

Assessment Plan

2021-22



SEM - Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership - Local

University Mission: George Fox University, a Christ-centered community, prepares students spiritually, academically, and professionally to think with clarity, act with integrity, and serve with passion.

Program Mission: George Fox Evangelical Seminary is a multi-denominational, evangelical, university-based seminary committed to equipping women and men academically, spiritually, emotionally, and theologically for ministry in the church and world.

The Master of Arts in Ministry Leadership is designed to equip persons in ministry leadership with (1) the capacity for critical and constructive theological reflection regarding the content and processes in ministry leadership; (2) skill in the design, implementation, and assessment of ministry leadership; (3) an understanding of the various disciplines that undergird ministry leadership; and (4) growth in personal and spiritual maturity.

Alignment With GFU Mission: Seminary programs support primarily the university's core themes of 'Excellence in Professional Preparation' and 'Christ-Centered Community.'

Degree Outcomes:

- Develop habits of authentic disciplines for living in Christ's presence
- Demonstrate a critical and constructive understanding of the biblical and theological foundations of the Christian tradition
- Articulate the mission of God in the world and their place in it
- Experience themselves and relate to others as created in God's image and called into community and ministry
- Describe the mission of the church, the church's role in the world, and their relationship to that mission
- Function as leaders in specialized ministry to lead their faith communities and to serve the Kingdom of God

Assessment Lead: Melissa Ramos

Outcome: Cultural Context

ATS Standard B.2.3 Cultural context: The program shall provide instructional settings and opportunities for students to gain understanding of the context of the specialization in the broader range of ministerial practice and the purposes of the church and to develop appropriate understandings of the broader social context in which the specialized ministry is performed, including diverse cultural, religious, and linguistic contexts of ministry.

Outcome Status: Active

OutcomeType: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - MLDR 570 Research project (Active)

Target: At least 90 percent of students scoring at least 32/40

Schedule for Data Collection: Annual

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: May 15, 2013

Related Courses

MLDR 570 - Christian Min Reconciliation

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Outcome: Religious Heritage

ATS Standard B.2.2 Religious heritage: The program shall provide instruction in the religious heritage, including Scripture, theology, and history of the tradition.

Outcome Status: Active

OutcomeType: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Writing Assignment - New Testament 1 final assignment (Active)

Target: 75% of students score 80+% on exam

Schedule for Data Collection: end of fall term

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: Spring term annually

Writing Assignment - Old Testament 1 exegetical assignments (Active)

Target: Not yet defined--we will be looking for improvement from the first to the last assignment.

Schedule for Data Collection: end of fall term annually

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: spring term annually

Writing Assignment - New Testament 2 final assignment (Active)

Target: 75% of students score 80+% on exam.

Schedule for Data Collection: end of spring term annually

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: summer term annually

Writing Assignment - CHTH 507 Final Research Paper (Active)

Target: 70% of students score above 80%

Schedule for Data Collection: end of fall term annually

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: spring term annually

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Outcome: Personal and Spiritual Formation

ATS Standard B.2.4 Personal and spiritual formation: The program shall provide opportunities through which the student may grow in personal faith, emotional maturity, moral integrity (including personal, professional, and ethical standards), and public witness.

Outcome Status: Active

OutcomeType: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - SFAD 560 - Final Essay /Summative Project. NOTE: This tool was updated in 2020. The previous course (SFAD 591) is no longer offered, it has been replaced with SFAD 560 (course name stayed the same: "Spiritual Leadership". Data entered from now on will be taken from SFAD 560. (Active)

Target: 80% of students score 90% or more on both papers.

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Schedule for Data Collection: end of fall term annually beginning in fall 2014

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: spring term annually

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Outcome: Specialization

ATS Standard B.2.5 Specialization: The program shall provide structured opportunities for students to gain understanding and skill in practice related to the areas of specialization, to acquire the capacity to design and maintain effective practices and programs in the areas of the specialty, and to develop skill in assessing the efforts and contributions of the specialized ministry.

Outcome Status: Active

OutcomeType: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - MLDR 595 Personal Study Proposal/Process/Product areas (Active)

Target: 93% of students will score B or above

Schedule for Data Collection: end of spring term annually

Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: summer term annually

Related Courses

MLDR 595 - Special Study

MLDR 595A - Sp Stdy in Ministry Leadership

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