The Intercultural Studies program prepares students especially in the area of cross cultural ministries.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

1. Articulate missiological strategy.
2. Discuss a balanced philosophy of missions by emphasizing biblical and theological principles and methods of effective cross cultural communication.
3. Identify the latest trends and theories pertaining to Spirit-inspired cross-cultural ministry.
4. Develop an administrative leadership plan for their current or anticipated ministering in a cross-cultural context.
5. Create a strategy for reaching a major religious group with the Gospel.

**Prerequisites**

1. All students must have THE 2333 Pentecostal Doctrine and History or its equivalent at an undergraduate level.
2. Those students who have not taken THE 2113 Introduction to Theology and Apologetics or its equivalent at an undergraduate level must take THE 5413 Systematic Theology I as part of their graduate program.
3. Those who have not taken the REL 1153 New Testament Literature and REL 1163 Old Testament Literature or their equivalent must take BIB 5133 Biblical Backgrounds as a part of their graduate program.
4. Those who have not taken BIB 3483 Hermeneutics or its equivalent at the undergraduate level must take BIB 5123 Biblical Hermeneutics as a part of their graduate program.

**Thesis Option**

Thesis option is especially designed for and usually limited to students who plan to continue their graduate work in a Ph.D. doctoral program after completing their MA. In this option, the student takes two 3-hour courses of Thesis in the Elective Component of the degree plan. These two courses must be taken in two consecutive regular semesters (Fall-Spring or Spring-Fall, not available in Summer). This option must be approved by the Department of Practical Theology during the semester prior to the student’s first semester of thesis.

**Graduation Requirement**

Students must apply for graduation and successfully pass the Graduate Comprehensive Examination or the Thesis option prior to being approved for graduation from the Registrar’s Office. Application for graduation must be made by the end of late registration in the semester in which the student anticipates to graduate. In order to qualify for a specific graduation date, graduating students must have all program and course requirements completed. Contact the Graduate School Office and Registrar’s Office for more information.
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## PROFESSIONAL COMPONENT: 24 hours
- ICS 5113 Research Literature and Technology
- ICS 5163 Administrative Leadership in a Missions Context
- ICS 5213 Spiritual Dynamic in Ministry Today
- ICS 5223 Religion in Contemporary World Society
- ICS 5323 Perspectives in Cross Cultural Missions
- ICS 5473 Ministry Within Cultural Diversity
- PTH 5323 Leadership in Ministry
- PTH 5513 Pastoral Care

## ELECTIVES COMPONENT: 12 hours

**Non-Thesis Option:**
- 12 graduate hours of electives from BIB/CFM/ICS/PTH/THE and/or COU/EDU/PSY by Department Chair approval for the respective programs.

**Thesis Option:** Thesis is reserved for students planning to pursue a Ph.D.  
(Students completing both sections of the 3 hour thesis would not be required to take the Graduate Comprehensive Exam.)
- ICS 5913 Thesis (two sections required)
- 6 graduate hours of electives from BIB/CFM/ICS/PTH/THE and/or COU/EDU/PSY by Department Chair approval for the respective programs.

**TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS 36**