

2022-2023

M.A. Local Church Ministry

Competency-Based Theological Education -- Deploy Program



15 COMPETENCIES

This M.A. in Local Church Ministry program consists of 15 competencies. To earn this degree, you must complete each of the 15 competencies with either Mastery or Proficiency Completion (the equivalent of no lower than a final grade of B in a traditional academic model). The credit equivalencies for each competency are listed to the right of each competency.

DLC 5100	DLC 5101 DLC 5102 DLC 5103	Embracing Sanctification (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5200	DLC 5201 DLC 5202	Thinking Critically in Ministry (Modules 1-2)	2
DLC 5300	DLC 5301 DLC 5302 DLC 5303	Becoming a Mature Disciple (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5400	DLC 5401 DLC 5402	Research & Writing (Modules 1-2)	1
DLC 5500	DLC 5501 DLC 5502 DLC 5503	Practicing Biblical Hermeneutics (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5600	DLC 5601 DLC 5602 DLC 5603	Understanding Biblically Healthy Churches (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5700	DLC 5701 DLC 5702 DLC 5703	Exercising Flexibility in Ministry (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5800	DLC 5801 DLC 5802 DLC 5803	Applying Biblical Exegesis (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 5900	DLC 5901 DLC 5902 DLC 5903	Articulating Biblical Theology (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6000	DLC 6001 DLC 6002 DLC 6003	Embodying the Love of God (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6100	DLC 6101 DLC 6102 DLC 6103	Embracing Cultural Diversity (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6200	DLC 6201 DLC 6202 DLC 6203	Articulating Personal Theology (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6300	DLC 6301 DLC 6302 DLC 6303	Resolving Leadership Conflict (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6400	DLC 6401 DLC 6402 DLC 6403	Communicating God's Truth (Modules 1-3)	3
DLC 6500	DLC 6501 DLC 6502 DLC 6503	Initiating Transformational Change (Modules 1-3)	3

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Every competency shown above has several competency modules or parts (e.g., DLC 5101, DLC 5102, etc). Students may register for the entire competency in a given semester (e.g., DLC 5100 which comes with all the parts DLC 5101, DLC 5102, and DLC 5103--3 credit equivalencies) or register for part of the competency (e.g., DLC 5100 with the goal of completing just the first part DLC 5101 -- 1 credit equivalency). Ultimately, you will complete 42 credit equivalencies, consistent with many other M.A. programs in seminary education. Earning this degree is based upon earning credits through mastering the competencies needed in ministry. Complete all 15 and earn your degree. Complete all 15 with no more than one Proficient Completion grade and earn Honors Graduate distinction.

Students may not be enrolled simultaneously in both Deploy programs, the MA Local Church Ministry and MDiv General Ministry. Students may be able to change programs from the MA to the MDiv (or vice versa), but this cannot occur in the final semester of a student's program.