

The Master of Arts in Spiritual and Pastoral Care 45 Credits

Since the MA program requires a particular sequencing of classes, it is important to be in touch with your academic advisor. Not every class is offered every semester. The following Typical Program not only shows the typical sequencing of courses, but also shows which courses are offered in which semester. The exception to this will be the Supervised Internship courses and the Pastoral Care Professional Seminar Course which may be offered in the Fall and Spring semesters as warranted by demand.

All M.A. in Spiritual and Pastoral Care students are required to engage in a minimum of ten sessions of spiritual direction before the completion of PC 704 Group Spiritual Guidance. The ten sessions may be completed concurrently with the PC 703-704 series of classes, or may have been completed within the last 3 years prior to taking this course sequence.

Typical Program of Study

Fall Semester

PC 674 Human Development

PC 703 Group Spiritual Formation

PC 702 Theology of Ministry

Spring Semester

PC 679 Pastoral Helping Relationship

PC 704 Group Spiritual Guidance

PC 701 Spiritual and Pastoral Care

PC 697 Biblical Spirituality

Interim Semester or Summer

PC 625 Loss & Bereavement (Course Pre-Requisite: PC 679) PC 673 Crisis Intervention (Course Pre-Requisite: PC 679)

Fall Semester

PC 687 Spiritual Direction, or PC 738 Trauma and Religious Institutions, or PC 732 Spiritual Dimensions of Suffering**

PC 608 Theological Anthropology, or PC 665 Contemporary Religious Perspectives

PC 706, or PC 709, or PC 707 Specialized Internship**

PC 705 Pastoral Care Integration

Spring Semester

PC 695 Pastoral Care Professional Seminar ELECTIVE

^{*}This overview shows a typical program sequence. Individual student schedules may vary and should be developed in consultation with the student's academic advisor.

^{**}Courses chosen according to specialized track. Each course listed requires PC 701 to be taken prior to enrollment in internship. Placements for the Internships should be decided the semester prior to entering the internship course.