

University of the Incarnate Word®

Bachelor of Arts in Pastoral Ministry

College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Pastoral Ministry at the College of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences at the University of the Incarnate Word is offered through a collaborative academic arrangement between the University of the Incarnate Word and the Mexican American Catholic College (MACC) in San Antonio, Texas. The degree prepares students for parish ministry and for graduate study in ministry or theology. The program emphasizes intercultural competencies, and preparation to work with the diverse populations of the American Southwest.

In keeping with its mission, the program is designed to provide students with a breadth of knowledge in the liberal arts and Catholic culture, offer a solid foundation in biblical and theological studies, ensure language proficiency for ministry in a bilingual pastoral setting and for English-language graduate studies, and equip students with leadership skills and intercultural competencies.

Students can choose between three concentrations:

- Philosophy (Fulfills the requirements for admission to a Catholic seminary program)
- Catechetics
- Catholic Leadership

QUICK FACTS

- The B.A. in Pastoral Ministry program is a collaborative program between UIW and the Mexican American Catholic College (MACC).
- Courses within the major are offered primarily at the MACC campus while Core Curriculum courses are offered at UIW.
- Many Pastoral Ministry majors are Roman Catholic men preparing to enter the seminary and study for the priesthood; however, a number of sisters and lay men and women are also studying to serve in various ministries.
- Supporting students' journeys academically, spiritually and financially is critically important to the Pastoral Institute. As such, all students in this degree program receive the Sr. Eilish Ryan, CCVI Grant, equal to 25% of UIW tuition.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The requirements for admission to the B.A. in Pastoral Ministry are the same as the requirements for admission to the University of the Incarnate Word.

Students for whom Spanish is their first language may begin the program before they complete their language exam but may only take Spanish-language courses in the major until that exam is completed.

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FRESHMAN YEAR

Fall

PMIN 1310: Philosophy in the Catholic Tradition (3 hours)
 PMIN 1341: Introduction to Liturgy (3 hours)
 ENGL 1311: Composition I (3 hours)
 HIST Core Requirement (3 hours)
 FYES 1211: First Year Experience Seminar (2 hours)
 PEHP Physical Activity Course (1 hour)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN 1320: Introduction to Theology & Biblical Studies (3 hours)
 PMIN 1380: Theology of the Creed (3 hours)
 ENGL 1312: Composition II (3 hours)
 MATH Core Requirement (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

SOPHOMORE YEAR

Fall

PMIN 2321: Ancient Philosophy (3 hours)
 PMIN 2320: Catholic Biblical Interpretation: OT (3 hours)
 ENGL 2310: World Literature (3 hours)
 Social Science Requirement (3 hours)
 Modern Language I (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN 2332: Catholic Biblical Interpretation: NT (3 hours)
 Fine Arts Requirement (3 hours)
 Modern Language II (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

JUNIOR YEAR

Fall

PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
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 PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 Elective (3 hours)
 Natural Science with Lab (4 hours)
Total Hours: 16

Spring

PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN 2382: Sacramental Theology (3 hours)
 PMIN 3381: Jesus Christ: God and Man (3 hours)
 PMIN 3385: Moral Theology (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

SENIOR YEAR

Fall

PMIN 4387: Ecclesiology (3 hours)
 PMIN 2351: History of the Catholic Church (3 hours)
 PMIN Elective** (3 hours)
 PMIN Elective** (3 hours)
 Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

Spring

PMIN Concentration Required Course (3 hours)*
 PMIN 4385: Catholic Spiritual Traditions (3 hours)
 PMIN Elective** (3 hours)
 PMIN Elective** (3 hours)
 Elective (3 hours)
Total Hours: 15

*Students taking the B.A. in Pastoral Ministry - Philosophy concentration must take 27 credit hours of required coursework for their concentration. Those pursuing the Catechetics concentration must take 15 hours of required coursework, and Catholic Leadership students must take 18 credit hours of required coursework.

**Students pursuing the Philosophy concentration must take 12 hours of electives; Catechetics students must take 24 hours of electives, and Catholic Leadership students must take 21 hours of electives. Electives can be selected from Pastoral Ministry, Latin, Philosophy or Theology. Substitutions must be approved the Department Chair.

121 hours needed to complete the B.A. in Pastoral Ministry.