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**

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.
**Intercultural Studies**

**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**
The Practical Theology program prepares professional and lay ministers especially in the areas of the local church and specialized settings.

**Student Learning Outcomes**

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

1. Apply biblical theologies of ministry and mission for effective strategies in ministry.
2. Evaluate and design effective strategies for servant leadership in the context of the local church and/or specialized settings of ministry.
3. Articulate a philosophy of evangelism and discipleship that is concerned with the personal needs and spiritual transformation of individuals within their ministries.

**Prerequisites**

1. All students must have THE 2333 Pentecostal Doctrine and History or its equivalent at an undergraduate level.
2. Those student 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 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 part of their graduate program.
5. Students who have not had CMN 3333 Biblical Preaching or its equivalent must take PTH 5823 Preaching With Purpose.
6. Those who have not taken CMN 3353 Church Administrative Leadership or its equivalent must take PTH 5213 Church Administration as 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**

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.
Practical Theology

PROFESSIONAL COMPONENT: 24 hours
- PTH 5113 Research Literature and Technology
- PTH 5323 Leadership in Ministry
- PTH 5473 Ministry Within Cultural Diversity
- PTH 5513 Pastoral Care
- PTH 5623 Practical Theological Issues in Ministry
- THE 5213 Spiritual Dynamic in Ministry Today

3 hours from the following:
- PTH 5213 Church Administration
- PTH 5243 Church Growth and Evangelism Strategies

3 hours from the following:
- PTH 5483 Nurture Ministries of the Church
- PTH 5823 Preaching with Purpose

ELECTIVES COMPONENT: 12 hours
Non-Thesis Option:
- 12 graduate hours of electives from BIB/CFM/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)
- PTH 5913 Thesis (two sections required)
- 6 graduate hours of electives from BIB/PTH/THE and/or COU/EDU/PSY by Department Chair approval for the respective programs.

TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS 36
The Doctor of Ministry in Leadership and Creative Communication provides students the opportunity to gain advanced training in leadership, communication and the effective use of media to enhance the ministry and mission of the church.

Program Entrance Requirements
Entrance into SAGU’s D.Min. program will require a Master of Divinity or its equivalency. The M.Div. equivalency is defined as 72 graduate semester hours or comparable graduate credits in other systems that represent broad-based work in theology, biblical studies, and the arts of ministry and that include a master’s degree and significant ministerial leadership. Ministerial experience alone is not considered the equivalent of or a substitute for the master’s degree.

Student Learning Outcomes
Upon completion of the Doctor of Ministry program, the student will be able to:

1. Evaluate and model creative approaches to the proclamation of the gospel.
2. Formulate and implement an effective plan for the use of media in his or her ministry context.
3. Incorporate various leadership strategies into a contextually relevant model of leadership capable of effective implementation in his or her ministry context.
4. Plan and execute an integrated biblical-theological and empirical research effort that is directly relevant to his or her vocational ministry.
5. Contribute to the understanding and practice of ministry by writing and defending a project-dissertation suitable for publication and informing the practice of ministry.

Course Rotation
The courses for the Doctor of Ministry degree are on a strict rotation. Students are accepted into the program each fall and must follow the rotation schedule. No course substitutions or deviations are permitted.

Graduation Requirement
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.

Students who enroll in this program have six (6) years from the first day of the first course to complete all course work and the D.Min. project.
Doctor of Ministry

CORE COURSES: 24 hours
DMN 7113 Vision, Planning, and Creativity
DMN 7123 Spiritual Formation and Self Improvement
DMN 7133 Fresh Approaches to Preaching in a Post Modern Era
DMN 7143 God and Popular Culture
DMN 7153 Creative Communication and Technology
LDR 7113 Organizational Behavior
LDR 7123 Foundations of Leadership: History, Theory, Application, and Development
LDR 7213 Ethics

PROFESSIONAL PROJECT: 6 hours
DMN 8113 DMIN Project I
DMN 8123 DMIN Project II

(A project dissertation fee to cover the costs of doctoral readers will be assessed when students enroll in this course.)

TOTAL PROGRAM HOURS 30