies for responsible and reflective ministry. Specific areas of focus may vary by semester within the broader framework of foundational ministry formation. Repeatable for credit with different focus.

## **CHM 521 Youth and Emerging Adult Ministry - 3 Units**

Explores theological, developmental, and practical foundations for ministry with youth and emerging adults in church and related ministry contexts. Students engage key issues related to formation, leadership, and pastoral practice among adolescents and emerging adults, considering their application in diverse cultural and congregational settings.

## **CHM 620 Topics: Christian Education - 3 Units**

Explores theological, theoretical, and practical dimensions of Christian education in ministry contexts. Students engage key issues related to teaching, learning, formation, and leadership within the life of the church and broader Christian ministry and consider their application in diverse contexts. Specific emphases may vary by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus.

## **CHM 630 Topics: Specialized Ministry - 3 Units**

Explores theological, theoretical, and practical dimensions of specialized ministry within church and Christian organizational contexts. Students engage key issues related to leadership, care, formation, and mission within focused ministry areas and consider their application in diverse settings. Specific emphases may vary by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus.

## **CHM 660 Topics: Family Ministry - 3 Units**

Explores theological, theoretical, and practical dimensions of family ministry within church and Christian organizational contexts. Students engage key issues related to formation, discipleship, intergenerational relationships, and pastoral care within families and consider their application in diverse cultural settings. Specific emphases may vary by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus.

## **CHM 670 Topics: Ministry Topics - 3 Units**

Examines selected themes in Christian ministry through focused theological and practical engagement. Students explore specific issues, practices, or leadership challenges within diverse ministry contexts while integrating biblical reflection, cultural analysis, and applied strategy. Emphasis is placed on contextual discernment, critical evaluation, and responsible ministry leadership. Specific topics vary by semester. Repeatable for credit with different focus.