

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY



Malcolm Gordon, who completed his Master of Ministry in 2018 writes

The Master of Ministry programme really worked well for me. Being able to pick up the papers I wanted while still practising ministry meant I got to choose the best that was on offer and work it out immediately in my context. Working at my own pace meant I could wait for the papers that really

interested me, and some proved to be real watershed moments in understanding my ministry (Theology and the Arts with Trevor Hart, I'm looking at you!) I'll confess, the research project daunted me for a while, but once I found a subject that I was interested in, it became a real joy, and easily the most rewarding part of the whole Masters process. The research project allowed me to dig deeply into something that was a good fit for me, and a real need in the life of the church. It's given me a richer understanding of the church I love, and more of an idea of how to serve it.



Lisa Barlow, a current Master of Chaplaincy student writes

I am now working part time in a Chaplaincy position whilst studying towards the Master of Chaplaincy at Otago University. My Bachelor of Theology totally equipped me for this ministry. The Master of Chaplaincy degree, in particular all the pastoral papers I studied with various staff, have formed

the ministry I do in a significant and profound way. I love my studies through Otago University and just wish I had more time to do more. I am always promoting this University and this Programme. Thank you Otago and thank you Theology Programme.

General Information for all Programmes Study Options and Distance Learning

Because these qualifications are offered by distance learning they are suited for those who wish to study from home while in full-time or part-time employment or vocation. Papers may be taught as one-week Intensives with ongoing reflection and assessment throughout the semester. Or they may be taught by video conference, generally with a teaching day near the beginning of the semester.

Fees and Enrolment

The fees for 2021 have not yet been set. They will be available on the University website at a later stage. In 2020, the fees were:
BIBS and CHTH 400-level papers: \$1,142.40
MINS 400-level papers: \$1,365.11
BMBA 500-level papers: \$2,230.00

Online enrolment opens in September 2020.
To enrol go to otago.ac.nz and click on 'Apply now'.

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More Information on the 400-Level Theology Papers Offered In 2021

Semester 1 with Intensive in Dunedin, Feb 15-19, 2021
MINS 407 Preaching and Communication in a Contemporary Context
An exploration of communication issues that affect congregations and ministry organisations today, including interpreting the Bible and preaching in an increasingly secular world.

Semester 1
BIBS 413 God, Suffering and Justice
A detailed study of texts from the Hebrew Bible and related literature that wrestles with the problem of how God can be regarded as just in the face of the reality of suffering.

CHTH 403 The Puritans: Working out the English Reformation
The nature, aspirations and theology of sixteenth and seventeenth-century English Puritans in their historical context, including those Puritans who moved to New England to build 'a city on a hill'.

CHTH 415 Reconciliation, Christian Ethics and Public Theology
The challenges posed by social reconciliation in different countries in recent times, and their relevance to Christian Ethics and Public Theology.

MINS 410 Pastoral Care in Dying, Grief and Loss
The role of chaplains, ministers and other caregivers in situation of death, dying and loss, and the ways they can facilitate a healthy grieving process.

Semester 2
BIBS 423 Special Topic: The New Testament Epistles
This paper provides students with the opportunity to study Pauline theology in detail and in depth.

CHTH 405 The Roots of Public Theology
Biblical and patristic roots of public theology; the contribution to public theology by thinkers and activists from the 16th-20th century.

CHTH 423 Theology and Human Well-being
An investigation of Christian understandings of what it is to be human and their implications for human well-being in contemporary society.

MINS 411 Chaplaincy in Diverse Contexts
The role of the chaplain in diverse contexts, with particular emphasis on the forms of traumatic stress that chaplains deal with in each setting.

MINS 413 Missional God, Missional People
Scripture's story of the missional God and the ways that themes such as call, blessing and liberation have been experienced, re-imagined and lived out by God's people.

Full Year Papers
BIBS 411 Hebrew Old Testament Exegesis
This paper builds on the study of Hebrew done in BIBS 313 (or the equivalent), advancing students' abilities to interpret biblical texts critically in the original languages by focusing on the exegesis of specific texts from the Tanakh.

BIBS 421 Greek New Testament Exegesis
This paper is designed to enable students to further develop their translation and exegesis skills in relation to the Greek New Testament.

Papers offered in other years

BIBS 412 Special Topic: Israel's Return from Exile
CHTH 414 The Theology of Søren Kierkegaard
CHTH 416 Theology of Bonhoeffer
CHTH 420 Public Theology and Social Justice
CHTH 422 Citizenship, Democracy and Discipleship
MINS 405 Special Topic: A Practical Theology of Mental Health
MINS 406 Theological Perspectives on Leadership
MINS 408 Cultures, Migration and Faith
MINS 409 Chaplaincy Studies
MINS 412 Church in Mission: Theology in Changing Cultures
MINS 414 Arts and Cultures in Christian Ministry and Mission

POSTGRADUATE



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Explore Theology Postgraduate Qualifications at Otago

- Chaplaincy
- Ministry
- Faith-Based Leadership and Management

All qualifications are available by distance learning





Qualifications in Faith-Based Leadership and Management

Postgraduate Diploma in Faith-Based Leadership and Management (PGDipFBLM) and Master of Faith-Based Leadership and Management (MFBLM)

These qualifications have been designed for professionals involved in the leadership and management of faith-based organisations who seek advanced professional education to enhance their work.

The aim of these programmes is to enhance leadership and management in faith-based organisations through study in both Theology and Business Administration.

All papers are available anywhere via Distance Learning.

The structure of the qualifications

The **Postgraduate Diploma in Faith-Based Leadership and Management** consists of 120 points of taught papers. This is made up of three 20-point 400-level taught papers in Theology and four 15-point 400-level taught papers in the area of Business Administration. In each case there is a range of options to choose from.

The **Master of Faith-Based Leadership and Management** involves the seven taught papers taken for the Postgraduate Diploma in Faith-Based Leadership and Management and a Research Dissertation (MINS590) worth 60 points. The Research Dissertation is 16,000-20,000 words in length and is an investigation of some area of the contemporary practice of leadership and management in a faith-based context.

NOTE: The Programme offers workshops on Research Methods for those who have not done a formal course in Research Methods. Participation in these workshops is required for those enrolling in MINS 590

Admission

The admission requirement for the Masters and the Postgraduate Diploma is a degree or equivalent three-year qualification in any subject area with satisfactory grades. In cases where the student's prior qualifications do not include theological study, they may be required to undertake one or more 300-level papers in Theology in order to satisfy the prerequisites for specific 400-level papers in BIBS and/or CHTH.

Business Administration Papers

Four papers can be chosen from this list.

All papers are 15 points. There is a maximum class size for these papers each time they are offered, and enrolment in a particular paper is subject to the availability of a place.

BMBA 501	Business Law
BMBA 502	Marketing
BMBA 505	Economics
BMBA 506	Human Resource Management
BMBA 507	Accounting
BMBA 508	Investment and Global Financial Markets
BMBA 509	Strategic Planning for International Markets
BMBA 510	Leading Sustainable Enterprises
BMBA 511	Operational Excellence
BMBA 512	International Business

(Places may occasionally be available in BMBA 503 Organisation Leadership)

Theology Papers

Three papers can be chosen from this list.
All papers are 20 points

CHTH 415	Reconciliation, Christian Ethics and Public Theology (Semester 1, 2021)
CHTH 420	Public Theology and Social Justice
CHTH 422	Citizenship, Democracy and Discipleship
CHTH 423	Theology and Human Well-Being (Semester 2, 2021)
MINS 406	Theological Perspectives on Leadership
MINS 408	Cultures, Migration and Faith

One other BIBS, CHTH or MINS 400-level paper may be substituted for one of these papers. Options include:
CHTH 405 The Roots of Public Theology (Semester 2, 2021)
MINS 413 Missional God, Missional People (Semester 2, 2021)

For more information

PGDipFBLM - otago.ac.nz/pgdipfblm
MFBLM – otago.ac.nz/mfblm

Qualifications In Chaplaincy

Postgraduate Certificate in Chaplaincy (PGCertChap) Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy (PGDipChap) Master of Chaplaincy (MChap)

These programmes are professional qualifications designed for

- people who currently work as Chaplains in a variety of settings who seek advanced professional education to enhance their work or
- people who want to train to be Chaplains.

With the help of Chaplaincy organisations in New Zealand, we have designed programmes that will meet the needs of chaplains in diverse settings.

All papers are available anywhere via Distance Learning.

The structure of the qualifications

Qualifications comprise a blend of papers: three core Chaplaincy papers (List A) and a choice of more wide-ranging papers that relate to the general interests of Chaplains (List B).

The **Postgraduate Certificate in Chaplaincy** involves three taught papers. All three of these can be taken from List A; or two of the three can be from List A with a third paper from List B.

The **Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy** involves six taught papers. These are made up of the three papers from List A, and three additional papers from List B.

The **Master of Chaplaincy** involves the six taught papers taken for the Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy and a Research Dissertation (MINS 590) worth 60 points (the equivalent of half a year of full-time study). The Research Dissertation is 16,000 to 20,000 words in length and is an investigation of a topic emerging from the contemporary practice of Chaplaincy.

NOTE: The Programme offers workshops on Research Methods for those who have not done a formal course in Research Methods. Participation in these workshops is required. for those enrolling in MINS 590.

List A	
MINS 409	Chaplaincy Studies
MINS 410	Pastoral Care in Dying, Grief and Loss (Semester 1, 2021)
MINS 411	Chaplaincy in Diverse Contexts (Semester 2, 2021)
List B	
BIBS 413	God, Suffering and Justice (Semester 1, 2021)
CHTH 415	Reconciliation, Christian Ethics and Public Theology (Semester 1, 2021)
CHTH 416	The Theology of Bonhoeffer
CHTH 420	Public Theology and Social Justice
CHTH 422	Citizenship, Democracy and Discipleship
CHTH 423	Theology and Human Well-Being (Semester 2, 2021)
MINS 407	Preaching and Communication in a Contemporary Context (Semester 1, 2021, with an intensive in Dunedin, Feb 15-19, 2021)
MINS 408	Cultures, Migration and Faith
MINS 412	Church in Mission: Theology in Changing Cultures
MINS 413	Missional God, Missional People (Semester 2, 2021)

Admission

Admission requirements for the Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma and Masters programme are a degree or equivalent three-year qualification (not necessarily in Theology) with satisfactory grades. In cases where a person's prior qualifications do not include theological study, the student may be required to undertake one or more 300-level papers in Theology in order to satisfy the prerequisites for specific 400-level papers in Biblical Studies (BIBS) and/or Christian Thought and History (CHTH). Direct Admission to the Master of Chaplaincy requires an average of B+ in the 300-level papers of the undergraduate degree programme.

From the Certificate, to the Diploma, to the Master In Chaplaincy

Students who have completed the three-paper Postgraduate Certificate in Chaplaincy may go on to complete the Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy by taking three additional papers. Students who have completed the Postgraduate Diploma in Chaplaincy may complete the Master of Chaplaincy by undertaking workshops on Research Methods and the 16,000-20,000-word Research Project.

For more information

PGCertChap – otago.ac.nz/pgcertchap
PGDipChap - otago.ac.nz/pgdipchap
MChap - otago.ac.nz/mchap

Qualifications In Ministry

Postgraduate Diploma in Ministry (PGDipMin) Master of Ministry (MMin)

Would you like to enhance your work in Ministry?

These programmes are specifically designed for Ministers, Priests, Pastors and others involved in a range of ministries. Linking theory to practice, the aim is the enhancement of contemporary ministries.

The Master of Ministry is a two-year degree. The Postgraduate Diploma in Ministry comprises the first year of the Master's degree. Full-time and part-time options are available.

The Structure of the Qualifications

The **Postgraduate Diploma in Ministry** involves six taught papers, of which three are papers in Ministry Studies (MINS) and three are in Biblical Studies (BIBS), Christian Thought and History (CHTH) and Pastoral Theology (PAST).

The **Master of Ministry** involves the six taught papers for the Postgraduate Diploma in Ministry and a Research Dissertation of 25,000 – 30,000 words on an issue in contemporary ministry.

The Research Dissertation for the MMin (25,000-30,000 words) is based on original research of an aspect of the practice of ministry. A research proposal, defining the topic and outlining the method, must be approved prior to enrolling. Contact the Department for details of the time periods over which this research may be undertaken.

All papers are available anywhere via Distance Learning.

NOTE: The Programme offers workshops on Research Methods for those who have not done a formal course in Research Methods. Participation in these workshops is required for those enrolling in MINS 5.

Papers on Offer In 2021

Semester 1 with Intensive in Dunedin, Feb 15–19
MINS 407 Preaching and Communication in a Contemporary Context

Semester 1
BIBS 413 God, Suffering and Justice
CHTH 403 Puritans: Working out the English Reformation
CHTH 415 Reconciliation, Ethics and Public Theology
MINS 410 Pastoral Care in Dying, Grief and Loss

Semester 2
BIBS 423 The New Testament Epistles
CHTH 405 Roots of Public Theology
CHTH 423 Theology and Human Well-being
MINS 411 Chaplaincy in Diverse Contexts
MINS 413 Missional God, Missional People

Full Year Papers
BIBS 411 Hebrew Old Testament Exegesis
BIBS 421 Greek New Testament Exegesis

Admission

A minimum of three years' ministry experience is required for the MMin; this is not required in the case of the PGDipMin. A theology degree or equivalent three-year programme of study in theology, with satisfactory grades, is normally required for entry to both the MMin and PGDipMin.

For more information

PGDipMin - otago.ac.nz/pgdipmin
MMin - otago.ac.nz/mmin