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# MASTER OF MUSIC CHURCH MUSIC

The Master of Music in Church Music (distance learning) degree program is designed to provide graduate professional education for men and women involved in, or preparing for, Christian vocation in music ministry and worship leadership who are unable, due to vocational responsibilities or geographic location, to complete a traditional campus-based program of study. Through this program, the Winters School of Music seeks to take a global approach in providing competent leadership to churches, colleges, denominational agencies, and mission endeavors. The program supports and advances the purpose of William Carey University which is to provide quality educational programs, within a caring Christian academic community, encouraging the individual student to develop their highest potential in scholarship, leadership, and service.

## Program Objectives:

*The Master of Music in Church Music (distance learning) degree at William Carey University will seek to enhance the field of church music by preparing program participants to meet the following objectives:*

- Demonstrate a biblically-informed approach to church music work and planning.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the influence of church music history on modern practices and choices related to literature selection.
- Improve musical excellence in the church music environment.
- Improve personal awareness and application of best practices through identification and consideration of relevant research.
- Improve aural and cognitive skills in performance assessment as it relates to the student's emphasis area.
- Improve individual artistry as it relates to the student's emphasis area.

## Available Emphasis Areas:

*Worship Ministry, Choral Conducting, Instrumental Conducting, Performance, Music Technology*

## Admission:

*In addition to the general admission requirements stated in the graduate catalog, entrance into the M.M. program in church music is based on the following requirements:*

- Students must have completed a bachelor's degree in music and must provide official transcripts as documentation.
- Entering students must have a minimum GPA of 2.75 over their last 64 credit hours attempted.
- Students must submit an essay of no less than 500 words describing learning and professional goals.
- Two letters of recommendation.

**For more information contact: [music@wmcarey.edu](mailto:music@wmcarey.edu)  
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## Course Requirements

32 semester hours required

### Core Curriculum (11 hours)

[Referred to as *Other Studies in Music* for NASM purposes]

MUT 610	Graduate Survey of Music Theory	3 hours
MHL 610	Graduate Survey of Music History	3 hours
MUC 600	Research and Writing in Church Music	3 hours

*Students will also choose ONE of the following:*

MCC 507	Applied Conducting	2 hours
MHL 649	Directed Study in Music History	2 hours
MUT 649	Directed Study in Music Theory	2 hours

### Major Area (11 hours)

MUC 601	Music and Worship Studies	3 hours
MUC 603	Authenticity in Worship	3 hours
MUC 604	History of Congregational Worship Literature and Performance Techniques	3 hours
MUC 606	Advanced Reading and Research in Church Philosophy and Administration	2 hours

### Emphasis Areas (10 hours)

Courses are selected with approval of the graduate advisor and based on the student's area of interest.

### Electives

Students may choose electives as desired within their chosen emphasis area.

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