



The Leadership Development Programme (LDP) is specifically designed for men currently in ministry or working full-time that have many other time demands and are not able to complete higher level academic requirements throughout the course but would still like to receive high level biblical training and prepare for ministry and leadership. Students completing this programme will receive a solid foundation in the Scriptures and be equipped to pursue further education through independent study.

| | Semester Hour Credits |
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| 1. Life and Ministry Development | 6 |
| • <i>God-Intended Desires & Endowments (GIDE) Outlook</i> | 2 |
| • <i>Personal Development Plans (PDP) and Annual Revisions</i> | 2 |
| • <i>Personal Development Assessments (PDAs) with Local Mentors</i> | 2 |
| 2. Core Training Modules | 33 |
| • <i>Church Life: God's Pattern for Healthy Churches</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Interpretation I</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Habits of the Heart</i> | 3 |
| • <i>A Biblical Theology of the Church's Mission (from Acts)</i> | 3 |
| • <i>A Biblical Theology of Establishing Churches (from Pauline Epistles)</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Introduction to Biblical Theology</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Introduction to Historical Theology</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Introduction to Systematic Theology</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Survey of the Old Testament</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Survey of the New Testament</i> | 3 |
| • <i>Shepherding and Counseling</i> | 3 |
| 2b. Core Training Practicums | 4 |
| • <i>Methods of Writing: Skills for Effective Theological Composition</i> | 2 |
| • <i>Teaching and Preaching</i> | 2 |
| 3. Biblical Electives | 17 |
| • <i>Elective courses from the Old and New Testament Theology course offerings and other practical ministry courses</i> | |
| • <i>Additional Competencies (to be determined by Faculty Advisor as needed)</i> | |
| • <i>Free Electives (may include Great Books Reading Reports, Leading Great Books Community Discussions, Ministry Practicum, or other transfer credits)</i> | |
| 4. Ministry Strategy Plan | 4 |
| 5. Ministry Practicum | 3 |
| • 35 hours of service per credit | |
| 6. Teaching Practicum | 3 |
| • The First Principles Series | 3 |
| Total | 70 |

Specific Programme Objectives:

- Master Scripture relevant to church and leadership development, particularly through study of the biblical theology of Acts and the Pauline Epistles.
- Reflect on the contributions of scholars regarding church and leadership development.
- Address the pertinent issues related to church and leadership development and analyze Scripture and other contributions related to those issues.
- Formulate conclusions and personal applications regarding those issues.

Programme's Course Requirements:

- LDPs are held to a practical, pastoral level of academic rigor and production and demonstrate a high level of knowledge and interaction with the course's material.
- LDPs are not required to complete course projects
- LDPs must complete all reading reports, the bachelor's level "great books" reading and abbreviated report, the oral exam, and the summary project (term paper).¹

¹The summary project's required word count and academic rigor requirements are lower for LDP than for the bachelor's and master's programmes.