

# Church Leadership

The Church Leadership program provides students an opportunity to develop a personalized specialization from Bible, theology, and practical ministry courses for the purpose of serving in a variety of church roles both as professionals and volunteers. During this program of study, students will engage in significant field ministry experiences on top of a common core of major studies.

## Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Exegete, interpret, and apply selected passages of Scripture from a variety of literary types in keeping with their original intended meanings.
2. Prepare sermons and structure learning experiences, then present both acceptably.
3. Manage the resources (financial, technological, and human) of the local church.
4. Plan and conduct a variety of church services and ceremonies.
5. Demonstrate an ability to successfully complete graduate-level courses (Fast Track B.A. to MOL track and Fast Track B.A. to M.A. track).

## FAST TRACK GRADUATE PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES:

The B.A. to MOL track provides students an opportunity to fast track an outstanding undergraduate ministry preparation program into a master's degree in Organizational Leadership. This program is for students who are academically strong and highly motivated. The B.A. to MOL track requires formal admittance to Harrison Graduate School. Students need a 2.75 minimum Grade Point Average to apply for admission to the Graduate School in this program and they must apply and gain admittance to the Graduate School by the end of their 3rd year. Students who successfully complete this track will graduate from SAGU with a bachelor's degree in Church Leadership and a 36 credit hour Master of Arts in Organizational Leadership (MOL). This accelerated Master's degree consists of 6 hours of graduate level "shared credit" and an additional 30 hours of graduate course work identified in the graduate catalog. All graduation requirements in the Graduate School must be met to receive the MOL. Please see the Harrison Graduate School catalog. Students will need to achieve a 3.0 GPA on all graduate work to earn a graduate degree from SAGU.

The **FAST TRACK B.A. IN CHURCH LEADERSHIP TO M.A. IN PRACTICAL THEOLOGY OR BIBLE AND THEOLOGY** permits students to shorten their educational journey as they pursue a graduate degree through the Harrison Graduate School. It requires formal admittance to Harrison Graduate School during the second semester of the student's junior year. The student will be required to have a minimum cumulative Grade Point Average of 2.75 for acceptance. Once accepted, the student will be allowed to take one graduate course each of their last two semesters which will be transferrable to Harrison Graduate School or other graduate theological venues upon conferral of their bachelor's degree.

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### **Additional Program Requirements:**

1. Thirty (30) hours of the student's overall program must be 3000-4000 level courses. (3000-5000 level for Fast Track B.A. to M.A. track.)
2. All course prerequisites must be met according to the academic catalog before taking any course.
3. Consultation with the student's program coordinator is highly recommended in the development of this major.
4. Students are encouraged to take one or more minors in relation with this degree program.

### **Additional Program Stipulations:**

1. All full-time students are to include one General Biblical Studies course each semester until degree requirements have been satisfied.
2. First-year students enrolled full-time are to include GES 1122 in their first semester schedule.
3. First-year students are to enroll in activity physical education courses each of their first two semesters at SAGU. Exceptions will be granted only with approval of the College Dean.

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### GENERAL EDUCATION STUDIES 57 Hours

#### General Education: 14 hours

COM 1143 Fundamentals of Speech Communication

ENG 1113 Composition and Rhetoric I

ENG 1123 Composition and Rhetoric II

*3 hours from the following:*

ENG 2233 American Literature I

ENG 2243 American Literature II

ENG 2273 Introduction to Literature

GES 1122 Strategies for Student Success

#### Social/Behavioral Sciences: 9 hours

GOV 2213 National and State Government

HIS 1113 American History I

PSY 1153 Introduction to Psychology

#### Natural Science/Mathematics: 6 hours

*3 hours from the following:*

BIO 1113 Biological Science

PHY 1113 Physical Science

*3 hours from the following:*

MTH 1113 College Mathematics

MTH 1123 College Algebra

#### Physical Education: 4 hours

PED 2232 Wellness and Lifestyle

*2 hours from activity courses without duplication: PED 1101-2291*

#### General Biblical Studies: 24 hours

BIB 1223 The Church in Ministry and Mission

BIB 2133 Bible Study

REL 1133 Authentic Christianity

REL 1153 New Testament Literature

REL 1163 Old Testament Literature

REL 3153 Christian Ethics

THE 2113 Introduction to Theology and Apologetics

THE 2333 Pentecostal Doctrine and History

### MAJOR STUDIES 36 Hours

#### Core Studies: 21 hours

BIB 3483 Hermeneutics

CMN 3183 Church Resource Management

CMN 3333 Biblical Preaching

LDR 1113 Introduction to Leadership Internships

LDR 2133 Leadership Internship I

LDR 3133 Leadership Internship II

PMN 4413 Pastoral Leadership

#### Major Electives: 15 hours

Students will select additional courses totaling 15 credit hours from the following course designators:

BIB/CFM/CJU/CMN/COM/COU/CPR/DRA/GRK/HEB/ICS/MED/MUS/PHL/PMN/PSY/REL/THE/YSM

#### General Electives: 27 hours

*These courses may come from any discipline.*

### TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS 120 Hours

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### **FAST TRACK B.A. TO MOL 42 Hours**

**Core Studies:** 21 hours

BIB 3483 Hermeneutics  
CMN 3183 Church Resource Management  
CMN 3333 Biblical Preaching  
LDR 1113 Introduction to Leadership Internships  
LDR 2133 Leadership Internship I  
LDR 3133 Leadership Internship II  
PMN 4413 Pastoral Leadership

**Major Electives:** 15 hours

Students will select additional courses totaling 15 credit hours from the following course designators:  
BIB/CFM/CJU/CMN/COM/COU/CPR/DRA/GRK/HEB/ICS/MED/MUS/PHL/PMN/PSY/REL/THE/YSM

**Shared Credit Studies:** 6 hours

LDR 5213 Research Literature and Technology  
3 hours from any additional LDR course.

**General Electives:** 21 hours

*These can be from any discipline.*

### **TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS 120 Hours**

### **FAST TRACK B.A. to M.A. 45 Hours**

**Core Studies:** 27 hours

BIB 3483 Hermeneutics  
CMN 3183 Church Resource Management  
CMN 3333 Biblical Preaching  
LDR 1113 Introduction to Leadership Internships  
LDR 2133 Leadership Internship I  
LDR 3133 Leadership Internship II  
PMN 4413 Pastoral Leadership  
PTH 5113 Research Literature and Technology  
PTH 5323 Leadership in Ministry

**Major Electives:** 18 hours

Students will select additional courses totaling 18 credit hours from the following course designators: BIB/CFM/CJU/CMN/COU/CPR/DRA/GRK/HEB/ICS/MED/MUS/PHL/PMN/PSY/REL/THE/YSM

**General Electives:** 18 hours

*These courses may come from any discipline.*

### **TOTAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS 120 Hours**