University of Mary Information at a Glance

Private/Co-Educational
The Only Private University in North Dakota
• Sponsored by the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery
• Located six miles south of Bismarck, ND (2010 population – 61,272)

Enrollment (2014-15)
Total number of students – 2,809
Ratio of Students/Faculty – 17:1
Overall Placement Rate – 98 percent

Accredited by:
The Higher Learning Commission, a Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education
National Council on Social Work Education
Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapist Education
Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care
Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education
Council on Social Work Education
National Association of Schools of Music
International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (MBA and specific programs)

Academic programs approved by:
North Dakota Board of Nursing
North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board
Project Management Institute
Service Members Opportunity Colleges

Areas of Study – Undergraduate Majors
Accounting
Athletic Training
Biology
Biology Education
Business Administration
Business Communication
Business Education
Catholic Studies
Chemistry
College Studies
Computer Information
Communication Sciences and Disorders
Criminal Justice
Culture Studies
Early Childhood Education
Elementary Education
Engineering Science
English
English Education
Exercise Science
Financial Services and Banking
Government and
Political Philosophy
Healthcare Administration
History
History Education
Information Technology
Management
Liberal Arts
Marketing
Mass Communication
Mathematics
Mathematics Education
Medical Laboratory Science
Music
Music Education
Music Performance
Music with an Emphasis in Sacred Music
Nursing
Pastoral Ministry
Philosophy
Physical Education
Psychology
Public Policy
Public Relations
Radiologic Technology
Respiratory Therapy
Social Studies Education
Social Work
Spanish
Special Education
Sport and Leisure Management
Theological Studies
Theology

Areas of Study – Minors
Accounting
Biology
Business Administration
Business Communications
Catholic Studies
Chemistry
Coaching
Computer Information Systems
Criminal Justice
Culture Studies
English
Environmental Science
Healthcare Administration
Health Education
History
Indian Studies
Information Technology
Management
Liturgy
Mathematics

Pre-Professional Concentrations
Chiropractic
Dentistry
Law
Medicine
Optometry

Area of Study—Master’s Program
Bioethics
Business
Business Administration
Counseling
Education
Clinical Exercise Physiology
Kinesiology

Doctorate Degrees
Educational Leadership
Nursing Practice
Physical Therapy

Recognized by:
America’s 100 Best College Buys
America’s Best Christian Colleges
The John Templeton Foundation Honor Roll for Character Building Colleges
U.S. News & World Report: America’s Best Colleges

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General Information

History

The University of Mary, the only Catholic university in North Dakota, was founded in 1955 as the two-year Mary College by the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery. It became a four-year, degree-granting institution in 1959 and achieved university status in 1986. The University of Mary has been accredited by The Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools since 1969.

Since its beginning, the University of Mary has sought to respond to the needs of people in the region. Its short history is one of rapid expansion. Student enrollment rose from 69 in 1959, the year of its incorporation, to 3,065 in 2012.

Five buildings of the campus were designed by renowned architect Marcel Breuer (1902-1981). The Sisters of Annunciation engaged him to build their monastery and a girls’ high school, a complex completed in 1959. Today that facility serves the University as the Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership. The first four buildings of the long-anticipated campus were also designed by Breuer, a project completed in 1968.

The University continues to strive for quality in its curricular offerings and student support services. The change from college to university status in 1986 brought the implementation of master’s degree programs in nursing, management and education.

In addition to those initial programs, master’s degrees are offered in occupational therapy, business administration, counseling and project management. In 2003 a doctorate in physical therapy was added to graduate studies. The opening of the Butler Center for Lifelong Learning in Bismarck added a much-needed site for classes and service to the local area. With the launching of the Centers for Accelerated and Distance Education in 1996, the University opened a center in Fargo, North Dakota, in January 1997, offering undergraduate and graduate programs for the adult learner.

Responding to the need for services, the University has off-campus sites and has expanded its delivery of educational services to include online learning.

The University of Mary set new strategic directions in 2001 with its vision for the future as America’s Leadership University. The University is committed to providing leadership experiences for every student including a competence-based curriculum which more effectively combines liberal learning with professional preparation, a values base that is foundational to character development and ethical decision-making, a service experience in which curricular and co-curricular learning come together.

Today, with a faculty and staff of over 300, the University of Mary remains committed to continuing the mission of its founders and sponsors and to serving the people of the region and beyond in a spirit that fosters servant leadership.

University Goals

Mission Statement

Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine, the University of Mary exists to serve the religious, academic, and cultural needs of people in this region and beyond.

To serve the religious needs

The University of Mary offers:

- Formation in a Christian community with a full liturgical life on campus
- Experiences that foster religious and humane values, both in and out of the classroom, particularly the six Benedictine values of the University.
- Activities that encourage individuals and groups to volunteer service to the community
- Opportunities to build the body of Christ through growth in intellectual, religious, and moral understanding
- A setting for collegial exchange and support between the communities of Annunciation Monastery and the University of Mary.

To serve the academic needs

The University of Mary cultivates servant leadership through these core concepts:

- Spirituality and Ethics
- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Global Stewardship
For a student to grow in leadership formation and acquire proficiency in these competencies, continual assessment of learning in an atmosphere of openness and free inquiry is promoted. This atmosphere supports the University’s commitment to develop the whole person. It enables each person, through both curricular and co-curricular opportunities, to explore leadership in the service of truth in its multiple facets. It recognizes the richness and diversity that come from intellectual inquiry and exploration.

Respectful of each person regardless of status or age, the University of Mary not only accepts, but actively encourages:

- Students from diverse social, economic, cultural, and religious backgrounds
- Students whose background requires more individualized teaching and/or counseling.

Ever open to change and responsive to the needs of students and the community, the University of Mary promotes:

- Curricular integration of the liberal arts and professional preparation
- Opportunities in service learning on campus, locally, regionally, and globally
- The trimester calendar, which translates into two four-month semesters and a summer term, providing learning opportunities to meet individual needs, including foreign and domestic travel
- Commitment to graduate studies
- Continuing education through course offerings for area citizens
- The delivery of academic programs with a focus on distance education to include off-campus sites and online offerings.

**To serve the cultural needs**

The University of Mary provides:

- Cultural events and opportunities to participate in community cultural enrichment
- A stimulating academic community that promotes growth in itself and the local population
- A Christian community that fosters diversity through hospitality and dialogue so as to learn to live in an interconnected world
- A campus that reflects the artistic principles of renowned architect and designer, Marcel Breuer.

**Vision Statement**

The University of Mary is motivated to strive toward ever-higher levels of excellence in the Catholic intellectual and Benedictine wisdom traditions. As America’s Leadership University, the University of Mary seeks to be distinctive in its preparation and development of servant leaders with moral courage, global understanding, and a commitment to the common good.

**Leadership development opportunities include:**

- A first year experience based on the concept of servant leadership
- Mentorships, internships, practicums or meaningful work experiences
- Independent or individualized studies with faculty mentoring and guidance
- Student participation in the University’s decision making processes
- Student involvement in professional and service organizations
- Service learning in curricular and co-curricular offerings to include global perspective
- Exchange among students, faculty, and staff in the social, academic, and spiritual areas of the campus environment
- Involvement in the religious, social, educational, and political communities beyond the campus.
- The Emerging Leaders Academy, an honors leadership program that is designed for highly-motivated, capable students who are interested in becoming future professional leaders.

**Servant Leadership experiences are based on:**

- Character building relationships integrated with a solid understanding of what it is to be servant leader with Jesus Christ as model.
- The six Benedictine values of the University.
Mission and Identity

Founded to prepare leaders in the service of truth, the University of Mary is distinctive in our education and formation of servant leaders with moral courage, global understanding, and commitment to the common good. As America’s Leadership University, we are deeply devoted to our mission: The University of Mary exists to serve the religious, academic and cultural needs of the people in this region and beyond. It takes its tone from the commitment of the Sisters of Annunciation Monastery. These Sisters founded the University in 1959 and continue to sponsor it today. It is Christian, it is Catholic, and it is Benedictine.

We cherish our Christian, Catholic, Benedictine identity; we welcome and serve persons of all faiths.

We are faithfully Christian.

As a Christian university, we strive to accomplish our mission in faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We regard each human person as created in the image and likeness of God, gifted with life and dignity. We seek to be agents of cultural renewal in our time and place, courageous advocates for justice and peace. Our Christian commitment is born from and sustained by the encounter of the Risen Lord, who came not to be served but to serve. As He humbly washed the feet of His disciples on the night before He died, so we seek to serve one another. We are faithfully Christian.

We are joyfully Catholic.

As a Catholic university, we joyfully draw our life from the heart of the Church, identifying with the ancient tradition which gave rise to the first universities in medieval Europe. This Catholic intellectual tradition proposes an integrated spiritual and philosophical approach to the most enduring questions of human life. Thus we seek to advance the vital dialogue between faith and reason, while acknowledging the proper autonomy of the arts, sciences, and professions. A university is a place for the free exchange of ideas, and so we warmly welcome students and faculty of many faiths and convictions. At the same time, our common discourse ever takes place in a spirit of authentic respect for Catholic teaching and practice. We acknowledge the Catholic faith as a path to moral integrity and personal holiness. We are joyfully Catholic.

We are gratefully Benedictine.

As a Benedictine university, we remember with gratitude the Benedictine Sisters who came to Dakota Territory in 1878, bringing ministries of teaching and healing. This community of Sisters would become our founders and sponsors and, through them, we share in the 1500-year-old heritage of the Benedictines. Inspired by lives of prayer, community, and service, Saint Benedict and his spiritual followers through the ages have been a stable source of tremendous good in the world: renewing the Church, pre-serving learning, cultivating wisdom, modeling humane virtues of balance and generosity. The life of our Sisters shapes our life. We are gratefully Benedictine.

Benedictine Values

Although communal life inspired by the Rule of St. Benedict (RB) stores a vast treasury of Benedictine values, six of these are of particular importance for our life at the University of Mary:

- **Community:** Striving together for the common good and growing in relationship with God, one another, and self; Let all things be common to all (RB 33).

- **Hospitality:** Receiving others as Christ with warmth and attentiveness; Let all be received as Christ (RB 53).

- **Moderation:** Honoring all of God’s creation and living simply with balance and gratitude; Regard all things as sacred and do everything with moderation (RB 31).

- **Prayer:** Attending to the mystery and sacredness of life, abiding in the divine presence, listening and responding to God; Listen intently to holy readings. Give yourself frequently to prayer (RB 4).

- **Respect for Persons:** Recognizing the image of God in each person and honoring each one in their giftedness and limitations; Honor everyone and never do to another what you do not want done to yourself (RB 4).

- **Service:** Meeting the needs of others in the example of Jesus the servant leader; The members should serve one another (RB 35).
America’s Leadership University

As America’s Leadership University, the University of Mary provides an environment in which each student participates in those experiences essential to becoming a leader. The development of essential leadership qualities in each student empowers that person to work courageously and effectively for the common good. Our chosen model of leadership is servant leadership: Servant Leadership at the University of Mary is a pattern of living marked by competence in one’s chosen profession, courage in making ethical decisions based on Benedictine values, and compassion in serving the needs of others. In a context of relationship to God, to one another, and to self, we believe that leadership is making a difference for good. Rooted in the Gospel and in the founding vision of the Benedictine Sisters to serve spiritual, intellectual, and cultural needs of others, the model for servant leadership is Jesus Himself. At the University of Mary students grow into leadership through service. Learners become leaders in the service of truth. – Sister Thomas Welder, president emerita.

Aware of its close historical ties with the people of our region, the University of Mary seeks to enhance the quality of life in the Bismarck-Mandan community and in all the communities we serve. The University also encourages each person to participate in the leadership of his or her religious, social, educational, and political communities. Furthermore, it promotes a setting of freedom and initiative in which each person may develop those characteristics critical to leadership formation and the search for truth and happiness.

That same communal focus makes the University of Mary open to change. Through its continued search for innovative and experiential approaches to learning, the University seeks personalized and relevant education for all students, including those with special needs, whether these be economic, social, cultural, racial, religious, or personal.

All students are encouraged to seek the truth, to see themselves as whole and unique individuals responsible to God, and to become leaders in the service of truth.

Facilities

The main campus of the University of Mary is located six miles from downtown Bismarck. It includes the Casey Center for Nursing Education, the Harold J. Miller Center, Arno Gustin Hall, University Hall, the Clairmont Center for Performing Arts, the Welder Library, Hillside, Greg Butler and Boniface Halls, North Residence, Deichert Hall, Boyle Hall, the Leach Center for Student Life, the McDowell Activity Center, the Richard A. Tschider Center for Health Science, the Harold Schafer Leadership Center, Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership, and the Gary Tharaldson School of Business.

All academic facilities and a limited number of rooms in the residences are accessible to students with physical challenges.

The University also maintains two in-town classroom facilities, the Butler Center for Lifelong Learning, on South Seventh Street, and the Physical Therapy Department on Twenty-sixth Street and Rosser Avenue, a site in Fargo, ND, Billings, MT, and Kansas City, MO. The University, in conjunction with its partnership with Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ, maintains office and classroom space adjacent to that campus.

Facilities

- **Harold J. Miller Center**: This building houses the Division of Mathematics and Natural Sciences, and classrooms in graduate programs in Athletic Training or Exercise Science.

- **Casey Center for Nursing Education**: Named after a Bismarck land developer and University benefactor through the Casey Trust, T. Clem Casey and his wife Meredith, this classroom and office building houses the Division of Nursing.

- **Arno Gustin Hall**: Named after the third president of the University of Mary, the Rev. Arno Gustin, O.S.B., this 342-seat hall accommodates lectures, theater, and music.

- **McDowell Activity Center**: Named for Harley and Margaret McDowell who improved the quality of life through leisure activities in the region, this facility includes a gymnasium area for basketball, tennis, and volleyball, a swimming pool, a weight training room, classrooms, offices, an athletic training treatment room, saunas, locker rooms and the Program in Athletic Training.

- **The Richard A. Tschider Center for Health Science**: Named for the long-time administrator of St. Alexius Medical Center, this building includes classrooms, labs, faculty offices, a conference room and a
weight room, and adjoins the McDowell Activity Center. It is also the home of the Exercise Science program.

- **University Hall:** This facility includes a cafeteria with a beautiful view of the Missouri River Valley, student health clinic, and the University Mart, and Marauder Cove, a campus study and gathering place.

- **On-Campus Residences:** An active student residential community of approximately 1,000 students reside in a variety of student residences. There are two traditional residence halls, two that feature two-bedroom suites sharing bath facilities, and two with three-bedroom suites complete with bath, kitchen, and common living and dining facilities. Two residence halls are designated as faith-based intentional living spaces, four halls feature apartment style housing

- **Leach Field House:** Named in recognition of Tom Leach, a successful North Dakota entrepreneur, and his wife Frances, the field house provides opportunities for student recreation and physical development. The facility includes a gymnasium area for basketball, tennis, and volleyball, a six-lane 160-meter track, batting cages, a climbing wall, and wrestling room.

- **Leach Center for Student Life:** This facility serves as the social hub of the campus. It includes a 3,000 square foot fitness center, snack bar, beverage bar, DJ booth, racquetball court, and locker rooms.

- **Clairmont Center for Performing Arts:** Named after a Bismarck leader in construction and land development, Bill Clairmont, who has served on University Boards and supported its growth over the years, this two-story complex includes a chapel, general classrooms, offices, an art gallery, music teaching studios, practice rooms, rehearsal space, a recital hall, and a language lab.

- **Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership:** Known as Annunciation Priory from 1959 to 2000, this Marcel Breuer building was dedicated to the Benedictine Sisters of the Annunciation by Myron and Marjory Atkinson, Bismarck Catholic leaders and benefactors. It houses most administrative offices, and the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences, a cafeteria, men’s and women’s residence hall, faculty offices, classrooms, and the Harold Schafer Leadership Center.

- **Harold Schafer Leadership Center:** Named after the renowned North Dakota entrepreneur, the center is located within the Benedictine Center. It includes an executive boardroom, the Hauer Theater, an interactive audio-visual center, the Great Room, designed for gatherings and includes full food and beverage service, and three computer technology labs containing the latest computer hardware and software for specialized technology training.

- **Gary Tharaldson School of Business:** Dedicated in the fall of 2008 and named for North Dakota entrepreneur and businessman Gary Tharaldson, this facility is the home of the academic programs in Business. It contains classrooms, conference rooms, and faculty offices.

- **Liffrig Family School of Education and Behavioral Sciences:** Named in recognition of the family of Duane and Doris Liffrig who are lifelong supporters of Catholic education. This facility includes offices for faculty who teaching in the Education, Criminal Justice, Psychology, Social Work, and Addiction Counseling programs. In addition, this facility has four technology-enhanced classrooms and a student resource room and lounge area.

- **Welder Library:** In 1998, the University dedicated the Welder Library, named for Sister Thomas Welder, President of the University of Mary from 1978 to 2009. Welder Library seats 204 and currently has over 70,000 print volumes and an ebook collection of 110,000+ volumes. In addition to print subscriptions the library provides 50 databases with access to more than 31,000 full text titles. The facility also provides space for classrooms and faculty offices for the School of Arts and Sciences and the Student Success Center.

All materials in the library are cataloged and fully accessible through a joint online catalog of the Central Dakota Library Network.
Members of CDLN include Bismarck Public Library, Morton Mandan Public Library, United Tribes Technical College Library and sixteen other area public and school libraries. Welder Library is linked to state, regional, and national networks such as ODIN and OCLC. Free interlibrary loan service is provided to all students, faculty and staff.

Instruction in the use of library resources is provided to on campus and World Wide students via classroom sessions, online tutorials, and one-on-one (in-house, phone, email).

Rome Program

The University of Mary is committed to ever higher levels of intellectual and cultural engagement for its students and advocates for leadership development in a global environment. The goal is for students to have a rich experience of other cultures and ways of life. Studying in Rome is a unique opportunity for them to experience great beauty and wonder firsthand in the cradle of Christian faith and Benedictine values. Students will come home with an entirely new vision for life and its purpose.

The program features specialized courses in the liberal arts, covering topics such as history, theology, art, architecture, and music.

There will be rigorous classroom days coupled with excursions into the countryside, including visits to the Benedictine heritage sites.

Students also have the opportunity to start a course on the U-Mary Bismarck campus and then travel with their professors for courses specifically developed for the Rome campus.

We offer the following programs in Rome:
• Fall semester (4 courses – 12 cr.)
• Spring semester (4 courses – 12 cr.)
• May/term (5 weeks, 1 course -- 3 cr.)

University of Mary Worldwide Programs for Adult Learners

Accelerated and Distance Education

The University is committed to serving the learning needs of adults. Undergraduate and graduate programs are offered utilizing alternative delivery modes including concentrated evening classes completed in 5-10 weeks, summer options, weekend college and distance education. Through the Centers for Accelerated and Distance Education, adult learners with significant work experience may be granted prior learning academic credit through a portfolio evaluation of learning outcomes. Selected undergraduate programs are offered for adults who have already completed many requirements for their degree allowing them to complete their degree in 15-18 months. Graduate programs are also offered in accelerated and in on-site and online formats. For more information, contact the University of Mary Centers for Accelerated and Distance Education in Bismarck or Fargo.

• Arizona Center: The Arizona Center serves the greater Phoenix area. The center is located at 215 E. 7th St in Tempe Arizona. It has two classrooms, a conference room, a student reception and study area, and offices. Each classroom has a dedicated multimedia projector that is connected to the internet. Computers, printers and wireless internet are available for student use. Library services are available at the Arizona State University Campus adjacent to the U-Mary Arizona Center, and conference facilities and chapel space are shared with the All Saints Newman Center.

• Bismarck Center: The Bismarck Center serves communities in western North Dakota. Located in the Butler Center for Lifelong Learning on South Seventh Street in Bismarck, the Butler Center is named in honor of Francis and Doris Butler, founders of Butler Machinery, Fargo, by their sons Matt, David, and Greg Butler. It is the site of most of the University’s evening classes and many other special program offerings, and an office for the Centers for Accelerated and Distance Education. The center has eight classrooms, each with a seating capacity for 24 to 45 people with the flexibility for three larger spaces. It also serves as the University’s information center within Bismarck.

• Fargo Center: The Fargo Center serves eastern North Dakota and western Minnesota, with sites at Grand Forks, Fargo, Jamestown and Belcourt, ND. The center is located in the Butler Building at 1351 Page Drive in Fargo. It has 11 classrooms
including a complete computer lab, one conference room, as well as administrative and student support offices. The state-of-the-art lab and classrooms enjoy high-speed connections to the internet as well as to the main campus.

- **Billings Center:** The Billings Center serves Montana, with sites at Billings and Poplar, MT. The center is located at 3320 Second Avenue North in Billings, Montana. It has three large classrooms, a computer lab, and an office. Each classroom has a dedicated multimedia projector system that is connected to the internet. The computer lab features computers and a printer available for student use. Wireless internet is also available to all students and faculty throughout the center. Video conferencing is also available.

- **Fort Riley, Kansas:** The University of Mary is located on-post at Fort Riley, Kansas. This location houses a consortium of seven colleges which are a part of Fort Riley Education Services. The address is Building 217, Room 204, Custer Avenue, Fort Riley, Kansas. University of Mary has an administrative office and utilizes two classrooms equipped with a projector system and internet use.

The University of Mary is registered in a number of states to offer onsite and online distance education. This is not an exhaustive list of all sites and updates may be obtained by contacting the University of Mary Bismarck Campus. Current state registration statements include:

- The University of Mary is registered as an accredited postsecondary degree granting institution governed by Wyoming Statutes 21-2-401 through 21-2-407 and in accordance with the Chapter 30 Rules and Regulations of the Wyoming Department of Education.

- The University of Mary is registered to provide onsite Masters of Education (M.Ed.) program through the Arizona Private Postsecondary Education Board. The University of Mary’s religious programs are exempt from licensure in Arizona. Students of the University of Mary residing in Arizona who have a complaint are encouraged to follow the University Grievance Policy as outlined in the Student Handbook pg. 51, and the General Grievance Policy for Students available at: https://my.umary.edu/ics/ClientConfig/policies/General_Grievance_Policy_for_Students.pdf. If the student complaint cannot be resolved after exhausting the institution’s grievance procedure, the student may file a complaint with the Arizona State Board for Private Postsecondary Education. The student must contact the State Board for further details. The State Board address is 1400 West Washington Street, Room 260, Phoenix, AZ 85007, phone# 602-542-5709, website address: www.azppse.gov.

- The University of Mary is a member of the Midwestern Higher Education Compact of the National Council for State Reciprocity Agreements—NC-SARA. This organization establishes comparable national standards for interstate offering of postsecondary distance education courses and programs and currently authorizes our online presence in 28 states. See http://nc-sara.org for a list of the states who have joined this initiative.

**The Prior Learning Program**

In 1978, as a member of the Council for Adult and Experiential Learning (CAEL), the University designed a program that awards academic credit for learning that took place outside a formal college setting. Students may apply this credit toward an academic degree from the University of Mary. The University awards credit after an assessment of a prior learning portfolio developed by each applicant to the program. Prior learning detailed in the portfolio is evaluated by University faculty from the relevant academic field to ensure that course outcomes have been met.

A candidate for a degree must submit the portfolio for evaluation at least one semester prior to the date of graduation. Ordinarily, prior learning credits are non-transferable. They are recorded as transfer credits and usually are not transcribed until the student has met the other requirements for a degree, or an added major or minor, at the University of Mary. These requirements are listed in other sections of this catalog.

Before pursuing prior learning credits toward a professional major or minor that requires licensure, certification, or endorsement by a recognized jurisdictional governing body, the student should consult with the appropriate division chairperson.
The Prior Learning Program is designed primarily for the older-than-average college-age student. Traditional college students may enter the program only during their senior year with approval of the school dean responsible for their major.

**Dual Degree Program**

The dual degree program provides an opportunity for qualified students to earn a Bachelor's degree in Engineering Science at the University of Mary while earning an engineering degree from the University of Minnesota. Students complete three or four years of study including all liberal arts requirements and the requisite pre-engineering courses in math and science at the University of Mary. Two additional years of study as a transfer student in the Institute of Technology at the University of Minnesota allow the student to complete a dual degree in Engineering Science.

**Year-Round Campus**

The University of Mary’s Year-Round Campus option offers students the same course load as traditional full-time degree programs. Instead of taking summers off, students have the option to continue studies for eight consecutive semesters. Students receive the same education and formation, but in much less time.

Another advantage of Year-Round Campus is our career-oriented Work Campus and Service Campus offerings, where students can earn spending money, help pay for student loans, jump-start a career and give back to the community.

Please contact the Admissions Department for additional information.

**Summer Sessions**

Summer sessions provide educational opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students through workshops, internships, independent study, and regular classes.

**Graduate Programs**

The University of Mary offers master’s programs in Business, Nursing, Education, Counseling, Human Performance, Occupational Therapy, Respiratory Therapy, and a doctorate program in Physical Therapy. Courses are offered each semester and during summer sessions. Students interested in pursuing a graduate degree should contact the dean of the appropriate school.

Graduate degree programs are listed within the major in this catalog, and the University of Mary website provides further information concerning graduate programs.

**Step-Up Program**

(Dual Credits)

Capable high school juniors and seniors may enroll for university courses offered at partner high schools. Credits earned through this program are approved by the University of Mary and, as such, appear on an official transcript and may transfer to other institutions of higher education.

**Programs for Elders**

If class limits allow, persons 65 years of age or older may attend classes at the University of Mary tuition-free. They may take courses for academic credit or on an audit basis. Individuals receiving this benefit will receive a 1098T which reflects the benefit received. In accord with IRS regulations, this benefit may have tax consequences.

**Life-Long Learning and Continuing Education**

The University of Mary approves courses for academic credit offered by outside agencies. These courses are in disciplines in which the University offers a major area of study.

Short courses and workshops are offered periodically for continuing education units (C.E.U.) and workshop credits (G.W.C.) as defined by The Council on Continuing Education.

Arrangements can be made for students to receive academic credit and/or continuing education units for workshops, seminars, etc. which are conducted in the community or on campus. To do so, the requestor must submit a request for approval for undergraduate, graduate, and continuing education units from the U-Mary website. The request for credit must include a description of the workshop or seminar, the dates of the workshop, workshop presenters, content and contact hours, and if applicable, additional requirements to be met.

Upon receipt and review of the request the office of academic affairs will forward the request for approval to the dean of the school overseeing the program, the registrar, and an authorized representative within the Director of Life Long Learning. Upon approval, the requestor will be notified in writing of approval of the specific course for a specific number of credits, credit requirements,
tuition costs, and the name of the person to be contacted for registration. The requestor is responsible to ensure that he or she obtains the necessary registration forms.

Degree Information:
Student Competence(s)

The University of Mary challenges students to develop and appreciate distinctly different ways of thinking about nature, culture, and society. Liberal learning engaged in collectively calls forth and develops essential qualities of the mind – creative, analytical, imaginative and intellectual – and at the University of Mary is not restricted to traditional liberal arts core courses; rather, liberal learning is integrated throughout disciplinary and professional fields. The ultimate purpose of a liberal education is to develop in individuals a leadership ethic of social obligation and service that benefits the pluralistic world community.

When students graduate, they are competent in four areas essential for them to function in careers and lead meaningful lives.

Spirituality and Ethics

*Draw upon spiritual, philosophical, religious and Benedictine traditions to express and act upon a principled set of values.*

Well-developed systems of ethics and values lead to consistent behavior and understanding of the role of servant leader. Students must be able to discern between differing values and ethical systems and the impact of these systems in human society. Because the Christian tradition is the source of many commonly held values, it is helpful if students are familiar with its teachings.

Communication

*Read, write, listen and speak effectively to gain and share meaning in a diverse world.*

In order to succeed in any area, students must communicate effectively. They must be able to speak and write clearly and concisely using appropriate language. They also must be able to read and listen so that they can interpret texts and speakers.

Critical Thinking

*Analyze, synthesize, and evaluate ideas and information from multiple perspectives to make decisions and solve problems.*

To decide between options, students must gather information, interpret it without bias, examine alternatives, draw conclusions, and remain open to new possibilities in the light of additional information.

Global Stewardship

*Respect and be critically aware of oneself and the diverse world to protect and strengthen natural, cultural and social environments.*

Students come to appreciate their role as stewards of their own talents and gifts, their community, country and world. Through the study of historical, contemporary and cultural perspectives, students learn to function in complex and diverse environments.

The University requires that students complete 52 semester credits in liberal arts courses to help develop the four competence areas: Spirituality and Ethics, Communication, Critical Thinking, and Global Stewardship. Faculty advisors assist students in choosing courses and identifying learning opportunities that will help them meet this requirement.
General Bachelor Degree Requirements

The University of Mary offers programs in various professions leading to a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Arts in Nursing, a Bachelor of Science, a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, or a Bachelor of University Studies degree. To meet graduation requirements for a bachelor’s degree, a student will complete the following:

1. A minimum of 124 semester credits of which at least 44 semester credits are on the 300-400 level with a minimum cumulative grade point average of C (2.0) or the minimum grade point average as required by a major.
2. At least 62 semester credits in a four-year college of which 32 semester credits must be at the University of Mary, 16 of these in the student’s major area, and eight of these in the student’s minor area.
3. A minimum of 52 semester credits in liberal arts and sciences, including:

**Required Core**

- A minimum of 35 required semester credits for the following courses:
  - POL 101 Responsible Citizenship (3 semester credits)
  - ANT 171 Cultural Anthropology (3 semester credits)
  - ENG 121 College Composition II (3 semester credits)
  - COM 110 Oral Communication (3 semester credits)
  - MAT 103 College Algebra (or higher) (3-4 semester credits)
  - PHI 108 Search for Truth (3 semester credits)
- An Art Course: 3 semester credits
  - ART 108 Introduction to Photography
  - ART 111 Introduction to the Visual Arts
  - ART 116 Introduction to Film
  - ART 121 Introduction to the Art of Rome and Paris
  - ART 127 Introduction to Drawing
  - ENG 130 Introduction to Literature
  - MUS 196 Introduction to Music
- A 100/200 Level Lab Science Course: (4 semester credits)
- One of the following Theology Courses: (3 semester credits)
  - THE 104 Basic Catholic Beliefs
  - THE 110 Introduction to the Bible
  - THE 112 Introduction to Theology
  - THE/CTH 234 Benedict: Yesterday and Today
- A second Theology Course which must be at the 200 level or above. (3 semester credits)
- PHI 208/308 Ethics (3 semester credits)
- HUM 122 First Year Seminar (1 semester credit)

The First-Year Seminar at the University of Mary has been framed as a skill-based course in which students develop and apply academic and personal skills necessary for a successful college experience. As part of seminar, students are introduced to concepts of the Benedictine tradition, liberal education, and servant leadership through engagement in activities involving academic, public, and professional communities.

- Information technology requirement met with the course, CIS 101 Introduction to Computer Information Systems (3 semester credits) or its equivalent or passing performance in a placement exam.
- Additional semester credits of approved liberal arts courses to reach the minimum total of 52 credits from Philosophy/Theology, Math/Science, Humanities, or Social and Behavioral Science.
  - Humanities (Prefix of ENG, COM, CTH, MUS, or SPA)
  - Mathematics/ Natural Sciences (Prefix of BIO, CHE, MAT, PHY, or SCI)
  - Philosophy/ Theology (Prefix of PHI or THE)
  - Social & Behavioral Sciences (Prefix of ECN, GEO, HIS, POL, PSY, HSS, SOC, SWK)
- Additional requirement: Senior Capstone Course within the major that integrates the University of Mary core curriculum and the professional program/discipline. (1.0 or more semester credits)
4. Declaration of a major or an area of concentration. Students indicate an area of study or a major during the first semester of the freshman year to guide course selection and the career exploration process. During spring semester of the sophomore year, the students apply to the academic department for which the area of study is offered.

5. Participation in student academic achievement assessment. The University engages students in the assessment process to evaluate and improve teaching and learning. To accomplish this, student participation in tests and learning assessments is expected.

By utilizing summer sessions, students in some majors may complete major and liberal arts requirements in three years. Students interested in this option should consult their advisor.

Students who wish to complete two baccalaureate degrees must complete 160 semester credits. For more information, consult the Registrar.

Specific Degree Requirements

Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Arts in Nursing Degrees

In addition to meeting graduation requirements for a bachelor’s degree, a candidate for a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Arts in Nursing degree will have either a proficiency in a second language through the completion of 16 semester credits (or its equivalent) or 20 semester credits of Philosophy-Theology with 12 semester credits at the 300-400 level.

Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degrees

A candidate for a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree completes semester credits required for a declared major in addition to graduation requirements for a bachelor’s degree.

Bachelor of University Studies Degree

This degree is designed to fulfill the career needs of three groups: (1) those who have an interest in specific job requirements which do not fit any major offered at the University; (2) those who desire a degree for personal enrichment; (3) those who need a degree for job advancement where a specific major is not required. A student pursuing the University Studies degree must meet the

general bachelor’s degree requirements though the completion of a major is not required.

With the assistance of a faculty advisor, the candidate for a Bachelor of University Studies degree develops an individualized degree plan. The candidate for this degree may develop an area of concentration or courses relating to a specific topic, discipline, or area. For an area of concentration, a minimum of 28 semester credits is required of which eight may be earned in a practicum setting. Twenty of these credits are to be on the upper division (300-400) level. The courses need not come from one academic discipline.

Bachelor of Applied Science Degree

The Bachelor of Applied Science is a new degree program offered as part of a seamless transfer option available only to students who transfer to the University of Mary with an Associate of Applied Science degree from an accredited college. Three degree options are available:

• Bachelors of Applied Science – Business Administration
  *Courses from the AAS program may substitute if equivalent. Of the 124 credits, a minimum of 44 credits must be at the upper level.

• Bachelors of Applied Science – Computer Information Systems
  Course requirements: 62 semester credits obtained through completion of an Associate of Applied Science degree, ANT 171, MAT 180 or SCI 322, THE 112, THE 315, COM 414, ENG 302 and major courses of CIS 106, CIS 107, CIS 203, CIS 204, ITM 220, ITM 300, ITM 310, ITM 340, CIS 356, CIS 357, CIS 457, BUS 454, CIS 446 or CIS 452.

• Bachelors of Applied Science – Financial Services and Banking
  Course requirements: 60-62 semester credits obtained through completion of an Associate of Applied Science degree, ANT 171, MAT 180 or SCI 322, THE 112, THE 315, COM 414, ENG 302 and major courses of *ACC 101,
• **Bachelors of Applied Science in Healthcare Administration**

• **Bachelors of Applied Science – Information Technology Management**

• **Bachelors of Applied Science – Organizational Leadership with a Minor in Criminal Justice**

To participate in the annual graduation ceremony, seniors must have satisfactorily completed all work leading to a degree by the end of the second semester of that year. An exception will be made for students enrolled in an internship provided the internship will be completed by Sept. 1. Likewise, students in Education who have a block of directed teaching to complete may participate in the ceremony provided that the student-teaching experience begins four weeks prior to graduation. Independent studies and requests for Prior Learning credit for graduating seniors must be completed by April 1.

All graduates are required to participate in the annual graduation ceremony held at the close of the spring semester unless excused by the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs or his/her designee. Graduates participating in the ceremony must have completed arrangements for payment of their financial obligations.

Students are expected to satisfy the graduation requirements in effect at the time of their admission to the University. If graduation requirements change after that date, students have the option of satisfying either the requirements in effect at the time of admission or the requirements in effect at the time of graduation unless changes have occurred in certification and professional requirements (in such areas as teacher education and the allied health fields) which preclude a choice. In the event that certification or professional requirements change and related course requirements become effective during the time the student is enrolled in a program, the new requirements will take precedence.

**Returning Students**

Students who withdraw from the University of Mary and return after an absence of one year or more are subject to the conditions and requirements for a degree as stated in the catalog which is in force at the time of their return to the University of Mary. Students who graduate from the University of Mary and return after an absence of one year or more are subject to the conditions and requirements for a degree as stated in the catalog which is in force at the time of their return to the University of Mary.

**Areas of Study**

**Major Areas of Study**

By the end of the sophomore year, students generally confirm their field of special interest for
study, i.e., a major. An academic major may require no fewer than 32 semester credits although some majors require as many as 56 semester credits. Approximately one-half of the courses are to be beyond the 200 level. Other requirements are determined by the major.

To be eligible for a degree, transfer students must earn at least 16 semester credits on the 300-400 level in their major from the University of Mary. In addition to fulfilling the required courses for a major, students must fulfill the competence requirements as well as all other degree requirements.

It is the student’s responsibility to seek admission to a major area of study before the end of the sophomore year or, in the case of a transfer, after one semester at the University of Mary. Forms for this purpose are available from the program chairperson.

**Minor Areas of Study**

Students may add a minor to their major area of study. Minor programs are available to those who wish to study a subject beyond the introductory courses but not to the level required by a major.

To add a minor, transfer students must earn a minimum of eight semester credits within the minor at the University of Mary of which four of the eight semester credits must be upper level.

**Concentrations**

Students may add one or more concentrations to their major area of study. Concentrations are available to those who wish to place extra emphasis within the study of a profession to increase breadth and depth of a focused topic or area.

**Biology**

**Wildlife and Conservation Biology Concentration:**

This concentration includes the core requirements for the biology major, plus the following electives: BIO 309, 312 or 330, 333 or 339, 415, 422, 432, 433, and a summer internship in Wildlife/Conservation Biology.

**Healthcare**

Students interested in pursuing graduate degrees in medicine (M.D. and D.O.) and other health-related professions (e.g., chiropractic, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, physician assistant, podiatry or veterinary medicine) gain a strong background in the sciences and liberal arts at the University of Mary. Students are provided opportunities, both in and out of the classroom, to participate in experiences that will enhance their pre-professional preparation. Examples include participation in the many leadership, learning, and service activities available through membership in the Math/Science Association and other service organizations. Research seminars, panel discussions, and practice interviews are made available to students. In addition, some upper level courses require independent research projects and students may pursue independent study research projects in conjunction with area research institutions. Because professional schools' entrance requirements vary widely, students are urged to contact the professional school they wish to attend to assure that they have taken all of the prerequisite classes to meet program requirements.

When the following courses have been completed with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5, the student will receive a notation of the appropriate pre-healthcare concentration on his/her transcript (options include Pre-Med, Pre-Chiropractic, Pre-Dental, Pre-Optometry, Pre-Physician Assistant, Pre-Podiatry, and Pre-Vet).

**Concentration in Pre-Healthcare Areas:**

BIO 103, 106, 311; CHE 111, 112, 217, 318; MAT 103 (or higher); PHY 203, 304. These courses are strongly recommended: BIO 207, 208; CHE 310; ENG 302.

**Pre-Law**

To enter an approved school for the study of law, a person is expected to have a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree and to have successfully completed the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). A degree which concentrates on the development of critical thinking, effective writing, and strong oral communication skills is a good preparation. Pre-Law Concentration is best suited for majors in: Accounting, Business, Mass Communication, Criminal Justice, English, History Education, and Social & Behavioral Sciences.

When the following courses have been completed the student will receive a notation of “Pre-Law Concentration” on his/her transcript.

**Concentration in Pre-Law:**

ACC 101; BUS 311, 312; ENG 202 or 302; CRJ 212; CRJ 312, POL 202, 414; PHI 202; COM 311 or ENG 332 or COM 309; HIS 271 or 272, BUS/ENG/SBS 425-LSAT Preparation.
Course Numbers

Courses numbered 100-200 are open to freshmen and sophomores, 300-499 are usually for juniors and seniors.

In all divisions, the following numbers are used for specific courses:

- 125 special offering, freshman level
- 225 special offering, sophomore level
- 325 special offering, junior level
- 425 special offering, senior level
- 328 readings and research, junior level
- 428 readings and research, senior level

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law designed to protect the privacy of a student’s educational records. The law applies to all schools which receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children’s educational records. These rights transfer to the student, or former student, who has reached the age of 18 or is attending any school beyond the high school level. Students and former students to whom the rights have transferred are called eligible students.

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review all of the student’s educational records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of materials in educational records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents or eligible students to inspect the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.

- Parents and eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records believed to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record commenting on the contested information in the record.

- Grades will be made available to students via the http://my.umary.edu website by using their ID numbers and passwords. Grades will be mailed to parents upon receipt of request from the student. Such requests must be made in writing to the Office of the Registrar. Parents or legal guardians may also obtain their child’s educational records if they establish that the student is a financial dependent as defined in Section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. A student is considered “financially dependent” if either parent or your legal guardian claimed you as a dependent upon their most recent federal income tax return. The Office of the Registrar requires that the parent(s) or legal guardian provide a copy of the filed federal tax return before it releases the information.

- Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student before releasing any information from a student’s record. However, the law allows schools to disclose records without consent to the following parties:

  - School employees who have a need to know
  - Other schools to which a student is transferring
  - Certain government officials in order to carry out lawful functions
  - Appropriate parties in connection with financial assistance to a student
  - Accrediting organizations
  - Individuals who have obtained court orders or subpoenas
  - Persons who need to know in cases of health and safety emergencies and state and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific state law.

Schools may also disclose without consent “directory”-type information such as a student’s name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. However, schools must tell parents and eligible students about directory information and allow parents and eligible students a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not
disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTA bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.

Students who do not wish to have their information included in the directory or released are responsible to provide written notice to the University of Mary registrar. The notice must be received by the end of the second week of the semester to ensure that the student’s information is not included in the directory.

For additional information or technical assistance, you may call (202) 260-3887 or TDD (202) 260-8956 or contact:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue SW
Washington, DC 20202-4605

Notification of Rights under FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords students certain rights with respect to their educational records. These rights include:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s educational records within 45 days of the day the University of Mary receives a request for access. Students should submit to the registrar, dean, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official written requests that identify the record(s) they wish to inspect. The University official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the University official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed. As stipulated in FERPA, the University of Mary will not normally provide written copies of educational records to students unless the student can demonstrate that it would be very difficult to inspect the records in person. In the case where copies are provided, the student is responsible for an administrative fee.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s educational records that the student believes are inaccurate or misleading. Students may ask the University of Mary to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the University official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the University decides not to amend the record as requested by the student, the University will notify the student of the decision and advise the student of his or her right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s educational records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the University of Mary in an administrative, supervisory, academic or research, or support staff position; a person or company with whom the University has contracted (such as Student Health Clinic personnel, security personnel, the University attorney, auditors, or collection agent); a person serving on the Board of Trustees; or a student serving on an official committee such as a disciplinary or grievance committee or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an educational record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the University of Mary discloses educational records without consent to officials of another school in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4. Students have the right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the University of Mary to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

As provided by FERPA, it is the University of Mary’s policy to publish certain student information in its student directory and/or release certain student information to the public and/or the media.
The information included in the University of Mary Directory includes:
- Name
- Address (local and/or permanent)
- Telephone number (local and/or permanent)
- Major, Minors
- Class

As a service to students, it is University of Mary policy to provide directory information to the members of the public who request contact information for a particular student. Normally this is limited to the student’s phone number and/or address.

In addition, it is University policy to release student information to the public and to media sources regarding students who receive awards, honors, and/or participate in special programs and/or extracurricular activities. In addition to the directory information listed above, information may include: a) information describing the awards and/or honors; b) date of birth and/or place of birth; c) hometown; and/or d) dates of attendance.

Students who do not wish to have their information included in the directory or released are responsible to provide written notice to the University of Mary registrar. The notice must be received by the end of the second week of the semester to ensure that the student’s information is not included in the directory.
Admissions

Every applicant to the University of Mary is reviewed on an individual basis. Admission is granted to applicants who will, in the judgment of the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee, make positive contributions to the community life of the University and be able to progress satisfactorily toward the completion of all degree requirements.

The University of Mary does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, marital status or public assistance, in accordance with applicable laws. The university will not tolerate any discrimination, and any such conduct is prohibited. The university also prohibits any form of discipline or retaliation for reporting incidents of discrimination. The non-discrimination policy and contact information for the persons designated to handle inquiries can be found at www.umary.edu/nondiscrimination.

The University of Mary operates on a rolling admissions policy. Once the candidate’s file is complete, a decision concerning acceptance is made and the applicant is generally notified within two weeks.

Freshmen Admission

To be considered for admission, prospective freshmen students must submit the following documents to the Office of Admissions, University of Mary, 7500 University Drive, Bismarck, ND 58504:

1. A formal application for admission (form can be found at www.umary.edu);
2. A non-refundable $30 application fee;
3. Academic transcript(s) from high school(s)*, or GED transcript (if applicable), and any college(s) concurrently attended during high school;
4. An official score report from the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) examination.

* Please note: If a student graduates from a non-accredited high school or home school program, he/she may be required to submit additional information and/or other documentation about his/her educational program.

Transcript

The applicant’s high school must submit an official copy of your transcript. Please note that the University will require high school transcripts at two points in the admission/enrollment process.

1. An “in progress” transcript is required before an admission decision can be made. The transcript must include all courses taken and the grades earned during the student’s freshman, sophomore and junior year.
2. A final, official transcript is required after the student has graduated from high school. This transcript should include the following:
   • The names and grades for all courses completed during their high school education, along with the number of credits.
   • The date of graduation, which must be after the date of the completion of all courses.
   • The signature of the registrar or designated official at the high school.

While the University of Mary will extend an offer of admission to students based on an “in-progress” transcript, the University reserves the right to revoke that offer if the student fails to submit an official transcript following the completion of graduation requirements, or if a discrepancy exists between the “in-progress” transcript and the official transcript submitted following graduation.

Freshmen applicants are strongly encouraged to follow a college-preparatory curriculum. The University recommends that applicants complete these units of credit at the secondary level:

- English …………………… 4
- Social Studies ……….. 3
- Mathematics ………….. 2 to 4
- Science ………………….. 2 to 4

ACT or SAT Test Score

Each applicant is responsible for applying for the examination, and candidates should schedule a test date during their junior year or one of the early test dates during their senior year. Scores
may be included as part of the official high school transcript. We ask that applicants request to have test scores sent directly from the testing agency:

**ACT Procedure:** Arrange for the ACT test scores to be sent to the University of Mary. The University of Mary’s code for the ACT is 3201. Scores can be sent through the ACT’s website at www.act.org.

**SAT Procedure:** Arrange for SAT test scores to be sent to the University of Mary. The University of Mary’s code for the SAT is 6428. Scores can be sent through the SAT’s website at sat.collegeboard.org.

Upon receipt of all required materials listed above, the applicant will be evaluated for admission. Minimum standards for automatic acceptance include both of the following:

1. ACT composite score of 19 or higher (or equivalent SAT score of 900 [Critical Reading + Math])
2. High school cumulative GPA (unweighted) of 2.5 or higher, or if applicable, a GED battery average score of 450, with no scores lower than 410 in any one section.

Students who do not meet automatic admissions criteria will have their files reviewed by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee. The committee evaluates secondary school achievement and test scores. In evaluating applications, the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee may request a recommendation from a counselor or faculty member, a resume describing personal achievement, and/or a personal statement prior to making an admission decision. Students may be accepted upon recommendations by the Committee. Students admitted in this manner may be required to enroll in academic skills development courses and/or develop and follow an academic plan with the Student Success Center, and/or may be limited to a specified number of credits in their first semester.

**Advanced Placement**

High school students who take the College Entrance Examination Board Advanced Placement Examination may, upon enrollment, be granted advanced placement and college credit in appropriate subjects. Reports on examinations must be sent to the Registrar directly from the College Entrance Examination Board. Please see the Academic Life section of this catalog for additional information and minimum scores accepted for credit on these tests.

**Home School Applicants**

The University of Mary welcomes applications for freshmen admission from home school students, and many homeschool students choose the University of Mary every year. We also understand that frustrating delays can diminish the excitement of the college search process, so please know that the homeschool application process has been specifically tailored to the unique characteristics of a home education. Federal law requires that we receive specific documentation in order to offer federal financial aid to all of our students. As a result, we have created specific instructions for homeschooled students below.

We look forward to working with you and wish you the best of luck in your college search!

**Accredited Homeschool Curricula Application Checklist**

If you use an accredited homeschool program, please complete the following items in order to be considered for admission to the University of Mary:

- Submit the application for the University of Mary.
- Request a copy of your most recent high school transcript; transcripts must be sent directly from the institution(s).
- Request that your official ACT and/or SAT score reports be sent directly to the University of Mary. Our ACT school code is 3201. Our SAT code is 6428.
- If you have taken college or university courses during high school, have an official copy of your final transcript forwarded directly to the University of Mary.
- Submit your $30 application fee. If completing an online application, you may submit payment electronically.

Please note that the University will require high school transcripts at two points in the admission/enrollment process.

1. An official “in progress” homeschool transcript is required before an admission decision can be made. The transcript must include all courses taken and the grades
earned during the student’s freshman, sophomore and junior years.

2. A final, official homeschool transcript is required after the student has graduated from high school. This transcript should include the following:

- The names and grades for all courses completed during their high school education, along with the number of credits. One year of a high school course or one semester of a college course usually equals 1 credit.
- The date of graduation, which must be after the date of the completion of all courses.
- The signature of the registrar or designated official at the accredited homeschool program.

Common accredited programs include, but are not limited to: Kolbe Academy, Mother of Divine Grace (MODG), Seton Home Study and Coram Deo Academy – Homeschool Division.

Non-Accredited & Self-Designed Homeschool Curricula Application Checklist

If you use a non-accredited homeschool program, please complete the following items in order to be considered for admission to the University of Mary:

- Submit the application for the University of Mary.
- Submit a copy of a notarized Homeschool Transcript. While we provide a transcript template for your convenience, you may use a transcript of your own creation with equivalent information if you prefer.
- Transcripts for courses taken outside of the home are to be sent directly to the University of Mary from the institution. Grades from these courses are to be included on the comprehensive transcript and calculated in the cumulative GPA.
- Submit a notarized copy of the University of Mary Letter of Self-Certification indicating that the applicant was homeschooled in accordance with state law in his/her home state and that the student is above the compulsory age of school attendance in North Dakota, which is 16 years of age. We will provide a template for this self-certification for your convenience.
- Request that your official ACT and/or SAT score reports be sent directly to the University of Mary. Our ACT school code is 3201. Our SAT code is 6428.
- If you have taken college or university courses during high school, have an official copy of your final transcript forwarded directly to the University of Mary.
- Submit your $30 application fee. If completing an online application, you may submit payment electronically.

*Please note that the University will require transcripts at two points in the admission/enrollment process.

1. An official “in progress” homeschool transcript is required before an admission decision can be made. The transcript must include all courses taken and the grades earned during the student’s freshman, sophomore and junior years.

2. A final, official homeschool transcript is required after the student has graduated from high school. This transcript should include the following:

- The names and grades for all courses completed during their high school education, along with the number of credits. One year of a high school course or one semester of a college course usually equals 1 credit.
- The date of graduation, which must be after the date of the completion of all courses.
- The signature of the primary homeschool teacher AND the signature of an official from the school district OR a notary.

If you have questions about the above information or what your unique homeschool situation requires, please contact an Admission Representative at 800-288-6279 or admissions@umary.edu.

Transfer Admission

The University of Mary welcomes transfer students from regionally accredited community and junior colleges and four-year colleges and universities. While students should refer to the Academic Life section of the catalog for information regarding transfer of credit, it is important to note that the Office of the Registrar evaluates tran-
scripts and records transfer credits. Any preliminary reviews by other personnel are unofficial, not binding, and subject to change.

A student applying for admission to the University of Mary from another college must send to the Office of Admissions:

1. A formal application for admission (form can be found at www.umary.edu);
2. A non-refundable $30 application fee;
3. Transcripts from every college previously attended;
4. If the student has fewer than 24 transfer hours to evaluate, then the University will also require the following to determine the applicant’s opportunity for success:
   a. Academic transcript(s) from high school*, or GED transcript (if applicable), and any college(s) concurrently attended during high school;
   b. An official score report from the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) examination. (As denoted below in “Adult Student Admission,” transfer applicants over the age of 21 are eligible to apply without college placement test scores.)

**Transcript**

The applicant’s college(s) or university(ies) must submit a copy of your transcript. Please note that the University may require transcripts at two points in the admission/enrollment process.

1. If currently enrolled in courses, an “in progress” transcript is required before an admission decision can be made. The transcript must include all courses taken and the grades earned during the student’s undergraduate education, as well as a listing of any courses in progress.
2. A final, official transcript is required after the student has completed his/her classes at the previous institution(s). Transcript(s) should include the following:
   - The names and grades for all courses completed at the previous institution(s), along with the number of credits.
   - The signature of the registrar or designated official at the college/university.

Upon receipt of all required materials listed above, the applicant will be evaluated for admission. The minimum standard for automatic admission is a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in all undergraduate level coursework. Students who do not meet automatic admissions criteria will have their files reviewed by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee. The committee evaluates secondary school achievement. In evaluating applications, the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee may request a recommendation from a counselor or faculty member, a resume describing personal achievement, and/or a personal statement prior to making an admission decision. Students admitted in this manner may be required to enroll in academic skills development courses and/or develop and follow an academic plan with the Student Success Center, and/or may be limited to a specified number of credits in their first semester.

**Adult Student Admission**

The University of Mary welcomes adult learners. An adult student (one who is 21 years of age or older applying for first-time college studies) must send to the Office of Admissions:

1. A formal application for admission (form can be found at www.umary.edu);
2. A non-refundable $30 application fee;
3. Academic transcript(s) from high school*, or GED transcript (if applicable), and any college(s) concurrently attended during high school;

Adult learners (aged 21 or older) applying for first-time college studies are eligible to apply for first time college study without qualifying based on college placement test scores. In addition, adult learners with previous college coursework will apply under the “Transfer” guidelines listed above, but—if over the age of 21—will not be required to submit college placement test scores regardless of the number of credits being transferred.

Upon receipt of all required materials listed above, the applicant will be evaluated for admission. The minimum standard for automatic acceptance is a high school cumulative GPA (unweighted) of 2.5 or higher, or if applicable, a GED battery average score of 450, with no scores lower than 410 in any one section. Adult students who do not meet automatic admissions criteria will have their files reviewed by the Academic Stan-
A formal application for admission (form can be found at www.umary.edu);
2. A non-refundable application fee;
3. Certified copies of all academic records are required, including certified copies of all transcripts or school certificates and subjects for which the applicant was enrolled or is presently enrolled. If the grading format is not common to the U.S. educational system, then the Office of Admissions will request that the records be evaluated by a transcript evaluation service. The University of Mary prefers that evaluations be completed by the International Education Services department of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO). However, evaluations from World Education Services (WES) will also be accepted. Students seeking to enter without post-secondary credit may submit the “Basic Statement of Comparability Evaluation,” while students seeking to receive credit for post-secondary coursework must submit the “Course-by-Course Evaluation.”
4. For first-time freshmen applicants, an official score report from the American College Test (ACT) or the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) examination is required. Students who have difficulty locating a test center that administers the ACT or SAT should contact the American Embassy or an American school in their area.
5. Certification of Finances form showing evidence of student’s ability to meet costs over a four-year period. Since international students do not qualify for Title IV funds (Federal Financial Aid), they must show they have the funds necessary to attend the University of Mary.
6. Student applicants from countries in which English is not the native language are required to submit test scores verifying their proficiency of the English language.

Undergraduate applicants are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), and achieve a minimum score of 500 on paper, or 197 electronic, or 71 on the Internet-based examination, or the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Collegiate version, and score a minimum of 5.5. Undergraduate students applying under the Gary Tharaldson School of Business International Program may only be granted conditional acceptance if TOEFL scores are between 61-70 on the internet-based examination or IELTS scores are between 5.0-5.4. Scores for any applicant that are more than two years old are not valid and will not be considered.

Qualified undergraduate applicants may also complete the English language learning program offered by the Language Company; successful completion of level nine in that program will meet the University’s English proficiency requirement.

Undergraduate and graduate applicants should be aware that these score requirements represent standards for admission to the University of Mary but do not necessarily represent standards for admission to programs within the university which may impose a higher standard of English competency. If you will be applying to a program which has its own admission criteria (i.e. health sciences, education, etc.), please contact the program representative for required TOEFL or IELTS scores. There may also be higher score requirements for accelerated programs.

Graduate applicants from countries in which English is not the native language are required to take the TOEFL and achieve a minimum score of 550 on paper, or 213 electronic, or 80 on the internet-based examination, or a minimum score of 6.5 on the IELTS. Scores for any applicant that are more than two years old are not valid and will not be considered. Graduate students who provide...
evidence of successful completion of an undergraduate degree or another graduate degree from another regionally accredited institution of higher learning within the United States within the prior five years may be accepted without the TOEFL or IELTS scores.

Prospective students who within the past two years have successfully completed a minimum of one year of full-time, post-secondary education (college-level) study in a country where English is the native language may have the TOEFL/IELTS requirement waived. One year of full-time enrollment is defined as completing the equivalent of at least 24 credit hours over 2 semesters at the undergraduate level or 18 credit hours over 2 semesters at the graduate level. English as a second language, intensive English, and/or remedial English courses cannot be included in the credit hour count.

Prospective students who have been employed in the United States a minimum of two years, may submit proof of successful completion of the Compass language proficiency test as an alternative to the TOEFL or IELTS.

Admission of international students will not be granted until all required documentation has been received and verified. If the student can—through an institution or organization officially recognized by the University of Mary—demonstrate that he/she meets admission standards at U-Mary, such as through final eligibility certification with the NCAA Eligibility Center, he/she can be accepted based on that documentation. Please note that all of the required documents indicated above must still be received and on file at U-Mary prior to the end of the student’s first semester.

Undergraduate and graduate applicants should be aware that these score requirements represent standards for admission to the University of Mary but do not necessarily represent standards for admission to programs within the university which may impose a higher standard of English competency. If you will be applying to a program which has its own admission criteria (i.e. health sciences, education, etc.), please contact the program representative for required TOEFL or IELTS scores. There may also be higher score requirements for accelerated programs.

Deferred Admission

Students accepted to the University may request that their matriculation be postponed for one year without repeating the admissions process, as long as another college or university has not been attended.

Non-Degree Seeking Admission

A student not interested in obtaining a degree or one who has completed work toward a degree may enroll at the University of Mary as a non-degree seeking student. Such persons may take courses for credit or arrange to audit courses. A non-degree seeking student is not considered a degree candidate and is not eligible for financial assistance. Students in this category must complete a non-degree seeking application. If the student chooses to pursue a degree at the University of Mary, he or she is asked to submit an application form and follow the requirements as described under Transfer Admission.

Required Documents and Deposits

If an applicant is granted an offer of admission on the main campus, the applicant will be requested to send an enrollment fee of $160. Payment of this fee completes the acceptance and pre-registration process. Accepted applicants are encouraged to pay the $160 fee as soon as possible. This fee is refundable until May 1 for fall semester applicants, and December 1 for spring semester applicants.

In addition to the enrollment fee, all on-campus students are required to place a $130 housing deposit with the University. This fee will be held in escrow until the room is vacated with a satisfactory clearance report from the residence hall director. Any assessments for damage will be deducted from the deposit.

Before the beginning of a student’s academic career at the University of Mary, he or she must complete a current medical history form provided by the Office of Admissions. Housing information is mailed only after a student has been accepted into the University of Mary community.

Consideration of Applicants with a Prior Criminal History

Admission decisions for applicants to the University who have a prior criminal history, those currently under a violence protection order, and those currently under investigation for or charged with criminal activity who otherwise satisfy the University’s admission criteria will be made by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee.

Having a criminal record will not necessarily prevent an applicant from being admitted to a course of study at the University of Mary.
decision will depend upon the circumstances and background of the offenses as well as the requirements and nature of the applicant's course of study. Deliberation will be conducted as to whether the offense(s) may indicate a future risk to other members of the community.

In order to initiate the review process by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee, applicants with a prior criminal history, those under a violence protection order, and those under current investigation for criminal activity must submit prepayment and authorization for the University to conduct a background check to be conducted by a vendor selected by the University. The University also reserves the right to require, at the applicant’s expense, any court documents deemed relevant, a current psychological evaluation, letters of progress from parole/probation officers or other correction professionals, or additional documents or assessments as deemed necessary by the University.

The results of said evaluations and information in the documents may be used by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee to determine continued eligibility for enrollment within the University on a term-by-term basis. The Academic Standards and Admissions Committee reserves the right to consult with other University officials, legal counsel, and independent experts in evaluating any or all information regarding an applicant.

The University reserves the right to delay a determination with regard to the admission of any applicant currently under investigation for criminal activity until such time as all criminal proceedings have been fully resolved. Applicants under a current violence protection order are not eligible for admission to the University until such time as the violence protection order has expired.

Applicants convicted of violent crimes as defined by the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Report shall be barred from consideration as full-time or residential students. Violent crimes under this system include murder and non-negligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Applicants convicted of statutory sex crimes, domestic violence, or felony offenses of any type may be barred from consideration as full-time or residential students.

Applicants’ eligibility for participation in student life activities may be restricted at the discretion of the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee due to a criminal history disclosed on the application or findings of the criminal background check. If restrictions are imposed, the committee will notify the candidate in writing.

Applicants and students with a prior criminal history may be excluded from consideration for certain programs of study at the University of Mary in which students are exposed to children or vulnerable adults. The University reserves the right to exclude a candidate who is considered by the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee to be unsuitable for a particular course or for attendance at the University in general. The University’s appeal process does not apply to non-students.

The University of Mary does not guarantee placement for students with a prior criminal history who are accepted to the institution during any professional learning experiences. The institutions who receive our students and graduates may have their own standards for acceptance, including a clear criminal history.

All applicants and students with a prior criminal history are hereby advised that a criminal background check is required for admission to many professional schools including schools of medicine, law, pharmacy, and education. Some criminal offenses preclude students from participating in on-site professional experiences. In addition, some professional licensure boards include specific offenses that constitute those crimes for which licensure is prohibited. Students in these situations are subject to statutory or regulatory requirements independently imposed by law, or as required by affiliating entities. Ex-offenders are responsible for researching regulatory restrictions imposed on them by law or statute and making informed program choices.

The Academic Standards and Admissions Committee shall not consider the effect of an admission or denial decision on any candidate. For example, if admission or enrollment to a college or university is a condition of a candidate’s parole or probation, the Academic Standards or Admissions Committee will not consider that information as part of the review process.

Students with a prior criminal history who are granted admission may be ineligible for certain work study opportunities. The University of Mary reserves the right to revoke an offer of admission if an applicant fails to report a criminal history at the time of admission.

Withdrawal of Offers of Admission

The University of Mary requires all applicants for admission to provide complete and accurate information and to disclose any prior criminal history. The University reserves the right to
withdraw offers of admission under the following circumstances:

1. the conduct of an applicant is not consistent with the goals, purposes, values, and philosophy of the University as stated in the university catalog and the student handbook,

2. the misrepresentation of facts to the University by an applicant during the application, or

3. the failure of an applicant to provide complete information as requested in the application process.

Admission to a Major Area of Study

Acceptance at the University of Mary does not automatically qualify a student to pursue a program in one of the major areas of study. Application requirements are specific to the major. The student should consult his/her advisor for details. Applications are reviewed by the faculty members of the program. Students are then notified that they have been admitted, admitted provisionally, or denied admission to the program.

Readmission

A student in good academic standing who withdraws from the University of Mary for more than one calendar year is required to submit to the Office of Admission an application for admission together with transcripts for any college work undertaken during the period of absence. A student seeking readmission who was not in good academic standing at the time of leaving must apply to the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee. Conditions for reinstatement may be imposed upon returning students.

Students who have withdrawn from the University for disciplinary reasons, and who wish to be readmitted must apply to the Vice President for Student Development. Conditions for reinstatement may be imposed upon returning students.

Campus Visits

All prospective students are encouraged to visit the University of Mary campus for an interview with an admissions representative, a tour of the campus and facilities, and contact with students and faculty. The Office of Admissions provides student assistance and some meals for visitors during the school year. Visits or appointments at times other than during the regular working day can be arranged in advance by calling or writing the Office of Admissions:

1-800-AT U-MARY (1-800-288-6279)
Office of Admissions
University of Mary
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND  58504-9652

Our website is www.umary.edu
Our email address is admissions@umary.edu

Immunization Policy

The Immunization Policy at the University of Mary is intended to protect the campus community from illness and disease such as measles, mumps, and rubella. All degree seeking students are required to comply with the Immunization Policy.

Statement of the Policy

All students born after December 31, 1956 and enrolling in one or more face-to-face courses are required to provide proof of immunity to measles, mumps, and rubella (by showing either proof of two valid MMR injections or laboratory reports of adequate immunity to all three diseases), or have been granted a valid exemption. Students born before January 1, 1957 are considered to be immune and therefore do not need to submit proof of immunity.

Students not in compliance with this policy may have their registration cancelled. In the event of measles, mumps, or rubella outbreak on the campus, students who have not previously submitted proof of immunity to measles may be removed from residence halls or barred from classes and other activities until university officials determine that there is no likely significant risk to the student or to others within the community.

Exemptions

Exceptions are made for students who have religious objections and students whose physicians have certified that they cannot be immunized because of medical reasons. Exemptions may also be made for students who receive instruction solely via a medium which does not require physical attendance. The latter exemption is void should the student register for any class requiring physical attendance. Forms to verify compliance are available from the University of Mary Admissions Office.
Graduate Study at the University of Mary

The University of Mary, America’s Leadership University, defines leadership as competence in one’s chosen profession, courage in making ethical decisions based on Benedictine values, and compassion in serving the needs of others. Intellectual communities and learning environments of the University of Mary are built on the learners’ life experiences and baccalaureate education.

These, partnered with leadership experiences, challenge the adult learner to perform at an advanced level of excellence through focused study and reflective self-assessment.

Graduate programs of study are designed for competence in a focused area and allow for individualized planning and goal setting. Each adult learner generates new knowledge through completion of an integrative, scholarly project.

Opportunities to engage in scholarly activity include pursuit of learning and experiencing through discovery, through integration of knowledge and research, through application of professional expertise and service, and through reflective teaching and learning. Graduate University of Mary teaching faculty creates intellectual communities where graduate students are valued participants.

General information on the University of Mary is found at the beginning of the Catalog.

Admissions to Graduate Studies

Graduate degree seeking students must apply for admission to graduate study and must hold a bachelor’s degree or higher from a United States regionally accredited institution of higher education or from an international school approved by the country’s Ministry of Education. Additional requirements for admissions consideration are identified on the graduate studies application form.

One general application form is available for degree granting programs in Business, Counseling, Education, Human Performance, Nursing, and Respiratory Therapy. Application for the professional Occupational Therapy program is available at www.umary.edu/graduate/occupational_therapy. Application for the Doctor of Physical Therapy degree at the University of Mary is available at www.ptcas.org.

An official transcript from the institution of higher education granting the bachelor’s degree (or higher) is required for admission to graduate studies. Exceptions are program specific and may be found in degree program sections within this catalog. Other requirements for admissions to a specific degree program (e.g., criminal background check; volunteer hours) are listed within degree program descriptions found in the appropriate catalog section and at www.umary.edu. Students are to use and refer to the catalog which aligns with the year of their admissions to graduate studies and enrollment in courses.

Degree seeking students in good academic standing who request to re-enter following a hiatus of one calendar year, must submit a Re-Entry Application for consideration by the department for the program of study. Official transcripts for college work undertaken during the period of absence must be submitted as part of the Re-Entry Application process.

Students who have unofficially withdrawn from the University (i.e., “stepped out”) for greater than one calendar year must re-apply to the University of Mary and to the department which houses the original or selected program of study. The student who re-applies enters under the current program of study for the degree sought. Course credits earned prior to the ‘step out’ are considered current if they have been earned within a seven (7) consecutive year time frame and if they remain required for the program of study.

Non-Degree Seeking Graduate Students

A non-degree seeking graduate student is someone who plans to take at least one graduate course for one or more of the following reasons:

1. Graduate School Preparation

Students with an undergraduate degree and, in certain cases, students who are taking graduate courses pre-requisite to a graduate program may enroll as non-degree seeking students. In the latter case, students are to seek advisement from the graduate program director for specific information about enrolling in graduate courses as an undergraduate student. At minimum, the undergraduate student must hold senior status (greater than 90 semester credits earned).
2. Personal Interest
   Students in this category, who often take courses for personal or professional development and do not necessarily intend on enrolling in a degree-seeking program, may apply as non-degree seeking graduate students.

3. Certificate Preparation
   Students enrolled in graduate level certificate programs are non-degree seeking students.

4. Deciding on Degree-Seeking Program
   University of Mary offers nine graduate degrees with 33 areas of study. The non-degree status offers students the opportunity to explore different courses in selected fields (e.g., business, nursing, education) before applying to a degree-seeking program. For example, a student may be unsure as to whether to seek a degree in business administration with a focus on management or to seek a degree in project management or strategic leadership. However, students who take courses under the non-degree seeking status are not guaranteed placement into a degree-seeking program and must adhere to regular admissions requirements. Students may take up to nine (9) credits in some major areas of study as a non-degree seeking student before declaring degree-seeking status.

5. Missed Degree-Seeking Program Deadline
   Although many programs at the University of Mary offer rolling admissions, some have specific application deadlines. Students who do not complete their application by the set deadline may apply as non-degree seeking students. However, students who take courses under the non-degree seeking status are not guaranteed placement into a degree-seeking program and must adhere to degree-seeking admissions requirements.

   The minimum requirements to be admitted as a non-degree seeking graduate student are as follows:

   - For graduate level academic certificate programs, a bachelor’s degree or higher conferred by a United States regionally accredited institution or an international school approved by the country’s Ministry of Education
   - Academic achievement in undergraduate studies indicating a capacity to succeed in graduate coursework (minimum of 2.5/4.0)
   - Students who are in the final phase of their undergraduate program of study may request approval to take up to nine semester credits graduate coursework while an undergraduate student providing they are in good academic standing and that they have a minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
   - Approval by the director of graduate studies

Disability Services
   The University of Mary is committed to working with students with disabilities to provide reasonable accommodations in academic programs and in the physical environment. The University’s services are designed to offer personal attention to help students with disabilities succeed as well as to comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other legal mandates. Eligibility for services and accommodations is limited to students who make written application for services, furnishing all appropriate documentation in support of the services requested. To ensure adequate time to evaluate requests and to make accommodations, application must be made at least 60 days prior to the time the accommodation or service is needed. The application and guidebook are available for download at www.umary.edu/umlife/student_services/accessibility or contact the Director of Student Accessibility Services, Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership, University of Mary, Bismarck, ND 58504. Phone: 701.355.8264 or 701.355.3000.

International Student Admissions
   (Please refer to the International Student Admissions policy found in the Admissions section of the catalog with special attention to the sections specific to graduate students.)

   Please refer to the Graduate Academic Policies section near the back of the Catalog.
Gary Tharaldson School of Business

FACULTY: Cuperus, Fennewald, Fishbeck, Jessen, Johnston, Kozojed, Krein, Long, J., Sautner, Schulz, Sovak, Warford (Dean)

Mission
Using a philosophy of continuous improvement, the Gary Tharaldson School strives to be innovative and responsive to the changing needs of students, faculty and the business community through experience-based curricula.

Goals
Students obtaining a major within the Gary Tharaldson School of Business will:

- demonstrate relevant disciplinary knowledge and competencies appropriate to their major(s)
- utilize effective business-related professional skills including critical thinking, oral and written communication, and use of decision support tools
- recognize and evaluate ethical issues related to business and their professional lives
- incorporate the merits of servant leadership into best practices.

Accreditation
The Gary Tharaldson School of Business at the University of Mary has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE), located in Olathe, Kansas. The business programs in the following degrees are accredited by the IACBE:

- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Business Administration – Accountancy
- Master of Business Administration – Human Resource Management
- Master of Project Management
- Bachelor of Arts – Accounting
- Bachelor of Arts – Financial Services and Banking
- Bachelor of Arts – Business Administration
- Bachelor of Arts – Marketing
- Bachelor of Arts – Sport and Leisure Management
- Bachelor of Science – Accounting
- Bachelor of Science – Financial Services and Banking
- Bachelor of Science – Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science – Marketing
- Bachelor of Science – Sport and Leisure Management

Traditional Undergraduate Majors:
Accounting, Financial Services and Banking, Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Healthcare Administration, Information Technology Management, Marketing, Sport and Leisure Management

Adult/Distance Education Undergraduate Majors:
Accounting, Business Administration, Healthcare Administration, Information Technology Management, and Marketing.

Bachelor Interdisciplinary Major:
Business Education

Bachelor Degree Minors:
Accounting, Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Financial Services and Banking, Healthcare Administration, Information Technology Management, Marketing, Sport and Leisure Management

International Courses:
Some business courses are offered through the Office of Global Studies. Please see the Global Studies section in the School of Arts and Sciences.

Admittance to a Major Area of Study within the Gary Tharaldson School of Business
The criteria for acceptance into the business majors include submission of the appropriate application form and completion of specific courses for each major (see specific major section) with a final grade of C or higher. A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 is required for admittance. Less than a 2.5 cumulative GPA will result in being denied admittance. Students
may reapply when their GPA meets the requirement. Attached to the letter of application, a resume, a graduation audit completed within the current semester and a letter of application must be included. The letter of application should be addressed to the Dean of the Gary Tharaldson School of Business, written in a professional manner and include the following:

- Discuss the reason you wish to pursue a degree in your selected major areas of study, focusing on how this major(s) will help you achieve your long term goals.

- Discuss your personal strengths and weaknesses that may help or impede you in completing your degree in your major area(s) of study.

- Describe how the Benedictine values of Hospitality, Moderation, Respect for Persons, Prayer, Service and Community relate to your major area(s) of study.

- Provide any other comments that will assist the Dean and the faculty in evaluating your application.

Application forms may be obtained from the University of Mary website under the Gary Tharaldson School of Business section or from the School’s secretary. Following review of the application, students will receive written notice that they have been admitted or denied admission to the major(s).

Graduation Requirements for Students with a Major within the Gary Tharaldson School of Business

- Students must have been accepted into their major.

- All courses required for the major must have a grade of C or higher (includes courses taken within the Gary Tharaldson School of Business and transfer courses.)

- Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. Students must have met the general bachelor degree requirements as outlined in the appropriate release of the Catalog for that student. (See General Bachelor Degree Requirements section in the Catalog.)

- Volunteer activity of 25 hours or greater must be documented and provided to the Director of Student Volunteer Services. (Does not apply to Worldwide students.)

- Any required courses in the Gary Tharaldson School of Business majors will be accepted toward meeting the requirements for a major if taken within the past seven academic years. Any courses taken prior to the seven year period will only be accepted upon approval of the Dean of the Gary Tharaldson School of Business to ensure that the program graduate has current knowledge in his or her chosen field.

Traditional Bachelor Degree Majors

■ Accounting Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Accounting majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of business. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the Accounting program will be able to:

- demonstrate the ability to apply generally accepted accounting principles, IRS regulations, audit standards, and SEC reporting requirements in the preparation of accounting information for internal and external users.

- demonstrate the ability to synthesize information and form arguments, adapting oral and written communication to the audience.

- evaluate ethical dilemmas and formulate actions using appropriate ethical and legal frameworks and standards of the profession.

- use information technologies to access, analyze, and report financial information.

- recognize economic, legal, and political forces that impact organizations operating in today’s global environment.

- demonstrate the ability to analyze, synthesize, and evaluate ideas from multiple perspectives to make decisions and solve problems.

- demonstrate the ability to research emerging issues using appropriate professional resources.
• incorporate the Benedictine values and the merits of servant leadership into the best practices of academic projects and coursework, community projects, and work effectively in a team environment.

Additional Program Information

The Accounting program’s curriculum is designed so that a student will earn both an Accounting Major and a Business Administration minor with emphasis on preparation for certification as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA). A typical bachelor’s degree requires 124 semester hours. Accounting students who wish to sit for the CPA examination must have a total of 150 semester hours of college credit to be eligible to write the exam, so most accounting students have to plan for a fifth year of study. The accounting curriculum at the University of Mary has been designed to graduate with a bachelor’s degree in accounting in three and a half years and then begin the MBA-accountancy program. At the end of five years, the student may have completed a master’s degree and successfully completed all or part of the CPA exam. The student’s accounting advisor will work with the student to determine the best courses (graduate and/or undergraduate) to meet the needs of the individual in obtaining the additional credit needed to sit for the exam and reach their individual career goals.

Accounting Major Required Courses:

All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. In addition, courses marked with an * must be completed prior to application to the major.

- *ACC 101,* 102, 204, 301, 302, 303, 322, 363, 403, 404, 414, 422, 423, 432; 425 or 440

Students must complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

Transfer Students

To graduate with an accounting major, 16 upper-level (300-400) credits must be accounting courses taken from the University of Mary. Upper-level business or computer information electives do not count toward this requirement.

Business Administration Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Business Administration majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of business. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the business administration program will be able to:

- assess the contemporary business environment in terms of societal, legal, and ethical issues on a global basis.
- apply analytical, critical thinking, decision-making skills in business policy formulation and implementation.
- demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills.
- engage in strategic planning and other key business, economic and marketing processes to solve complex business issues.
- demonstrate the management concepts of planning, leading, organizing and controlling.
- utilize finance, accounting, economic, marketing and information systems tools and concepts as they relate to contemporary business administration.
- conduct a quantitative and qualitative review of an organization within the context of change management.
- recognize and prepare solutions/recommendations regarding legal and ethical issues; understand the environment of business regulation.
- incorporate the Benedictine values and the merits of servant leadership into the best practices of academic projects and coursework, community projects, and work effectively in a team environment.

Business Administration Major Required Courses

All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to
application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

- *ECN 203, 204; *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180, COM 414, *CIS 101 or pass the equivalency exam

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

**Business Education Major**

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

The curriculum in Business Education is designed to prepare students to be effective secondary classroom teachers capable of meeting the needs of all students, including those with special needs and from varied backgrounds. A student completing the Business Education program at the University of Mary is eligible for licensure to teach in grades 7-12 in North Dakota. Meeting the requirements for licensure in other states is the responsibility of each student.

**Business Education Major**

**Required courses:**

- Education Courses: EDU 200 or 202; 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 378, 401, 421, 423, 445
- Business Communications and Technology Application Courses: ACC 101, 102; BUS 200, 215, 311, 420; COM 414, CIS 106, ECN 203, 204
- Plus two CIS or ITM courses
- Additional required courses: COM 110, ENG 121, MAT 103 or higher, PSY 205, and a Lab Science.

Please review the requirements for Middle School Endorsement if that option is intended.

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

**Computer Information Systems Major**

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Computer Information Systems majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of computer information systems. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the computer information systems program will be able to:

- demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills in an information systems environment.
- apply computer literacy, information literacy, programming logic, and a variety of computer applications including word processing, spreadsheet, presentation, and database programs.
- demonstrate the knowledge of database technology to analyze and design a database system using professional tools and techniques.
- perform entry-level systems analysis and design work to solve business problems using both traditional and object-oriented methodologies within a project team environment.
- document, code, debug, test, and implement a source code program solution.
- model and develop a design for a web-based application.
- analyze, design and produce a web site.
- make ethical decisions incorporating the Benedictine values within the standards of the profession.

**Computer Information Systems Major**

**Required Courses:**

All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

- *CIS 106, 107, *203, 204; ITM 220, 300, 310, 340; CIS 356, 357, CIS 456 or 458; CIS 457; BUS 200, 201, 230, 380, 454
- *CIS 101 or pass the equivalency exam, *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.
Financial Services and Banking Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Financial Services and Banking majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of business. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the banking and financial services program will be able to:

- assess the financial performance and condition of a firm using financial statement analysis techniques.
- determine the value of financial assets applying valuation models for stocks and bonds, and develop strategies for managing portfolios.
- evaluate capital investments by applying capital budgeting techniques that integrate costs of capital and capital structures and utilize the results in financial decision-making.
- understand risk, its effects on financing and investing decisions, and approaches to managing risk.
- demonstrate an understanding of the economic, political and legal environment and its effect on firms and individuals, including the effects of tax and pension laws on financial decisions.
- design and evaluate personal financial plans, including investment, retirement and estate plans.
- understand the regulatory environment of the banking and financial services industry.
- incorporate the Benedictine values and the merits of servant leadership into the best practices of academic projects and coursework, community projects, and work effectively in a team environment.

Additional program information:
Financial Services and Banking is a registered Certified Financial Planner Board program. Students who successfully complete the registered program will have met the prerequisite education requirement that allows them to apply for the CFP Certification exam.

Financial Services and Banking Major
Required courses:

All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

- *ECN 203, 204, *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180, *CIS 101 or pass the equivalency exam
- HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

Healthcare Administration Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Healthcare administration majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of healthcare administration. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the healthcare administration program will be able to:

- demonstrate knowledge of the functional areas of accounting, marketing, finance, and management in the context of healthcare organizations.
• demonstrate knowledge of the legal, social, and economic environments of business and the unique environment of healthcare organizations.
• demonstrate knowledge of the global environment of business and its impact to healthcare organizations.
• demonstrate knowledge of the ethical obligations and responsibilities of healthcare organizations.
• demonstrate the ability to use decision-support tools.
• communicate effectively, both in written and oral formats.
• apply knowledge of business concepts and functions in an integrated manner including within the unique nature of healthcare organizations.

Healthcare Administration Major
Required Courses:
All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

• *ACC 101, *102; *CIS 101 or pass the equivalency exam, BUS 200, 201,*215, 230, 311, 333, 350, 351, 362, 371, 380, 401, 403, 407, 408; 446 or 452; HPS 206
• *ECN 203, 204; *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

Information Technology Management Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck
Information technology management majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of computer information systems. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the information technology management program will be able to:
• examine industry and/or government compliance standards that need to be employed by business and industry.
• research and summarize different networking standards and specify the correct standards in a prescribed environment.
• identify and summarize information technology management principles.
• demonstrate effective written and oral communication skills in an information systems environment.
• identify and employ the principles of project management.
• demonstrate innovation and collaboration within a team environment.
• utilize information technology tools and techniques to formulate sound management decisions, in a way that improves the organization’s competitive advantage.
• demonstrate technical and managerial skills in information technology.
• formulate ethical decisions incorporating the Benedictine values and standards of the profession.
• analyze and design a database system using the tools and techniques associated with the IT profession.

Information Technology Management Required Courses:
All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

• BUS 200, 201, 215, 230, 371, 380, 401, 454; ITM 200, 220, 300, 310, 330, 340, 410, 420, 430; 456 or 452
• *CIS 101 or pass the equivalency exam, *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.
Marketing Major

Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck
Marketing majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of business. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the marketing program will be able to:

- examine and assess the value and importance of past and contemporary marketing terminology and the ethical implications of various marketing theories and practices.
- identify and integrate concepts of the marketing mix: product, price, place and promotion, as well as market and target segmentation, positioning and consumer behavior.
- design and implement marketing research including development, administration, and evaluation of surveys utilizing reliable data measurement, collection, and analysis methods.
- analyze and appraise the results of qualitative and quantitative market research tools including interview, focus groups and regression (multiple and logistical) and various analysis methods (such as factor, cluster, conjoint, etc.)
- demonstrate effective team/group performance and product deliverables including written reports and presentations of marketing/consumer issue–based problems and effective responses and strategic solutions for a changing global environment.
- formulate effective strategies for incorporation of marketing concepts into an e-commerce environment with integration of those strategies into the existing marketing channels and distribution processes.
- demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills.
- incorporate the Benedictine values and the merits of servant leadership into the best practices of academic projects and coursework, community projects, and work effectively in a team environment.

Marketing Major Required Courses:
All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.

- *ECN 203, 204; *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180
- Ancillary courses included in the major: COM 204, 226; ART 108

Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

Sport and Leisure Management Major
Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck
Sport and Leisure Management majors graduating from the University of Mary’s Gary Tharaldson School of Business will be enriched through a curriculum of discovery, development and application to ensure a sound knowledge of the key professional components of sport and leisure management. Students also gain an understanding of how to incorporate servant leadership into their everyday lives as business professionals. In addition to the core competencies of the University, graduates of the sport and leisure management program will be able to:

- demonstrate entry-level knowledge of the scope and the historic, scientific, and philosophical foundation of the profession.
- apply the knowledge of professional practice coupled with the historical, scientific, philosophical foundations of sport and leisure.
- develop through critical thinking valid and sound decisions about professional practices, policies, procedures, techniques, and related ethical and professional issues.
- design experiences clearly reflecting application of knowledge for relevant facets of contemporary professional practices, business, science and philosophy.
• assess needs and implement recreation programs, events and leisure experiences among diverse clientele, settings, cultures and contexts.
• evaluate services and experience offerings and use the data to improve the quality of the service.
• recognize and apply basic concepts, principles and procedures of organization, financial, human resource and business management, marketing, public relations, and communications.
• demonstrate through experience-based classroom work, a practicum field experience of not less than 80 hours and a comprehensive internship program of not less than 400 hours, the ability to use and apply the practices and methodologies of the field.
• incorporate the Benedictine values and the merits of servant leadership into the best practices of academic projects and coursework, community projects, and work effectively in a team environment.

Sport and Leisure Management Major Required Courses:
All of the following courses require a final grade of C or higher to count towards the major. Courses marked with an * should be completed prior to application to the major. They also require a grade of C or higher.
• ECN 204, *ENG 121, *COM 110, *MAT 180
• Ancillary courses included in the major: COM 226, ART 108
Students must also complete HUM 499, Senior Competencies Assessment, an exam to be taken during their last semester of study.

Bachelor Degree Minors
Minor in Accounting Required Courses:
ACC 101, 102, 204, 301, 302, 303, and one of the following: ACC 403, 414, 423; BUS 381 or 362 (if not already required for the student’s major)

Minor in Business Administration Required Courses:
ACC 101, 102; ECN 203; BUS 215, 311; COM 110 and one elective from any 300-400 business course or ECN 204.

Note: This is for non-business majors only (Accounting, Computer Information Systems, Information Technology Management, and any other major outside the Gary Tharaldson School of Business)

Minor in Computer Information Systems Required Courses:
CIS 106, 107, 203, 204; ITM 310 and one CIS or ITM elective

Minor in Financial Services and Banking Required Courses:
ACC 101, 102; MAT 103, ECN 203, 204; BUS 317, 362, 372, 381

Minor in Healthcare Administration Required Courses:
ACC 101, 102; BUS 362; HPS 206; BUS 350, 351, 407, 408

Note: This is only for majors in healthcare related professions.

Minor in Information Technology Management Required Courses:
BUS 215; ITM 200, 220, 310, 340; BUS 454 and one CIS or ITM elective.

Minor in Marketing Required Courses:
BUS 215, 230, 330, 333, 340 341; COM 330

Minor in Sport and Leisure Management Required courses:
SLM 202, 227, 301,327, 411; BUS 215, 371; COM 305, ITM 340

Adult/Distance Education Undergraduate Degrees
Chair: Dr. Kevin Fishbeck

Accounting
See description and course requirements on page 30.

Information Technology Management
See description and course requirements on page 34.

Business Administration
See description and course requirements on page 31.
Healthcare Administration
See description and course requirements on page 34.

Marketing
See description and course requirements on page 35.

Gary Tharaldson School of Business Undergraduate
Course Descriptions

ACC 101 Principles of Accounting I
An introduction to accrual accounting and the basic financial statements, with emphasis on income statement items. 3 semester credits

ACC 102 Principles of Accounting II
Continues the study of accrual accounting and the basic financial statements, with emphasis on the balance sheet and statement of cash flows Prerequisite: ACC 101 3 semester credits

ACC 204 Accounting Applications
An introduction to using a software program to perform typical accounting functions in a business. The course will focus on the use of a commercially available package. Includes business writing and research, spreadsheets, and database skills. Prerequisite: ACC 102. 3 semester credits

ACC 301 Intermediate Accounting I
A study of financial statement content and generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as they relate to various financial statement items (primarily assets). Prerequisite: ACC 204 or instructor consent. 4 semester credits

ACC 302 Intermediate Accounting II
A study of generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as they relate to various financial statement items (primarily liabilities and stockholders’ equity). Prerequisite: ACC 301 4 semester credits

ACC 303 Accounting Information Systems
An introduction to the systems, procedures, and processes management employs to control operating activities and information reporting systems, and comply with laws and regulations. Focuses on professional responsibilities and ethics. Includes an introduction to fraud in the business environment. Prerequisite: ACC 204 or instructor consent. 4 semester credits

ACC 322 Cost Management & Strategy
A study of accounting information as a management decision tool. Topics include product costing, methods including job-order costing, process costing, joint and standard costing. Planning and controlling of costs will also be studied including budgeting systems, variance analysis, cost-volume-profit relationships and cost allocation. Relevant costing techniques will also be applied in business decisions. The course focuses on the manufacturing environment, but there is some coverage of merchandising and service sectors. Prerequisite: ACC 102. 4 semester credits

ACC 363 Fund Accounting
Introduction to governmental and not-for-profit accounting. Prerequisite: ACC 302 or instructor consent. 3 semester credits

ACC 403 Individual Income Taxation
Analysis of various tax policies and their effect on business and personal tax planning. Addresses issues of importance for successful tax planning and tax minimization. Prerequisite: ACC 301 or instructor consent. 4 semester credits

ACC 404 Business Income Taxation
In-depth study of federal income tax laws. Focuses on information covered on the Certified Public Accountant exam. Prerequisite: ACC 403 4 semester credits

ACC 414 Advanced Accounting
A study of financial accounting and reporting principles related to complex transactions or multiple ownership entities, including the preparation of consolidated financial statements, accounting for foreign currency translation, business segment reporting, accounting for partnerships, Securities and Exchange Commission financial reporting and other topics. Prerequisite: ACC 302 4 semester credits

ACC 422 Auditing and Attestation
Introduction to the independent audit function. Topics include audit planning, risk analysis, management’s assertions, evidence gathering and analysis, and the audit report. Other assurance services performed by accountants will also be covered. Prerequisite: ACC 303 or instructor consent. 4 semester credits

ACC 423 Fraud Examination
In-depth study of fraud auditing. Topics include interviewing skills and techniques used by forensic accountant to gather and evaluate evidence. Prerequisite: ACC 303 or instructor consent. 4 semester credits

ACC 425 Special Topics – International Experience
This course is designed to meet special requirements that an individual student may encounter during his or her academic career. 1-4 semester credits

ACC 432 Leadership in the Accounting Profession
A course in which students will integrate material from their undergraduate business courses and consider the larger context of financial reporting beyond rules and procedures. Prerequisites: ACC 302 and ACC 403 3 semester credits

ACC 440 Internship
This course is designed to provide a meaningful work experience for the student in an area that is related to accounting.
This course integrates curricular learning with practical hands-on experience while allowing the student to demonstrate proficiency in the core university competencies. Prerequisite: Acceptance into the division or consent of Director of Experiential Education.
4 semester credits

**BUS 200 Electronic Communication**
This course corrects techniques, resulting in increased speed and accuracy in the alpha/numeric keyboard. Formatting of basic personal and business correspondence, reports and tabulation will also be covered. Effective management of electronic communication is also covered.
3 semester credits

**BUS 201 Advanced Spreadsheets**
This course will prepare students for working with spreadsheets in a business environment. Students will learn to build spreadsheets and to use spreadsheets to analyze existing data sets to inform decision making.
3 semester credits

**BUS 215 Principles of Management**
Management stresses a set of activities directed at an organization’s resources with the aim of achieving goals in an efficient and effective manner. This course explores the managerial activities of planning, decision-making, organizing, leading, and controlling.
3 semester credits

**BUS 220 Introduction to Personal Financial Planning**
Students will be introduced to the financial planning process; client/planner interactions; time value of money applications; personal financial statement development and assessment; cash flow and debt management; asset acquisition; education planning; planning elements of risk management; investment planning, retirement planning; special needs planning review; integrating planning recommendations; financial planning ethics review; and an overview of practice management concepts.
3 semester credits

**BUS 230 Technology and Strategy**
This course investigates ways effective and responsible use of various technologies can be used to achieve individual and organizational goals.
2 semester credits

**BUS 311 Business Law I**
Business Law deals with the legal implications of business decisions and activities. This course provides background information on the legal system and potential business liabilities and covers the law of contract and commercial paper such as promissory notes.
3 semester credits

**BUS 312 Business Law II**
Deal with the legal implications of business decisions and activities. Covers basic business organizations such as partnerships and corporations and also explores areas of debtor-creditor relationships, consumer protection, and employment.
3 semester credits

**BUS 317 Money and Banking**
Money and banking is a branch of economics covering financial institutions and their impact on economic activity. This course covers the Federal Reserve System, generated money multipliers, and general equilibrium analysis. Prerequisites: ECN 203, ECN 204 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

**BUS 318 Retirement Planning**
Retirement planning focuses on preparation for retirement. The course will include the importance of retirement planning, on evaluation of the client’s needs, and an understanding of Social Security and Medicare, and qualified and non-qualified retirement plans.
3 semester credits

**BUS 325 Special Topics**
This course is designed to meet special requirements that an individual student may encounter during his or her academic career. Prerequisite: instructor consent
1 – 4 semester credits

**BUS 330 International Marketing**
Students will be provided an overview of the dynamic and complex subject of international marketing. Students will also learn about the rising significance of global orientation in business and become familiar with the processes used and environments encountered by international marketers.
3 semester credits

**BUS 333 Marketing**
Marketing consists of activities that satisfy needs through production, placement, promotion, and pricing of goods, services, and ideas. This course explores target markets, marketing mixes, and marketing environments. Prerequisite: BUS 215 or MGT 326 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

**BUS 340 Sales Management**
Sales management looks at the different tools needed to satisfy customer demand. This course looks at the various technologies available to manage accounts, opportunities to develop strategies and finally, how to evaluate customer satisfaction. Prerequisite: BUS 215 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

**BUS 341 Retailing**
Retailing is a unique business format which is distinct from manufacturing and wholesaling. This course explores how retailers develop strategies to attract customers and also how consumers develop strategies to acquire goods and services from retailers. Prerequisite: BUS 333 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

**BUS 346 Small Business Management**
Students explore the problems and responsibilities in organizing, financing, and operating a small business. Students also explore the advantages that are inherent in operating a small business. Prerequisite: BUS 215 or MGT 326 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

**BUS 350 Introduction to Healthcare Administration**
This course introduces students to concepts, theories and approaches related to professional practice in the healthcare systems. It emphasizes management, coordination and orga-
nization of services from a customer perspective. A broad overview of the levels of care, the care continuum, regulations governing care delivery is provided.

3 semester credits

**BUS 351 The American Healthcare System**
This course presents students with an introduction to the structure, operations, and financing of the U.S. healthcare system. Major Industry participants are examined, how healthcare services are allocated and financed, various factors that influence cost and quality of care, as well as future concerns for healthcare in the U.S. Prerequisite: BUS 350

3 semester credits

**BUS 362 Financial Management**
The study of financial management includes the exploration of those activities that maximize stakeholder wealth. This course explores financial markets and institutions, valuation models, working capital management, forms of business organization, and the analysis of financial statement. Prerequisites: ACC 101, ACC 102, MAT 103 or instructor consent.

3 semester credits

**BUS 371 Human Resources Management**
The goal of managing human resources is to get the right person on the job so that the needs of both the individual and the organization are met legally and efficiently. This course studies the process of managing human resources including the topics of recruitment, selection and performance appraisal. Prerequisite: BUS 215 or MGT 326

3 semester credits

**BUS 372 Insurance/Risk Management**
This course introduces students to risk management and insurance decisions in personal financial planning. Topics include insurance for life, health, disability, property and liability risks, as well as annuities, group insurance, and long term care.

3 semester credits

**BUS 380 Internship and Career Preparation**
All students in the Gary Tharaldson School of Business are required to secure and complete a professional internship. Through a formal planning and development process, students will research career strengths and interests and assess internship opportunities in multiple industries for a positive learning experience in the internship setting. Completion of the internship and career preparation course is required at least one semester prior to enrollment in internship credits.

1 semester credit

**BUS 381 Investments**
The primary objective of investing is to gain value on capital. This course examines the basic economy so that the individual investor can develop strategies for acquiring wealth, managing a portfolio, and protecting assets. Some specific topics include: goal setting and budgeting, investing in real estate, using financial markets and institutions, and the impact of taxes on investing. Prerequisites: ACC 101, ACC 102 or instructor consent

3 semester credits

**BUS 401 Operations Management**
Students will learn about the planning, controlling, and implementation of the processes used by firms. Students will be exposed to operations management principles and their application to the daily functions of a company’s business model. Prerequisite: BUS 215

3 semester credits

**BUS 403 Strategic Leadership and Management**
Effective managers need to know how to make effective decisions. This course uses case studies to explore the analysis, formulation, and implementation of strategies. Prerequisites: ACC 101, ACC 102, ECN 203 and, ECN 204 or MGT 371, BUS 215 or MGT 326, BUS 333, BUS 362 or instructor consent.

3 semester credits

**BUS 406 Marketing Research**
This course is designed to enable students to understand, interpret and conduct marketing research. It addresses the use of marketing research as an aid to make marketing decisions; specifically how the information used to make marketing decisions is gathered and analyzed. Students will be exposed to a variety of research designs including surveys and experimental designs, as well as data analysis and interpretation. Prerequisites: MAT 180, BUS 333

3 semester credits

**BUS 407 Healthcare Law and Regulatory Environment**
This course presents fundamental concepts of legal issues in healthcare including the healthcare provider’s legal responsibilities, federal and state healthcare regulatory mandates, information management/security, informed consent and patient self-determination.

3 semester credits

**BUS 408 Financial Management In Healthcare**
This course provides students with a practical understanding of basic healthcare financial issues, processes and reports used in the healthcare industry. Prerequisite: BUS 362

3 semester credits

**BUS 418 Estate Planning**
Estate planning focuses on the efficient conservation and transfer of wealth, consistent with the client’s goals. It is a study of the legal, tax, financial and non-financial aspects of this process, covering topics such as trusts, wills, probate, advanced directives, charitable giving, wealth transfers and related taxes.

3 semester credits

**BUS 420 International Business**
The course will provide a broad knowledge of international business management and stimulate the interpersonal and intercultural management skills necessary for conducting international business. The economic, political, and legal aspects of global business are discussed in the course. Prerequisite: BUS 215

3 semester credits

**BUS 446 Internship**
This course is designed to provide a meaningful work experience for the student that is business related. The course integrates curricular learning with practical hands-on work experience while allowing the student to demonstrate proficiency in the core university competencies. Prerequisite: Acceptance into the division or consent of Director of Experiential Education.

3 semester credits
BUS 452 Experiential Development
This course is an option to BUS 446 – Internship. Students will work on a special project to give them a hands-on experiential learning opportunity. The project must be approved by their advisor and Dean prior to enrollment in the course.
4 semester credits

BUS 454 Project Management
Project management is the application of project management concepts, skills, tools and techniques to project activities in order to meet project goals. Our studies will parallel the concepts, techniques, and tools set forth by industry professionals, specifically, the Project Management Book of Knowledge (PMBOK) developed by the Project Management Institute (PMI).
3 semester credits

BUS 460 Financial Planning Capstone
This course will engage the student in critical thinking and decision-making about personal financial management topics in the context of the financial planning process. The purpose of this course is to refine and develop skills needed for personal financial planners when working with individuals, families, and business owners in meeting financial needs and objectives. Prerequisites: BUS 220, BUS 317, BUS 318, BUS 362, BUS 372, BUS 381, BUS 418, or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 101 Introduction to Computer Information Systems
This course teaches the fundamentals of computers and computer nomenclature focusing on the use of PC hardware, software, and the World Wide Web. No experience with computer applications is assumed; however, student should possess basic keyboarding and mouse skills. Specifically, the Windows operating system as well as the Microsoft Office Suite of applications will be studies.
3 semester credits

CIS 106 Application Software Concepts
This course presents a hands-on computer lab experience in the fundamental, introductory concepts of operating systems and object-oriented programming technology. Topics include graphical user interface and text-based operating systems concepts and understanding introductory programming logic and design.
3 semester credits

CIS 107 Introduction to Programming
This is a beginning course in computer programming. This course will utilize programming language and introduce the student to modern structure programming concepts and problem solving techniques. Programming activities include solving common business problems of limited complexity. Prerequisite CIS 106 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 203 Application Design and Implementation
This is a beginning course in the use of information systems techniques to solve managerial and organizational problems of limited complexity. Formal analytical problem-solving techniques are introduced. Students develop programmed solutions using information systems development techniques with graphic-based, object-oriented, event-driven programming tools. Prerequisite: CIS 107 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 204 Applications Development
This is an intermediate course in the use of information systems techniques to solve managerial and organizational problems. Formal analytical problem-solving techniques are utilized. Students develop programmed solutions with information systems development techniques with graphic-based, object-oriented, event-driven programming tools. Prerequisite: CIS 203 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 356 Programming Languages I
Provides advanced work with application design and development. Emphasis is on scripting languages, web database programming, and web server management tools. The course also focuses on the component model of software development and an exploration of client-server software development. Prerequisites: CIS 204 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 357 Programming Languages II
This current development technologies course guides the student through advanced program development, implementation and application using emerging program development tools. Prerequisite: CIS 356 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 456 Internship
This course is designed to provide a meaningful work experience for the student that is related to computer Information systems. The course integrates curricular learning with practical hands-on work experience while allowing the student to demonstrate proficiency in the core university competencies. Prerequisites: acceptance into the major or consent of the coordinator of internships.
4 semester credits

CIS 457 Advanced Programming Languages
A fundamental treatment of computer science topics featuring the study of the high-level programming language Java. Topics discussed will include computer architecture, programming languages, and ethical issues involved in computer use. Problem solving techniques involved in writing programs will be studied; proper style and documentation will be required, and object-oriented program design will be introduced. The required chapter lab work will involve an intensive study of programming techniques in Java. Prerequisite: CIS 357 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

CIS 458 Systems Development Project
Students will discuss a variety of issues that take place during operating systems upgrades and learn how to resolve these issues. Students will design, build, and upgrade computer operating systems and networks. This course covers exam objectives for the MCSE Microsoft certification track. Prerequisite: ITM 410 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits
ITM 200 Introduction to Information Systems
This course presents fundamental knowledge essential to managing an information technology system successfully within an organization. It considers strategic and operational issues, the significance of rapidly advancing technology, and human and organizational issues related to technology introduction and use. The course describes management systems and models of successful behavior to capitalize on opportunities and avoid numerous potential pitfalls.
3 semester credits

ITM 220 Computer Networking Essentials
This course introduces the fundamental building blocks that for a modern network, such as protocols, topologies, hardware, and network operating systems. It then provides in-depth coverage of the most important concepts in contemporary networking, such as TCP/IP, Ethernet, wireless transmission, and security. The course will prepare you to select the best network design, hardware, and software for your environment.
3 semester credits

ITM 300 Systems Development I – Database
This course is an introduction to database systems design, implementation, and management. Database systems play a key part in systems development and are always designed as part of a larger system. The course emphasizes database design with a focus on relational database systems. Students will build a typical database application with a relational Data Base Management System. Traditional data modeling techniques are introduced for use in analyzing and designing a database. The course will also discuss database planning, administration, security, and integrity.
3 semester credits

ITM 310 Systems Development II – Methods
A detailed study of the systems development life cycle using strategies and techniques of structured systems analysis and design.
3 semester credits

ITM 330 Client/Server Operating Systems
The course provides students with an understanding of client/server operating systems in local area network environments. Students will learn basic client and server hardware and software requirements for operating systems. The course involves students in planning, installing, configuring and troubleshooting a network client and a server.
Prerequisite: ITM 310
3 semester credits

ITM 340 Webpage Development
ITM 340 provides training in Web page/site development. Students will work with all of the elements of a Web page including text, images, animated images, image maps, links, audio, video, forms JavaScript, and cascading sheets to name a few of the elements or techniques. The course will culminate in a sizeable project published to a Web server.
3 semester credits

ITM 410 Distributed Intelligence and Communication Administration
The course is an examination of the features and impact of distributed systems in the business enterprise. The course focuses on server administration and optimization in a wide-area networking environment. TCP/IP routed network theory, design and administration are covered. The student will configure, manage, and troubleshoot common administrative services in a multi-domain multi-LAN environment.
Prerequisite: ITM 330
3 semester credits

ITM 420 Systems Development Project
In this course students will design, build, and secure a network infrastructure. Students will administer additional server applications such as SQL servers and email servers. The course also covers security issues that are faced by many companies today such as cross site scripting, SQL injection, viruses, and virtualization, as well as topics of increasing importance in the industry as a whole, like the latest breed of attackers.
Prerequisite: ITM 410
3 semester credits

ITM 430 Current Issues In IT
This course will examine current issues and trends relating to technology that is being used in business and industry. Students will research current practices, compliance of standards in the profession, and the competitive advantage of using technology in business and industry. Globalization of technology and standards, legal ramifications and the ethical standards will also be reviewed.
3 semester credits

ITM 456 Internship
This course is designed to provide a meaningful work experience for the student that is related to computer information systems. The course integrates curricular learning with practical hands-on work experience while allowing the student to demonstrate proficiency in the core university competencies. Prerequisites: CIS 203 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

ITM 452 Experiential Development
This course is an option to ITM 456 – Internship. Students will work on a special project to give them a hands-on experiential learning opportunity. The project must be approved by their advisor and Dean prior to enrollment in the course.
4 semester credits

SLM 202 Introduction to Sport and Leisure Management
This course is an introduction to the history, management and professional foundations emphasizing the role, the relevance and scope of recreation, leisure, sport, hospitality and tourism in society and the careers available. Students will study the terminology, philosophies and evolution of leisure and sport, motivation factors, leisure concepts and relevant contemporary issues. Students will further examine the core learning competencies and understandings to be successful in the field of sport and leisure management. These competencies and understandings of sport and leisure are: social and cultural influence, management, leadership and organization, ethics, marketing, communications, budget and finance, legal aspects, economics, governance and why we participate.
3 semester credits
SLM 227 Program/Event Design and Management
Program and Event Design Management will include the study of the foundations of program and event offerings, their structure, implementation and the organization types (public, non-profit and commercial/for profit) that provide them. Students will develop and apply understanding of program analysis and needs assessment, design, planning, budget development, implementation and evaluation through study, discussion and hands-on experience. Students will develop an understanding of the history of leisure programming and the individual and societal benefits provided by leisure programs and events. Students will also develop an understanding of service to program and event participants as customers and their role as a servant leader by programming for individuals, groups, teams and groups of individuals.
3 semester credits

SLM 301 Sport and Leisure in Society
Issues of Sport and Leisure in Society is a macro examination of the sport and leisure industry, as well as the issues and impacts on a global society. The course provides an opportunity to examine the sport and leisure industry by issues of participation in recreation, play, games and tourism. Students will analyze the social, economic, environmental, personal, political and cultural impacts of sport and leisure.
3 semester credits

SLM 327 Facilities Design and Management
Students in Facility Design and Management will explore central issues relative to facility planning, development and management and develop the understanding of facility core product and their extensions in providing services to the public. Students will define trends that dictate the growth or redevelopment of facilities and understanding of the operational demands placed on facilities for short term and long term use. Students will explore and discuss such management issues as staffing, programming, governance, risk, liability, programming, contracting, accessibility, regulatory compliance, volunteers, operating budgets, revenue generation, maintenance, and design standards.
3 semester credits

SLM 411 Governance and Policy Development
The study of organizational governance and policy development through the examination of governance models, structures, types, issues necessitating policy development and processes of implementation. The course will further explore within grass root to the highest level of public nonprofit and for profit sport and leisure organizations, their legal authorities, duty roles and responsibilities of planning.
3 semester credits

SLM 440 SLM Internship
This internship course is designed to provide sport management track majors with a pre-professional experience under the direct and individualized guidance and supervision of a sport management specialist outside the university setting. Internship sites vary.
4 semester credits

SLM 442 Sport and Leisure Management Leadership Seminar
The SLM Leadership Seminar is the capstone for SLM majors and should be taken during the student’s final semester of study. Students will apply and integrate the concepts and theories from the other courses within the major utilizing case studies, projects, etc.
4 semester credits
Graduate Programs in Business

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The University of Mary Master of Science in Business program helps students develop skills, knowledge, and abilities needed to excel in complex and constantly changing environment. The MS has a strong emphasis on leadership and soft skills. With five optional areas of concentration the degree can be tailored for specific career goals.

The University of Maryland offers its graduate programs in three formats through the Gary Tharaldson School of Business: (1) An on-site accelerated format; (2) An online accelerated format; (3) Blended, with a combination of on-site and online courses. Students choose a focused area of study: Executive, Energy Management, Healthcare, Healthcare Informatics, Human Resource Management, or Project Management. The accelerated formats provide adult students the opportunity to complete a graduate degree in as few as 18 months while continuing to work. Classes are taught in seminar style, allowing for student participation and discussion and for immediate application in the workplace. Class size is limited in all formats to ensure interaction between students and faculty and to maintain high academic standards consistent with the University of Mary. Adult students enroll with a cohort and learn from one another as well as the faculty, a teaching style and learning effective for adults.

Students in the on-site format meet one night per week for the duration of the program. The online format has a web-based curriculum that provides adult learners an opportunity to complete a graduate degree from the convenience of their computer. In the blended format, students may take some courses on-site and others online.

IACBE Accreditation

The Gary Tharaldson School of Business at the University of Maryland has received specialized accreditation for its business programs through the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE), located in Olathe, Kansas. The business programs in the following degrees are accredited by the IACBE:

• Master of Business Administration
  – Concentration in Human Resource Management
• Master of Project Management
• Bachelor of Arts – Accounting
• Bachelor of Arts – Banking and Financial Services
• Bachelor of Arts – Business Administration
• Bachelor of Arts – Marketing
• Bachelor of Arts – Sport and Leisure Management
• Bachelor of Science – Accounting
• Bachelor of Science – Financial Services and Banking
• Bachelor of Science – Business Administration
• Bachelor of Science – Marketing
• Bachelor of Science – Sport and Leisure Management
• Bachelor of Science in Business with Concentrations in Human Resource Management, Management, and Marketing

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

Today’s business leaders must combine expertise in their field with an ability to lead and manage in a complex and constantly changing business environment. The MBA program focuses on the application of business practices in a variety of organizational settings with a strong emphasis on accounting, finance and economics. With five optional areas of concentration the degree can be tailored for specific career goals.

MBA Program Outcomes

Students completing a Master of Business Administration degree will be able to:

• Express ideas and concepts professionally using written and oral formats
• Interpret organizational issues and integrate ethical frameworks and Benedictine values into business leadership practices
• Recommend appropriate courses of action based on quantitative theories and techniques
• Integrate tools and concepts from multiple functional areas (finance, economics, and accounting) to solve business problems
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MS Program Outcomes

Students completing a Master of Science in Business degree will be able to:

- Express ideas and concepts professionally using written and oral formats
- Interpret organizational issues and integrate ethical frameworks and Benedictine values into business leadership practices
- Construct solutions to business problems from concepts acquired through interpersonal awareness
- Incorporate effective leadership behaviors based on situational and change management

Optional Concentrations:

- Energy Management (13 credits)
  Required courses: BUS 520, 522, 523, 526
  Concentration Outcomes
  - Compare and contrast the environmental, regulatory, and legal and political environments for various types of companies within the energy sector
  - Evaluate economic factors, energy markets and trading practices utilized within the energy sector

- Executive (9 credits)
  Required courses: BUS 575, 645, 696
  Concentration Outcomes
  - Integrate business operations from a systems perspective
  - Apply economic and behavioral concepts to strategy formulations

- Healthcare (9 credits)
  Required courses: BUS 630, 653, NUR 648
  Concentration Outcomes
  - Analyze practices and policies which appropriately address the unique healthcare laws and regulations healthcare organizations must follow
  - Evaluate current issues in healthcare administration and possible impacts to an organization

- Healthcare Informatics (12 credits)
  Required courses: NUR 590, 594, 660, 667
  Concentration Outcomes
  - Make the transition to a technologically advanced healthcare system smoother, more efficient, and safer for nurses and patients
  - Design information systems that optimize practitioner decision-making
  - Develop and troubleshoot tools for consumer healthcare, such as health-related websites, homecare management systems, remote monitoring, wearable monitoring devices, and telenursing.
• Promote health literacy through the design and development of tools and devices that bring health information to diverse populations.
• Engage in local and national policy debates over the need for more advanced health information technology.

**Human Resource Management (9 credits)**

Required courses: BUS 618, 621, 622

**Concentration Outcomes**

This program has been developed based on the human resources body of knowledge defined by the HRCI and the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM).

• Formulate innovative human resource management solutions which align with an organization’s strategic goals
• Propose practices and policies which integrate various human resource management issues in a manner to aid an organization in the attainment of competitive advantage

**Project Management (9 credits)**

— Available for MS and MBA Students

Required courses: MPM 610, 620, and 630

**Concentration Outcomes**

• Assess best project management practices to lead ethically and professionally
• Lead projects from a strategic perspective by aligning project goals within the broader organizational goals

**Admissions Requirement**

**for GTSB Graduate Programs**

Individuals holding a bachelor’s degree or higher from a regionally accredited institution and who have an undergraduate GPA of 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) overall, or 2.75 during the last two years of the undergraduate degree, or 3.00 in a major field of study will be admitted to begin graduate study.

Applicants who do not meet one or more of the admissions requirements may have their applications reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

To complete the application process, applicants submit:

• Completed University of Mary Graduate Studies application (to include goal statement essay)

• Official transcript from institution of higher education granting the bachelor’s degree or higher
• Current Resume
• Two letters of recommendation from professional sources
• Application fee

Additionally, applicants in the MBA program must fulfill one of the below requirements to enroll in MBA-specific courses. Applicants can be initially accepted into the program without the below:

**Option 1** – Provide proof of GMAT taken within the last 5 years. Applicants must achieve at least a 28 in verbal, 38 in quantitative, and 550 total.

**Option 2** – Applicant must successfully complete BUS 532, 533, and 534 prior to being enrolled in BUS 571, 555, or 605. Applicant must have earned a “C” or better in these courses for successful completion.

**Academic Progress**

After the successful completion of at least six semester credits of graduate course work and a review of academic progress by the graduate advisor, the student will be advanced to candidacy status according to the following criteria:

• A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for graduate course work
• All graduate level courses must have a grade of C or higher to count toward the program requirements
• Acceptable personal, academic and professional conduct
• An approved program of study

Students who do not maintain satisfactory academic progress as determined by University policy will be notified of their academic status in writing by the Office of Academic Affairs. Questions regarding academic standing should be referred to the student’s academic advisor. The grading scale used for all graduate courses offered through the Gary Tharaldson School of Business is as follows:

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Required Core Courses for the MBA/MS/MPM

The following courses are core content for the MBA/MS and are completed by all MBA/MS students:

- BUS 790 Portfolio and Defense
- BUS 502 Operations Management
- BUS 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
- BUS 505 Human Resource Management
- BUS 610 Marketing
- BUS 635 Law in the Managerial Environment
- MPM 500 Project Management

In addition to foundation and core courses, students enroll in the following courses which are focused content for their particular program.

Executive Concentration

- BUS 575 Information Systems for Managers
- BUS 645 Organizational Communication and Transition Management
- BUS 696 Strategic Planning and Execution

Human Resource Management Concentration

- BUS 618 Collective Bargaining and Labor Relations
- BUS 621 Strategic Compensation: A Human Resources Management Approach
- BUS 622 Human Resource Development

Healthcare Concentration

- BUS 630 Current Issues in Healthcare Administration
- BUS 648 Healthcare Law and Policy
- BUS 653 Healthcare Organizations and Finance

Healthcare Informatics Concentration

- NUR 630 Principles of Informatics in Healthcare Professions
- NUR 648 Ethics and Informatics
- NUR 648 The Human Technology Interface
- NUR 653 Applied Clinical Informatics in Patient-Centered Care

Energy Management Concentration

- BUS 520 Foundations of Energy Management
- BUS 522 The Economics and Markets of Energy
- BUS 523 Financial Management in the Energy Industry
- BUS 526 Legal Issues in Energy Management

Project Management Concentration

- MPM 600 Project Initiation
- MPM 610 Project Planning
- MPM 620 Project Execution and Control

Master of Science in Business Path

Required Additional Core Courses

- BUS 554 Fundamentals of Finance, Accounting and Economics
- BUS 565 Statistics and Research
- BUS 609 Leadership
- PHI 572 Ethics

Master of Business Administration

Required Additional Core Courses

- BUS 555 Managerial Finance
- BUS 565 Statistics and Research
- BUS 571 Executive Economic Analysis
- BUS 605 Managerial Accounting
- PHI 572 Ethics

Master of Project Management

Required Additional Core Courses

- MPM 610 Project Planning
- MPM 620 Project Execution & Control
- MPM 630 Project Closeout
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**Required Courses for the MPM**

- MPM 500  Introduction to Project Management
- MPM 600  Project Initiation
- MPM 610  Project Planning
- MPM 620  Project Execution and Control
- MPM 630  Project Closeout
- MPM 635  Legal Issues in Project Management
- BUS 555  Managerial Finance
- BUS 640  Information System Planning, Project Management and Auditing
- BUS 645  Organizational Communication and Transition Management
- BUS 700  Management Seminar
- PSY 542  Group Dynamics

### Nursing and Healthcare Informatics Program (12 credits)

**Required courses:** NUR 590, 594, 660, 667

Nursing course descriptions are found in the School of Health Science programs-Nursing.

**Concentration Outcomes**

- Discuss the influence of professional nursing standards, the code of ethics, principles of servant leadership, Benedictine values, nursing philosophy, and personal beliefs on the professional informatics nurse’s practice.
- Value the input of collaboration with the patient, family, healthcare team to improve quality and safety in patient outcomes when developing strategies, policies, or procedures for introducing, evaluating, or modifying information technology applied to nursing practice, administration, education, or research.
• Analyze and interpret patient, nursing, or information systems data to improve nursing services and to inform health policy and advocacy efforts.

• Translate nursing practice information and informatics technology between nurses, healthcare team members, administration, systems engineers, analysts, or designers.

• Develop or implement policies or practices to ensure the integrity, privacy, confidentiality, and security of patient information.

• Apply knowledge of computer science, information science, nursing, and informatics theory to nursing practice, education, administration, in collaboration with other health informatics specialists with focus on patient safety, patient outcomes and population health.

• Design, develop, select, test, implement, and evaluate new or modified informatics solutions, data structures, and decision-support mechanisms to support patients, health care professionals, and their information management and human-computer and human-technology interactions within health care contexts.

Graduate Business Course Descriptions

BUS 502 Operations Management
This course emphasizes the importance of managing the activities involved in the process of converting or transforming resources into products or services. Topics include process planning, capacity planning, quality tools, and how the operations management area integrates with the other functional areas of the organization.
3 semester credits

BUS 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
One of the most important functions of a manager in an organization includes understanding and motivating individuals and organizing structural systems within which they can work in a productive manner. This course will review the concepts, issues and practices of organizational behavior at the individual, group and organizational levels. At the individual level, topics will include perception, decision-making, values, attitudes, job satisfaction, and motivation. The group level topics are work teams, communication, leadership, power and politics, conflict and negotiation. Organizational level topics include organizational structure, work design, human resources policies, organizational culture and change.
3 semester credits

BUS 505 Human Resource Management
This course has been developed based on the human resource body of knowledge defined by the HRCL and the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). This course will study the nature of human resource management, staffing the organization, developing human resources, compensating human resources and managing employee relations. The course emphasizes the need for HR professionals to effectively contribute to their organization as a strategic and knowledgeable business partner. Course competencies and outcomes focus on the importance of integrating HR knowledge with business essentials.
3 semester credits

BUS 507 Influential Leadership
Students explore various principles and approaches to organizational leadership, as well as the influence of relationships among leaders and followers. Students will compare and contract different leaders and contextual and operational issues in organization leadership and define how organizational competitive advantage, goals and outcomes are achieved through ethical and effective leadership. Students evaluate and recognize the leadership potential in themselves and others.
3 semester credits

BUS 520 Foundations of Energy Management
This course will provide an overview of the energy industry-past, present, and future. Students will discuss general terms and terminology of the industry and general issues in energy development and production and long current issues and new ventures. The course will examine the operating diversity among energy companies and the relationships among the various energy sectors. Students will explore the current political situation regarding the energy industry and its environmental impact. The course is designed to give students a foundation for the remaining energy courses.
4 semester credits

BUS 521 Current Issues in Energy Development
This course will examine current topics, industry initiatives and new ventures and government programs that are impacting the operations of energy companies and the development of energy resources.
2 semester credits

BUS 522 The Economics and Markets of Energy
This course will help students understand the geo-economics of energy. It will include analysis of past energy production and consumption patterns, production and distribution in the United States and abroad. The course will examine traditional energy economics and the effects of alternative energy sources on a variety of issues including pricing, transportation, storage, regulations, taxation, economic efficiencies, energy policies and social welfare. This course will also examine how energy markets are established and how end products are prices and traded. Co-requisite requirements are the same as for MGT 571-Executive Economic Analysis.
3 semester credits

BUS 523 Financial Management in the Energy Industry
This course incorporates financial concepts for managers to assist in making decisions related to the energy sector, including the application of these concepts in attracting and preserving capital. Course work will focus on understanding the costs and benefits of various capital alternatives and the ability to evaluate these courses in achieving strategic objec-
tives. Topics will include terms and terminology of energy financing, cash flows, working capital analysis and alternatives, long-term financing, risk analysis, asset management, decision-making and energy project financing. Co-requisite requirements are the same as for MGT 555 – Managerial Finance.
3 semester credits

BUS 524 Environmental, Regulatory Issues and Politics in the Energy Industry
This course will explore the current political situation regarding the energy industry and its environmental impact. The course will examine environmental and energy laws and regulations promulgated by the state and federal government, as well as international policies affecting domestic companies.
3 semester credits

BUS 526 Legal Issues in Energy Management and Development
This course will investigate laws, legislation and regulations governing the development and disposition of energy resources and their related business transactions, including the underlying theories used in establishing these laws and regulations. The course will examine the general concepts of property and contract law pertinent to conducting business in the United States.
3 semester credits

BUS 527 Capstone—Energy Management
This is the final and capstone course for the Energy Management concentration. Students will apply the concepts learned throughout the courses in the concentration in a comprehensive and integrated capstone project which will be presented to the class.
1 semester credit

BUS 532 Fundamentals of Economics
The purpose of this course is to provide managers with fundamental economic principles, which they may use to think critically about micro and macroeconomic events.
3 semester credits

BUS 533 Understanding Corporate Finance
A practitioner-oriented course, Understanding Corporate Finance is designed to provide the reader with the basic analytical skills common to all disciplines within the field of finance.
3 semester credits

BUS 534 Financial Accounting
A working knowledge of accounting is critical to success in business. Accounting information underlies most strategic and operational decisions made by management. The purpose of this package is to supply managers with knowledge of the objectives of accounting and to provide the tools necessary to interpret accounting information.
3 semester credits

BUS 535 Economic Principles
Presents a number of debates on important and compelling economic issues, which are designed to stimulate critical thinking skills and initiate lively and informed discussion. These debates take economic theory and show how it is applied to current, real-world public policy decisions, the outcomes of which will have an immediate and personal impact. Additional research beyond the assigned debate-style reader for each issue will be a major component of this course.
3 semester credits

BUS 554 Fundamentals of Finance, Accounting and Economics
Students learn the relationship of the financial manager, the manager’s organization, the financial markets and the tax environment, as well as how to use time value of money valuation tools and risk and return valuation models. Students will learn how to integrate fundamental economic principles effectively, which they may use to think critically about micro and macro-economic events. This course will also provide students with knowledge of the objectives of accounting and to provide the tools necessary to interpret accounting information.
3 semester credits

BUS 555 Managerial Finance
Analyze the relationship of the financial manager, the manager’s organization, the financial markets, and the tax environment, as well as how to use time value of money valuation tools and risk and return valuation models. Focusing on the more technical or financial aspects of organizational life, the manager will be able to develop some measurable objectives by which to assess organizational goals. Prerequisites: MBA finance assessment or MGT 533
3 semester credits

BUS 565 Statistics and Research
Effective business leaders must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures. Students develop an understanding of the descriptive and inferential statistics utilized in educational research for the purpose of statistically analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

BUS 571 Executive Economic Analysis
This course presents a wealth of real-world cutting-edge applications of advanced microeconomic theory. Concepts and constructs used to analyze “Old Economy” as well as “New Economy” markets include: price elasticity and the price consumption curve, consumer choice theory: budget lines and indifference curves, production functions, isoquants, isocost lines, returns to scale, economies of scope, network effects and monopoly: static versus dynamic views. Prerequisites: MBA economics assessment or MGT 532
3 semester credits

BUS 575 Information Systems for Managers
Directly concerned with the management issues surrounding information and telecommunications systems, it presents the ingredients of management knowledge necessary for success in the management of information technology. This course views information technology from the perspective of managers at several levels – from the CEO to the first line manager. It provides frameworks and management principles that current or aspiring managers can employ to cope with the challenges inherent in the implementation of rapidly advancing technology.
3 semester credits
BUS 580 Managerial Finance II
Includes financing of business operations, capital budgeting, cost of capital, capital structure, profit maximization, yield curves, risk and insurance, and an introduction to futures and options.
3 semester credits

BUS 603 Leading the Learning Organization
This course introduces students to the importance of a learning organization as a system and how to create a sustained organizational learning environment that enhances learning capacity, organizational intellectual capacity and strategic advantage.
3 semester credits

BUS 605 Managerial Accounting
Analysis of financial data and use of the results to make wise business decisions. Enables managers to better control valuable resources and more accurately predict the cost of future business ventures. Prerequisites: MBA accounting assessment or MGT 534
3 semester credits

BUS 610 Marketing
Introduces students to the area of marketing management and analysis of the domain of marketing, including theories of how marketing managers make decisions, appeal to consumers, and develop unique marketing strategies. The managerial implications of these theoretical foundations will also be presented.
3 semester credits

BUS 618 Collective Bargaining and Labor Relations
This course examines the principles and laws of collective bargaining and labor relations, and the reasoning involved in the collective bargaining process. Today’s workplace is also in a state of rapid change and is becoming more complex and competitive. Negotiations do not end when a settlement is reached and an agreement is signed. This course focuses on collective bargaining as a continuous process consisting of contract negotiations, administration, interpretation and sometimes arbitration.
3 semester credits

BUS 621 Strategic Compensation: A Human Resource Management Approach
This course is designed to provide a solid understanding of the art and science of compensation practices. Compensation systems can promote an organization’s competitive advantages when properly aligned with strategic goals. This course is designed to enhance the student’s knowledge, skill and analytical ability in the area of strategic compensation practices.
3 semester credits

BUS 622 Human Resource Development
The overall intent of this course is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of human resource development and how to successfully apply this knowledge in support of organizational goals and objectives. Course content includes adult learning and development, gap analysis, learning objectives, needs assessment, developing and delivering training curriculum based on adult learning theory, and the evaluation of programs.
3 semester credits

BUS 624 Health, Safety and Security
This course provides students with the rationale for safety and health regulations; demonstrates how to apply learning in support of business initiatives; explains the moral, legal and economic basis for standards and providing a safe and healthy work environment; describes the key elements of a safety and health management program; and acts upon opportunities to meet organizational safety, business and strategic goals.
3 semester credits

BUS 626 Contemporary Issues in Human Resource Management
This course explores contemporary issues in human resource management and the importance of discovering innovative solutions to provide an organization a competitive advantage. Emphasis is placed on current issues in the areas of globalization, measurement and assessment in human resource management, conflict management and communication skills needed by HR professionals, information and technology issues and concerns, and the demonstration of critical thinking and problem solving skills related to HR issues.
3 semester credits

BUS 630 Contemporary Issues in Healthcare Administration
This course will cover current and evolving issues health care administrators must be aware of to develop proactive strategies.
3 semester credits

BUS 635 Law in the Management Environment
This course is intended to teach not just principles and rules of law but also the thinking involved in legal reasoning. The focus is on how the rules of law are applied to business situations.
3 semester credits

BUS 640 Information System Planning, Project Management and Auditing
Planning, organizing, controlling user services, and managing the system development process are addressed in this course. You will develop basic information system specifications and requirements. Application of IS plans to organizational needs will be expanded through case studies and exercises.
3 semester credits

BUS 645 Organizational Communication and Transition Management
The course is designed to teach an awareness of the managerial communication skills necessary to effectively lead an organization and its members through change and transition. Throughout the course, topics such as group communication, interpersonal communication, leadership, human relationships, and organizational culture and climate will be examined.
3 semester credits

BUS 653 Healthcare Organizations and Finance
This course is designed to provide students with a practical understanding of healthcare financial issues, financial reporting and analysis. Financial management tools and methods used in budget preparation, evaluation of invest-
ment alternatives, financial forecasting and capital structures are covered with a focus on common practices in healthcare organizations.

3 semester credits

**BUS 685 New Ventures Management**
Creation of new ventures from the recognition of an opportunity to the launching of the enterprise.

3 semester credits

**BUS 690 Executive Leadership**
Students explore various principles and approaches to organizational leadership, as well as the influence of relationships among leaders and followers. Students will compare and contrast different leaders and contextual and operational issues in organization leadership and define how organizational competitive advantage, goals and outcomes are achieved through ethical and effective leadership. The transformational, transactional, and laissez-faire leadership will be evaluated on a situational perspective.

3 semester credits

**BUS 696 Strategic Planning and Execution**
Students are introduced to the concepts, processes and tools used in organizational strategic planning. The strategic alignment of people, resources and processes to the vision, mission and purpose of the organization are addressed. Students study the principles of strategic management and link these principles to both sound theory and best practices. This course prepares students for their final capstone leadership seminar project.

3 semester credits

**BUS 700 Management Seminar**
Students are assigned to work as a consulting team with a local organization to analyze a current or upcoming project. The students utilize their educational experience to assist the organization in the way that best suits the organizational needs. When possible students will work with a non-profit organization to educate them in the area of project management and assist with getting projects started while also building timelines to help the organization see the project through to completion.

3 semester credits

**BUS 701 Strategic Decision Making**
Students will complete individual and team work to make and assess strategic decisions in a simulated business environment.

3 semester credits

**BUS 790 Portfolio and Defense**
Students will create a scholarly and practical deliverable throughout the program. Each course prior to the capstone will have an assessment linked to the portfolio. Part of the portfolio will be a project in which the student will analyze an approved topic of the student’s choosing that aligns with the curriculum. Students will be expected to present this written deliverable and verbally defend it at the end of the program.

3 semester credits

**BUS 899 Continuing Enrollment**
Students officially accepted into a graduate program of study but not enrolled for course credits in the final phase of program completion may be required to enroll in Continuing Enrollment in 1.0 semester credit increments for each term of the academic year. Continuing Enrollment semester credits do not count toward fulfillment of the program of study for the degree. The academic advisor for the degree approves enrollment in Continuing Enrollment.

1-8 semester credits

**MGT 554 Management Survey of Accounting & Finance**
This course addresses the principles of accounting and finance for students who do not have a background in business. It provides the student with the basis for decision-making in corporate level finance and economics.

3 semester credits

**MPM 500 Introduction to Project Management**
Provides a comprehensive overview of project management and program management. The course addresses the culture, the principles, and the basic techniques of project management. The course reviews the general stages of a project in chronological order and describes how the stages interrelate. The course identifies the basic tools of project and program management, such as work breakdown structure, scheduling, earned value analysis, and risk management. These tools are introduced by the instructor and subsequently used in student assignments. The elements of project management critical to the success of a project are also identified and explained. The principles and tools are integrated and clarified through case studies from a variety of organizational settings and through creation of project management plans developed by students working in teams.

3 semester credits

**MPM 600 Project Initiation**
This course will address aligning project goals with the broader organizational goals. Project feasibility and selection, interpersonal and organizational issues related to the initiation of project will be discussed. Topic to be included are, a) Identify and communicate with project stakeholders; b) Work effectively with project sponsors and resource managers; c) Identify the team skill sets needed for the project; d) Identify project manager and project team; e) Produce a “business case”, which includes a statement of work (SOW); f) Perform initial risk analysis; and, g) Produce a “project charter.”

3 semester credits

**MPM 610 Project Planning**
This course will introduce the process of project planning and will include the topics of defining the scope of the project, identifying potential problems early in the project, providing quality planning, ensuring consistent organizational goals, maintaining effective communications and set expectations needed for sound decision making. It will build upon the work performed during the Project Initiation and provides the prerequisites for the Project Execution and Control class.

3 semester credits

**MPM 620 Project Execution and Control**
This course will continue with the planning techniques of the Project Planning course and introduces the execution phase requirements to develop the product or service that the project was commissioned to deliver. This includes managing changes to the project scope and project schedule, implementing quality assurance and quality control processes,
controlling and managing costs as established in the project budget, planning and monitoring the progress of deliverables, and utilizing the risk management plan.

3 semester credits

**MPM 630 Project Closeout**
This course will address the last two processes of the project life-cycle: project completion process and the professional and the social and legal responsibilities of the project manager. The processes include the steps needed to facilitate the closing and the turnover of the project, the assessment of the project and derive any lessons learned and best practices to be applied to future projects. An overview of the project manager career planning and development, and professional/social responsibility is presented.

3 semester credits

**MPM 635 Legal Issues in Project Management**
In this course, the student will examine contract negotiation and implementation, procurement, civil and criminal liability, utilization of people, and professional and social responsibilities.

3 semester hours

**NUR 590 Principles of Informatics in Health Care Professions**
As the world of technology continues to evolve, professionals must be well prepared to make significant contributions by harnessing appropriate and timely information. This course will provide the basic theoretical framework and knowledge base for information management within various settings. Exploration of the roles and competences associated with informatics in a variety of environments and the associated functions of advocacy, informatics theories (using the concepts of data, information, knowledge, and wisdom), systems application, outcome management and evidence based practice application will be addressed.

3 semester credits

**NUR 594 Ethics and Informatics**
The adoption of new technological and communication advancements and use of decision making support tools reveal different moral dilemmas. The context for examining these moral issues or ethical dilemmas will become increasingly complex. This course will highlight familiar and new ethical concepts to consider when applied to informatics.

3 semester credits

**NUR 660 Human Technology Interface**
Anytime humans use technology, some type of hardware or software enables or supports the interaction. Poorly designed technology and communication systems can lead to errors, lower productivity, or even the removal of the system. Unfortunately, as more complex health information technology applications are integrated the problems can become even worse. Professionals tend to be very creative and can develop workarounds that allow circumvention of troublesome technology that unfortunately do not offer a long term solution. This course will address the human technology interface, explore human-technology interface problems, provide an overview of the purpose of conducting workflow analysis and design, explore meaningful use, and cite measured of efficiency and effectiveness that can be applied to redesign workflow efforts and processes.

3 semester credits

**NUR 667 Applied Clinical Informatics in Patient Centered Care**
This course investigates the application of information technology and impact of these interactions between healthcare providers and patients. Primary focus will include ways in which patients are engaged and empowered by the use of informatics technology, application and development of clinical decision making tools, meaningful use, and the influence on patient outcomes and safety. Topics will include project management for the implementation of informatics technology, use of simulation, workflow analysis, and solution modeling.

3 semester credits

**PHI 572 Ethics**
Perceive, analyze, and assess systems of values. Maintain ethical standards in a professional environment.

3 semester hours

**PSY 542 Group Dynamics**
Focus on the critical components of team membership and leadership. Develop skills in negotiation, collaboration, and conflict resolution. This course focuses on analyzing and developing group leadership skills in negotiation, collaboration, and conflict resolution to provide a strong foundation for effective managers.

3 semester credits

**HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment**
Graduate students register for HUM 799 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the graduate section of the catalog.

0 semester credits
School of Arts and Sciences


Areas of Study

Majors:

Minors:

Pre-Professional Concentrations:
Pre-law, pre-medicine, pre-dentistry, pre-podiatry, pre-physician assistant, pre-chiropractic, pre-veterinary, pre-pharmacy, and pre-optometry.

Other Concentrations:
Catechesis and the New Evangelization (within Theology), Liturgy (within Theology) and wildlife and conservation biology (within biology).

Office of Global Studies
Coordinator: Kemerly Grau

Programs Abroad

Rome Program
The program features specialized courses in the liberal arts, covering topics such as history, theology, art, architecture and music—specifically developed for the Rome campus. The following programs are offered in Rome:

• Fall Semester (4 courses – 12 credits)
• Spring Semester (4 courses – 12 credits)
• May Term (1 course – 3 credits) five weeks

Business Courses in Milan
This program is designed for Business major students partnering with Universita Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (UCSC) – Milan campus. Students can take from 3-9 credits during the summer at UCSC.

Faculty-led Study Abroad Programs
Short-term study trips abroad are organized and led by a University of Mary faculty member who relates course objectives with local culture, customs, famous sites and history. These programs offer a set list of courses offering from 1-6 credits, depending on the program.

Our most popular faculty-led study programs are to Guatemala for OT, PT and Nursing students.

Global Studies Course Description
INT 401 Study Abroad
Students registered will study abroad in programs governed by reciprocal exchange agreements with University of Mary. Programs include reciprocating foreign partner universities as well as programs of an exchange nature. Repeatable for credit. Consent of instructor required.
1-12 semester credits

Honors Program
Contact: Dr. Matthew Gerlach
Humanities Scholars: Clay Jenkinson and Dr. Don Briel
Open to students across disciplines and schools, the University of Mary Honors Program extends the liberal arts tradition by inviting students to engage great thinkers and texts, examine beautiful works of art, experience outstanding performances, and explore the natural and historical sites of North Dakota and the Great Plains. The Honors
Program is a community of students and teachers that unites the intellectual life, faith, and our local cultural history to provide an invigorating atmosphere of thought and reflection. Students in the program will attend honors colloquia and events. In addition, students will complete three semester credits of foreign language at an intermediate level and will reflect upon their Honors Program experience with an integrative Capstone project in their final year. For more information, please contact Dr. Matthew Gerlach.

Course Description

HUM 498 Honors Capstone
The capstone completed during the senior year integrates all honors experiences and coursework through a project such as a thesis, a documentary film, a music composition, a subject-based website, an internship with a non-profit foundation that includes a presentation and some writing, or a research study of an institution.
3 semester credits

Areas of Study

Biology
Biology Program
The Biology Program exists to provide our students a thorough and relevant foundation of knowledge in the biological sciences, and to support the liberal arts and professional programs of the University of Mary. These programs thrive in a Benedictine environment that prepare students to function as life-long learners and servant leaders in their chosen careers in the sciences.

■ Biology Major

Program Chair: Dr. James Maskey
Program Advisors: Dr. Christine Fleischacker, Sr. Nicole Kunze, Dr. Michael Lares, Dr. Michelle Lett, Dr. Jim Maskey, Dr. Margaret Nordlie

The Biology major is a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree program designed to prepare students for a career as a professional biologist, or to provide the essential background for entrance into graduate school or professional programs. Students planning to attend graduate school or professional school should consult with their advisor and plan a program of study that meets the requirements of a particular school.

Outcomes
Biology graduates will:
• be able to effectively communicate in both written and oral formats
• demonstrate a broad, relevant knowledge base in biological science
• exhibit analytical and critical thinking skills
• demonstrate the ability to search for and access academic sources of information, to synthesize the information, and to evaluate it for relevance and reliability
• demonstrate technical proficiency in the lab
• recognize the role of the individual and society in understanding and improving the natural environment
• be competitive in gaining admittance to professional or graduate schools, or in securing employment requiring a baccalaureate

Required courses:
BIO 103, 106, 311, 354, 480; CHE 111, 112, 217, and any upper level chemistry course; PHY 203, 304; MAT 209 and one of the following: MAT 204, 206, or 210; HUM 499. Elective courses: Students must take five additional 300-400 level biology courses selected from three areas of study to complete the major. These electives are in addition to the required biology courses and must total a minimum of 20 semester hours.

Recommended courses:
Students are urged to consider taking the following as electives to strengthen the major: MAT 204 or a foreign language.

Minor sequence in Biology (20 semester credits):
BIO 103, 106; three Biology courses of 300 level or higher.

Minor sequence in Environmental Science (20 semester credits):
SCI 201; CHE 326 and 230 or 340; BIO 326 and 415 or 422 or 432 or 433.

Course listings for Biology, Biology Education and Science follow Biology Education major.
Concentrations: Wildlife and Conservation Biology

■ Biology Education Major

Program Chair: Dr. Christine Fleischacker
The Biology Education major is a Bachelor of Science or Arts degree program designed to prepare students for a career as a secondary teacher or to provide the essential background for entrance into certain graduate programs. Students planning to
attend graduate school should consult with their advisor and plan a program of study that meets the requirements of a specific program and a particular school.

Outcomes:
Biology Education graduates will:
- be able to effectively communicate in both written and oral formats
- demonstrate a broad, relevant knowledge base in biological science
- exhibit analytical and critical thinking skills
- demonstrate the ability to search for and access academic sources of information, to synthesize the information, and to evaluate it for relevance and reliability
- demonstrate technical skills appropriate to their professions
- recognize the role of the individual and society in understanding and improving the natural environment
- be competitive in securing employment in secondary education

Required courses:
ENG 121; COM 110; BIO 103, 106, 311; CHE 111, 112; PHY 203, 304; MAT 204; SCI 201; EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 379, 401, 411, 421, 423, 442; PSY 201; PSY 205; HUM 499. Please review the requirements for Middle School Endorsement if that option is intended. (For Middle School Endorsement, PSY 332 is required.)

Elective courses:
Students must take five additional biology courses selected from three areas of study to complete the major. These electives are in addition to the required biology courses and must total a minimum of 20 semester hours.

Recommended as electives:
BIO 309, 330, 354, and 422

Biology Course Descriptions

BIO 101 Human Biology
An introductory biology course for non-science majors and allied health majors, this course emphasizes the physiology of human organ systems and its relationship to health, human genetics and evolution, and the relationship between humans and the environment. Duplicate credit for BIO 101 and BIO 103 is not allowed. Co-requisite: BIO 101L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 101L Human Biology Laboratory
A forensic-based laboratory to complement BIO 101. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 101 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 103 General Biology I
Designated for biology majors and those planning to pursue graduate studies in the sciences. Basic biological concepts showing organic unity and diversity in an evolving world. Includes metabolism, genetics, cell theory, and development. Duplicate credit for BIO 101 and 103 is not allowed. Co-requisite: BIO 103L or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

BIO 103L General Biology I Laboratory
An investigation-based biology lab to complement BIO 103. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 106 General Biology II: Life Strategies
Survey of strategies employed by plants and animals in solving the problems they encounter in dealing with changing internal and external environments. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent Co-requisite: BIO 106L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 106L General Biology II Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in General Biology II: Life Strategies, and allows you to observe and describe representatives of each of the groups of organisms, perform experiments on selected topics and present information on physiological systems. Co-requisite: BIO 106 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 207 Human Anatomy and Physiology I
Lecture focuses on gross anatomy and in-depth study of human physiology. Homeostasis, histology, and the musculoskeletal, nervous, and endocrine systems are covered. Prerequisite: Sophomore standing and ACT science score of at least 21, or BIO 101 or 103. Co-requisite: BIO 207L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 207L Human Anatomy and Physiology I Laboratory
This laboratory covers basic histology and the gross anatomy of the musculoskeletal, nervous, and endocrine systems. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 207 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 208 Human Anatomy and Physiology II
Lecture covers in-depth study of the physiology of the cardiovascular, lymphatic and immune, respiratory, urinary, digestive and reproductive systems. Prerequisites: BIO 207 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 208L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 208L Human Anatomy and Physiology II Laboratory
Laboratory focuses on the gross anatomy of the cardiovascular, lymphatic, respiratory, urinary, digestive and reproductive systems. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 208 or instructor consent
1 semester credit
BIO 209 Medical Microbiology
Morphology and physiology of bacteria and other microorganisms; their relation to health and disease. Prerequisite: ACT science score of at least 21, or BIO 101 or 103. Duplicate credit for BIO 209 and 309 is not allowed. Co-requisite: BIO 209L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 209L Medical Microbiology Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in Medical Microbiology. This laboratory focuses on learning microbiology techniques while observing and performing experiments with various microbial organisms, with an emphasis on bacteria. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 209 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 223 Biology of Aging
This course is designed to give an overview of the aging process in humans and how the major organ systems change during aging. Topics to be covered include theories of aging, general changes during aging, the function of each major organ system and age related changes in these systems. Laboratory: 2 hours. Prerequisite: none
4 semester credits

BIO 309 Microbiology
Morphology and physiology of microorganisms with emphasis on bacteria, laboratory diagnosis, and relationships to humans. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent. Duplicate credit for BIO 209 and 309 is not allowed. Co-requisite: BIO 309L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 309L Microbiology Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in Microbiology. This laboratory focuses on learning microbiology techniques while observing and performing experiments with various microbial organisms, with an emphasis on bacteria. 3 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 309 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 310 Cell and Molecular Biology
An overview of the cell focused at the molecular level. This course covers the internal organization of the cell, common cellular processes and their molecular mechanisms. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent.
3 semester credits

BIO 310L Cell and Molecular Biology Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement the lecture course BIO 310: Cell and Molecular Biology. An overview of the cell focused at the molecular level. This course covers the internal organization of the cell, common cellular processes and their molecular mechanisms, with an emphasis on laboratory techniques and methods used to study cell and molecular biology. Co-Requisite: BIO 310 or instructor consent. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent.
1 semester credit

BIO 311 Genetics
This course examines the fundamental principles of classical and molecular genetics. Topics covered include genes and their functions (DNA structure, transcription, translation), DNA and chromosome mutations, regulation of gene expression, principles of gene segregation analysis (Mendelian genetics, gene mapping, non-Mendelian inheritance), population genetics, quantitative genetics, and biotechnology. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 311L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 311L Genetics Laboratory
Designed to complement BIO 311, this laboratory emphasizes problem-solving and techniques of molecular biology. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 311 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 312 Parasitology
Physiology, anatomy, and life history of animal parasites with emphasis on those of man Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 312L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 312L Parasitology Laboratory
Designed to complement BIO 312, this laboratory emphasizes parasite anatomy and life cycles. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 312 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 314 Histology
A study of the microanatomy of cells, tissues, and organs. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 207 and 208 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 314L
2 semester credits

BIO 314L Histology Laboratory
A general histology laboratory designed to complement BIO 314. 2.5 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 314
2 semester credits

BIO 318 Immunology and Serology
Blood chemistry, antigen-antibody reactions, and general human immunology. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 318L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 318L Immunology and Serology Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in Immunology. This laboratory focuses on learning cellular and molecular techniques while observing and performing experiments related to the immune system. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 318 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 319 Hematology
The study of normal and abnormal human blood cells with an emphasis on clinical laboratory evaluations. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 320 or instructor consent
3 semester credits
BIO 320 Hematology Lab
Laboratory evaluation of human blood cells with an emphasis on clinical laboratory evaluations. Co-requisite: BIO 319 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 323 Pre-Dentistry Practicum
Students will work with a local dentist observing all aspects of a dental practice, including both dental and office procedures. Students will gain hands-on experience by assisting dental hygienists, dental assistants, and dentists with a variety of procedures. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 339 or instructor consent
4 semester credits

BIO 324: Pre-Veterinary Practicum
Students in this course will volunteer with a local veterinarian to gain hands-on experience in the field prior to applying to veterinary school. Prerequisite: instructor consent
4 semester credits

BIO 326 Environmental Biology
Addresses and interprets human and natural impacts on the natural world. The focus will be on biological concepts and issues such as biodiversity, conservation, and agriculture. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 326 or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 326L Environmental Biology Laboratory
This lab is designed to reinforce the concepts associated with Environmental Biology presented in the lecture portion of the course, and give some hands-on experience in the field. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 326 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 329 Biology Lab Practicum
Prerequisite: instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 330 Zoology
Phylogenetic examination of important invertebrate and vertebrate animal groups with emphasis on morphology and physiology. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 330L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 330L Zoology Laboratory
This lab is designed to supplement the lecture in zoology and allows you to observe, characterize and dissect representatives of the major animal groups discussed in lecture. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 330 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 333 Ornithology
An upper level zoology course focusing on the biology of birds. Emphases include the evolution, morphology, physiology, and ecology of birds. Students will also learn to identify bird species, with an emphasis on species found in North Dakota. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 333L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 333L Ornithology Laboratory
This lab is designed to reinforce the lecture in ornithology, and allows students to observe and characterize the unique features of birds. Students will also learn to identify bird species, with an emphasis on species found in North Dakota. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 333 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 339 Mammalogy
The study of mammals is inherently interesting because, as members of this group, humans are similar to other mammals in many aspects of form and function. Also, wild and domestic mammals have great cultural, economic, and ecological importance. This course involves the study of the evolution, taxonomy, morphology, physiology, behavior, ecology, and conservation of mammals. It will examine the myriad structural and physiologic features which allow free-living mammals to exploit different types of habitats to survive and flourish. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 339L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 339L Mammalogy Laboratory
This lab is designed to complement BIO 339. It focuses on the morphological characteristics of various mammal orders and the identification of mammal species found in the region. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 339 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 354 General Botany
Study of plant life with emphasis on anatomy, morphology, physiology, and evolutionary relationships. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 354L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 354L General Botany Laboratory
A botany laboratory designed to reinforce the topics covered in BIO 354. Prerequisite: BIO 103 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 354 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

BIO 410 Principles of Pharmacology
This course will introduce various classes of therapeutic drugs according to broad indications for their use. Emphasis on the mechanism of drug action within the body at the molecular and cellular level will provide a foundation of understanding for how a particular class of drug works to achieve the therapeutic effect and result in possible undesired effects (side-effects). This course will be directed toward biology majors with a pre-professional focus in any human or animal health care field. Prerequisite: BIO 103. Co-requisite: BIO 410L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

BIO 410L Principles of Pharmacology Laboratory
Designed to complement BIO 410, this laboratory will utilize case studies to reinforce concepts covered in the lecture portion of the class, with emphasis on drug indications and their therapeutic and undesired effects. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, 207, and 208 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 410 or instructor consent
3 semester credits
**BIO 415 Conservation Biology**
Conservation biology is an emerging field of ecology that focuses on integrating information on fundamental ecological principles, economics, and ethics into a framework for managing and restoring plants and animals that are threatened by overexploitation or habitat changes induced by human uses of resources and the Earth’s rapidly growing human population. This course will provide an introduction into the rapidly expanding realm of conservation science. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 415L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 415L Conservation Biology Laboratory**
This laboratory course will focus on practical exercises that reinforce the concepts covered in Conservation Biology lecture. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 415L or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 417 Developmental Biology**
Examines the processes of development and the mechanisms which control them in several different vertebrate organisms. Circulatory, digestive, nervous, and reproductive systems are discussed. Prerequisite: BIO 103. Co-requisite: BIO 417L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 417L Developmental Biology Laboratory**
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in Developmental Biology. This laboratory focuses on learning cellular biology techniques and emphasizes project-based labs. Co-requisite: BIO 417 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 421 Advanced Physiology**
A detailed examination of selected human organ systems with emphasis on biochemical principles of physiology. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208; or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 421L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 421L Advanced Physiology Laboratory**
Designed to complement BIO 421, this lab focuses on the research process and the design and implementation of an independent research project. 2 hours. Co-requisite: BIO 421 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 422 Principles of Ecology**
Basic relationships between organisms and their abiotic and biotic environments. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 422L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 422L Principles of Ecology Laboratory**
This lab is designed to complement the lecture in Ecology. Experiments will include field sampling of natural populations, laboratory exercises, computer exercises, and discussion/analysis of topics. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106 or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 422 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 423 Animal Behavior**
An exploration of the diversity of behavior in animals with an attempt to explain the similarities and differences in behavior in terms of phylogenetic history and the operation of natural selection. Both proximate and ultimate mechanisms will be examined. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent.
Co-requisite: BIO 423L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 423L Animal Behavior Laboratory**
This lab is designed to give you experience in the methods used by researchers in animal behavior, to reinforce concepts presented in the lecture portion of the course, and to provide an opportunity to design and conduct a study on the behavior of animals. Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, or instructor consent. Co-requisite: BIO 423 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 428 Readings and Research in Biology**
Prerequisites: BIO 103, 106, and instructor consent
1-4 semester credits

**BIO 432 Wildlife Ecology and Management**
This course covers ecological principles as they relate to wildlife populations, with a focus on the application of those principles to wildlife management and natural resource conservation. The course also examines the philosophical and sociological framework of wildlife conservation as it relates to the practice of the science. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 432L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 432L Wildlife Ecology and Management Laboratory**
This laboratory course is designed to complement BIO 432. It will introduce students to local wildlife professionals and provide students with practical experience in field and laboratory techniques used by wildlife managers. Prerequisites: BIO103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 432 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 433 Range Management**
This course will cover the ecology and physiology of rangeland plants, as well as theory and techniques relating to the management of rangeland ecosystems. Topics include rangeland types, rangeland inventory and monitoring, grazing systems, stocking rates, manipulation of rangeland vegetation, and management of public rangeland. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite: BIO 433L or instructor consent
3 semester credits

**BIO 433L Range Management Laboratory**
This laboratory course is designed to reinforce the concepts presented in BIO 433. It will include practical exercises relating to the theory and techniques of range management. Prerequisites: BIO 103 and 106. Co-requisite BIO 433 or instructor consent
1 semester credit

**BIO 125, 225, 325, 425**
Special Offerings in Biology
Instructor consent
1-4 semester credits

**BIO 480 Senior Biology Seminar**
A course in which students will synthesize, analyze, and critique papers from a broad range of biological research. Through seminars, presentations of journal articles, and
discussions, students will integrate material from all their undergraduate biology courses. A final research paper is required.

2 semester credits

Science Course Descriptions

SCI 102 Physical Science
Selected topics from chemistry and physics. Laboratory experience is emphasized. Laboratory: 2 hours. Prerequisite: MAT 103 or MAT 106 or equivalent, or consent of instructor

4 semester credits

SCI 104 Drugs and the Human Body
Introduction to human physiology and how drugs interact with it. Topics include prescription drugs, over-the-counter drugs, alcohol, and illegal drugs. Designed for non-science majors; no prerequisite.

4 semester credits

SCI 201 Earth Science
Designed primarily for non-science majors. The course will provide an understanding of fundamental concepts of astronomy, geology, and environmental sciences (meteorology, hydrology, atmospheric and surface processes, etc.). Emphasis will be placed on the relevance of earth science to everyday life and physical environment. Laboratory: 2 hours. Prerequisite: MAT 103 or MAT 106 or equivalent, or consent of instructor

4 semester credits

SCI 224 Nutrition
Study of nutrient function and requirements throughout the life span. Designed for non-science and non-nursing majors; no science prerequisite

4 semester credits

SCI 322 Environmental Issues
Issues dealing with noise, water, air, radiation, solid and hazardous wastes, and pesticides are discussed. Designed for non-science majors.

4 semester credits

SCI 381 Praxis Review in Biology
This course will prepare the biology teaching major for the Praxis certifying examination. Topics include completion of practice tests, test taking strategies, and a review of relevant topics in biology.

1 semester hour

Catholic Studies Program

Program Director: Dr. Jared Staudt

The Bishop Paul A. Zipfel Catholic Studies Program invites students to encounter the living tradition of the Catholic Church and to examine the Catholic Church’s comprehensive contributions to human thought and culture as she seeks to be faithful to the person of Jesus Christ. Drawing together faculty and students from across the university, the Catholic Studies Program complements any field of study and pre-professional training. Students will come to appreciate the vitality of the Catholic faith by:

- exploring the dynamic interplay between Catholicism and culture in different times and places.
- encountering the complementarity of faith and reason within multiple disciplines.
- experiencing how the Catholic faith can enliven every part of your life.

Several courses, cross-listed with other disciplines (e.g. theology, history, philosophy, social and behavioral science, psychology, etc.), fulfill University core and liberal arts elective requirements, as well as program requirements for other majors and minors. The program is committed to a high level of faculty-student interaction both inside and outside the classroom. C-average minimum required to graduate with the major.

This program is offered at the University of Mary Tempe site in a collaborative relationship with Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ.

Required courses (Major):

- CTH 101, CTH/PHI 210, CTH/HSS 220, CTH/THE 234, CTH 301, one CTH/HIS, one CTH Special Topics (325 or 425) or another approved interdisciplinary course at the 300 or 400 level, CTH 401 and 498. Tutorials CTH 150, CTH 250, CTH 350. 30 semester credits

Required courses (Minor):

- CTH/THE 234 (taken sophomore year if possible); any two of CTH 101, CTH/PHI 210 or CTH/HSS 220 and two additional CTH courses from two of the following three options: CTH/HIS advanced elective (either CTH/HIS 330 or CTH/HIS 310); CTH 301; or CTH special topics (325 or 425); Tutorials CTH 150, CTH 250, and CTH 350 18 semester credits.
Catholic Studies Course Descriptions

CTH 101 The Great Catholic Adventure
Introduces the interdisciplinary study of Catholic thought and culture: the interplay of Church and culture throughout the ages, the complementarity of faith and reason across multiple disciplines, and integration of faith and life as a whole. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major; elective foundation course for CTH minor. 3 semester credits

CTH 150 Catholic Studies Tutorial 1
The Catholic Studies tutorial helps students to synthesize, assimilate, and apply content they have received from Catholic Studies and other disciplines. It focuses in particular on the topic of faith and reason and the unity of knowledge. 1 semester credit

CTH 210/PHI 210 Search for Happiness: Faith and Reason in Life
Investigates the quest for happiness in light of the complementarity of Christian faith and human reason as found in the tradition of Catholic thought and culture. Evaluates arguments for and against various claims about happiness originating from popular culture, philosophy, theology, and other disciplines. Emphasis on the integration of the spiritual, bodily, and social dimensions of the human person. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major; elective foundation course for Catholic Studies minor. 3 semester credits

CTH 220/HSS 220 Religion and Culture
Considers the sociological dynamics of religion in general and Catholicism in particular within human societies and culture. Examines the nature of a liberal arts-based education as a specific illustration of the relationship between religion and culture. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major; elective foundation course for Catholic Studies minor. Elective for Social and Behavioral Sciences major. 3 semester credits

CTH 234/THE 234 Benedict: Yesterday and Today
Examines the influence of St. Benedict and Benedictines on Church, history, and various facets of human thought and culture. Monasticism’s significance as a resource for ongoing spiritual renewal in the Church and culture. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major and minor. Advanced university core theology course (equivalent to THE 104, 110, 112). Offered on the main campus and other locations as well as every term on Rome Campus. 3 semester credits

CTH 250 Catholic Studies Tutorial 2
The Catholic Studies tutorial helps students to synthesize, assimilate, and apply content they have received from Catholic Studies and other disciplines. It focuses in particular on the theme of culture and the Integration of faith and life. 1 semester credit

CTH 301 Catholic Imagination
Explores the theological, aesthetic, and cultural significance of Catholicism’s sacramental vision of the world and of the human person. Primary attention given to the nature of human imagination and to works of the imagination such as literature, art, and architecture. Required advanced course for Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. 3 semester credits

CTH 310/HIS 310 Catholicism and America
Examines the Catholic historical experience in America from colonization until the present. Consideration of how far Catholicism is compatible with American political and social values. Either this course or CTH/HIS 330 Catholicism and the Modern World is required for the Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. Upper-level U.S. History elective for History Education majors. 3 semester credits

CTH/CLA 320 Pagan Roots of Christianity
Considers the many ways in which the ancient Greco-Roman tradition helped shape Christianity. Interdisciplinary course elective for Catholic Studies major and minor programs. 3 semester credits

CTH 325 or 425 Special Topics in Catholic Studies
Topics variable. Another interdisciplinary course may be substituted with the approval of the director. Required advanced course for Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. 3 semester credits

CTH 330/HIS 330 Catholicism and the Modern World
A comprehensive examination of Catholicism in relation to historical developments beginning in the Enlightenment and French Revolution. Treats the challenges and possibilities stemming from the encounter between Catholicism and the modern world as expressed in Ideas, cultures, and events since the eighteenth century. Either this course or CTH/HIS 310 Catholicism and America is required for the Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. Upper-level World History elective for History Education majors. 3 semester credits

CTH 350 Catholic Studies Tutorial 3
The Catholic Studies tutorial helps students to synthesize, assimilate, and apply content they have received from Catholic Studies and other disciplines. It focuses in particular on the theme of leadership and vocation. 1 semester credit

CTH 401 Great Catholic Figures
Advanced seminar discussion of Catholic figures and their cultural achievements and non-Catholic figures who have influenced the Catholic tradition of thought and culture. Required advanced course for Catholic Studies major.
Prerequisites: one 200-level CTH course, and one 300-level CTH course. 3 semester credits

CTH 498 Integrating Capstone Seminar
Interdisciplinary dialogue concerning the application of Catholic thought and culture to different professions, disciplines, vocations, and states in life. Special attention given to the tasks of the New Evangelization. Taken senior year. Required advanced course for Catholic Studies major.
Prerequisites: CTH 101, two 200-level CTH courses, and two 300-level CTH courses. 3 semester credits
Chemistry Program

Chemistry Major and Minor

Program Chair: Sister Nicole Kunze, Ph.D.

Mission
The Chemistry Program exists to provide students with an education in chemistry that will support their completion of programs in the liberal arts and professions. It is met through quality classroom and laboratory instruction. The program assists students in becoming life-long learners and servant leaders.

Outcomes
Students completing a chemistry major or minor will:

- demonstrate a broad knowledge base in chemistry
- communicate effectively in written and oral forms
- exhibit analytical and critical thinking skills

Required courses (Major):
(64 semester credits)

Minor sequence in Chemistry
(20 semester credits):
CHE 111, 112, 217; and two of the following: 230, 310, 312, 318, 325, 326, 417, 450.

Chemistry Course Descriptions

CHE 104 Introductory Chemistry
An introductory course for students with minimal chemistry background, designed to prepare students for future chemistry courses. Does not meet lab science core requirement. 2 semester credits

CHE 107 General, Organic, and Biochemistry
This course introduces students to inorganic, organic, and biochemistry. The structure and properties of representative inorganic, organic, and biochemical compounds, the study of chemical processes occurring within the living system, and overall applications to the health sciences will be emphasized. Basic math skills are a course prerequisite. The course contains a laboratory component. Duplicate credit for CHE 107 and CHE 110 or CHE 310 not allowed. 4 semester credits

CHE 109 Fundamentals of Chemistry
Survey of college chemistry; chemistry of inorganic elements and compounds. Duplicate credit for CHE 109 and 111 not allowed. Lab: 2 hours 4 semester credits

CHE 110 Introduction to Organic and Biochemistry
Structure and properties of representative organic and biochemical compounds. Chemical processes occurring within the living system. A terminal course for non-majors. Duplicate credit for CHE 110 and 310 not allowed. Lab: 2 hours. Prerequisite: CHE 109 or high school chemistry and ACT science score 21 or higher. 4 semester credits

CHE 111 General Inorganic Chemistry I
Laws and theories of inorganic chemistry; preview of inorganic descriptive chemistry. Duplicate credit for CHE 111 and 109 not allowed. Lab: 2 hours 4 semester credits

CHE 112 General Inorganic Chemistry II
Continuation of CHE 111 including qualitative analysis and descriptive inorganic chemistry. Lab: 2 hours. Prerequisite: CHE 111 or consent of instructor 4 semester credits

CHE 217 Organic Chemistry I
Preparation and reactions of the main classes of organic compounds. Lab: 3 hours. Prerequisite: CHE 111 or consent of instructor 4 semester credits

CHE 230 Analytical Chemistry
This course covers fundamental theoretical concepts and practical skills relevant to analytical chemistry. The topics covered include statistics (as applied to chemical analysis), sampling and sample handling, quality control and quality assurance, and gravimetric and titrimetric methods of analysis (precipitation, acid-base, compleximetric and reduction-oxidation). Lab: 1 hour. Prerequisites: CHE 111 and 112 (or equivalent) or consent of instructor 4 semester credits

CHE 310 Biochemistry I
Carbohydrates, proteins, fats, enzymes, nucleic acids, vitamins, and hormones; process of digestion, absorption and metabolic cycles. Duplicate credit for CHE 110 and 310 not allowed. Lab: 3 hours. Prerequisite: CHE 217 4 semester credits

CHE 312 Biochemistry II
A second semester of biochemistry which covers metabolic reactions and cycles including the control mechanisms and associated energy changes. The structure and function of nucleic acids will also be included. Prerequisite: CHE 310 4 semester credits

CHE 318 Organic Chemistry II
Synthesis, mechanism, and spectroscopic analysis of typical organic compounds. Organic qualitative analysis is stressed in the laboratory. Lab: 3 hours. Prerequisite: CHE 217 or consent of instructor 4 semester credits

CHE 326 Environmental Chemistry
Study and analysis of the most important natural and human modulated chemical processes taking place within the earth’s ecosystems and affecting natural resources. Lab: 3 hours. Prerequisites: CHE 111, 112, or consent of instructor 4 semester credits
CHE 329 Chemistry Lab Practicum
Prerequisite: Consent of instructor
1 semester credit

CHE 340 Instrumental Analysis
This course focuses on modern instrumental methods for chemical analysis. It covers theory, instrumentation, operation and calibration of instruments used in: spectroscopy, chromatography, and electrochemistry. Lab: 3 hours.
Prerequisites: CHE 111 and 112 (or equivalent) or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

CHE 417 Advanced Inorganic Chemistry
Advanced Inorganic Chemistry plays a key role in the science of materials, catalysis, biological processes, nanotechnology, as well as other multi-disciplinary fields.
Concepts inherent in this course can include atomic structure and its spectra, covalent molecular geometries, main group properties such as structure and synthesis and physical and chemical properties, transition metals and coordination chemistry, organometallic chemistry, solid state materials, as well as other special topics.
Lab: 3 hours.
Prerequisites: MAT 209, 210; PHY 203, 304 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

CHE 429 Safety in the Chemistry Laboratory
The study of the principles and methods for proper chemical hygiene and safety practices for working in a laboratory environment.
Prerequisites: CHE 111, 112
1 semester credit

CHE 450 Physical Chemistry
The study of the fundamental understanding of the molecular and atomic levels of materials; how they behave and how chemical reactions occur.
Lab: 3 hours.
Prerequisites: MAT 209, 210; PHY 203, 304 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

CHE 490 Senior Chemistry Seminar
A course in which students will synthesize, analyze and critique papers from a broad range of chemical research. Through seminars, presentations of journal articles, and discussions, students will integrate material from all of their undergraduate chemistry courses. Students will also write a final research paper.
Prerequisites: Minimum of three upper level Chemistry courses or consent of instructor
2 semester credits

CHE 428 Readings and Research in Chemistry
Prerequisites: CHE 111, 217, and consent of instructor
1-4 semester credits

CHE 125, 225, 325, 425
Special Offerings in Chemistry Prerequisite: Consent of instructor
1-4 semester credits

Communication, Speech and Art Department

Mission
Communication Programs provide a learning atmosphere which fosters creativity and community, while offering each student the opportunities, skills, theory and experiences to be an ethical, professional communication leader.

Outcomes
Graduates of this program:

- behave ethically in the profession.
- write and speak effectively to various audiences in a variety of formats.
- use technical skills (in such areas as: audio, video, computer, photographic and research) to create and communicate effectively.
- demonstrate an understanding of communication theory as a basis for professional thinking.
- demonstrate the ability to learn so as to adapt, to create and to manage change in the world of communication.
- meet professional demands while developing productive working relationships.
- can discuss a range of global, societal, religious, political and like pertinent issues, and their importance to and influence on communication.

Major in Business Communication:
Program Chair: Jaime Meyer

ENG 121; ART 108; MAT 180; ACC 101, 102; ECN 203, 204; BUS 215, 311, 362, 420; COM 102, 106, 204, 210 or 212, 226, 237, 309 or 311; 315, 329, 330, 413, 414, 426, 430, 432; two practica of the following: Theatre, Video, Summit; HUM 499.

Major in Mass Communication:
Program Chair: Marek Dojs

ENG 121; ART 108, 116; BUS 215, 333; COM 102, 106, 110, 204; 210 or 212; 226, 237; 309 or 311; 315, 316, 318, 303; 329, 330, 406, 426, 430, 432; two practica from: Theatre, Video, Summit; HUM 499.
Major in Public Relations:
Program Chair: Jaime Meyer

ENG 121; ART 108, ART 115 or 121; BUS 215, 333, 371; COM 102, 106, 110, 204; 210 or 212; 226, 237, 303; 309 or 311; 315, 316, 329, 330, 332, 413, 414, 420, 426, 430, 432; two practica from: Theatre, Video, Summit; HUM 499.

Minor in Business Communication:
COM 204, 226, 315, 329, 413, 414; COM 330. ART 108 highly recommended.

Minor in Public Relations:
COM 204, 226, 315, 329, 332, 413; BUS 333 or COM 330. ART 108 highly recommended.

Minor in Speech:
COM 106, 204, 309, 311; COM 212 and 3 practicum credits in Theater.

Speech Education Licensure:
Licensure is offered upon demand. Please see the Program Director of Communication or the Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences for further information.

To be licensed to teach speech, students must obtain a secondary teaching degree and complete the speech minor. In addition they must take COM 319, 320; and any 8 hours from the following: COM 226, 303, 315, 316; ENG 332, 352, 353.

Minor in Web Design:
Communication and Business students given priority. ART 108; COM 106. COM 226 and 237 (must be taken in sequence.); ITM 220, 340; CIS 358.

Art Course Descriptions

ART 108 Introduction to Photography
The study of basic photographic principles and procedures, including camera and digital image processing techniques. Photography will be studied as both an art form and a communication medium, and assignments emphasize a broad range of contemporary photographic practice. 3 semester credits

ART 115 Introduction to the Visual Arts
Designed for students with little or no experience in making or critically viewing the visual arts. Through artistic processes, reading and discussion, students learn the elements of design and the principles of composition and how these contribute to a work’s effectiveness. Students grow in understanding their own creative behavior and that of the visual artist. 3 semester credits

ART 116 Introduction to Film
Students in this course study the history and form of film including elements of composition and cultural relevance. Artistic comparison, criticism and interpretation foster student understanding of multiple points of view. 3 semester credits

ART 120 Art Appreciation: Sacred and Secular Perspectives
This course is an introduction to the visual arts exploring various approaches to understanding art, art history, terminology, techniques, media, and motivating factors for creating art from sacred and secular perspectives. 3 semester credits

ART 121 Introduction to the Art of Rome and Paris
This course is designed to provide a hands-on approach to Western art history from antiquity to the early twentieth century in Rome and Paris, two of the artistically richest cities in Europe. Students will gain the skills and knowledge required to: identify key architects, painters and sculptors; describe the characteristics of artistic periods, and analyze the importance of Christianity in art creation. 3 semester credits

ART 127 Introduction to Drawing
Introduction to techniques aimed at improving drawing ability by expanding ways of seeing and responding to subject matter. Wide variety of media and range of subject matter are explored while basic design concepts are also emphasized. 3 semester credits

ART 129 Calligraphy
Students learn the history and skill of calligraphy with an emphasis on contemporary uses of this art form. 2 semester credits

ART 243 Survey of Modern Art
Students learn about the major figures and art movements in Western Art beginning with Impressionism and continuing to the present day. Artistic processes and creative behavior are also emphasized. 3 semester credits

Communication Course Descriptions

COM 102 Introduction to Communication Studies
Communication Studies introduces students to the academic and professional dimensions within the field of communication. Special attention will be given to communication theory, professional practices, and ethical considerations that are relevant to such areas as public relations, advertising, and media. This course will provide an opportunity for students to become familiar with departmental policies and procedures. 3 semester credits

COM 106 Emerging Uses of Technology in Communication
This course is an introduction to storytelling across emerging technologies in professional communication.
Competencies to be developed include basic visual, oral, and written storytelling in multiple media formats.
3 semester credits

**COM 110 Oral Communication**
Examines the theories and practices students need to develop competence in public speaking and listening by providing experience in the preparation, presentation, and assessment of speeches. Informative and persuasive speaking are highlighted in this course.
3 semester credits

**COM 110 Oral Communication – Speech Anxiety**
Examines the theories and practices students need to develop competence in public speaking and listening by providing experience in the preparation, presentation, and assessment of speeches. Informative and persuasive speaking are highlighted in this course. COM 110-SA seeks to aid students with a self-report of high speech anxiety. Placement in these sections will take place based on the speech anxiety inventory conducted by Admissions upon arrival at the University. Students may also self-select to take this course.
3 semester credits

**COM 204 Interpersonal Communication**
Principles and theories of relational communication will be explored including such concepts as self, relational development, conflict, listening, language and nonverbal communication. Special emphasis will be given to interpersonal communication in small groups. Prerequisite: COM 110 or consent of the instructor
3 semester credits

**COM 210 Intercultural Communication**
A study of the theories and principles of communication within and across ethnic and multinational borders is the focus of this course with exploration into the fields of communication, business, healthcare, education, human rights, and global diversity. Study will culminate in a research project or a global issues service project. Prerequisites: COM 110; Suggested ANT 171 and BUS 215.
3 semester credits

**COM 212 Persuasion**
The art of persuasion is explored as an element of not only communication but society as well. Various aspects of persuasion and their impact (legal, ethical, etc.) and effectiveness as used in such areas as media, advertising, rhetoric, politics, and propaganda will be addressed. Prerequisites: COM 110, ENG 121
3 semester credits

**COM 226 Desktop Publishing I**
Provides instruction in principles of graphic design and how to use those principles to create professional publications through the combination of images and text. The student will learn to solve visual problems using professional-level tools. These tools will include page-layout software, vector-based drawing software, and bit map-editing software. Prerequisite: ART 108 or consent of the instructor. Registration priority given to communication majors, web design minors, marketing, and management majors.
3 semester credits

**COM 237 Desktop Publishing II**
Emphasis on establishing effective design project management skills, reinforcing previous graphic design knowledge and skills, and understanding printing industry standards and practices. Students explore the underlying principles of grid theory, typography, page layout, and type and image integration as they relate to a range of publication design applications. Prerequisites: ART 108, COM 226
2 semester credits

**COM 303 Mass Communication: History and Theory**
History, process, philosophy, law, policy of U.S. communication media. Each medium examined individually. Effects of messages, regulation of media, and other current issues examined. Prerequisites: ENG121, COM110 or consent of instructor
3 semester credits

**COM 305 Sports Communication**
An in-depth look at sports and its influence on society including the media through which its story is told. Areas of emphasis include sports writing, broadcasting, advertising, marketing and public relations. The course will include tours of sports facilities and speakers from sports teams and from the media which cover them. Prerequisites: COM 102, COM 110, ENG 121, or consent of instructor.
3 semester credits

**COM 308 TV and Lighting**
A detailed study in lighting for television and video productions. Provides advanced theory in lighting and practical hands-on lighting experience. Develops an advanced competency with lighting and a basic understanding of special effects.
1 semester hour

**COM 309 Oral Interpretation**
Interpretive reading of prose, poetry and drama. Stresses techniques of effective vocal delivery and physical presentation. Provides experience in preparation, presentation, and evaluation of individual and ensemble readings. Prerequisite: COM 110
3 semester credits

**COM 311 Advanced Public Speaking**
Designed for students who desire to refine their public speaking skills. Public speaking from various areas such as traditional classrooms, professional, civic, ceremonial/special occasion, group, debate/discussion, limited preparation. Prerequisite: COM 110
3 semester credits

**COM 315 Written Journalism**
Basic reporting techniques, lead and story writing, headline writing, feature and editorial writing, copy editing. Media convergence applications also emphasized. Prerequisites: ENG 121, COM 102, COM 106, COM 110 or consent of the instructor.
3 semester credits

**COM 316 Video Production I**
Introduction to one-camera, studio and field video production. One camera projects include music video and short
movie. Students learn how cameras and the studio work. Videography and editing techniques are also emphasized. Prerequisites: ART 108, COM 106 or consent of Instructor. 3 semester credits

COM 318 Broadcast Journalism
Broadcast journalism examines the practice of non-fiction storytelling in multiple styles, including news, documentary, and instructional productions. Blending a study of technical elements with content creation, students learn how to produce including: hands-on experience in writing, researching, reporting, directing, and image capture. Prerequisites: ART 108; COM 106, 316 3 semester credits

COM 319 Secondary Speech Methods
Examines methods, materials, opportunities, and problems typically encountered in teaching high school speech. Emphasis is on instruction and practice in procedures for planning, instruction, and evaluation. 2 semester credits

COM 320 Management of Extra Curricular Activities
Practice in the methods of advising and managing extracurricular programs in forensics, journalism, and theater. 2 semester credits

COM 329 Public Relations
Overview of history, theory, and research techniques and applications of public relations. Introduction to public relations writing and design. Projects include brochure preparation, problem research, and news releases. Focus on critical analysis of public relations problems and remediation. Prerequisites: BUS 215, COM 204, COM 226, or consent of the instructor. 3 semester credits

COM 330 Principles in Advertising
Intense study of advertising, the process and practice. Planning, formulating, implementing, and evaluating an ad campaign. Social responsibilities and legal restrictions of advertising. Case studies assigned for discussion and evaluation. Prerequisites: ENG 121, COM 110, BUS 215 3 semester credits

COM 332 Public Relations Writing
Practical study of the various genres of public relations writing: news releases, speeches, press packets, agency newsletters, and special events. Prerequisites: COM315, COM226, COM329 or consent of the instructor. 3 semester credits

COM 405 Advanced Video Production
Intensive training in video production camera, direction, post production editing, phases of local origination programming. Live studio, remote production, field production, and set up followed by supervised production work to be aired on Community Access Television. Prerequisites: COM 316 and 318 or consent of program director 2 semester credits

COM 406 Video Production II
Advanced course in television production techniques and theory. Students are required to study equipment, staff, production and post-production elements. Students also learn different roles of control room and field productions. Prerequisites: COM 316, 318 or consent of the instructor 3 semester credits

COM 413 Organizational Communication
Study of communication practices in formal organizations with emphasis on communication between supervisors and subordinates. Examination of structure and function of planned and unplanned organizational communication networks and an introduction to the communication audit. Special attention given to managerial communication. Prerequisites: BUS 215, COM 204 or consent of the instructor. 3 semester credits

COM 414 Business Communication
Preparation, practice and evaluation of oral and written communication for the business world: public presentation, small group skills, listening. Research, present, and evaluate communication for the business setting. Prerequisites: ENG 121, COM 110, BUS 215 3 semester credits

COM 416 Advanced Journalism
Course offered in cooperation with the press for the improvement of reporting and of writing skills and mastery of technical equipment of the profession. Prerequisites: Consent of COM 315 instructor and program director 3 semester credits

COM 420 Case Studies in Public Relations
In-depth study of public relations campaigns. Case studies examined for discussion. Course requires a 60-hour public relations placement. Prerequisites: COM 326, 329, 332 3 semester credits

COM 426 Communication Leadership
As the capstone experience for all senior students in Communication, this course provides for the integration of core liberal learning, professional course work and servant leadership in communication. Assessments and preparation for internship placement are also completed. Prerequisite: Acceptance into the internship program. 2 semester credits

COM 428 Reading and Research in Communication
An in-depth study to fit the student’s competence and needs. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor 2 semester credits

COM 430 Internship
Structured, on-the-job learning experience under supervision of professionals in a cooperating organization. Faculty advisor supervises, awards credit and grade. A learning contract is written between faculty advisor, supervisor and student stating conditions of work assignment (13 weeks, minimum of 40 hrs/week). Prerequisite: All other major coursework completed; Taken concurrently with COM 432 10 semester credits

COM 432 Seminar
An in-depth original research or production study designed, proposed, presented, and defended by the student to a committee of peers and staff. Practical exploration of job
search procedure. Preparation of employment portfolio and resume; presentation of portfolio to faculty and peers. Taken concurrently with COM 430
2 semester credits

**COM 125, COM 225, COM 325, COM 425**

**Special Offerings in Communication**
1-4 semester credits

**COM 133, 233, 333, 433 Practicum: Video**
The video practicum is designed to give students hands-on experience in video production. The practicum experience will be tailored to the student’s talents, goals and experience. Students typically produce a video as a service project for an organization. Other experiences include working with local television stations, touring video-related businesses, and interviewing professionals. No student can earn more than 4 hours in this practicum.

**COM 135, 235, 335, 435 Practicum: Radio Communication**
The radio practicum is designed to give students hands-on experience in video production. The practicum experience will be tailored to the student’s talents, goals and experience. Students typically take an air shift at a local radio station for two hours a week. No student can earn more than 4 hours in this practicum.

**COM 139, 239, 339, 439 Practicum: Summit**
Students participate in the development and production of the twice-monthly publication “The Summit,” as editors, photographers and/or reporters. No student can earn more than 4 hours in this practicum.

**COM 143, 243, 343, 443 Practicum: Competitive Forensics**
A supervised experience in forensics. Students contract with faculty advisor. This practicum contributes to the curricular competencies of Spirituality and Ethics, Global Stewardship, Communication, and Critical Thinking. No student can earn more than 4 hours in this practicum.

**COM 145, 245, 345, 445 Practicum: Theater**
Theater Practicum is a directed supervised, practical experience in theatre production. Students participate in executing a fully realized theater production before a live audience as either actor, stage crew, designer, operator or production assistant.
1 semester credit

**Human and Social Sciences Program**

**Philosophy**

Human and Social Sciences Programs are committed to providing a well-rounded course of study in the social science disciplines of American Indian Studies, Anthropology, Economics, Geography, History, Political Science and Sociology.

Our curriculum is designed to mold students into lifelong learners and leaders who serve others in their professional, family, and civic environments.

**Mission**

Human and Social Science programs provide a well-rounded education rooted in the Benedictine tradition of our sponsors, the Sisters of Annunciation Monastery. The curriculum is designed to expose students to critical thinking skills, historical analysis, cultural diversity, and respect for others.

**Culture Studies Major**

**Program Chair: Dr. Chad Litton**

Major requirements may be met by completing courses in various combinations in geography, history, political science, anthropology, psychology, and sociology. Two options are available for the Culture Studies Major:

**Major in Culture Studies:**

ANT 171; POL 101; HIS 101 or 102; and SOC 107 plus one 3 credit course from the following selections: ECN 101, 203, 204; GEO 101; HIS 101, 102, 202, 210, 271, or 272; POL 202; PSY 201; HSS 220; or SOC 102, 202; plus three courses from the following selections: SOC 302, 304, 305, 307, 320, 404 or 408. Two 300-400 level courses from ECN, GEO, HIS, POL, HSS, SOC; CRJ 410, PSY 308, PSY 332 or 406. HSS/HIS/POL 490; HUM 499.

**Minor in Culture Studies:**

One lower division course in four of the following: anthropology, geography, political science, history, psychology, sociology. Three upper division courses from three different areas (geography, political science, history, psychology, sociology). At least eight upper division credits must be taken at the University of Mary.

**Minor in Sociology:**

SOC 107; 102 or 202; and at least four additional upper level SOC courses (18 minimum credits; 14 credits must be from UMary, SOC 320 is a two credit course.

**Minor in American Indian Studies:**

SOC 102, 107, 202, 304; HIS 471; THE 301; ENG 466

**Economics Program**

**Program Coordinator: Dr. Slavisa Tasic**

**Minor in Economics:**

Minimum of 18 semester credits

Required courses: ECN 203, 204, 343, 344 and MAT 180.
Government and Political Philosophy Major

Program Chair: Dr. Michael Hickman

Required Courses: COM 212; ECN 101, 343; HIS 307; PHI 201, 202, 308, 309, 311, 314; POL 202, 302, 408, 414, 440, 450, 490; SOC 302; HUM 499.

Minor in Political Science:
POL 202, 302, 308, 414, 450 and one upper division political science course.

History Major

Major in History: HIS 101, 102, 271, 272, 480, 490; one 200 level History course elective; three 300 level History course electives (one of which is to be a Christianity in History elective); one 400 level History course elective; HUM 499. 40 semester credits, at least 28 semester credits must be taken at the University of Mary.

Minor in History:
Six courses are required; three courses are to be in the upper division. At least nine upper division semester credits must be taken at the University of Mary.

History Education Major

Program Chair: Dr. Joseph Stuart

Major in History Education:
HIS 101; 102, 202; 271, 272, 300-400 US history elective, 300-400 world history elective, 300-400 diversity history elective, HIS 490; PSY 201, 205 (for Middle School Endorsement PSY 332 is required), 12 semester credits in one of the following areas: political science, geography, or economics; lab science requirement for education; math requirement for education; EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 373, 401, 411, 421,423; 438; HUM 499.

Public Policy Major

Program Chair: Dr. Mark Springer

Major in Public Policy: ANT 171; COM 110, 212; ECN 101, 344; ENG 121, 302; HIS 271, 272, 307; MAT 103, 204; PHI 108, 202; POL 101, 202, 250, 302, 308, 316, 408, 414, 440, 450, 490; POL elective; SOC 302; HUM 122, 499.

Social Studies Education Major

Program Chair: Dr. Joseph Stuart

Major in Social Studies Education:
HIS 101 or 102; 271 or 272; 300-400 US history elective; 300-400 world history elective; 300-400 diversity history elective; HIS 490; PSY 201, 205 (for Middle School Endorsement, PSY 332 is required); 12 credit hours in each of two of the following areas: political science, geography, or economics; lab science requirement for education; math requirement for education; EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 373, 401, 411, 421,423; 438; HUM 499.

Human and Social Sciences Course Descriptions

Anthropology Course Descriptions
ANT 171 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
As part of the University of Mary Core Curriculum, this course is designed to introduce you to human culture. We will look at many aspects of what it means to be human from a cross-cultural perspective. This course will expose you to the variety and diversity that is humanity.
3 semester credits

Economics Course Descriptions
ECN 101 Economics of Social Issues
This course presents a social issues approach to the development of basic micro and macro principles of economics. Contemporary social issues covered in this course may include the following topics: Poverty; Discrimination; Economic Systems and Social Well-Being; Price Controls; Pollution; Crime; Education; Monopoly Power; Professional Sports; Economic Growth; Inflation; Unemployment; Monetary Policy; Fiscal Policy; and International Trade. Additional social issues will be selected by the instructor and class as time permits.
3 semester credits

ECN 203 Microeconomics
Microeconomics emphasizes the various market structures that individual units such as households and firms encounter when maximizing their utility and profits. It investigates the advantages and disadvantages of perfect competition, monopoly, oligopoly and monopolistic competition.
3 semester credits

ECN 204 Macroeconomics
Macroeconomics studies economic aggregates such as unemployment, inflation, and Gross Domestic Product and their impact on individuals and society. It examines the effects of fiscal and monetary policy on the level of economic activity.
3 semester credits

ECN 343 History of Economic Thought
This course is designed to study the major economic philosophers from Adam Smith to the present and their contribu-
tions to economic theory. Prerequisites: ECN 203, ECN 204 or instructor consent.

3 semester credits

**ECN 344 Economic Policy Alternatives**
This course presents the connections between economics and politics in our political economy. It explores the Impacts of alternative economic policy decisions on the goals of equity, efficiency, full employment, stable prices and economic growth. Economic policy making decisions will include monetary policy, fiscal policy, government regulations, income distribution and international trade.

3 semester credits

**Geography Course Descriptions**

**GEO 101 Introduction to Geography**
Account of the earth and the home of human beings. Includes geographic principles and skills, environment, and the role of geography in human institutions.

3 semester credits

**GEO 302 Regional Geography**
Influence of natural environment on economic, social, and political life of people in North America and selected regions of the world.

3 semester credits

**GEO 402 Human Geography**
A review of the relationship between core areas of the earth and the peripheral environment as well as a display of the continuing transformation of the political economy of the world, nations, regions, and cities. An emphasis on how social and cultural differences are embedded in human geography, especially differences in race, ethnicity, gender, age, and class.

3 semester credits

**History Course Descriptions**

**HIS 101- HIS 102 World Civilizations I and II**
An introductory survey of world civilizations from (I) ancient times to 1500 and (II) from 1500 to present.

3 semester credits each

**HIS 202 North Dakota History**
Survey from pre-history to present: physical features, people, cultures, politics, and place in United States history.

3 semester credits

**HIS 210 Civil Rights in America**
This course analyzes the structure and dynamics of the civil rights movement and examines the people, stories, events and issues of America’s civil rights struggle.

3 semester credits

**HIS 271 - HIS 272 US History I and II**
A survey of the history of the United States from: (I) pre-Columbian North America to 1877 and (II) from 1877 to the present.

3 semester credits each

**HIS 303/THE 303 Church History**
This course explores the history of the Church’s emergence, development, and growth in the apostolic, patristic, medi-eval, and Reformation periods as well as the mutual effects of Christianity’s engagement with various cultures.

3 semester credits

**HIS 307/CRJ 307 Difference and Inequality**
Examination of issues of human diversity from historical, global, social and cultural perspectives. Issues may include race, gender, age, ethnicity, class or culture.

3 semester credits

**HIS 310/CTH 310: Catholicism and America**
Examines the Catholic historical experience in America from colonization until the present. Consideration of how far Catholicism is compatible with American political and social values. Either this course or CTH/HIS 330 Catholicism and the Modern World is required for the Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. Upper-level U.S. History elective for History Education majors.

3 semester credits

**HIS 330/CTH 330: Catholicism and the Modern World**
A comprehensive examination of Catholicism in relation to historical developments beginning in the Enlightenment and French Revolution. Treats the challenges and possibilities stemming from the encounter between Catholicism and the modern world as expressed in Ideas, cultures, and events since the eighteenth century. Either this course or HIS/CTH 310 Catholicism & America is required for the Catholic Studies major; advanced elective for Catholic Studies minor. Upper-level World History elective for History Education majors.

3 semester credits

**HIS 350 U.S. Historical Era**
An examination of an historical era in US history.

3 semester credits.

**HIS 351 World Historical Era**
An examination of an historical era in world history.

3 semester credits

**HIS 360 Civilization in History**
A study of a civilization(s) in world history and the factors in the rise and decline of civilizations.

3 semester credits

**HIS 420 Military History**
An examination of the significance of war in human society and history. One or more major wars studied along with key concepts and problems in military history.

3 semester credits

**HIS 440 Biography and History**
A study of the ways various historical biographies reveal the cultures of the past. Analysis of how human lives are situated in complex webs of contexts at any given time in history.

3 semester credits

**HIS 450 U.S. Historical Theme**
An examination of an historical era in U.S. history.

3 semester credits

**HIS 451 World Historical Theme**
An examination of an historical era in world history.

3 semester credits
HIS 471 Indians in American History
Analyzes histories of American Indians in the United States from a Native perspective, changes that occurred through European colonization, impact of United States Indian policy, political activism, and contemporary issues.
3 semester credits

HIS 480 Historiography and Methods
A study of historical writing and of a wide variety of historians and their approaches. Analysis of historical sources. Advanced-level research and writing of a history paper.
3 semester credits

POL 101 Responsible Citizenship
“Keep this rule... After that, you can set out for loftier summits” (RB 73:8-9). Leadership in the Benedictine Tradition calls us to care for the communities in which we live. This course gives the foundations to understanding the social and civic community of America. It serves as a focus of thinking, writing, and acting on issues of community import with critical awareness of the formation of American civic culture and an awareness of an individual’s responsibility within that culture.
3 semester credits

POL 202 American Government and Politics
Examination of the development of the Constitution, understanding of political events, political participation, the components of the political system, policy issues and the debates surrounding them, along with current events related to government and politics.
3 semester credits

POL 220 American Public Administration
Examines the intellectual traditions and theoretical frames of reference that inform public administration as a field of professional practice and study, as well as current and continuing challenges and controversies specific to American practices.
3 semester credits

POL 302 State and Local Government
Consideration of the differences in governmental systems throughout the United States with emphasis on North Dakota.
3 semester credits

POL 308 Public Policy Analysis
Study of public policy that focuses on the theory and methodology that shapes policy inputs and policy outcomes in order to understand effective policy assessment.
3 semester credits

POL 313 The American Presidency
Rights, duties, and responsibilities of the President, constitutional guidelines, power command, reputation, transition, and the people in office.
3 semester credits

POL 316 American Foreign Relations
American foreign policy from 1895 to the present with an analysis of how the United States has played a changing role in world events and crises.
3 semester credits

POL/PHI 317 Political Philosophy I
The first of two courses designed to give an overview of the history of political theory. Topics may include the Greek and Roman understandings of justice and the best regime; the impact of the rise of the Church on political philosophy; and the revival of classical political thought in the early Renaissance. Such figures as Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, St Thomas Aquinas, and Machiavelli, may be included.
3 semester credits

POL/PHI 318 Political Philosophy II
The second of two courses designed to give an overview of the history of political philosophy after the Renaissance to contemporary times. Topics may include sovereignty, the social contract, the political philosophy of German idealism, utilitarianism, and various conceptions of modern liberal democracy. Central figures such as Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx, Hegel, Nietzsche, and Rawls, may be covered. PHI 317 is not a required to take 318.
3 semester credits

POL 408/SOC 408 Political Sociology
This course is an examination of the relationships between society, culture and politics. It focuses on concepts of power, the state, social and political movements, citizenship, democracy, and global political relationships.
3 semester credits

POL 414 United States Constitutional Law
Focus on the politics of justice, the nature of the Constitution, decisions made by the United States Supreme Court, and how these decisions impact legal actions. Recommended for Pre-Law and Secondary Education majors who plan to teach political science and history.
3 semester credits

POL 125, POL 225, POL 325, POL 425
Special Offerings in Political Science and Politics
1-3 semester credits

POL 440 Political Science Internship
Observation of work experience under the direction of a faculty member in a local, state, or federal government agency with emphasis on learning about the political process within the placement agency.
3 semester credits

POL 450 Contemporary Political Thought
This course surveys major political ideas and theories of the 20th Century and application to modern issues.
3 semester credits
HSS 220/CTH 220: Religion and Culture
Considers the sociological dynamics of religion in general and Catholicism in particular within human societies and culture. Examines the nature of a liberal arts-based education as a specific illustration of the relationship between religion and culture. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major; elective foundation course for Catholic Studies minor. Elective for Social and Behavioral Sciences major.
3 semester credits

HSS 125, HSS 225, HSS 325, HSS 425
Special Offerings in Human and Social Science
1-3 semester credits

HSS 490/POL 490/HIS 490 Senior Seminar
An examination of leadership from historical, political, and social perspectives through literature and discussion. Methodology, assessment of the program and connections of Benedictine Values, servant leadership, mission, and philosophy are also included.
3 semester credits

SOC 102 Introduction to American Indian Studies
Overview of American Indian society, culture, life ways, and values from pre-contact to present day. Emphasis on tribal people of the Northern Plains. This course meets certification requirements for education majors.
3 semester credits

SOC 107 General Sociology
Examines how the individual articulates with many concepts presented such as culture, society, socialization, groups, role, social stratification, socialization, deviance, norms, collective behavior and racism.
3 semester credits

SOC 202 Contemporary American Indian Societies
Examination of urban and reservation American Indian life including social institutions, values, tribal structure and government, tribal economic systems, federal Indian law. This course is strongly recommended for social work majors.
3 semester credits

SOC 302 Social Problems
Adverse social conditions throughout the world such as population problems, war, ecological crises, poverty, racism, and genocide.
3 semester credits

SOC 304 Plains Indian Culture
Analysis of the interrelationships of past and present spiritual beliefs, attitudes, customs, art, languages, symbols of Plains Indian culture.
3 semester credits

SOC 305 Deviant Behavior
Adult crime, juvenile delinquency, drug addiction, alcoholism, and sexual deviance and analysis of theories.
3 semester credits

SOC 320 Sociology of Sport
This course is a study of sport as a social phenomenon; examining the process by which people are socialized into sport and sport rules, and the social processes by which sport functions as a vehicle for socialization. The course will explore the topic of sport from a critical perspective especially focusing on inequalities, gender, race, class, and power.
2 semester credits

SOC 404 Marriage and the Family
Theory of family development with emphasis on the American setting; changing roles, adolescence, parent-hood, mate selection, and crisis.
3 semester credits

SOC 408/POL 408 Political Sociology
This course is an examination of the relationships between society, culture and politics. It focuses on concepts of power, the state, social and political movements, citizenship, democracy, and global political relationships.
3 semester credits

SOC 125, SOC 225, SOC 320, SOC 425
Special Offerings in Sociology
1-3 semester credits

Program of Language and Literature

English

Mission
The Language and Literature Programs strives to develop a true community of learners where a working knowledge of literary history and literary analysis gives students a home in their own culture and makes them careful and compassionate judges of human nature.

Program Learning Outcomes
A graduate of the English program at the University of Mary:

- displays mastery of usage and mechanics in edited work
- can analyze a text or image in terms of its formal elements and their implications
- can distinguish major critical theories
- can use major research tools to construct a preliminary bibliography
- can produce an original short work of narrative, dramatic, or poetic art
• can use grammatical terminology to explain the stylistic or dialectal differences between two texts
• can apply several different critical theories to the same literary text and discuss their implications
• can analyze an argument in terms of both its logic and rhetoric
• can produce a well-supported argument incorporating research

Major in English:
Program Chair: Dr. Jesse Russell
ENG 130, 202, 204, 215, 302, 315, 320, 481; plus four surveys from American, British, and World; two major focus classes.

Major in English Education:
Chair: Dr. Jesse Russell
The courses listed above under major in English plus MAT 103 or above; lab science course; PSY 201; PSY 205 (for Middle School Endorsement, PSY 332 is required); EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 371, 401, 411, 421, 423, and 430; HUM 499.

Minor in English:
ENG 130, 202, 215, 302; two of ENG 321, 324, 330, 331, 336, 337; one of ENG 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466.

Theatre
Minor in Theater:
Program Coordinator: Daniel Bielinski
COM 145, 245, 345, 445; ENG 332, 352, 353, 418. 464. Another relevant focus course in English at the 400 level (i.e. Shakespeare) may be substituted.

English Honors Program
English majors may pursue an honors program by taking the major sequence in English as defined above plus seven additional courses as follows:
Two courses from PHI 308, 309, 311; THE 303, 306, 312, 338, or 339. One course from HIS 371, 372, 471, 472; POL 316, 414; or SOC 304. Two years of the same foreign language or four additional courses from the preceding two lists.

Double Major:
Students are encouraged to pursue a double major with the English major as one component. Modest adjustments in scheduling can be made.

Language and Literature
Course Descriptions

English Course Descriptions
ENG 098 Writing in Sentences and Paragraphs
A developmental writing course in which students study grammatical rules and their application in the writing process. Students learn to develop coherent and unified paragraphs and essays, using appropriate transition signals. They also learn to summarize, paraphrase, quote and document reading materials. Class does not apply to graduation credit
4 semester credits

ENG 105 Crime Literature
Close reading, analysis, and interpretation of fictional and non-fictional writing about the crime of murder. Prerequisite: consent of instructor.
4 semester credits

ENG 111 Composition I
Guided practice in college-level critical reading and expository writing, emphasizing a process approach and such expository modes as definition, comparison, and analysis.
3 semester credits

ENG 121 Composition II
Guided practice in college-level research and writing, emphasizing a process approach and such expository modes as definition, comparison and analysis. Prerequisite: ENG 111.
3 semester credits

ENG 130 Introduction to Literature
Study of the literary genres and related elements of literary form. Close reading and analysis of fiction, poetry and drama is augmented with the study of literary criticism and critical writing. Artistic comparison and interpretation foster a student’s understanding of multiple points of view.
3 semester credits

ENG 202 Grammar
A linguistics-based study of the grammar of modern English.
3 semester credits

ENG 204 English Language and Linguistics
Introduction to findings from the scientific study of human language, the major systems of language, and the sub-disciplines of linguistics. Pre-history and evolution of major dialects of English up to the present. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 215 Introduction to the Profession of English
Outline of major theoretical stances towards the interpretation of literature plus tools and techniques especially applicable to research in language, literature, and culture. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 202 Grammar
A linguistics-based study of the grammar of modern English. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 204 English Language and Linguistics
Introduction to findings from the scientific study of human language, the major systems of language, and the sub-disciplines of linguistics. Pre-history and evolution of major dialects of English up to the present. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 215 Introduction to the Profession of English
Outline of major theoretical stances towards the interpretation of literature plus tools and techniques especially applicable to research in language, literature, and culture. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 302 Classical and Contemporary Rhetoric
History of rhetoric from classical Western ideas through the middle ages and into the 21st century. Emphasis on theory and structure of argument, proofs, reasons, evidence, and fallacies – with application of these in writing arguments for various audiences. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits
ENG 315 Senior Seminar Prospectus
Development of an arguable topic, rough thesis, plan of work, and preliminary bibliography for the senior seminar. Required for all English majors. Prerequisite: Admission to the English major.
1 semester hour

ENG 320 Critical Theory
Historical and comparative study of major theoretical stances towards the interpretation of literature. Emphasis on primary documents. Required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 321 Survey of British Literature I
Important works in British literature from the beginnings through Neoclassicism.
3 semester credits

ENG 324 Survey of British Literature II
Important works in British literature from the Romantics to the present.
3 semester credits

ENG 330 Survey of World Literature I
Important works in world literature from the beginnings through the European Renaissance. Emphasis on non-English-language works read in translation.
3 semester credits

ENG 331 Survey of World Literature II
Important works in world literature from the European Renaissance through the present. Emphasis on non-English-language works read in translation.
3 semester credits

ENG 332 Acting
Guided experience in basic principles and major styles. Study will correspond to techniques applicable to student professional goals regardless of major. Required for Theatre minors.
3 semester credits

ENG 336 Survey of American Literature I
Important works in American literature from the beginnings through Whitman.
3 semester credits

ENG 337 Survey of American Literature II
Important works in American literature from Whitman through the present.
3 semester credits

ENG 351 Creative Writing
Guided experience in writing various genres. Emphasis on effective use of form, technique, and style.
3 semester credits

ENG 352 Introduction to Theater Production: Directing
Study of the basic principles and theories of stage direction. On-demand; required for Theatre minors.
2 semester credits

ENG 353 Introduction to Theater Production: Stagecraft
Study of the basic principles and theories of set and lighting design for the stage. On-demand; required for Theatre minors.
3 semester credits

ENG 360 Writing Center Practicum
After 8-10 hours of training, students run the Writing Center under the direction of the English program. This directed practicum experience provides both a service and an additional resource to the university while giving direct experience to Writing Center staff, selected students who are trained to meet the writing-assignment needs of other university students. Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.
1-3 semester credits

ENG 461 Major Theme
Advanced study of a particular literary theme or trope. For example: attitudes toward science in European literature, visits by the living to the land of the dead, the archetype of the goddess, or Plains literature.
3 semester credits

ENG 462 Major Author
Advanced study of a particular author. For example: Shakespeare, Whitman, or Dante.
3 semester credits

ENG 463 Literary Era
Advanced study of a particular literary era. For example: the Victorian era, the colonial era, or the high Middle Ages.
3 semester credits

ENG 464 Literary Genre
Advanced study of a particular genre or sub-genre. For example: lyric poetry, the novel, drama, or epic.
3 semester credits

ENG 465 Literary Movement
Advanced study of a particular literary movement. For example: Modernism or Romanticism.
3 semester credits

ENG 466 Literary Diversity
Literature of those groups whose works have often been omitted from the canon of a dominant culture. For example: Native Americans, African Americans, ethnic minorities, women, or the working class.
3 semester credits

ENG 481 Senior Seminar
Guided work in the development of an extended scholarly essay emphasizing collaborative refinement of ideas and approaches. Required oral presentation of findings. Capstone course required for all English majors.
3 semester credits

ENG 125, 225, 325, 425
Special Offerings in English
1–3 semester credits

Classics Course Descriptions
CLA 201 Classical Etymology
Vocabulary building through the prefixes, suffixes, and roots of Greek and Latin.
2 semester credits

CLA 310 Glory of Greece
An introduction to the history of the ancient Greeks, their literature, politics, customs, art, and architecture.
3 semester credits

CLA 311 Grandeur of Rome
An introduction to the history of ancient Rome, its literature, politics, customs, art, and architecture.
3 semester credits
CLA 312 Classical Mythology  
A study of the gods and heroes of the ancient Greeks and Romans as found in classical and modern literature, sculpture, painting, music, and film.  
3 semester credits

CLA/CTH 320 Pagan Roots of Christianity  
Considers the many ways in which the ancient Greco-Roman tradition helped shape Christianity. Interdisciplinary course elective for Catholic Studies major and minor programs.  
3 semester credits

GRK 201 Beginning/First Semester Greek  
An introduction to the forms, syntax, and vocabulary of Attic Greek.  
3 semester credits

GRK 202 Second Semester Beginning Greek  
An introduction to koiné Greek as found in the New Testament. Prerequisite: GRK 201.  
3 semester credits

GRK 301: Second Year Greek I: Classical Prose  
Readings from selected classical Greek authors. Prerequisite: GRK 202  
3 semester credits

GRK 302 Second Year Greek II: New Testament Greek  
An introduction to koiné Greek as found in the New Testament. Prerequisite: GRK 301  
3 semester credits

ITA 101 Conversational Italian  
An introduction to conversational Italian: pronunciation, vocabulary, simple grammar.  
2 semester credits

LAT 101 Beginning Latin I  
An introduction to the forms, syntax, and vocabulary of classical Latin.  
3 semester credits

LAT 102 Beginning Latin II  
The second semester, continued introduction to the forms, syntax, and vocabulary of classical Latin. Prerequisite: LAT 101  
3 semester credits

LAT 201 Second Year Latin I  
Designed to form a transition from introductory material offered in first year Latin to the next level with Latin authors. Prerequisite: LAT 102  
3 semester credits

LAT 202 Second Year Latin II  
A continuation of the transition from Latin I designed to form a transition from introductory material to the Latin authors. Prerequisite: LAT 201  
3 semester credits

LAT 301 Advanced Latin  
Readings from a variety of sources from ancient Roman literature, depending upon the semester’s focus. Prerequisite: LAT 202  
3 semester credits

Liberal Arts Major

Program Chair: Dr. David Fleischacker

Mission

The Liberal Arts major offers students the opportunity to gain a broad-based understanding of a number of disciplines including humanities, philosophy and theology, modern languages, social and behavioral science, and mathematics and natural sciences. The major leads to a Bachelor of Science or a Bachelor of Arts degree in Liberal Arts.

Graduates are expected to apply knowledge, skills, and ethical reasoning to contemporary situations learned in diverse disciplines. Students become leaders in the service of Truth springing from the Benedictine tradition. The major prepares students for advanced graduate study as well as a variety of careers. Nationally, liberal arts majors often are employed in management, sales, and human services.

Major in Liberal Arts-Bachelor of Science:

A minimum of 13 semester credits in Philosophy and Theology; a minimum of 13 semester credits in Social and Behavioral Sciences; a minimum of 14 semester credits including speech, English composition and two courses of a modern language; a minimum of 19 credits in math/natural sciences; a capstone in interdisciplinary studies and unrestricted electives to complete the minimum required for a bachelor’s degree. A minimum of 56 total credits must be at the 300-400 level.

Major in Liberal Arts-Bachelor of Arts:

HUM 122 or ELA 110; ENG 121; COM 110; 3 semester credits of required arts plus 16 semester credits required humanities electives from ENG, COM, CTH, MUS OR SPA; POL 101 or ANT 171; 6 semester credits of required electives from ECN, GEO, HIS, POL, PSY, SBS or SOC; 3 semester credits selected from theology core plus 9 semester credits of required electives from PHI or THE; one 4-semester credit course from required ethics core; 16 semester credits in modern language; MAT 103 and one 4-semester credit laboratory math/ science course plus 8 semester credits of required electives from MAT, BIO, CHE, PHY or SCI; CIS 101; a capstone in interdisciplinary studies and 39 semester credits of unrestricted electives; HUM 499. A minimum of 56 total credits must be at the 300-400 level.
Spanish Program

Mission
Since its foundation, the University of Mary has supported the need to form students with key values of the Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine tradition, sending forth students as leaders who serve Truth with moral courage.

The Spanish Program offers students the opportunity to expand their thinking and living by learning and experiencing a language and culture outside their own. The program prepares liberal arts students to be citizens of a global community. We offer them the opportunity to expand their concepts of language, culture, civilization, geography, philosophy and art while enhancing their job opportunities in a market that aims for excellence.

Major in Spanish:
SPA 101, 102, 201, 202, 304, 306, 401, 402, plus one or more summers abroad of upper level classes; HUM 499. Twenty-four semester credits must be at the upper level.

Objectives and Outcomes of a major in Spanish
Students are able to:

A. Communicate orally in Spanish in real-life situations.
   • demonstrate proficiency in the comprehension of oral messages.
   • demonstrate proficiency in oral expression in Spanish including presentation to an audience of listeners on a variety of topics study (i.e., linguistics, literature, culture)
   • understand someone else speaking about a discipline-related topic and be able to engage that person in discussion.
   • evaluate the use of language to convey meaning, to inform, and to persuade.
   • participate in multilingual communities at home and around the world.

B. Communicate in writing with minimal errors in grammar, spelling, and the mechanics of writing.
   • write clear and coherent essays in Spanish on various topics related to everyday situations and work.
   • exhibit research skills for producing papers including familiarity with library resources such as online databases and catalogs, the ability to gather and synthesize information, the ability to properly quote, paraphrase and summarize other texts, and familiarity with basic documentation formats.

C. Read critically, interpret analytically, and write coherently about literature produced in Spanish
   • analyze and interpret a variety of literary and cultural texts.
   • write clear and coherent essays in Spanish on literary topics.
   • interpret the use of rhetorical and literary techniques.
   • demonstrate a broad and deep knowledge of literary and cultural traditions: major movements, genres, writers and works of the Spanish-speaking world.
   • apply critical thinking skills as they read texts.

D. Read critically, interpret analytically, and write coherently about fundamental principles of the Spanish language
   • identify and explain distinctive linguistic features of Spanish.
   • identify and analyze some distinctive stylistic and dialectal features of Spanish.
   • synthesize selected scholarly work in Spanish linguistics, and Spanish Applied Linguistics.
   • apply Spanish linguistics theory to textual analysis.

E. Understand and demonstrate appreciation of the cultural values of the Spanish-speaking world
   • identify significant individuals, key eras, and major historical events and developments within Spanish-speaking nations and cultures.
   • describe and compare political, religious, social, economic and educational systems and institutions in Spanish-speaking nations and cultures.
   • discuss how the major physical and geographical features of Spanish-speaking countries have shaped their development and evolution of their cultures.
   • analyze social, ethnic and linguistic diversity in the Spanish-speaking world.
• compare and contrast the differences and similarities between the U.S. and the Spanish speaking cultures.
• draw connections with other disciplines
• acquire information about other disciplines using the Spanish language.

Minor in Spanish:
SPA 101, 102, 201, 202, (in sequence). After the initial four courses, students are strongly encouraged to experience a summer abroad at University of Costa Rica or University Complutense of Madrid for which six semester credits are granted. In absence of this experience, students must then complete SPA 304 and 306.

Placement Test
Students who have studied a foreign language for two years or more in high school before enrolling at the University of Mary receive advanced standing by passing a CLEP test or a placement test. Please contact the program coordinator.

Study Abroad Program
Travel abroad is open to students who have completed a language at the intermediate level and have completed an acceptable preparatory exploration for travel abroad. Students who major and/or minor in Spanish are strongly advised to deepen their knowledge of the language by taking classes and experience culture immersion abroad. A variety of graduate and undergraduate courses may be offered at partner institutions. A seminar abroad may also be available and may be applied to a minor sequence; consult the Program Coordinator for more information.

State of the Art Language Lab
The University of Mary offers its students the best in technology with a portable, wireless language lab providing instant immersion from anywhere with internet connection.

Spanish Course Descriptions
SPA 101 Beginning Spanish I
Understanding, speaking, reading, and writing in Spanish for students who have no previous knowledge of the language. 3 semester credits

SPA 102 Beginning Spanish II
Continuation of SPA 101. 3 semester credits

SPA 201 Intermediate Spanish I
Review of fundamentals and the four language skills by building students’ language proficiency and encouraging comparing, contrasting and developing an appreciation of Spanish-speaking cultures. 3 semester credits

SPA 202 Intermediate Spanish II
Continuation of SPA 201. 3 semester credits

SPA 304 Spanish Conversation and Composition
Through reading and writing of the cultures and history of Latin America. Prerequisite: SPA 202 3 semester credits

SPA 306 Contemporary Spanish Culture
Today’s Spain/Latin America and the Hispanics. 3 semester credits Seminar Abroad

SPA 308 Spanish Readings
Selected readings that focus on a theme, author, genre, or professional topic. Prerequisite: SPA 202 3 semester credits

SPA 401 Advanced Spanish
Advanced study and practice of Spanish syntax, grammar, vocabulary, and Idiomatic expressions in writing and in conversational skills. 3 semester credits

SPA 402 Español Superior
In this course, the student will integrate and deepen his/her knowledge, comprehension, and use of the Spanish language in all the advanced areas of grammar, listening comprehension, vocabulary, and phonetics. 3 semester credits

Math, Physics, and Engineering

Mathematics Program
Mission
Math, Physics and Engineering Programs promote academic excellence in a Benedictine environment by offering thorough, relevant courses and programs that prepare students to function as leaders in their communities and as professionals in their chosen careers. We provide service to all University of Mary students requiring mathematics for general education or for their major.

Mathematics Program
Program Chair: Dr. Robert Willenbring
The Mathematics major is a four-year program leading to the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree. This major is designed to prepare students for professional work or graduate study in mathematics. Depending on their previous coursework, students generally start in MAT 103, 153 or 209 unless they already have college credit for Calculus.
Program Outcomes
Mathematics graduates will:
• exhibit analytical, critical thinking, and problem solving skills
• be able to interpret and analyze data using quantitative reasoning skills
• be able to use technology to aid in the solving of problems and analysis of data
• be able to communicate in the formal language of proof-based mathematics
• demonstrate a broad background in both pure and applied mathematics
• be competitive in securing employment requiring either an undergraduate degree in mathematics or significant quantitative reasoning skills, or gaining admittance to programs of advanced study.

Required Courses:
A total of 40 semester credits in mathematics at the 200 level or higher, with at least 20 semester credits at the 300 level or higher, including MAT 209, 210, 211, 221, 312, 402, 421, 429.

Recommended courses:
Students are encouraged to take more than the minimum 2 mathematics electives and/or to consider a minor in another area of interest to strengthen the major.

Minor in Mathematics
MAT 209, 210, 211; one elective 200 level or higher; two additional electives 300 level or higher.

Mathematics Education Major
Program Advisor: Dr. Robert Willenbring
The Mathematics Education major is a Bachelor of Science degree program designed to prepare students for a career as a secondary teacher or to provide the essential background for entrance into certain graduate programs. Depending on their previous coursework, students generally start in MAT 103, 153 or 209 unless they already have college credit for Calculus.

Program Outcomes
Mathematics Education graduates will:
• exhibit analytical, critical thinking, and problem solving skills
• be able to interpret and analyze data using quantitative reasoning skills
• be able to use technology to aid in the solving of problems and analysis of data
• be able to communicate mathematics to others in written and oral formats
• be able to communicate in the formal language of proof-based mathematics
• understand how the history and development of mathematics affects learning today
• be able to explain the mathematical concepts that underlie Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry, Statistics, and Calculus, and be able to illustrate these concepts through appropriate applications
• be competitive in securing employment teaching middle school or high school mathematics or gaining admittance to programs of advanced study.

Required Courses:
ENG 121; COM 110; a total of 40 semester credits in mathematics at the 200 level or higher, with at least 20 semester credits at the 300 level or higher, including MAT 209, 210, 221, 312, 402, 421, 443 and 204 or 411. EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 365, 367, 377, 401, 411, 421, 423, 444; PSY 201; PSY 205 (For Middle School Endorsement, PSY 332 is required); one lab science; HUM 499.

Mathematics Course Descriptions
Placement Evaluation
Students enrolling in ASD 097; MAT 102, 103 or 107 must first have a placement evaluation.

ASD 097 Fundamental Concepts of Algebra
Basic algebraic concepts and skills; for students with a minimum of high school mathematics. Taken by math placement only; a grade of “C” or better is required to progress to MAT 102. May not be taken for credit hours after completing MAT 102. Does not fulfill core requirement. Does not apply to graduation credit.
4 semester credits

MAT 102 Intermediate Algebra
Provides an overview of the algebraic skills necessary to succeed in College Algebra. Concepts and topics include linear equations, graphing, inequalities, systems of equations, rational expressions, functions, exponents, radicals, radical equations, and quadratic equations. This course is taken by math placement and will not fulfill a core requirement nor will it substitute for a mathematics course of a higher number. Credits are applicable for liberal arts and graduation requirements.
4 semester credits
MAT 103 College Algebra
Topics included are the real number system; linear and quadratic equation and inequality solutions and applications, polynomial functions; exponential and logarithmic functions; other topics. Prerequisites: Two years of high school algebra and satisfactory placement evaluation; or MAT 102 with a grade of “C” or higher.
3 semester credits

MAT 107 College Mathematics for Non-Science Majors
Mathematical concepts in algebra, geometry, consumer mathematics, statistics, and probability with emphasis on problem solving. Applications are made in a variety of areas including business, social sciences, and natural science. Either MAT 103 or MAT 107, but not both, will fulfill a Math/Science general education core requirement. May not be taken for liberal arts credit after successfully completing a higher numbered math course. Prerequisites: Two years of high school mathematics, one of which is algebra, and satisfactory placement evaluation; or MAT 102 with a grade of “C” or higher.
3 semester credits

MAT 153 Algebra and Trigonometry
Functions and their graphs; emphasis on linear, quadratic, polynomial, and rational functions and their applications. Exponential and logarithmic functions, trigonometric functions and identities, applications. Conic sections. Systems of equations, counting and probability. Prerequisite: placement evaluation or consent of instructor.
4 semester credits

MAT 180 Elementary Statistics
The study of descriptive statistics such as mean, mode, range, standard deviation, variance, histograms, etc., that describe statistical information. The study of inferential statistics such as hypotheses testing of a population mean, proportion, etc., using a sample drawn from the population or testing to see if the sample is representative of the population being studied.
4 semester credits

MAT 204 Applied Statistics
Theoretical and practical introduction to graphic representations of data, probability theory, normal curve model, point and interval estimation, hypothesis testing, linear correlation, and inferential statistics. Critiques of scientific publications, data collection and analysis procedures, statistical analyses, and employing personal computers. Prerequisite: MAT 103 or consent of instructor.
4 semester credits

MAT 205 Project in Applied Statistics
Collection and analysis of a large real world data set, preferably one generated by the student. Graphical representations, confidence Intervals and hypothesis tests or regression procedures learned in previous courses will be utilized to help generate conclusions supported by the data set. This course may substitute for MAT 204. Prerequisite: instructor consent
1 semester credit

MAT 209 Calculus with Analytic Geometry I
Two dimensional analytic geometry; functions, limits, continuity. Differentiation of algebraic and trigonometric functions. Prerequisite: MAT 153, placement, or consent of instructor.
4 semester credits

MAT 210 Calculus with Analytic Geometry II
Development and applications of the definite integral; logarithmic and exponential functions; methods of integration, including numeric; improper integrals. Prerequisite: MAT 209
4 semester credits

MAT 211 Calculus with Analytic Geometry III
Infinite series; vectors in two and three dimensions; differential calculus of functions of several variables; multiple integration. Prerequisite: MAT 210
4 semester credits

MAT 221 Topics in Euclidean Geometry
Euclidean geometry topics including properties of polygons, congruences, parallelism, similarity, circles, constructions, area and solid geometry. Prerequisite: MAT 103 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

MAT 306 Combinatorics
Combinatorics and counting techniques-graphs, trees and networks; algorithms; induction. Prerequisite: One 200 level course or consent of instructor. MAT 312 and MAT 210 or 204 recommended.
4 semester credits

MAT 310 College Geometry
Advanced Euclidean geometry topics; non-Euclidean geometry, including hyperbolic and elliptic geometries. Prerequisite: MAT 221 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

MAT 311 Algebraic Structures
Groups and isomorphism, normality, factor groups, and homomorphism; introduction to rings, ideals, and fields. Prerequisite: One MAT 200 or higher level course. MAT 312 recommended
4 semester credits

MAT 312 Linear Algebra
Vector spaces, their general properties, and linear transformations; systems of linear equations, matrices, determinants. Prerequisite: One MAT 200 or higher level course
4 semester credits

MAT 318 Number Theory
Divisibility and congruence theory; prime numbers; number theoretic functions. Prerequisite: One MAT 200 or higher level course
4 semester credits

MAT 334 Differential Equations
Ordinary differential equations; systems of equations; solution by series. Prerequisites: MAT 211, 312
4 semester credits

MAT 402 Algebraic Structures
Introduction to algebraic structures such as groups, rings, ideals, integral domains and fields. Comparing structures through equivalence relations, isomorphism, homomorphism. Divisibility and factorization of integers and polynomials. Fundamental Theorem of Algebra. Relevant proof techniques. Prerequisite or concurrent: MAT 312.
4 semester credits
MAT 411 Mathematical Statistics
Probability theory; random variables and distribution functions; estimation; tests of hypotheses; regression and correlation. Prerequisites: MAT 204, 211. Recommended: MAT 204 and MAT 312.
4 semester credits

MAT 421 Real Analysis
Underlying theory of Calculus and its applications. Theory of sets and Real numbers. Sequences and series. Limits and Continuity; Basic Topology of sets and space, including the Heine-Borel Theorem. Differentiation and Integration. Calculus theorems, such as the Mean Value Theorem, Intermediate Value Property, and the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus. Prerequisites: MAT 210, MAT 221, MAT 312 (concurrent or previous).
4 semester credits

MAT 428 Readings and Research in Mathematics
Prerequisite: Senior standing or consent of instructor.
1-4 semester credits

MAT 429 Seminar in Mathematics
A survey of a variety of mathematical topics, in familiar areas (such as Algebra, Number Theory, Geometry) and unfamiliar areas (such as Fractals, Chaos Theory). Students are expected to complete written and oral presentations demonstrating the ability to comprehend, communicate, and apply diverse mathematical methods. Prerequisites: MAT 221 (concurrent or previous), MAT 312
4 semester credits

MAT 443 History of Mathematics
Greek period; Western math up to 1650; modern math (calculus, group theory, axiomatization); current developments. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor
4 semester credits

MAT 451 Numerical Analysis
Introduction to Numerical Methods, algorithms, and error estimates. Numerical solutions of linear or non-linear equations. Interpolation and polynomial approximation. Numerical integration and differentiation. Prerequisites: MAT 312, Recommendations: MAT 334 (concurrent or previous), MAT 211 and familiarity with a programming language
4 semester credits

MAT 125, MAT 225, MAT 325, MAT 425
Special Offerings in Mathematics
1-4 semester credits

Physics Course Descriptions

PHY 203 Introduction to Physics
An algebra-based approach to mechanics (kinematics, dynamics, force, momentum, energy). Lab: 2 hours. Prerequisite: MAT 103 or consent of instructor
4 semester credits

PHY 304 Intermediate Physics
A continuation of the algebra-based Introduction to electricity and magnetism and other topics which may include vibrations and wave motion, fluids, light and optics, and modern physics. Lab: 2 hours. Prerequisite: PHY 203 or consent of instructor.
4 semester credits

Engineering Science Major

Program Chairs: Mr. Dan Bauer and Dr. Terry Pilling

The Engineering Science major is a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree program for students in the dual degree engineering program in conjunction with the University of Minnesota. Since the requirements are specific for each individual engineering program, students should consult with the engineering advisor at the earliest opportunity to insure that their course of study meets the requirements of the desired engineering degree.

Engineering Science Requirements:
A total of 40 semester credits of mathematics and science courses at the 200 level or above. The University of Mary’s affiliation agreement with the University of Minnesota allows for a variety of different engineering majors. Because of the diverse requirements for these majors, the student should note a few pertinent guidelines:

- Students must build a solid mathematics background, especially in calculus.
- Students will need to build solid computer skills.
- The curriculum includes courses in chemistry, biology and physics.

Music

Department Chair: Dr. Tom Porter

Mission
Music Programs strive to develop a true community of learners where a challenging curriculum is integrated with professional training so that graduates are prepared to excel in their chosen specializations.

Outcomes
Graduates of this program:
- perform instrumentally and/or vocally with artistic competence
- conduct musical groups with attention to artistic concerns
- know the field of music study; can use its technical vocabulary and common approaches; can describe current issues and significant artistic works
- assess their own performance for purposes of continued development
• work effectively with others and demonstrate respect for them

• can describe the values of this Benedictine institution and reflect on them in their work

• contribute to their civic, cultural, and professional communities

Students choose from a Bachelor of Arts in Music, a Bachelor of Science in Music Education, a Bachelor of Music in Performance, a Bachelor of Arts in Music with an Emphasis in Sacred Music, and a minor in music. Incoming students are assessed for placement in music theory, ear training, and functional piano skills.

The University of Mary Music Program is accredited as an Associate Member of the National Association of Schools of Music.

■ Major in Music

Bachelor of Arts:
Advisor: Dr. Lucas Bernier

MUS 121, 122, 123, 124, 151, 152, 196, 221, 222, 223, 224, 262, 341, 342, 440 or 471 or 481; six semesters of major performance ensemble (primary area); piano proficiency-level two; six semesters of perform lab; six semesters of applied music (primary area); elective music courses to total 45 credits in MUS, 16 semester hours of a foreign language or a minor in Philosophy/Theology; HUM 499.

■ Major in Music Education

Bachelor of Science
Advisor: Dennis Gowen

ENG 121; COM 110; MAT 103 or above; one lab science; MUS 121, 122, 123, 124, 132, 151, 152, 153, 154, 196, 221, 222, 223, 224, 231, 232, 251, 252, 253, 254, 262, 321, 323, 331, 333 or 334, 341, 342, 362, 382, 383, 384, 431, 471; seven semesters of applied music (primary); four semesters of applied music (secondary); piano proficiency-level four; seven semesters of major performance ensemble (primary); three semesters of major performance ensemble (secondary); one semester of chamber ensemble (primary); seven semesters of perform lab; EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 320, 367, 411, 422, 423, 434; PSY 201, 205 (for Middle School Endorsement, PSY 332 is required); HUM 499.

■ Major in Music Performance

Bachelor of Music
Advisor: Katherine Henjum

MUS 121, 122, 123, 124, 151, 152, 196, 221, 222, 223, 224, 251, 252, 262, 341, 342, 350 or 355, 371, 471; eight semesters of major performance ensemble (primary area); four semesters of small performance ensemble; piano proficiency-level four; eight semesters of perform lab; eight semesters of applied music (primary area, one-hour lessons); MUS 357, 358 and two semesters foreign language (voice majors) and 14-16 semester hours music electives (no more than eight semester hours may be in ensembles and/or applied music); HUM 499.

■ Major in Music with an Emphasis in Sacred Music – Bachelor of Arts

Advisor: Dr. Thomas Porter

MUS 121, 122, 123, 124, 151, 152, 196, 221, 222, 223, 224, 251, 252, 262, 321, 323, 341, 342, 362, 370, 470; two semesters of applied music: organ; three semesters of applied music: voice (or class voice); four semesters of applied music: piano (or class piano); two to four additional semesters to total six semesters of applied music: organ or voice or piano; three semesters of concert choir; three semesters of any major performance ensemble; piano proficiency-level four; six semesters of perform lab; THE 104 or 110 or 112; three of the following: THE 221, 323, 332, 337; one additional THE elective; HUM 499; 30 volunteer hours in a parish setting.

Minor in Music:

MUS 121, 122, 123, 124, 151, 152, 196, 262, 341 or 342, one MUS methods or pedagogy course; four semesters of performance lab; four semesters of applied music in primary performance area; four semesters of major performance ensemble in primary performance area; piano proficiency-level two.

Music Course Descriptions

MUS 121 Sight Singing/Ear Training I
Designed to improve aural skills in the areas of sight singing and dictation. Rhythmic, melodic, and harmonic exercises are studied and executed. Prerequisite: MUS 196. 1 semester credit

MUS 122 Sight Singing/Ear Training II
Designed to improve aural skills in the areas of sight singing and dictation. Rhythmic, melodic, and harmonic exercises are studied and executed. Prerequisite: MUS 121. 1 semester credit
MUS 123 Music Theory I
Theoretical concepts of diatonic harmony and 16th century counterpoint are studied and applied. Prerequisite: MUS 196.
3 semester credits

MUS 124 Music Theory II
Theoretical concepts of diatonic and chromatic harmony, and basic concepts of composition, are studied and applied. Prerequisite: MUS 123.
3 semester credits

MUS 132 Percussion Methods
Class instruction in percussion instruments for music education majors. Emphasis on pedagogical methods, healthy singing techniques, and grade-appropriate solo literature. Prerequisite: MUS 196.
2 semester credits

MUS 151 Class Piano I
First semester of a four semester sequence. Development of level I piano proficiency skills including sight reading, harmonization, accompaniment, theory, piano repertoire and technique. No prior piano performance experience required. 1 semester credit

MUS 152 Class Piano II
Second semester of a four semester sequence. Development of level II piano proficiency skills including sight reading, harmonization, accompaniment, theory, piano repertoire and technique. Prerequisite: MUS 151.
1 semester credit

MUS 153 Class Voice I
Vocal technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of a healthy speaking and singing voice. 1 semester credit

MUS 154 Class Voice II
Vocal technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of a healthy speaking and singing voice. Prerequisite: MUS 153.
1 semester credit

MUS 155 Class Guitar I
Guitar technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of correct technique and performance skills. This course is designed for any student who is not a guitar major or minor. No prerequisite. 1 semester credit

MUS 156 Class Guitar II
Guitar technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of correct technique and performance skills. This course is designed for any student who is not a guitar major or minor. Prerequisite: MUS 155.
1 semester credit

MUS 196 Introduction to Music
Forms, styles, trends, cultural and historical aspects of western and world music within the context of creating increased enjoyment and understanding of music. Meets core and aesthetics requirements.
3 semester credits

MUS 200 Pep Band
Large instrumental performance ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Provides entertainment and boosts school spirit at university football and basketball games.
1 semester credit

MUS 201 Applied Music: Piano
Collegiate level individual piano instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 202 Applied Music: Voice
Collegiate level individual vocal instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study. Diction is also studied at all levels.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 203 Applied Music: Brass
Collegiate level individual brass instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 204 Applied Music: Woodwind
Collegiate level individual woodwind instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 205 Applied Music: Percussion
Collegiate level individual instruction in percussion instruments. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 206 Applied Music: Guitar
Collegiate level individual classical guitar instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 207 Applied Music: Strings
Collegiate level individual string instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 208 Applied Music: Composition
Collegiate level individual composition instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 209 Applied Music: Organ
Collegiate level individual organ instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits
MUS 210 Perform Lab
Music students gather in a pedagogical environment to develop critical listening and performance skills through attendance and performance at recitals, concerts and seminars. 0 semester credits

MUS 211 Concert Band
Large instrumental performance ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Repertoire includes original band works as well as transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 212 Concert Choir
Large vocal ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Repertoire includes significant choral works from chant to contemporary. 1 semester credit

MUS 213 Jazz Ensemble
Study and performance of classic and contemporary big band literature. Open by audition to all interested students. 1 semester credit

MUS 214 Vocal Chamber Music
Vocal ensembles, including Vocal Jazz, Vocal Arts Ensemble (opera scenes), and Chamber Choir (Renaissance through contemporary), open to all students by audition. Ability to rehearse and perform challenging vocal repertoire. 1 semester credit

MUS 215 Woodwind Chamber Music
Study and performance in woodwind groups of varying sizes. Open to all students by audition. Repertoire includes original works, transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 216 Brass Chamber Music
Small to medium-sized brass instrument performance ensembles open to all students by audition. Aptitude necessary to perform concerts of diverse and challenging repertoire developed through rehearsal and performance. Repertoire includes original works for brass as well as transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 217 Percussion Chamber Music
Steel Drum Band:
Study and performance of the unique steel pans from Trinidad and Tobago. Music includes calypso, soca, pop, Latin, classical, and jazz. 1 semester credit

Percussion Ensemble:
Study and performance in percussion groups of varying sizes. Repertoire includes historically significant works for percussion, contemporary compositions, improvised music, rudimental drumming, and world music. 1 semester credit

MUS 218 String Chamber Music
Study and performance in string groups of varying sizes. Open to all students by audition. Repertoire includes original works, transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 219 Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus
Community ensemble open to students by audition. Repertoire includes choral works from the Renaissance to today. 1 semester credit

MUS 220 Orchestra
Community ensemble open to students by audition. Repertoire includes original orchestral works as well as transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 221 Sight Singing / Ear Training III
Designed to improve aural skills in the areas of sight singing and dictation. Rhythmic, melodic, and harmonic exercises, error detection, and chromatic solfège are studied and executed. Prerequisite: MUS 122. 1 semester credit

MUS 222 Sight Singing / Ear Training IV
Designed to improve aural skills in the areas of sight singing and dictation. Rhythmic, melodic, and harmonic exercises, error detection, and chromatic solfège are studied and executed. Prerequisite: MUS 221. 1 semester credit

MUS 223 Music Theory III
Theoretical aspects of Baroque and Classical era music are studied through analysis and composition. Prerequisite: MUS 124. 3 semester credits

MUS 224 Music Theory IV
Theoretical aspects of Romantic and 20th Century music are studied through analysis and composition. Prerequisite: MUS 223. 3 semester credits

MUS 225 Special Topics
Arranged study. 1-4 semester credits

MUS 231 Brass Methods
Class instruction in brass instruments for music education majors. Emphasis on pedagogical methods, healthy singing techniques, and grade-appropriate solo and ensemble literature. Prerequisite: MUS 196. 2 semester credits

MUS 232 Vocal Methods
Class instruction in vocal methods for music education majors. Emphasis on pedagogical methods, healthy singing techniques, and grade-appropriate solo literature. Prerequisite: MUS 196. 2 semester credits

MUS 251 Class Piano III
Third semester of a four semester sequence. Development of level III piano proficiency skills including sight reading, harmonization, accompaniment, theory, piano repertoire and technique. Prerequisite: MUS 152. 1 semester credit

MUS 252 Class Piano IV
Fourth semester of a four semester sequence. Development
of level IV piano proficiency skills including sight reading, harmonization, accompaniment, theory, piano repertoire and technique. Prerequisite: MUS 251.
1 semester credit

MUS 253 Class Voice III
Vocal technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of a healthy speaking and singing voice. Prerequisite: MUS 154.
1 semester credit

MUS 254 Class Voice IV
Vocal technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of a healthy speaking and singing voice. Prerequisite: MUS 253.
1 semester credit

MUS 255 Class Guitar III
Guitar technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of correct technique and performance skills. This course is designed for any student who is not a guitar major or minor. Prerequisite: MUS 156.
1 semester credit

MUS 256 Class Guitar IV
Guitar technique and repertoire are studied in a class format, with emphasis placed on the development of correct technique and performance skills. This course is designed for any student who is not a guitar major or minor. Prerequisite: MUS 255.
1 semester credit

MUS 262 Conducting I
Intended for the music major or minor with no prior background in conducting. The course will deal with the fundamentals of choral and instrumental conducting. Prerequisite: MUS 122 and 124.
2 semester credits

MUS 321 Music Technologies
Basics of sound reinforcement and stage lighting for music ensembles including proper set-up and safety procedures as well as trouble-shooting sound and lighting equipment. Synthesizer programming will include use of tone generators, sequencing, operational MIDI, and basic recording techniques. Brief overview of music education software. Prerequisite: MUS 196.
2 semester credits

MUS 323 Orchestration and Arranging
Study of orchestrating and arranging music for both instrumental and choral ensembles. Prerequisites: MUS 221 and 223.
2 semester credits

MUS 324 Jazz Studies
A course for students interested in studying jazz improvisation.
1 semester credit

MUS 331 Woodwind Methods
Class instruction in woodwind instruments for music education majors. Emphasis on pedagogical methods, performance competency, and grade-appropriate solo and ensemble literature. Prerequisite: MUS 196.
2 semester credits

MUS 333 Jazz Pedagogy & History
A course for music education majors reviewing the important trends and artists throughout the history of jazz as well as methods, repertoire, and materials to direct a jazz ensemble in the school setting. Prerequisite: MUS 196.
2 semester credits

MUS 341 Music History I
History of the evolution of musical style, form, and literature through a study of major composers and their works. Prerequisites: MUS 121 and 123.
3 semester credits

MUS 342 Music History II/World Cultures
History of the evolution of musical style, form, and literature as it relates to various world cultures. Prerequisites: MUS 121 and 123.
3 semester credits

MUS 350 Instrumental Pedagogy and Literature
Overview of instrumental pedagogy, literature, and history for the private studio instructor and performer offered as sections in the areas of brass, woodwinds, percussion, guitar, and strings. Topics covered include: teaching methods and techniques, beginning to advanced solo and small ensemble music literature, famous performers and composers, historical performance practices, and studio management.
2 semester credits

MUS 355 Vocal Pedagogy and Literature
Overview of vocal pedagogy, literature, and history for vocal performance majors. Topics covered include: teaching methods and techniques, beginning to advanced solo literature, famous performers and composers, historical performance practices, and studio management.
2 semester credits

MUS 357 Diction for Singers I
Study designed to further familiarize the students with the International Phonetic Alphabet and those sounds particular to Italian and English art song literature and opera.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 358 Diction for Singers II
Study designed to further familiarize the students with the International Phonetic Alphabet and those sounds particular to German and French art song literature and opera.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 362 Conducting II
Development of further choral and instrumental conducting techniques: time beating, mixed meter, baton, and the left hand as well as the more advanced expressive gestures. Advanced score reading and the development of effective
rehearsal techniques. Prerequisite MUS 262.
2 semester credits

MUS 370/THE 370 Sacred Music
4 semester credits

MUS 371 Junior Recital
Half-hour solo recital presented to the public on a student’s primary instrument or voice under the guidance of a music faculty member.
1 semester credit

MUS 382 Elementary Music Methods
Methods of introducing singing, classroom instruments, rhythm, reading notation, and music appreciation in the elementary school. Prerequisites: MUS 122 and 124.
3 semester credits

MUS 383 Secondary Choral Methods
An overview of techniques and repertoire for music education majors who are preparing to teach choral music. Prerequisites: MUS 122 and 124.
2 semester credits

MUS 384 Secondary Instrumental Methods
An overview of techniques, repertoire, software and classroom management strategies for music education majors who are preparing to teach instrumental music. Prerequisites: MUS 122 and 124.
2 semester credits

MUS 392 Wind Instrument Maintenance and Repair
Maintenance and repair of woodwind and brass instruments. Acoustical and mechanical characteristics are dealt with in detail.
2 semester credits

MUS 400 Pep Band
Large instrumental performance ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Provides entertainment and boosts school spirit at university football and basketball games.
1 semester credit

MUS 401 Applied Music: Piano
Collegiate-level individual piano instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 402 Applied Music: Voice
Collegiate level individual vocal instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study. Diction is also studied at all levels.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 403 Applied Music: Brass
Collegiate level individual brass instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 404 Applied Music: Woodwind
Collegiate level individual woodwind instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 405 Applied Music: Percussion
Collegiate level individual instruction in percussion instruments. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 406 Applied Music: Guitar
Collegiate level individual classical guitar instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 407 Applied Music: Strings
Collegiate level individual string instrument instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 408 Applied Music: Composition
Collegiate level individual composition instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 409 Applied Music: Organ
Collegiate level individual organ instruction. Emphasis is placed on the development of technical, musical and artistic proficiency at each level of study.
1-2 semester credits

MUS 410 Perform Lab
Music students gather in a pedagogical environment to develop critical listening and performance skills through attendance and performance at recitals, concerts and seminars.
0 semester credits

MUS 411 Concert Band
Large instrumental performance ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Repertoire includes original band works as well as transcriptions and arrangements.
1 semester credit

MUS 412 Concert Choir
Large vocal ensemble open to all students with some prior experience. Repertoire includes significant choral works from chant to contemporary.
1 semester credit

MUS 413 Jazz Ensemble
Study and performance of classic and contemporary big band literature. Open by audition to all interested students.
1 semester credit

MUS 414 Vocal Chamber Music
Vocal ensembles, including Vocal Jazz, Vocal Arts Ensemble (opera scenes), and Chamber Choir (Renaissance through contemporary), open to all students by audition. Ability to rehearse and perform challenging vocal repertoire.
1 semester credit
MUS 415 Woodwind Chamber Music
Study and performance in woodwind groups of varying sizes. Open to all students by audition. Repertoire includes original works, transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 416 Brass Chamber Music
Small to medium-sized brass instrument performance ensembles open to all students by audition. Aptitude necessary to perform concerts of diverse and challenging repertoire developed through rehearsal and performance. Repertoire includes original works for brass as well as transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 417 Percussion Chamber Music
Steel Band:
Study and performance of the unique steel pans from Trinidad and Tobago. Music includes calypso, soca, pop, Latin, classical, and jazz. 1 semester credit

Percussion Ensemble:
Study and performance in percussion groups of varying sizes. Repertoire includes historically significant works for percussion, contemporary compositions, improvised music, rudimental drumming, and world music. 1 semester credit

MUS 418 String Chamber Music
Study and performance in string groups of varying sizes. Open to all students by audition. Repertoire includes original works, transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 419 Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus
Community ensemble open to students by audition. Repertoire includes choral works from the Renaissance to today. 1 semester credit

MUS 420 Orchestra
Community ensemble open to students by audition. Repertoire includes original orchestral works as well as transcriptions and arrangements. 1 semester credit

MUS 425 Special Topics
Arranged study. 1-4 semester credits

MUS 431 String Methods
Class instruction in string instruments for music education majors. Emphasis on pedagogical methods, performance competency, and grade-appropriate solo and ensemble literature. Prerequisite: MUS 196. 2 semester credits

MUS 440 Internship
Structured, on-the-job learning experience under supervision of professionals in a cooperating organization. Faculty advisor supervises, awards credit and grade. A learning contract is written between faculty advisor, supervisor and student stating conditions of the internship. Capstone option for B.A. Music major. Prerequisites: MUS 222, 224 and 342. 4 semester credits

MUS 462 Advanced Conducting: Directed Study
Further development of conducting techniques and expression, including rehearsal technique. Enrollment by instructor permission only. 1-2 semester credits

MUS 470 Sacred Music Practicum
Course requires immersion in a parish setting. Students will synthesize information learned through their coursework and practicum experience, and will demonstrate servant leadership in planning, preparing, and directing the musical prayer of a local church. Satisfies capstone requirement for Sacred Music major. Prerequisites: MUS 222, 224, 370. 4 semester credits

MUS 471 Senior Recital
One-hour solo recital presented to the public on a student’s primary instrument or voice under the guidance of a music faculty member. 2 semester credits

MUS 481 Senior Project
Guided work in the development of an extended scholarly essay, composition, arrangement, or portfolio of work. Capstone option for B.A. Music major. Prerequisites: MUS 222, 224, 342. 4 semester credits

Philosophy
Program Chair: Dr. David Echelbarger

Philosophy Program

Major in Philosophy:
Required: PHI 108, 202, 208/308, 310, 327, 429. Plus 6 credits from PHI 230, 311, 315, 406; plus 12 other philosophy credits, of which no more than 6 may be lower division. Each semester, declared majors must also take PHI 150-450 Philosophy Colloquium. (This requirement is waived while students are studying abroad.) 34 Total Credits

Minor in Philosophy:
Required: PHI 108, 202, 208/308, 310, 327. Plus 6 additional credits in philosophy. (No more than 3 credits may be lower division). 21 Total Credits

Philosophy Course Descriptions

PHI 108 Search for Truth
This course explores the very nature of truth itself. It provides a forum in which the most pressing questions of the human mind and heart are discussed and analyzed. Students will be introduced to the great minds of history, the questions they raised, the challenges they resolved, and how their answers help us to understand the meaning and purpose of life. By joining in the search for truth, students will learn to develop well-reasoned positions on enduring philosophical questions. 3 semester credits
PHI 150 Philosophy Colloquium
First year philosophy majors will meet to discuss readings, student projects, faculty projects, or hear lectures by guest speakers on philosophical topics.
0 semester credits

PHI 202 Logic
The study and practice of sound reasoning, both deductive and inductive. Formal and informal fallacies are also considered.
3 semester credits

PHI 208/PHI 308 Ethics
A study of the components of the moral life and its relation to human happiness. Topics may include objective goods, values, obligation, conscience, virtues and vices, and the norms of moral decision-making. It includes an analysis of major ethical systems, such as utilitarianism and deontology, from the perspective of the teleological systems of Aristotle and Aquinas. PHI 308 students are required to complete additional work for the course. A student may not receive credit for both 208 and 308.
3 semester credits

PHI 210/CTH 210: Search for Happiness: Faith and Reason in Life
Investigates the quest for happiness in light of the complementarity of Christian faith and human reason as found in the tradition of Catholic thought and culture. Evaluates arguments for and against various claims about happiness originating from popular culture, philosophy, theology, and other disciplines. Emphasis on the integration of the spiritual, bodily, and social dimensions of the human person. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major; elective foundation course for Catholic Studies minor.
3 semester credits

PHI 230 Ancient Philosophy
This course studies the major themes and figures at the beginning of Western philosophy. It may include a discussion of the pre-Socratics, Plato, Aristotle, the Epicureans, the Stoics, and Neo-Platonism; topics may include human nature, the nature of reality, and human life.
3 semester credits

PHI 250 Philosophy Colloquium
Second year philosophy majors will meet to discuss readings, student projects, faculty projects, or hear lectures by guest speakers on philosophical topics.
0 semester credits

PHI 310 Philosophy of the Human Person
A study of the human person. Topics may include some of the following: human knowledge, emotions, human reason, the nature of the human soul and its relation to the body, the immortality of the soul, free will, and others.
3 semester credits

PHI 311 Modern Philosophy
Analysis of the major philosophical movements in the modern period. Figures may include Descartes, Spinoza, Leibnitz, Locke, Berkeley, Hume, Kant, and Hegel.
3 semester credits

PHI 313 Business Ethics
Analysis of ethical issues arising in business. Topics may include the moral implications of various economic systems (e.g., free enterprise; socialism); the basis for just compensation; work place climate and culture; and the purpose of business in relation to other human ends and needs. Prerequisites: PHI 208/308 strongly recommended.
3 semester credits

PHI 315 Medieval Philosophy: Augustine to the Renaissance
This course examines the continuation of Western philosophy in the medieval period. Central figures may include St. Augustine, Boethius, St. Anselm, and St. Thomas Aquinas, among others. Possible topics are faith and reason, free will, the problem of universals, and the existence of God. A discussion of Islamic and Jewish influences in Western philosophy may also be included.
3 semester credits

PHI/POL 317 Political Philosophy I
The first of two courses designed to give an overview of the history of political theory. Topics may include the Greek and Roman understandings of justice and the best regime; the impact of the rise of the Church on political philosophy; and the revival of classical political thought in the early Renaissance. Such figures as Plato, Aristotle, St. Augustine, St. Thomas Aquinas, and Machiavelli, may be included.
3 semester credits

PHI/POL 318 Political Philosophy II
The second of two courses designed to give an overview of the history of political philosophy after the Renaissance to contemporary times. Topics may include sovereignty, the social contract, the political philosophy of German idealism, utilitarianism, and various conceptions of modern liberal democracy. Central figures such as Hobbes, Locke, Rousseau, Marx, Hegel, Nietzsche, and Rawls, may be covered. PHI 317 is not required to take 318.
3 semester credits

PHI 327 Metaphysics
An examination of being as such, culminating in a study of the first or ultimate causes and principles of all things. Specific topics may include: the transcendental properties of being, act and potency, essence and existence, time, contingency and immortality, the existence of God, and divine attributes.
3 semester credits

PHI 331 Philosophy of Science
The study of the methods of science and its relation to philosophy. Topics may include an examination of classical cosmology through the Newtonian and Darwinian revolutions, an assessment of contemporary scientific approaches, or issues such as causation, induction, scientific explanation, theory, or verification. Prerequisites: PHI 108 and PHI 208/308 or permission of the instructor. Recommended: PHI 327-Metaphysics.
3 semester credits

PHI 350 Philosophy Colloquium
Third year philosophy majors will meet to discuss readings, student projects, faculty projects, or hear lectures by guest speakers on philosophical topics.
0 semester credits
PHI 406 Contemporary Philosophy
A study of recent philosophical developments from Hegel through Nietzsche and the present period. Topics may include: existentialism, pragmatism, phenomenology, analytic philosophy, and personalism. Philosophical foundations for influential figures such as Freud, Weber, Foucault, and Derrida may also be addressed.
3 semester credits

PHI 410 Philosophy of Knowledge
An in-depth study of various theories of knowledge, with emphasis on direct realism.
3 semester credits

PHI 415 Philosophical Theology
This course explores what human reason can know about God and the mysteries of faith. It examines how philosophical principles clarify issues especially related to theology. Topics may include both systematic and historical questions such as Divine attributes, the Trinity, the Incarnation, the Atonement, scholastic theology and the integration of Aristotelian metaphysics, Kant and the limits of knowledge.
3 semester credits

PHI 426 Advanced Topics in Moral Philosophy
This course provides an in-depth examination of an advanced topic in moral philosophy. Possible topics include particular ethical theories, issues in metaethics, various topics in moral psychology, or the ethical works of a particular philosopher. May be repeated under different topics with advisor’s approval. Prerequisites: PHI 208/308 strongly recommended.
3 semester credits

PHI 450 Philosophy Colloquium
Fourth year philosophy majors will meet to discuss readings, student projects, faculty projects, or hear lectures by guest speakers on philosophical topics.
0 semester credits

PHI 482 Biomedical Ethics
Analysis of ethical issues arising in healthcare. Issues may include: patient confidentiality, informed consent, honesty, the just distribution of healthcare resources, questions of death and dying, assisted suicide, the beginning of life, stem cell research, abortion, and cloning. Prerequisites: PHI 208/308 strongly recommended.
3 semester credits

PHI 328, PHI 428 Readings and Research in Philosophy
1–4 semester credits

PHI 489 Philosophy Senior Capstone
Students continue to develop and refine skills in philosophical analysis and criticism through writing and presenting an advanced philosophical essay. (Note: Students planning to pursue graduate studies are encouraged to complete their capstone project the fall semester of their senior year.) Prerequisite: Instructor consent.
3 semester credits

Theology
Programs in Theology strive to advance the dialogue between faith and reason through the study of scripture, liturgy, Church history, and Christian morality. With a major in Pastoral Ministry, Theology, or one of the minors listed below, a student receives the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Theology courses are grouped into four major theological areas of study:

1. Biblical Theology/Scripture:
   THE 110, 203, 210, 213, 318, 330

2. Moral Theology/Ethics/Spirituality:

3. Liturgical Theology/Sacraments:
   THE 221, 323, 326, 332, 337

4. Systematic/Historical Theology:

Pastoral Ministry Program
Outcomes

• Critically evaluate the dialogue between faith and reason.

• Articulate Christian values and their application to human life.

• Demonstrate an understanding of servant leadership as reflected in the Christian scriptures and the Benedictine tradition.

• Develop ministerial skills necessary for individual and collaborative ministry in pastoral settings.

Major in Pastoral Ministry:
Program Chair: Dr. Michon Matthiesen
THE 217, 303 or 310; 310 or 330; 332, 415, 418;
plus a minimum of 26 semester credits in Theology,
of these 26 credits, one course from each of the four major areas of theological study is required;
SWK 309; HUM 499

Note: For those considering graduate studies, 12 semester credits of philosophy and two years of a foreign language are recommended.

Minor in Pastoral Ministry:
Minimum of 21 semester credits in theology of which three courses must be upper division.
Students must pick at least one course from each area: (1) THE 318 or 330; (2) THE 217 or 302 or 315
or 363; (3) THE 221 or 323 or 332 or 370; (4) THE 303 or 310.

Course descriptions are listed after the Theology program.

**Theological Studies Program**

(Second Major)

**Outcomes**

- Critically evaluate the dialogue between faith and reason.
- Articulate Christian values and their application to human life.
- Demonstrate an understanding of servant leadership as reflected in the Christian scriptures and the Benedictine tradition.
- Analyze and evaluate theological issues.

**Major in Theological Studies**

(Second Major):

Program Chair: Dr. Chris Collins

**Outcomes**

- Critically evaluate the dialogue between faith and reason.
- Articulate Christian values and their application to human life.
- Demonstrate an understanding of servant leadership as reflected in the Christian scriptures and the Benedictine tradition.
- Analyze and evaluate theological issues.

THE 110, 112, 208, 220, 221, 303, 318, 326, 330 and 429; HUM 499

**Minor in Theological Studies:**

THE 110, 112; 208 or 220; two 300 level theology courses offered by the University of Mary

This program is also offered at the University of Mary Tempe site in a collaborative relationship with Arizona State University in Tempe, AZ.

Course descriptions are listed after the Theology program.

**Theology Program**

**Major in Theology:**

Program Chair: Dr. Michon Matthiesen

**Outcomes**

- Analyze and evaluate philosophical and theological issues
- Critically evaluate the dialogue between faith and reason.
- Articulate Christian values and their application to human life.
- Demonstrate an understanding of servant leadership as reflected in the Christian scriptures and the Benedictine tradition.
- Analyze and evaluate philosophical and theological issues.

42 semester credits in theology, one of which must be THE 429, of which at least 21 credits must be upper division; plus 3 upper division credits in philosophy; HUM 499.

**Minor in Theology:**

Minimum of 18 semester credits in theology, 9 credits of which must be upper division.

**Minor in Liturgy:**

Minimum of 18 semester credits. Students must take at least six courses in theology, four (4) courses of which must be in liturgical theology and sacraments (THE 221, 323, 326, 332, and 370)

**Concentration in Liturgy:**

As part of the theology major, students must take at least four (4) courses in liturgical theology and sacraments (THE 221, 323, 326, 332 and 370)

**Minor in Catechesis and the New Evangelization:**

Minimum of 18 semester credits in theology, including the core theology requirements plus THE 104, 313, 380 and 415.

**Concentration in Catechesis and the New Evangelization:**

As part of the theology major, students must take THE 104, 313, 380, and 415.

**Minor in Theology / Philosophy**

Minimum of 21 semester credits in Theology and Philosophy, 12 credits of which must be upper division.

**Theology Course Descriptions**

THE 104 Basic Catholic Beliefs

This course explores the fundamental content and structure of Catholic faith and life as presented in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, examining the profession of faith according to the Apostles Creed, the celebration of the Christian mystery in the liturgy and sacraments, the moral life in Christ, and Christian prayer.

3 semester credits
THE 110 Introduction to the Bible
This course examines the structure and content of the Bible in its historical, literary, and canonical contexts with attention to traditional and modern interpretive approaches and the Bible’s role in faith, life, and liturgy.
3 semester credits

THE 112 Introduction to Theology
This course explores the nature, sources, methods, and history of the various disciplines of Christian theology by engaging in reasoned reflection upon revelation in Scripture and Tradition.
3 semester credits

THE 203 Letters of the New Testament
A historical and theological study of the New Testament Letters with emphasis on those by Paul; their importance for early Christianity and significance for the contemporary Church.
3 semester credits

THE 208 Introduction to Christian Ethics
This course examines significant conceptions of the Christian moral life and their sources as well as their relationship to natural law and virtue-centered approaches.
3 semester credits

THE 210 Biblical Prophets and Prophets Today
Major messages of Israel’s prophets in light of social conditions of their time. Messages related to modern day men and women whose lives witness the Gospel’s mandate of social justice.
3 semester credits

THE 213 Wisdom and Psalms of the Bible
This course examines the Psalms and Wisdom writings in both their theological and literary aspects with attention to their role in contemporary faith, life, and liturgy.
3 semester credits

THE 215 Virtue and Character
Critical reflection on values that promote growth and conscience formation. Examination of insights from psychology and the Christian tradition that foster integration and growth in virtue of the human person. Use of reflective methodology aimed at character development.
3 semester credits

THE 217 Theology of Christian Service
Explores the theological foundations and scriptural roots for servant leadership in the contemporary Christian Church. Students discuss and discover servant leader characteristics and the transformative power of service within the human experience.
3 semester credits

THE 220 Faith and Justice
This course explores Christian perspectives on the common good in light of challenges to peace and human dignity presented by the modern world, with special attention to Catholic social teaching.
3 semester credits

THE 221 Sacramental Theology
This course examines the incarnational and sacramental nature of Christian faith, life, and worship: the particular sacraments, especially baptism and the Eucharist; Christian mystagogy; and other sacramental rites and practices.
3 semester credits

THE 234/CTH 234: Benedict: Yesterday and Today
Examines the influence of St. Benedict and Benedictines on Church, history, and various facets of human thought and culture. Monasticism’s significance as a resource for ongoing spiritual renewal in the Church and culture. Required foundation course for Catholic Studies major and minor. Advanced university core theology course (equivalent to THE 104, 110, 112). Offered on the main campus and other locations as well as every term on Rome Campus.
3 semester credits

THE 240 Theology of the Human Person
This course explores basic Christian doctrine concerning the human person in light of theological claims rooted in Scripture and Tradition, exploring such concepts as the image of God, the relationship of body and soul, identity, the nature of sin and redemption, the human family, human community, and human destiny.
3 semester credits

THE 301 Native American Religion
Examination of traditional American Indian religious concepts, beliefs, teachings, practices, and rituals. Analysis of the place and role of Christian teachings and churches among American Indian people. Emphasis on the tribes of the Northern Plains region.
3 semester credits

THE 302 Suffering and Christian Healing
This course concerns the philosophical, theological, and moral challenges posed by the problem of pain and suffering for traditional Judeo-Christian conceptions of God as almighty and all-loving Creator, investigating the promise of various intellectual, moral, social, and spiritual responses to the problem presented by Scripture and tradition.
3 semester credits

THE 303/HIS 303 Church History
This course explores the history of the Church’s emergence, development, and growth in the apostolic, patristic, medieval, and Reformation periods as well as the mutual effects of Christianity’s engagement with various cultures.
3 semester credits

THE 306 The Reformation: Theology and History
This course examines the crises, debates, and movements that dramatically transformed Western Christianity in the sixteenth century, investigating renewal movements within the Catholic Church and the rise and development of Lutheran, Reformed, Anglican and alternative Protestant traditions.
3 semester credits

THE 310 The Church: People of God, Body of Christ
This course examines the historical reality and mystical nature of the Church and her Head, Jesus Christ. It focuses on the theology of the Church, giving special attention to the Second Vatican Council and subsequent developments.
THE 312 Religions of Asia
The course examines the history, beliefs, and practices of the great world religions that originated in ancient south and east Asia while developing a theology of religions. The course concentrates on Hinduism, Buddhism, Daoism, and Confucianism and also investigates traditions such as Jainism, Sikhism, and Shinto. The course surveys the development of each tradition interaction among the traditions, and the diverse forms of each tradition around the world today.

3 semester credits

THE 313 Religious Education and Youth Ministry
This course focuses on religious education and youth ministry as expressions of Christian evangelization and catechesis. It presents the history and methods of religious education and youth ministry and their renewal following the Second Vatican Council. It also examines the opportunities and challenges of churches within contemporary culture within the context of the New Evangelization. The course also involves a practicum in either religious education or youth ministry.

3 semester credits

THE 314 Theology and the Literary Imagination
This course attends to the rich intersection of theology and the literary imagination, exploring literature of various genres, authors, eras and cultures for their aesthetic vision, moral import, and creative rendering of theological truth.

3 semester credits

THE 315 Virtue and Character
This course consists of the material of THE 215 with additional study in areas assigned by the instructor. A student may not receive credit for both 215 and 315.

3 semester credits

THE 317 Abrahamic Religious Traditions
This course examines the history, beliefs, and practices of the great monotheist religious traditions that trace their lineage to the prophet Abraham: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. The course investigates the development of each tradition, interaction among the traditions, and the diverse forms of each tradition in contemporary society.

3 semester credits

THE 318 Jesus the Christ
This course concerns Christology, the study of Christian teaching about the person and work of Jesus Christ as presented in biblical texts, early Christian creeds, the formulas of the great ecumenical councils, sacramental rites, and the liturgy of the Church.

3 semester credits

THE 319 Contemporary Pilgrimage to God
Personal search for God in a fast-paced secular world. Basic elements and tools of spiritual growth: reflective texts, body stillness, holiness of time, and personal journal writing.

3 semester credits

THE 320 Theology of Body, Mind, Spirit
A theological study of the interconnection of the body, mind, and spirit with emphasis on the gifts/ strengths of the functions of the total personality.

3 semester credits

THE 323 Liturgical Celebration
Basic principles of prayerful, creative worship and their application to celebrating the primacy of Sunday and the liturgical year (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time). Practical experience in planning, leading, and evaluating liturgies.

3 semester credits

THE 326 Christian Marriage
This course explores the development of Catholic thought regarding marriage, sex, and family; its sources in Scripture, Tradition, reason and nature; the covenantal and sacramental nature of marriage; and its corporal, spiritual, and personal dimensions, with attention to challenges presented by the modern world.

3 semester credits

THE 330 The Gospels
This course examines the Gospels with regard to their background and development; their relationship to Jesus of Nazareth; their historical, literary, and canonical relationships; their narrative structure, theology and Christology; and their role in Christian faith, life and liturgy.

3 semester credits

THE 332 Eucharistic Liturgy (The Mass)
The dynamic structure of thanksgiving (Eucharist) as creative of Christian community and the meaning of the Mass in the lives of Christians today based on a study of its origin and history.

3 semester credits

THE 335 Benedictines and Leadership
Leadership as seen in the model of community living and the “leading” persons found in the Rule of Benedict. Examination of Benedictine values that contribute to vital human community. Application of its human approach to family life, business, and voluntary groups. Option of live-in experience at a monastery.

3 semester credits

THE 338 Religions in the United States
This course examines the role of religion in the American experience from the period of European exploration and colonization to the present. It concentrates on the development of Jewish, Catholic, and Protestant traditions and also traces the transformation of Native American religions, the rise of new religious movements and the transplantation of other world religions.

3 semester credits

THE 360 Mary in Church and Culture
This course examines the theological, liturgical, historical, cultural, artistic, and spiritual significance of Mary in the Church and in diverse cultures, with attention to Church teaching, theological reflection, and popular Marian piety.

3 semester credits
THE 363 Christian Spirituality
This course examines the rich dimensions of Christian spirituality by studying the nature of the embodied human person on the basis of theological anthropology, by examining the witness of various saints and orders, by investigating historical devotional, ritual, and sacramental practices, and by engaging in personal formation.
3 semester credits

THE 370/MUS 370 Sacred Music
Study of the historical tradition of church music from the New Testament to the present, and the practical implications of current teachings and practices. Cross-listed as MUS 370.
3 semester credits

THE 380 Theology of the New Evangelization
This course examines the theological relevance of Catholic social teaching for the phenomenon of the new evangelization in modern societies.
3 semester credits

THE 382 Seminar in Moral Theology
This course examines contemporary moral issues from a perspective informed by Christian theology anthropology, and cosmology. The course aims at cultivating effective Christian witness to the Gospel, communicating the truth of the human person, and committing to the pursuit of holiness and justice. Seminar topics change periodically but may include issues in human sexuality, the use of force, and ecology, among others.
3 semester credits

THE 328, THE 428 Readings and Research in Theology
Open to students of junior and senior standing. This course is student-initiated and only available upon the consent of instructor. Usually students in this course will have taken at least one other theology course. The course may be taken twice.
2-4 semester credits

THE 415 Servant Leadership in a Parish
Qualities of a servant leader enabling others to serve the Church more effectively. Ministerial skills explored and identified with the managerial processes and human relationships.
3 semester credits

THE 418 Pastoral Ministry Practicum
Field experience in a parish setting with integrative seminar.
6-8 semester credits

THE 429 Seminar in Theology
This course is required for senior Theology and Theological Studies majors and is intended as an opportunity for students to synthesize their theological learning and demonstrate proficiency in theological knowledge and research. Seminar topics will vary and will allow students to apply their learning and produce a substantial research paper (or some alternative project) on particular theological issue or topos.
3 semester credits

THE 440 The Theology and Legacy of St. Augustine
This course examines St. Augustine of Hippo’s enduring contributions to Christian theology, thought, religion, and culture. It explores his intellectual and existential pilgrimage from pagan seeker to Christian convert, bishop, and Doctor of the Church and investigates his theological integration of ancient philosophy with dogmatic, moral, and biblical approaches to understanding the Triune God revealed in Jesus Christ and encountered in the Church.
3 semester credits

THE 490 St. Thomas Aquinas, the Angelic Doctor
This course explores St. Thomas Aquinas as Christian theologian, philosopher, teacher, and mystic. Focusing chiefly on his Summa Theologicae, the course explores the enduring legacy of his thought in the history of theology, including his synthesis of faith and reason, his appropriation of philosophy, his construction of a coherent theology of God, creation and anthropology, and his account of a graced return of the creature to the Creator through the person and work of Christ, mediated by the Church’s sacraments.
3 semester credits

THE 125, 225, 325, 425
Special Offerings in Theology
1-4 semester credits
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Department of Behavioral Sciences Philosophy
The Department of Behavioral Sciences’ philosophy is to develop competent and principled professionals who demonstrate professional and community leadership, personal growth and accountability, and ethical and evidence-based practice.

Addiction Counseling Minor
Program Director: Jim Renner, MSW, LCSW

Minor in Addiction Counseling: ADC 309, 311, 318; PSY 406 and two 300/400 courses selected from CRJ 310, 320; SOC 404; SWK 431; PSY 308, 335, 345 approved by advisor or program director

Addiction Counseling Minor Undergraduate Course Descriptions

ADC 309 Dynamics of Addiction: Addictive Disorders in Society
This course will provide the student with a broad overview of the trends and patterns of addictive disorders in society. The course will examine community-based services and resources available to individuals and families experiencing addictive conditions. Emphasis will be placed on the importance of providing options for continuity of care for the prevention of relapse, enhancement of quality of life and more satisfactory life adjustment.
3 semester credits

ADC 311 Dynamics of Addiction
This course will provide the student with a broad overview of the nature and progression of addictive conditions, and it will explore the impact of those conditions in the lives of addicted individuals, and within the home, family, community, school, work, and social environments.
3 semester credits

ADC 318 Pharmacology of Addiction
This course will provide an overview of the study of drugs, motivations for drug use, social implications, and factors affecting how drugs interact with the human body. It will describe the basic principles and terminology of pharmacology, psychology and physiology of drug use. An introduction and information on the classes of drugs will be discussed. The categories of drugs will include: alcohol, benzodiazepines, sedative-hypnotics, opiates, marijuana, stimulants, caffeine, cocaine, amphetamines, hallucinogens, inhalants, tobacco, and over-the-counter medications. In addition, psychotherapeutic drugs and mental illness will be reviewed along with addictive behaviors, including gambling addiction. Contagious diseases including AIDS/HIV are presented.
3 semester credits

Masters of Science Programs in Counseling

FACULTY: Nevland, Bitz, Holter, Keller, Renner

Mission
In keeping with the mission of the University of Mary and the traditions of the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery, the Master of Science in Counseling (MS) program seeks to:

• Develop competent leaders in service to others
• Promote scholarship and evidence-based practice
• Encourage integration of Christian values with professional ethics
• Prepare individuals for advanced levels of professional service in diverse communities

Master of Science in Counseling (MS)
The University of Mary Master of Science in Counseling offers advanced education for those seeking clinical and direct practice opportunities in mental health, education and human service settings. Completion of the program will position students for North Dakota professional credentialing and licensure in specific fields of practice.
The program curriculum is designed to provide foundational coursework in counseling theories, practice models, and professional ethics as well as specializations in addiction counseling, clinical mental health counseling, school counseling, and student affairs. Term three of the program of
study provides the counseling track courses after the successful completion of the practicum before the internship begins. If the 100 hour COU 590 Practicum and all foundational coursework is successfully completed, the student may apply for internship by completing the appropriate forms.

Upon successfully completing the coursework, comprehensive program exam, practicum, and internship, graduates will have demonstrated academic competence, ethical and evidence based practice, and personal growth.

The academic curriculum is based on the outcomes and standards of the Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP), Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), the National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC), the North Dakota Board of Counseling Examiners (NDBCE), the North Dakota Board of Addiction Counseling Examiners (NDBACE), the Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB), and the Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

Program Outcomes
To educate ethical and evidence based professional counselors in a collegial learning environment that will foster competence in:

- Effective communication and relationships
- Critical thinking, analysis and decision making
- Leadership development in profession and community
- Self-understanding, growth and enrichment
- Integration of Christian and Benedictine values with professional ethics
- Culturally sensitive practice

Distinctive Features and Requirements
- Student centered learning environment
- Concentrated coursework-one class at a time
- Cohort learning community
- Courses offered in evenings
- Some clinical training offered on weekends
- Focus on development of competent practitioners
- Faculty with school, addiction, clinical, higher education, counseling, and social work practice experience
- Only program in Western North Dakota

- The core curriculum brings all four tracks together strengthening the preparation of counselors statewide.

Admission Requirements
- Minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA equivalent of 3.0 on a 4.0 point scale
- Undergraduate major in Psychology, Criminal Justice, Social Work, Education, or closely related human services or healthcare field is optimal
- In person interview with counseling program faculty
- Successful completion of FBI background check

Pre-admission Background Check Requirement
Background checks are required for admission to the Counseling program in order to verify eligibility to participate in the required COU 590 Practicum, COU 695 Internship, and COU 614 Internship Seminar. The Criminal Background Check completed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Child Abuse and Neglect Background Inquiry completed by the North Dakota Department of Human Services are required.

In the event a derogatory is reported, it may jeopardize admission to the program as well as licensure. It is meant to protect students from progressing academically towards a degree where the applicant may not be able to attain a practicum, Internship, and/or become licensed.

Licensing Boards in the State of North Dakota review applicants with felonies on a case by case basis. Such applicants may or may not become licensed. It is the applicant’s obligation to address this with the appropriate Licensing Board.

In addition, it is the applicant’s responsibility to accurately report any felonies and provide an explanation addressing the following items:

1. Brief description of the incident/arrest;
2. Specific charges;
3. Related dates;
4. Consequences;
5. Reflect on how this impacted your life.

If an incident/arrest occurs following acceptance into the program, it is the applicant’s duty to inform the Counseling Program Director.
Qualifying Conference Requirements for the Master of Science in Counseling
- Minimum academic performance in completed coursework of 83% or above in every course
- Completion of all unmet areas of admission criteria
- Satisfactory progress on program outcomes for personal and professional behavior
- Completion of all appropriate application forms for practicum; including federal background checks and child abuse and neglect check.

Candidacy Requirements for the Master of Science in Counseling Program
- Minimum academic performance in completed coursework of 3.0 average (“B” in every course)
- Satisfactory progress on program outcomes for personal and professional behavior
- Completion of all appropriate application forms

Programs of Study

Addiction Counseling
Professional counselors interested in providing substance abuse services to individuals and families complete courses specific to addiction, including psychopharmacology, substance abuse counseling and prevention/intervention strategies. The internship is completed in a training site approved by the North Dakota Board of Addiction Counselor Examiners. Students interested in ND licensure need to complete 1400 hours while students interested in Minnesota licensure may complete 800 hours. Students apply for an internship to the Consortium of the Board of Addiction Counselor Examiners, prior to February 1 of each academic year.

Required Core Courses
- COU 500 Counseling Orientation Seminar
- COU 590 Counseling Practicum
- COU 510 Professional Orientation and Ethics
- COU 520 Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling

COU 530 Human Growth and Development
COU 540 Career Counseling and Testing
COU 551 Research and Program Evaluation for Counseling
COU 570 Counseling Methods and Techniques
COU 572 Counseling Theories
COU 574 Group Counseling Theories and Techniques
COU 580 Assessment Techniques
COU 582 Psychopathology and Assessment
COU 695 Internship
COU 614 Counseling Internship Seminar
COU 611 Crisis Counseling
COU 698 Counseling Thesis (optional)
HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment

Addiction Counseling Track Courses
- COU 600 Psychopharmacology
- COU 602 Prevention and Intervention Strategies
- COU 604 Substance Abuse Counseling
- COU 650 Family Counseling

Clinical Mental Health Counseling
This program option is for professional counselors interested in providing services to individuals and families within a mental health or family based practice setting. Courses in family counseling, spousal counseling, child and adolescent counseling, and clinical mental health counseling are required. Internships are completed in a community based setting that provides mental health, individual and family counseling. A minimum of 700 supervised hours in the internship is required for licensure at the Licensed Associate Professional Counselor level in North Dakota.

Required Core Courses
- COU 500 Counseling Orientation Seminar
- COU 590 Counseling Practicum
COU 510 Professional Orientation and Ethics
COU 520 Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling
COU 530 Human Growth and Development
COU 540 Career Counseling and Testing
COU 551 Research and Program Evaluation for Counseling
COU 570 Counseling Methods and Techniques
COU 572 Counseling Theories
COU 574 Group Counseling Theories and Techniques
COU 580 Assessment Techniques
COU 582 Psychopathology and Assessment
COU 695 Internship
COU 614 Internship Seminar
COU 611 Crisis Counseling
COU 698 Counseling Thesis (optional)
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Clinical Mental Health Counseling Track Courses

COU 600 Psychopharmacology
COU 640 Clinical Mental Health Counseling
COU 645 Child and Adolescent Counseling
COU 650 Family Counseling

COU 604 Substance Abuse Counseling
COU 670 Counseling Military Families
COU 680 Trauma and Loss in Military Families

School Counseling
This program is designed to prepare school counselors for K-12 counseling. The focus of the program is to give students the skills and tools needed to meet the demands of individual, career, and group counseling within an elementary and secondary school setting. The demands for school counselors who can navigate a variety of issues in a diverse setting are increasing. This program aims to prepare the student not only as a traditional school counselor but also as a quality practitioner in the counseling field. A minimum of 600 supervised training hours is required if you have a Teaching License. For applicants who do not have a Teaching License, there are four additional content areas that must be completed. For licensure, all students will complete the Praxis I and Praxis II exams.

Required Core Courses

COU 500 Counseling Orientation Seminar
COU 590 Counseling Practicum
COU 510 Professional Orientation and Ethics
COU 520 Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling
COU 530 Human Growth and Development
COU 540 Career Counseling and Testing
COU 551 Research and Program Evaluation for Counseling
COU 570 Counseling Methods and Techniques
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COU 582 Psychopathology and Assessment
COU 695 Internship
COU 614 Internship Seminar

Military Families Emphasis
The Military Counseling Emphasis may be included as part of the Master of Science in Counseling offered by the University of Mary, or added to an existing master’s degree. In addition, the courses may be taken as stand-alone courses for personal growth and development or as continuing education credits.

Pre-requisites and/or co-requisites (if applicable) added to an existing MSC: COU 570, 572, 574, or other master’s degree in a related field.
COU 611 Crisis Counseling
COU 612 Relationship Counseling
COU 613 Issues in Sexuality
COU 698 Counseling Thesis (optional)
HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment

School Counseling Track Courses
COU 620 Elementary School Counseling
COU 622 Secondary School Counseling
COU 626 Guidance, Administration, and Consultation

Student Affairs Track Courses
COU 630 Foundations in Higher Education
COU 631 Student Development Theory and Research in Higher Education
COU 632 Student Affairs Organizational Behavior and Leadership in Higher Education

Student Affairs
This program is designed to prepare counselors interested in providing services to individuals in a higher education setting. Coursework in foundations, diversity, advocacy, prevention and intervention are required. Theory and research will be applied to student development, student affairs, and student affairs administration. An internship of 300-480 hours is required as part of the program.

Required Core Courses
COU 590 Counseling Practicum
COU 510 Professional Orientation and Ethics
COU 520 Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling
COU 530 Human Growth and Development
COU 540 Career Counseling and Testing
COU 551 Research and Program Evaluation for Counseling
COU 570 Counseling Methods and Techniques
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Thesis or Comprehensive Exam Options
Each student may complete a thesis. This should be discussed with the Counseling Program Director during the Qualifying Conference in the first year.

Thesis
The thesis option emphasizes original research. It represents a student’s capacity for detailed, in-depth research or advanced scholarship. A thesis must demonstrate a student’s ability to clearly define a worthwhile problem, to conduct a thorough investigation, to organize the findings, to draw defensible conclusions, and to give an oral presentation of the findings.

Required Comprehensive Examination
The comprehensive examination is required and emphasizes an assessment of the entirety of learning that takes place in the program. It involves case assessment, demonstration of individual and group skills, development of a therapeutic plan, theoretical and methodological explanation and application. This examination is administered during the 4th term of the program. Students are required to master the material on the examination before the degree is conferred. Students must pass the comprehensive examination in order to graduate from the Counseling Program.

Non-Degree Seeking Candidates
There are a number of reasons a person may select to be non-degree seeking. The most common candidates are professional counselors completing
the required continuing education units or those who already have a Master’s Degree seeking a specific licensure. If this is the case, please meet with the Program Director for approval. Persons may also take courses for personal growth and development.

**Graduate Counseling Course Descriptions**

**COU 500 Counseling Orientation Seminar**
This course will serve as an introduction to the Graduate Counseling program. Students will obtain a thorough understanding of how to successfully navigate through the expectations of the program. A special emphasis will be placed on the development of a professional counselor identity.
2 semester credits

**COU 510 Professional Orientation and Ethics**
This course explores the professional identity of counselors, professional organizations, publications, certification and licensing. The roles and expectations of counselors in various settings are examined as well as the ethical standards and legal issues of the professional utilizing the Ethical Standards of the American Counseling Association.
3 semester credits

**COU 520 Social and Cultural Foundations of Counseling**
Study of social, cultural and gender differences, and issues related to counseling clients with various backgrounds, beliefs and concerns. Includes multicultural counseling techniques, human sexuality, and sex equity. This course in social and cultural foundations in counseling is an invitation for students to become multiculturally competent counselors. Three dimensions of multicultural competence will be addressed in the course: (1) awareness of one’s own culture and how this will impact the counseling relationship, (2) knowledge of the cultures of other groups, knowledge of North Dakota Native Americans and (3) skills in counseling or educating diverse clients
3 semester credits

**COU 530 Human Growth and Development**
This course applies personality theory and the stages of life to human behavior and the given implications relating to the counseling process.
3 semester credits

**COU 540 Career Counseling and Testing**
Students in this course will examine theories of career development and occupational choices as it applies to career counseling and guidance in schools and community settings. Areas to be included are lifestyle development, changing social structures, collecting and evaluating occupational education and social information with use of assessments, and career counseling techniques.
3 semester credits

**COU 551 Research and Program Evaluation for Counseling**
This course will focus on applied social research for human service professions and evidence based practice and evaluation. In addition, research and statistics discussed will primarily relate to the counseling and student affairs professions.
3 semester credits

**COU 570 Counseling Methods and Techniques**
This course teaches students basic counseling theories, techniques, and skills including drop-out prevention. The students will focus on developing and enhancing their skills in order to facilitate their ability to intervene effectively with their clients. Students will be encouraged to explore their own style of counseling and begin to integrate theory with practice.
3 semester credits

**COU 572 Counseling Theories**
This course surveys the field of counseling. It considers the aspects of counseling theories, issues in the practice of mental health counseling, as well as individual and family dynamics.
3 semester credits

**COU 574 Group Counseling Theories and Techniques**
This course overviews various group theories and basic aspects of group therapy as well as application of these theories to the counseling process. Topics covered include group therapy as a laboratory for interpersonal learning, therapist facilitative techniques, group dynamics, the development and role of group cohesiveness, selection and composition of groups, and stages of group therapy.
3 semester credits

**COU 580 Assessment Techniques**
Students will focus on the collection, interpretation, and application of various assessments contributing to a greater understanding of the individual, couples, and family.
3 semester credits

**COU 582 Psychopathology and Assessment**
Study of causes, manifestations, and treatment of mental disorders with an emphasis on diagnostic interviewing skills and diagnosis according to the DSM classifications. Child abuse, sexual abuse, and substance abuse will be examined as part of the course.
3 semester credits

**COU 590 Practicum**
The Practicum is a supervised, onsite field experience that occurs in a professional counseling setting. This affords the graduate student the opportunity to shadow a master counselor.
3 semester credits

**COU 600 Psychopharmacology**
Students will gain an understanding of the brain’s chemistry and its interactions with various drugs. Emphasis placed on the prescription of psychopharmacological drugs, their side effects, and implications for treatment. Aspects related to the use of illicit drugs as it relates to treatment will also be addressed.
3 semester credits

**COU 602 Prevention and Intervention Strategies**
Explores a multidisciplinary/multidimensional discussion, with emphasis on “best practices” and care for select populations, on risk factors, outreach services, pretreatment, community education, referral networks and prevention activities in schools, the workplace, community groups, and healthcare delivery organizations.
3 semester credits
of a “community point of view.” The course also acquaints students with the various approaches (preventative model, consultative role, etc.) and techniques (needs assessment, program evaluation) used by community psychologists. Distinctions between traditional clinical interventions and community interventions are highlighted.

3 semester credits

COU 645 Child and Adolescent Counseling
This course provides an introduction to the specific disorders and problematic psychological states manifested during childhood and adolescence. It will also provide an overview of currently used interventions with psychologically troubled youths.

3 semester credits

COU 650 Family Counseling
This skills course surveys current approaches to family counseling with an emphasis on a systemic conceptual model of couples and family functioning and therapeutic intervention. It is designed to develop specific intervention competencies.

3 semester credits

COU 670 Counseling Military Families
This course examines the impact of military culture on children and families. An overview of the cycle of deployment, post-deployment and reentry to the community will be discussed. Special emphasis will be on counseling spouses and children to include but not limited to: secondary trauma, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), substance abuse, family violence, attachment issues as well as intimacy.

3 semester credits

COU 680 Trauma & Loss in Military Families
This course examines the impact of trauma and loss on military culture and children and families. Special emphasis will be on counseling spouses and children to include but not limited to “survivors of natural disaster, violence, terrorism, loss of limb, etc. as well as death and dying. This course will emphasize the counselors immediate response, assessment and treatment protocols for recovery, trauma, post-traumatic stress disorder, suicide prevention and assessment as well as death, dying, and the grief process.

3 semester credits

COU 695 Internship
Students enrolled in Internship meet weekly in a practicum seminar led by a faculty member. This experience provides an opportunity for the student to perform the activities of a regularly scheduled employee in a professional clinical setting and complete contact hours required for licensure. Variable semester credits dependent upon track. Addiction Counseling 6-8 credits (800-1400 hours), Clinical Mental Health Counseling 6 credits (700 hours), School Counseling 4 credits (600 hours), Student Affairs 2-3 credits (300-450 hours) site dependent. Dual concentration students are limited to a maximum of 7 credits per semester of Internship

COU 698 Counseling Thesis
Directed study to meet thesis track requirements under the guidance of a chair and committee.

3 semester credits

COU 899 Continuing Enrollment
A student who has completed all coursework required by his/her degree plan and who has registered for the capstone
course and who does not complete the capstone project during the term in which he/she is registered must register for COU 899—Continuing Enrollment for each subsequent term (fall, summer, spring) until the capstone project is successfully completed. If the student fails to register, he/she will be withdrawn from candidacy for the master of science degree in counseling.

HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment
Graduate students register for HUM 799 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the Graduate Catalog.

0 semester credits

Criminal Justice Program

Program Director: Tim Schuetzle

Outcomes
After completing the required curriculum in the criminal justice program, graduates will be able to:

- Evaluate the relative strengths of various approaches to criminal justice.
- Show an understanding of the major areas in criminal justice, to include:
  - Criminal justice and juvenile justice process
  - Criminology
  - Law enforcement
  - Law adjudication
  - Corrections
  - Facility and community corrections
  - Homeland security
  - Probation and parole
  - Private security
- Display ethical and professional behavior while applying this knowledge to problems and changing fact situations.
- Communicate this knowledge effectively in written and oral form.
- Process and apply information reliably.
- Demonstrate research skills to include statistics and computer methods.
- Demonstrate logic, critical thinking, and ethical decision-making.
- Display an understanding of the impact of issues of diversity on themselves and their communities.

Major in Criminal Justice

ADC 311; ANT 171; CRJ 201, 210, 212, 310, 312, 320, 390, 410, 420; MAT 180 or 204; HIS 307; POL 101, 414; PSY 201, 406; PSY/SWK 350; one of the following CRJ electives: CRJ 317, 325, 425, 490; HUM 499.04; three of the following electives: ADC 309, 318; POL 302; PSY 308, 332; SOC 302, 305, 404; SWK 303, 311, 330.

Minor in Criminal Justice:
CRJ 201, 212, 210, 310, and any two of the following courses: ADC 311; CRJ 312, 320, 325/425, 410, 420; HIS 307; POL 302, 414; PSY 308, 332, 406; SOC 302, 305; SWK 303.

Criminal Justice Program Course Descriptions

CRJ 201 Introduction to Criminal Justice
The criminal justice system and process including: crime, law-making, criminality, prosecution, police, courts, and corrections. Both historical and contemporary practices covered.
3 semester credits

CRJ 210 Police Science
The foundations of policing in the United States through an exploration of the history, organization, and process of police systems, as well as contemporary policing issues.
3 semester credits

CRJ 212 Criminal Law
Basic principles of substantive criminal law, traditional definitions of crime and recent developments in criminal law through an examination of the definitions of acts and omissions, with an emphasis on historical and philosophical concepts of criminal law.
3 semester credits

CRJ 307/HIS 307 Difference and Inequality
This course is an examination of issues of human diversity from historical, global, social, and cultural perspectives. Issues may include race, gender, age, ethnicity, class, or culture.
3 semester credits

CRJ 310 Corrections
Survey of current correctional thought and practice in the United States. Evolution of modern correctional practices in different types of institutions and in the community. Course includes a critical review of how politics influences sentencing and impacts the size of the correctional system.
3 semester credits

CRJ 312 Criminal Procedure
Basic principles of procedural criminal law, focusing on the 5th and 14th Amendment procedures, along with definitions of elements that detail how the government processes persons in the criminal justice system, with an emphasis on safeguards taken by the criminal justice system to ensure fair treatment in the criminal process.
3 semester credits
CRJ 317 Terrorism and Homeland Security
The course will examine international terrorist events from the 20th and 21st centuries, focusing not only on religious (Jihadist and right-wing Christian) groups, but also Separatist, Nationalistic, Endemic, Revolutionary, and Maoist terrorist groups. The course addresses issues of domestic terrorism and includes a critical look at the United States pre-9/11 espionage community, their handling of the information leading up to the attack. It concludes with the subsequent restructuring of duties and the formation of the Department of Homeland Security, and local police role within that restructuring.
3 semester credits

CRJ 320 Juvenile Justice
An examination of the historical development and philosophy of juvenile court, the theoretical explanations of delinquency, and how the courts are currently dealing with juvenile offenders while also attempting to meet the demands of society. In addition, the course will provide hands-on experience in dealing with the complexities of juvenile delinquents and their families.
3 semester credits

CRJ 390 Junior Internship
Observation of work experience under the direction of a faculty member in a local, state, or federal criminal justice agency. Work credits are arranged by the employer, advisor, and student. Progress is checked by oral and written reports from the employer. Periodic student-advisor conferences are required to discuss progress or problems. Students are required to submit an accounting of their experiences to the instructor. All internship experiences are based on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.
3 semester credits

CRJ 410 Criminology
An examination of the major schools of criminological thought and their influence on the development of criminal justice policy.
4 semester credits

CRJ 420 Senior Seminar (capstone)
The capstone class for seniors, this is the culmination of the student’s prior classes as they pursue their major in Criminal Justice. Students will read and analyze significant criminal justice research studies and legal cases that have formulated theory and policy direction in law enforcement, the courts, and corrections. Emphasis will be placed on decision making models, and students will evaluate ethical scenarios criminal justice professionals face daily. The course will critique current criminal justice policies and debate the more controversial ones. Assessment of the criminal justice program and its connections with the Benedictine values, servant leadership, and University of Mary mission and philosophy are included throughout the course curriculum.
3 semester credits

CRJ 490 Senior Internship
Observation of work experience under the direction of a faculty member in a local, state, or federal criminal justice agency. Work hours are arranged by the employer, advisor, and student. Progress is checked by oral and written reports from the employer. Periodic student-advisor conferences are required to discuss progress or problems. Students are required to submit an accounting of their experiences to the instructor. All internship experiences are based on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.
3 semester credits

CRJ 125, 225, 325, 425
Special Offerings in Criminal Justice
Topics in selected areas of the criminal justice field.
3 semester credits

Psychology Program
Program Director: Dr. Kristi Bitz

Outcomes
Psychology Program outcomes are based upon the American Psychological Association Learning Goals for the Undergraduate Psychology Major

- Students should demonstrate fundamental knowledge and comprehension of the major concepts, theoretical perspectives, historical trends, and empirical findings to discuss how psychological principals apply to behavioral phenomena
- Students will develop scientific reasoning and problem solving skills, including understanding of effective research methods
- Students will develop ethically and socially responsible behaviors for professional and personal settings in a landscape that involves increasing diversity
- Students should demonstrate competence in writing and in oral and interpersonal communication skills
- Students will demonstrate application of psychology-specific content and skills; effective self-reflection, project-management skills, teamwork skills, and career preparation.

Major in Psychology:
ANT 171; BIO 101; CIS 101; COM 110; EDU 367, 390; ENG 121; MAT 103, 204; PHI 108; PHI 208 or 308; POL 101; PSY 201, 204, 207, 350, 406, 490; HUM 499.04
Select one of the following: ART 108, 111, 116, 121, 127; ENG 130; MUS 196
Select one of the following: THE 104, 110, 112, 234
Select one of the following: THE course 200+ level or higher
Select one of the following: PSY 308; 335; 340
Select two of the following: PSY 310; 345; 410; 420
Select one of the following: PSY 307; ADC 318
Select one of the following: PSY 205; 267; 332; ADC 311

Minor in Psychology:
PSY 201, 207, 406
Select one of the following: PSY 310, 345, 410, 420
Select one of the following: PSY 307; 308; 335; 340; ADC 318
Select one of the following: PSY 205; 267; 332; ADC 311

Psychology Program Course Descriptions

PSY 201 General Psychology
General psychology is an introduction to the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. This course will provide a broad overview of human development, consciousness, perception, learning, memory, emotion and motivation, social behavior, personality, health and well-being, psychological disorders and treatments.
3 semester credits

PSY 204 History and Systems of Psychology
This course will provide a historical background of major theoretical viewpoints and philosophical issues in the field of psychological science. Attention will be given to competing schools and systems of psychology, including key figures and theoretical conflicts. The students will become familiar with the evolving American Psychological Association (APA) Code of Ethics as well as the APA professional writing style. . Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 205 Educational Psychology
This course examines the principles of psychology as they relate to teaching and learning and focuses on how psychological theory and concepts can be understood and utilized to inform effective classroom practices. Topics of study include the role of educational psychology, learner differences, development, cognition, culture and diversity, views of learning, motivation, and assessment.
Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 207 Life Span Development
This course will examine the theoretical and empirical bases of human development across the lifespan. Attention will be given to physical, cognitive, emotional, and social growth, from infancy to late adulthood. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 267 Human Sexuality
This course will address the biological, social, and emotional aspects of human sexuality and development. Contemporary topics in human sexuality will be covered, including: contraception, pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases, gender identity, and sex in the media. Prerequisite: PSY 201.
3 semester credits

PSY 307 Cognitive Psychology
This course serves as an introduction to cognitive psychology, which is the study of how people perceive, learn, remember, and think about information. Perception, attention, memory, language, problem-solving, reasoning, intelligence, and decision-making will be examined from various scientific perspectives. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 308 Social Psychology
This course will provide an overview of social psychology. Social psychology is the scientific study of how people think about, influence, and relate to one another. This course will explore topics such as the self, the interplay between behavior and attitude, conformity, helping, prejudice, culture, group influences, attraction, conflict and aggression. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 310 Sport and Injury Psychology
This course will address the principles of Sport Psychology, which will assist athletes (as well as those working with athletes) in identifying variables responsible for hindering and enhancing performance. The complex physical and psychological nature of injuries will be discussed, including theoretical foundations of behaviors, psychological intervention of performance problems, and psychosocial strategies/mental health issues related to injury. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 332 Child and Adolescent Psychology
This course will examine physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development from conception through adolescence as related to self, family, peers and social institutions. Normal as well as abnormal development will be studied. Etiology, developmental course, assessment, diagnosis, and intervention/treatment of child and adolescent disorders will be explored. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 335 Theories of Personality
This course will address various theoretical views of personality development, including physiological, cognitive, evolutionary, and sociocultural perspectives. Personality stability, coherence, and change across time will be critically examined. Students will further become familiar with etiology of personality disorders and methods of personality assessment. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 340 Industrial and Organizational Psychology
This course will address the application of psychological principles to industrial/organizational (I/O) settings. Fundamental topics in the field of I/O will be covered, to include: enhancement of organizational effectiveness, employee selection/training, job appraisal, job design, work motivation/satisfaction, leadership, productivity, and organizational culture. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 345 Forensic Psychology
This course will address the application of psychological research, assessment, and expertise to the issues within the
legal system. Contemporary topics in forensic psychology will be covered, including: criminal profiling, eyewitness testimony, detection of deception, jury selection, psychopathy and violence, competency to stand trial, risk assessment, stalking, and sexual offending. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 350 Research Techniques for the Social/Behavioral Sciences
This course will address social science research methods, procedures, data collection, and analysis. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods approaches will be covered. Students will become more informed consumers of scholarly research and will learn how to develop an original research proposal. Also listed as SWK 350. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 406 Abnormal Psychology
This course will address the development and structure of normal and abnormal behavior, as well as the biological, chemical, environmental, and social approaches to treatment. Theoretical and empirical bases for the emergence and maintenance of mood, anxiety, somatic, personality, substance-related, neurocognitive, psychotic, sexual, and eating disorders, will be covered. Prerequisite: PSY 201
3 semester credits

PSY 410 Psychological Testing and Assessment
This course will address the history and application of psychological assessment, as well as principles of test construction, administration, and interpretation. Students will become familiar with the following types of individual and group assessments: intelligence, achievement/ability, personality, neuropsychological, vocational, industrial/organizational, and forensic. Ethical and legal issues will be explored. Prerequisites: PSY 201; MAT 204
3 semester credits

PSY 420 Clinical Psychology
This course will address the foundations of clinical psychology, specialties in clinical psychology, clinical assessment, and evidence-based practice. The students will become familiar with therapeutic interventions utilized by the following perspectives: Psychodynamic, Phenomenological, Humanistic-Existential, and Cognitive-Behavioral. The essential elements of group therapy, family therapy, and couples therapy will be covered. Prerequisites: PSY 201; PSY 406
3 semester credits

PSY 490 Senior Capstone in Psychology
The Capstone in Psychology course will assist students with career preparation, graduate school preparation, applied experience in the Psychology major (e.g. service learning), conference attendance/community networking, engagement in effective teamwork, and overall professional development. Prerequisites: PSY 201; senior status; psychology major
1 semester credit

Social Work Program
Program Director: Heidi Nieuwsma

Outcomes
Upon completion of the Social Work major, beginning level B.S.W. graduates will be able to:

- Identify as professional social workers and conduct themselves accordingly.
- Apply social work ethical principles to guide professional practice.
- Apply critical thinking to inform and communicate professional judgments.
- Engage diversity and difference in practice.
- Advance human rights and social and economic justice.
- Engage in research-informed practice and practice-informed research.
- Apply knowledge of human behavior and the social environment.
- Engage in policy practice to advance social and economic well-being and to deliver effective social work services.
- Respond to contexts that shape practice.
- Engage, assess, intervene and evaluate with individuals, families, groups, organizations and communities.
- Engage in the practice of servant leadership.

Note: Successful completion of the Social Work Program qualifies students to take the Social Work license exam. Program completers’ license exam pass rates are available by contacting the Social Work Program Director.

Major in Social Work:
BIO 101; MAT 204; PSY 201, 207, 406; ANT 171, ADC 311; EDU 367, 390; SOC 404; POL 101; SWK 201, 309, 311, 312, 318, 319, 330, 350, 413, 417, 418, 419, 431, 432, HUM 499.04; and thr of the following 3 credit electives: SWK 303; CRJ 307, 310, 312, 320, 401; POL 302, 414; PSY 267, 307, 308, 332, 345, 420; SOC 302, 304, 305.

Social Work Program Course Descriptions

SWK 201 Introduction to Social Work
Historical development of the profession, key concepts, values and skills, range of employment fields and settings, as well as the social welfare issues and political contexts in which they are viewed.
3 semester credits
SWK 303 Services to Children and Families
Examination of the historical, social, and legal issues that have shaped traditional child welfare programs, a study of the wide range of programs to support families and children, and a study of the role of the social worker in services to children and families.
3 semester credits

SWK 309 Introduction to Generalist Practice
Presentation of theory and skills required for generalist social work practice. Introduce students to interventive processes common to social work and counseling practice with a wide range of clients including individuals, families, groups and communities. Particular attention is given to the use of strength based, problem solving and direct practice with clients. Prerequisite: (SWK 201 for social work majors).
3 semester credits

SWK 311 Social Welfare Policies I
Examination of the historical, political, philosophical, and economic forces that shape current social welfare systems. Development and analysis of social policy and programs emphasized. Prerequisite: SWK 201
3 semester credits

SWK 312 Social Welfare Policies II
Analysis of administrative and legislative processes that affect social programs; grant writing and program funding included. Pre-requisites: SWK 201, 309 and 311.
3 semester credits

SWK 318 Field Experience I
Experience in a professional human service setting under agency and educational supervision. Provides the student with a basic understanding of the human service delivery system, professional roles and responsibilities in human services, and the effective use of self in the helping role. Minimum of 150 hours. Prerequisites: SWK 201; SWK 309 and SWK 311 to be taken prior to or concurrently.
4 semester credits

SWK 319 Integrative Seminar I
Integration of theory from academic work with field experience as students learn about the diversity of human services agencies and client populations served in rural/urban areas. Taken in conjunction with SWK 318.
2 semester credits

SWK 330 Human Behavior/Social Environment I
Examines theory and process of human interactions including social groups, organizations, institutions, families, and communities. Models and systems are explored. Prerequisites: SWK 201, 309, and 311.
3 semester credits

SWK 350 Research Techniques for the Social/Behavioral Sciences
This course will address social science research methods, procedures, data collection, and analysis. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed methods approaches will be covered. Students will become more informed consumers of scholarly research and will learn how to develop an original research proposal. Also listed as PSY 350. Prerequisite: MAT 204
3 semester credits

SWK 413 Generalist Practice with Groups
Addresses basic knowledge and skills needed in group work practice. Includes the study of stages, models, theory, dynamics, and techniques. Prerequisites: SWK 201, 309, 311, 312, 318, 319, 330, and 350.
3 semester credits

SWK 417 Generalist Practice with Families
3 semester credits

SWK 418 Field Experience II
Advanced experience in a professional human service agency to prepare students for professional generalist practice. Minimum of 400 hours. Prerequisites: SWK 201, 309, 311, 312, 318, 319, 330, 350, 413, 417, and 431; SWK 432 taken prior to or concurrently.
8 semester credits

SWK 419 Integrative Seminar II
The senior social work seminar is designed to provide each student with the opportunity to develop further integration of social work theory and practice from a generalist perspective. To facilitate this, the seminar participants address topics and issues that are immediate and practical for beginning level professionals. Students are required to examine these topics and issues in relation to their current and previous field experiences as well as in relation to theoretical and classroom content. Concurrent with SWK 418.
3 semester credits

SWK 428 Readings and Research in Social Work
A directed study to fit the student’s area of interest. Prerequisite: Consent of instructor. Fulfills elective requirement.
1-4 semester credits

SWK 431 Human Behavior/Social Environment II
Provides critical, theoretically-based examination of interaction of people and their environments, with attention to individual, family, group, community, organizations, and institutions. The phenomena of violence, addictions, aging, and grief and loss are analyzed from systems and ecological perspective. Prerequisites: SWK 201, 309, 311, 312, 318, 319, 330, and 350.
3 semester credits

SWK 432 Generalist Practice with Organizations and Communities
Practice with large system (organizations and communities) assessment, intervention and evaluation, with an emphasis on theory and practice as they relate to rural/urban and reservation areas. Prerequisites: SWK 201, 309, 311, 312, 318, 319, 330, and 350.
3 semester credits

SWK 125, 225, 325, 425
Special Offerings in Social Work
1-4 semester credits
Department of Education

Chair: Kim Marman

Philosophy

The Department of Education undergraduate programs are designed to develop competent and principled professionals who take responsibility for student learning and who demonstrate strong pedagogical content knowledge and professional characteristics.

Note: Successful completion of a program of study in the Department of Education qualifies students to take the teacher licensure exam in their program area. Candidate teacher licensure pass rates can be found on the Department of Education web page.

Department of Education Admission Requirements:

The specific requirements for entrance to the Department of Education are as follows:

1. A student must have minimum overall GPA of 2.5.
2. A student must complete a Personal Data Form.
4. A student must write and submit an essay on his or her philosophy of education.
5. For Business Education, SBS Education, English Education, History Education, Biology Education, Math Education, and Music Education Majors only: Students must provide written evidence of acceptance by their major.

Admission to the Department of Education is prerequisite to taking EDU and PED 300–400 level courses. Admission requirements are presented and discussed in EDU 200 (Introduction to Education), and students are strongly advised to complete all 200-level courses prior to enrollment in EDU/PED 300 and/or 400-level courses.

Student Teaching Program Admission Requirements:

The student teaching experience is the capstone course of the teacher preparation program in the Department of Education at the University of Mary.

The specific requirements for admission into the student teaching program are as follows:

1. A student must be admitted into the Department of Education.
2. A student must attend the Preliminary Student Teaching Meeting on September 10 or January 10 and complete a Student Teaching Program Application Form that is provided at the preliminary student teaching meeting one semester ahead of the student teaching semester.
3. A student must provide his/her advisor with a Graduation Audit Report and a Program Review of Studies for Graduation form and submit the completed forms to the Department of Education. These forms provide verification that the prospective student teacher has met the following Student Teaching Program requirements:
   • Has completed all course work required for a teaching license
   • Has an overall GPA of 3.0 or above in teaching major(s)
   • Has no grade lower than a C- in any course required for teaching license
   
   Note: If a student has any coursework to complete, the candidate is required to submit, along with a copy of the Graduation Audit Report, a petition letter listing all of the courses to be completed for his/her teaching degree and a time line of when and where the courses will be completed. The petition letter must be submitted to the Student Teaching Program Director, who may present the petition letter to the Department of Education faculty for approval.
4. A student must submit a copy of his/her Praxis I test scores to the Department of Education and must receive Praxis I test scores that meet the North Dakota Education Standards and Practices Board (ESPB) licensure cut-off scores.
5. A student must present an Electronic Portfolio for Student Teaching Assessment Day and receive a passing grade in EDU 411 Student Teaching Assessment.
6. A student must submit a Student Teaching Recommendation Form from two full-time Department of Education teaching
faculty members and one recommendation from a person outside of the Department of Education of the student’s choice.

Note: For secondary education students, the third letter of recommendation must come from the student’s content major instructors.

7. A student must complete a diversity experience as part of his/her program of study. The Department of Education offers various diversity experiences to fulfill this requirement. Students have the option of registering for a variety of diversity experiences for credit.

Note: To obtain information about the diversity experiences and the various options to fulfill this requirement, please contact the Elementary Education Program Director.

8. A student must have completed two technology workshops offered by the Department of Education and a certificate of workshop participation must be on file in the Department of Education for each workshop.

Note: If the background check reveals that the student has a conviction, that record must be submitted to the school district in which the student has been assigned as a student teacher. Based on the nature of the conviction, the school district can refuse to have the student placed in that school district and, as a result, that student will NOT complete his/her teaching major requirements or university graduation requirements.

■ Early Childhood Education Program

Program Director: Janet Bassingthwaite

Program Outcomes:

• Students who complete the early childhood education program will be eligible for the North Dakota Educator’s Professional License to teach in birth to grade 3.

• The curriculum in Early Childhood Education will provide students with a broad base of knowledge of the standards, aligned content, and curricular goals of the early childhood disciplines.

• Students will be prepared to become effective and reflective early childhood teachers who can plan and implement a broad range of instructional, assessment, and management strategies to create positive learning environments to meet the diverse needs of all students.

Early Childhood Education
Course Requirements:
ENG 121; COM 110; HIS 101 or 102; GEO 101 or 302; PSY 205; 332; BIO 101 or 103; SCI 102, 201; MAT 103 or above; EDU 413; PED 235 or 305; EDU 200 or 202, 215, 250, 295, 301, 303, 307, 312, 315, 316, 318, 320, 332, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 367, 385, 400, 411, 423, 424; HUM 499.04.

■ Elementary Education Program

Program Director: Loni Miller

Program Outcomes

• Students who complete the elementary education program will be eligible for the North Dakota Educator’s Professional License to teach in grades 1-6.

• The curriculum in elementary education will provide students with a broad base of knowledge of the standards aligned content and curricular goals of the elementary disciplines.

• Students will be prepared to become effective and reflective elementary teachers who can plan and implement a broad range of instructional, assessment, and communication skills while collaborating with career teachers in the field, families, and with community agencies for professional growth.

Elementary Education Course Requirements:
POL 101, ANT 171, ENG 121; COM 110; MAT 103 or above, CIS 101, PHI 108, BIO 101, SCI 102, 201; HIS 101 or 102, GEO 101 or 102 PSY 201, 205,

■ Coaching (Minor) Program

The curriculum in Coaching (minor) is designed for students who are interested in pursuing a career in the coaching profession.

Coaching Minor Course Requirements:
BIO 101; BIO 207 or PED 207; ATH 151, 238; EXS 302, 336; PED 157, 159, 326, 343, 360, 370, 401.

■ Health Education (Minor) Program

The curriculum in Health Education (minor) is designed to prepare students to teach health education courses in the secondary school setting. A student who completes the health education minor program along with a teachable major at the University of Mary is eligible for licensure to teach health courses in grades 7-12 in North Dakota. Meeting the requirement of other states is the responsibility of the student.

Health Education Minor Course Requirements:
PED 157, 159, 267, 312, 313; HPS 206; BIO 101 or 103; BIO 207 or PED 207; EDU 295, 310; EXS 305, 336; and ATH 317.

■ Middle School Endorsement

A Middle School Endorsement is recommended for all students who would like to become middle school teachers in North Dakota. A middle level major equivalency endorsement consists of 24 semester hours for a single content area (English, Math, Business, Social Studies, or Science) and is verified through official transcripts from a state-approved college of teacher education. These courses can be taken along with the Middle School Endorsement. To be highly qualified to teach Middle School English, Math, Social Studies, or Science, it is recommended that candidates successfully pass the Middle School Content Test for their discipline.

Middle School Endorsement Course Requirements:
PSY 332, EDU 305, 365 or 652, 530, and 573

■ Physical Education and Health Program

Program Director: Dr. Patricia Raube-Keller

Program Outcomes:
- Students who complete the physical education program will be eligible for the North Dakota Educator’s Professional License to teach in grades K-12
- The curriculum will provide the students with the ability to become an effective Physical Education instructor who is able to motivate their students to become healthy active individuals.
- Students will be able to engage in responsible professional behaviors as they apply effective decision making and communication skills while collaborating with career teachers in the field, families, and with community agencies for professional growth.

Physical Education Course Requirements:
ENG 121; COM 110; PSY 205; BIO 101; BIO 207 or PED 207; MAT 103 or above; EXS 336; ATH 238; HPS 206; EDU 200 or 202, 295, 301, 310, 320, 367, 401, 411, 421, 423, 432-01, 432-02; PED 105, 157, 159, 221, 222, 235, 267, 303, 305, 313, 339, 360, 401; and HUM 499.04, PSY 267.

■ Reading Credential

The courses in the reading credential program are intended for students pursuing a teaching major, or professionals with a current endorsement, in early childhood education, elementary education or secondary education. A reading credential will provide students with the credential required to work with students assigned Title I reading programs.

Reading Credential Course Requirements:
Elementary education majors: EDU 365 or 652, 611, and 617. Secondary education majors must have a major in English, social studies or science, including a minimum of two semester hours in three of the following course areas: foundations or survey of reading, reading in the secondary school, diagnosis and correction of reading disabilities, clinical or laboratory practicum in reading with secondary students, reading in the content areas, research and the literature in reading or language arts, exceptional child, curriculum development, or English education methods.
Secondary Education Program
Program Director: Dr. Daphne Ghorbani

Program Outcomes:
- Students may complete a bachelor’s degree in secondary teaching in biology, business, English, history, mathematics, music, and social studies which will meet eligibility requirements for North Dakota teacher licensure for teaching in grades seven through twelve.
- The curriculum will prepare students to be effective secondary classroom teachers capable of meeting the needs of all students, including those with special needs and varied backgrounds.
- Coursework includes a strong liberal arts background, an integrated slate of courses from both the Education Department and the content major, and a number of opportunities to explore school systems outside of the local framework.

Special Education Program
Program Director: Jaylia Prussing

Program Outcomes:
- University of Mary students who complete the major in Special Education meet eligibility requirements for the North Dakota Intellectual Disabilities endorsement for K-12 schools. The University of Mary’s coordinated course of study meets the state guideline which requires the special educator to attain a general education teaching major as well as a major in special education strategist.
- In today’s K-12 schools, students with disabilities are served by general education teachers, special education teachers, and other school personnel. In order to support and coordinate service to students with disabilities, the special educator must be competent in: characteristics of disabilities, federal and state special education law, collaboration and consultation, general school curriculum, behavior support, assessment, family school relations, and applied research and writing.
- Special education majors will have knowledge and skills that meet the Common Core of Knowledge and Skills, the Individualized Education Curricula, the Developmental Disabilities Curricula of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), and the endorsement standards for the state of North Dakota.
- Special education majors develop personal and professional skills and attitudes that prepare them for a variety of career options supporting people with disabilities in schools, human service agencies, adult education, community- home support, and administration.

Special Education Major Course Requirements:
PED 313; PSY 406; EDU 332, 383, 388, 392, 409 or 656, 410, 412 or 595, 413 or 645, 415 or 657, 423, 426, 429; HUM 499.04 and two semester credits of special education electives. (For course descriptions of EDU 595, 645, 656, and 657, see the Graduate Education section.)

Special Education Minor Course Requirements:
EDU 295, 383; at least four semester credits from the following: PED 313; EDU 332, 388, 392, 410, 429, 670, 576; and at least five semester credits from the following: EDU 409 or 656, 412 or 595, 413 or 645.

Note: A minor in Special Education does not lead to a North Dakota endorsement; however, the content and practices involved in a Special Education minor will be valuable to general education teachers and may be valuable to other human service majors such as occupational therapy and/or social work.

Education Program Course Descriptions (EDU)
EDU 200 Introduction to Education
This course is intended to provide students with an understanding of the historical and philosophical foundations of American education and give prospective teachers a basis for linking theory to practice. Students will gain insight into understanding their role as teachers in shaping and sustaining modern education and learn about the teaching profession, learner diversity among today’s students, curriculum, instruction and productive learning environments in America’s schools. During this course, students will be invited to make application to the Department of Education.
3 semester credits

EDU 202 Introduction to Teaching for Transfer Students
Assuming that the student has had some college coursework in teacher preparation, this course introduces the transfer student to the University of Mary’s philosophy of teacher preparation and the conceptual framework of the Department of Education. The transfer education student develops his/her philosophy of education and has the opportunity to apply to the Department of Education.
1 semester credit
**EDU 215 Introduction to Early Childhood Education**
This course explores the historical and philosophical foundations of the care and schooling of young children, ages 0-8. An overview of typical and atypical child development, current theories, program models and issues, and various curriculum models will be covered.
2 semester credits

**EDU 250 Children's Literature**
Literature is a foundation for instruction and enjoyment in the early childhood and elementary curriculum. Students explore various genres of children’s literature, with an emphasis on the use of literature across the curriculum.
2 semester credits

**EDU 295 Learners with Exceptional Needs**
Teachers must teach students with a wide variety of educational needs. This course presents an overview of learners with exceptional needs. Emphasis will be on processes and principles of special education, overviews of exceptionalities, curriculum and inclusion.
3 semester credits

**EDU 300 Elementary Practicum I**
This course is designed to give students practical experience in the classrooms in the areas of language arts, music, physical education, and art. This course must be taken concurrently with Block I methods courses: EDU 301, 315, 312; and PED 305.
2 semester credits

**EDU 301 Classroom Management**
This course is designed to familiarize students with basic theories of classroom discipline and management. This course will focus on proactive strategies to cultivate an atmosphere of mutual respect for all within a classroom as well as implement prevention and re-mediation strategies when working with disruptive students. Prospective elementary teachers should take classroom management concurrently with Block I methods courses: EDU 300, 312, 315 and PED 305.
2 semester credits

**EDU 303 Elementary and Middle School Science Methods**
This course is a survey of current elementary and middle school science teaching strategies and science programs with an emphasis on the integration of theory and practice. This course should be taken concurrently with EDU 307, 316, 318, and 400. Prerequisites: BIO 101; SCI 102, 201.
2 semester credits

**EDU 305 Middle School Practicum**
This course is designed to provide students with an observational practicum experience in the middle school practicum in each student’s major area of study.
1 semester credit

**EDU 307 Elementary and Middle School Math Methods**
This course is a survey of current elementary and middle school math teaching strategies and math programs with an integration of theory and practice. Should be taken concurrently with EDU 305, 316, 318, and 400 if an elementary education major. Prerequisites: MAT 103 or 106.
2 semester credits

**EDU 310 Secondary Practicum I**
This course is designed to provide students with a practicum teaching experience in the secondary education classroom in each student’s major area of study. This course must be taken concurrently with the major specific secondary teaching methods course.
1 semester credit

**EDU 311 Music in the Elementary School**
This course introduces methods of teaching singing, classroom instruments, rhythms, reading, and appreciation of music. This course should be taken concurrently with EDU 300, 301, 312, 315; and PED 305.
2 semester credits

**EDU 312 Arts in the Elementary School**
This course provides students with the study of the basic theories of music, theater, and visual arts as applied to the elementary education curricula and art programs in elementary schools.
2 semester credits

**EDU 315 Elementary and Middle School Language Arts Methods**
Elementary and middle school classrooms are learning environments in which students develop communication skills. Students in this course design instructional programs based on theoretical foundations of instruction in reading, writing, listening, speaking, and thinking. This course should be taken concurrently with EDU 300, 301, 312, 320 and PED 305 if an elementary education major.
3 semester credits

**EDU 316 Elementary and Middle School Reading Methods**
This course is designed to examine effective scientifically-based instructional practices used to teach reading in the elementary and middle school curriculum. Emphasis is placed on the use of data in providing flexible grouping and differentiated instruction to effectively meet student needs. This course should be taken concurrently with EDU 303, 307, 318, and 400. Prerequisite: EDU 315.
3 semester credits

**EDU 318 Elementary and Middle School Social Studies Methods**
This course is a survey of elementary and middle school social studies teaching strategies and social studies programs with an emphasis on the integration of theory and practice. This course be taken concurrently with EDU 303, 307, 316 and 400 if an elementary education major. Prerequisites: HIS 101 or 102.
2 semester credits

**EDU 320 Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment**
This course focuses on the curriculum development process in K-12 schools; the techniques used in designing and delivering learning activities; and the formal and informal assessment methods used to assess the performance of all students. Emphasis will be placed on the interdependence of curriculum, instruction, and assessment.
3 semester credits
EDU 332 Cognitive and Language Development
The importance of language, cognition, and thinking are highlighted in this course. Students are exposed to the current theories as well as the traditional theories of Piaget, Vygotsky, Chomsky, and Skinner. Attention is also given to how these theories impact teaching and learning. A 30-hour practicum is included in this course.
4 semester credits

EDU 334 Methods and Materials in Early Childhood Education
This course is a survey of current curriculum of early childhood education for young children ranging in age from birth to age eight with an integration of theory and practice. Professional development, ethical conduct and understanding what developmentally appropriate practices are fundamental in participation in the practicum field experiences. Curriculum planning and managing early childhood classrooms for infants and toddlers, preschool and kindergarten will be integrated throughout the semester. The course is taken concurrent with EDU 335.
2 semester credits

EDU 335 Early Childhood Education Practicum
This course requires 60 credits of field work with 20 credits spent training with each age group – Infant/Toddler, preschool and kindergarten. Students are required to work 5-6 hours a week for 12 weeks at a teaching location selected by the instructor. Evaluations will be conducted by supervising practicum teachers and include a self-evaluation component. Must be taken concurrently with EDU 334.
2 semester credits

EDU 336 Developing Learning Environments
This course helps students design early childhood classroom environments that enhance the curriculum. Students learn how to manage the routines of the classroom and plan for instruction within the areas of health, safety and nutrition. Throughout the course examining the role of licensing requirements in setting up an early childhood facility, assessing the quality of that environment and administration and management of a facility will be discussed.
2 semester credits

EDU 337 Inclusion in Early Childhood Settings
More young children with disabilities are being included in regular childcare and classroom settings. Inclusion is adding to the tasks that teachers have in classrooms. By helping early childhood educators understand the basic needs of children with disabilities, they will better meet the diverse needs of all children.
2 semester credits

EDU 338 Social Emotional Foundations of Early Childhood Education
Social-emotional development is the basis for all learning. Foundational experiences in early childhood formulate how a child learns to develop and maintain relationships, express and regulate emotion, and behave appropriately in social situations. Students will understand the history of social education, developmentally appropriate milestones, the adult’s role, and strategies for purposeful teaching of skills in this domain.
2 semester credits

EDU 335 Early Childhood Education Practicum
This course is designed to examine a variety of teaching, planning, and assessment strategies at the secondary level. Students will study ways in which middle and high school teachers can develop positive relationships with students and differentiate instruction to help diverse learners master content standards. The course is delivered online by licensed teachers in the Bismarck area middle schools and/or high schools and includes current issues and practices affecting curriculum and teaching. Assignments, reading, and threaded discussions are designed to strengthen content knowledge and develop reflective practitioners who take responsibility for student learning. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301 and 320.
2 semester credits

EDU 337 Cultural Diversity and Human Relations
The course will focus on how culture and other diversity topics affect interactions with others and will help students gain an increased awareness of, and an appreciation for, the dimensions related to their own culture and to the cultures of others with particular emphasis on the Native American culture. Students will have the opportunity to examine and analyze the impact of prejudice, discrimination, and privilege within self and between groups. The skills necessary for promoting positive human relations in a diverse society will be explored and developed.
3 semester credits

EDU 338 Social Emotional Foundations of Early Childhood Education
This course emphasizes the importance of content literacy in elementary, middle school, and secondary grades. Special emphasis is given to various models of reading and differentiated instructional strategies for reading in the content areas, as well as best teaching practices in reading. Students in this course will utilize reading and study skills to facilitate vocabulary development, decoding skills, and comprehension abilities in the content areas. Focus of this course is to develop reading and study techniques to be used in content areas, both in regular classrooms and in resource situations.
2 semester credits

EDU 373 Secondary Methods – Social/Behavioral Sciences
This course is designed to examine a variety of teaching, planning, and assessment strategies at the secondary level. Students will study ways in which middle and high school social studies and history teachers can develop positive relationships with students and differentiate instruction to help diverse learners master content standards. The course is delivered online by licensed teachers in the Bismarck area middle schools and/or high schools and includes current issues and practices affecting curriculum and teaching. Assignments, reading, and threaded discussions are designed to strengthen content knowledge and develop reflective practitioners who take responsibility for student learning. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301 and 320.
2 semester credits

EDU 377 Secondary Methods – Mathematics
This course is designed to examine a variety of teaching, planning, and assessment strategies at the secondary level. Students will study ways in which middle and high school
math teachers can develop positive relationships with students and differentiate instruction to help diverse learners master content standards. The course is delivered online by licensed teachers in the Bismarck area middle schools and/or high schools and includes current issues and practices affecting curriculum and teaching. Assignments, reading, and threaded discussions are designed to strengthen content knowledge and develop reflective practitioners who take responsibility for student learning. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301 and 320. 2 semester credits

**EDU 378 Secondary Methods – Business Education**

This course is designed to examine a variety of teaching, planning, and assessment strategies at the secondary level. Students will study ways in which middle and high school business education teachers can develop positive relationships with students and differentiate instruction to help diverse learners master content standards. The course is delivered online by licensed teachers in the Bismarck area middle schools and/or high schools and includes current issues and practices affecting curriculum and teaching. Assignments, reading, and threaded discussions are designed to strengthen content knowledge and develop reflective practitioners who take responsibility for student learning. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301 and 320. 2 semester credits

**EDU 379 Secondary Methods – Biology**

This course is designed to examine a variety of teaching, planning, and assessment strategies at the secondary level. Students will study ways in which middle and high school biology teachers can develop positive relationships with students and differentiate instruction to help diverse learners master content standards. The course is delivered online by licensed teachers in the Bismarck area middle schools and/or high schools and includes current issues and practices affecting curriculum and teaching. Assignments, reading, and threaded discussions are designed to strengthen content knowledge and develop reflective practitioners who take responsibility for student learning. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301 and 320. 2 semester credits

**EDU 383 Introduction to Learners with Mild Disabilities**

Special education teachers need to have a working knowledge of different mild disabilities. This course will provide an introduction to the characteristics of students who are intellectually disabled, emotionally disturbed, and learning disabled. This course is designed so that students learn special education terminology, laws, and general practices. 3 semester credits

**EDU 385 Administration & Leadership of Early Childhood Education**

Personnel who supervise and organize early childhood programs serve as leaders in governance. Students examine local, state, and federal regulations governing the administration and management of early childhood programs. Methods of record keeping, personnel management, resource management, budgeting and fundraising are explored. Creating business plans and strategic planning for long-term sustainability is critical to maintaining a successful early childhood program. 2 semester credits

**EDU 388 Methods of Education for Learners with Moderate/Severe Intellectual Disabilities**

Teachers who serve students with moderate and severe disabilities must implement specialized teaching practices. This course explores those practices. Students learn about alternative curricula; how to teach students with physical, sensory or other health impairments; and how to evaluate and provide for the long-range needs of learners with intellectual disabilities. Practicing professionals will be sharing their expertise with students. This course will be combined with classroom and practicum experience. 3 semester credits

**EDU 390 Diverse Learners Practicum**

This course provides students in the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences (SEBS) the opportunity to observe and interact with persons of diverse backgrounds. The course is generally taken concurrently with EDU 367-Cultural Diversity and Human Relations. This Practicum is designed to provide students experiential and skill building opportunities. This course will be individualized to meet students’ needs and/or opportunities. 1 semester credit

**EDU 392 Transition Issues for Learners with Disabilities**

Students must be knowledgeable about strategies and programs for persons with disabilities making a transition from school settings to: a) employment, b) post-secondary training or education, or c) independent living. This course will focus on the critical issues facing persons with disabilities when transitioning from the school setting to full participation in adult society. It emphasizes empowering service providers with the tools and strategies needed to assist students throughout the transition process. Practicum required. 3 semester credits

**EDU 400 Elementary Practicum II**

This course is designed to give students practical experiences in the classroom in the areas of reading, mathematics, science, social studies, and the integration of technology. This course must be taken concurrently with the Block II methods courses: EDU 303, 307, 316, and 318. 2 semester credits

**EDU 401 Secondary Practicum II**

Students must have practical teaching experience in the secondary education classroom prior to student teaching. In this course students are placed in a secondary education classroom in the student’s major area of study. Each student is required to teach a specific number of lessons and the practicum student’s knowledge, skills, and attitude as a preservice teacher are evaluated by the assigned practicum teacher. This course must be taken concurrently with EDU 421. 1 semester credit

**EDU 409 Introduction to Integrated Assessment**

Teachers specializing in the areas of exceptionality assess students in order to provide the most appropriate programs for students with special needs. Based upon the premises of
least restrictive environment and inclusive practice, students will establish beginning proficiency as consultants and practitioners of strategies related to Universal Design, Response to Intervention, and Positive Behavior Support. Emphasis is on developing skill in informational assessment and meeting individual learners’ needs through accommodations and modifications.

2 semester credits

**EDU 410 Practicum in Special Education**
Teachers must apply best practices within real-life settings. This course allows students to observe and apply content and methods from current and prior coursework and provides an experiential base for upcoming courses. Taken concurrently with EDU 388.

2 semester credits

**EDU 411 Student Teacher Assessment**
Student teacher candidates must have obtained a satisfactory level of proficiency in a number of teaching skill areas prior to their student teaching placement. This course is designed to provide students with feedback on the Department of Education professional competencies. This assessment provides insight into the professional readiness of each student teacher candidate. The student teaching candidate must present Praxis I test scores no lower than the state mandated cut-off scores, a Graduation Audit Report and a Program Review of Studies for Graduation, and submit official fingerprints and a FBI background check to the Student Teacher Placement Director before being placed in student teaching.

0 semester credits

**EDU 412 Cognitive Behavior Strategies**
Teachers of special needs students will be direct service providers and consultants to other teachers, and they must have expertise in behavioral theory and intervention. This course explores the philosophy and applied practice of behavior change. Emphasis will be on functional behavior analysis, positive behavioral support, and cognitive practices. Students will write individual and group behavior change plans based on case studies.

2 semester credits

**EDU 413 Community/Parent/Teacher/Child**
This course examines the relationship between schools, families, and communities in meeting the educational needs of children in many settings.

2 semester credits

**EDU 415 Integrated Assessment II**
Special education teachers demonstrate competence in using assessments for identification of disabilities and for monitoring of students’ progress. Teacher candidates practice choosing appropriate assessment instruments, administering of standardized and non-standardized instruments (including state mandated achievement tests and the alternative assessment process), interpreting results, and identifying eligibility and/or planning instruction based upon interpretations.

2 semester credits

**EDU 421 Instructional Strategies in the Technological Classroom**
This course is designed to increase the teaching effectiveness of preservice teachers who are preparing to become licensed teachers by improving their teaching skills in the areas in which research has demonstrated will increase student learning. The course is also designed to familiarize students with managerial, instructional, and institutional responsibilities of the professional teacher and the pre-service teacher in the technological classroom. Concurrent registration with EDU 401 is required.

2 semester credits

**EDU 423 Student Teaching Seminar**
The purpose of the seminar is to provide an orientation for students about to begin to student teach; to offer practical support for students while student teaching; and to provide students with a capstone culminating educational experience. In this course, students will discuss problems common to student teachers in K-12 classrooms, address individual concerns, and readdress legal issues. The course relies extensively on people outside of the program to serve as resources.

1 semester credit

**EDU 429 Assistive Technology**
Special education teachers must be competent in choosing and using assistive technology to support and enhance educational and life experiences for students with disabilities. Teacher candidates will gain knowledge and skills in assessment, funding, and use of specific, complex technology available for students with disabilities. Teacher candidates will learn to enhance their own productivity through use of general information technologies (e.g. computers, telecommunications, and the Internet) and to share information resources on disabilities, education, independent living, and health and wellness with the community.

2 semester credits

**Practicum and Student Teaching Course Descriptions**

(see PED course numbers for PED practica)

**EDU 300 Elementary Practicum I**
This course is designed to give students practical experience in the classrooms in the areas of language arts, music, physical education, and art. This course must be taken concurrently with Block I methods courses: EDU 301, 315, 312; and PED 305.

2 semester credits

**EDU 305 Middle School Practicum**
This course is designed to provide students with an observational practicum experience in the middle school practicum in each student’s major area of study.

1 semester credit

**EDU 310 Secondary Education Practicum**
Students must have experience in the classroom prior to student teaching. This course is designed to give students the opportunity to observe teachers and student in the classroom in each student’s major area of study. This course must be taken concurrently with secondary teaching methods courses.

1 semester credit

**EDU 335 Early Childhood Education Practicum**
This course requires 60 hours of field work with 20 hours spent training with each age group- infant/toddler, preschool and kindergarten. Students are required to work 5-6 hours
a week for 12 weeks at a teaching location selected by the instructor. Evaluations will be conducted by supervising practicum teachers and self-evaluation.

1 semester credit

EDU 400 Elementary Practicum II
This course is designed to give students practical experiences in the classroom in the areas of reading, mathematics, science, social studies, and the integration of technology. This course must be taken concurrently with the Block II methods courses: EDU 303, 307, 316, and 318.

2 semester credits

EDU 401 Secondary Practicum II
Students must have practical experience in the classroom prior to student teaching. This course is designed to give students practical experiences in the classroom in each student’s major area of study. This course must be taken concurrently with EDU 421.

1 semester credit

EDU 410 Practicum in Special Education
Teachers must apply best practices within real-life settings. This course allows students to observe and apply content and methods from current and prior coursework and provides an experiential base for upcoming courses. Taken concurrently with EDU 387, 388, and 389.

2 semester credits

EDU 418 Student Teaching – Elementary Education
Students majoring in Elementary Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in an elementary education classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities. Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–16 semester credits

EDU 424 Student Teaching – Early Childhood Education
Students majoring in Early Childhood Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in an early childhood classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 426 Student Teaching – Special Education
Students majoring in Special Education are required to spend 6-8 weeks in a special education classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

6-8 semester credits

EDU 430 Student Teaching – English
Students majoring in English Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in a secondary English classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 432-01 Student Teaching – Elementary Physical Education
Students majoring in Physical Education are required to spend 8 weeks in an elementary physical education classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher.

The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8 semester credits

EDU 432-02 Student Teaching – Secondary Physical Education
Students majoring in Physical Education are required to spend 8 weeks in a secondary physical education classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8 semester credits

EDU 434 Student Teaching – Elementary, Vocal, Instrumental Music Education
Students majoring in Elementary, Vocal, and/or Instrumental Music Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in an elementary, vocal, and/or instrumental music classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 438 Student Teaching – Social and Behavioral Science
Students majoring in Social and Behavioral Sciences Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in a secondary social studies or history classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 442 Student Teaching – Biology
Students majoring in Biology Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in a secondary biology classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 444 Student Teaching – Mathematics
Education Students majoring in Mathematics Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in a secondary math classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities.

Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program

8–12 semester credits

EDU 445 Student Teaching – Business Education
Students majoring in Business Education are required to spend 8-12 weeks in a secondary business education classroom under the supervision of an assigned cooperating
teacher. The student teaching experience includes observation, teaching, and the performance of teacher related responsibilities. Prerequisite: Admission to Student Teaching Program
8–12 semester credits

Physical Education and Health Program
Course Descriptions (PED)

PED 105 Swimming
This course focuses on the development of beginning swimming skills.
1 semester credit

PED 100-400 Varsity Sports Courses
For all students who are interested in participating in a varsity sport. These physical education courses are announced each term in the class schedule.
1 semester credit

PED 121 Weight Training
The course is designed to help students gain knowledge relative to the use of resistance training methods in order to achieve fitness objectives.
1 credit

PED 157 CPR/AED First Aid
This course focuses on the American Red Cross Standard First Aid and CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer training.
1 semester credit

PED 159 Personal and Community Health
The study of community and environmental health along with emphasis on social, physical, emotional, spiritual, occupational, and mental wellness as they relate to the total person concept of health.
3 semester credits

PED 207 Survey of Human Anatomy
This survey course covers the gross anatomy and physiology of the human body including the cardiovascular, muscular, lymphatic and immune, respiratory, digestive, and reproductive systems.
4 semester credits

PED 221 Professional Activities I
This course focuses on the development of the knowledge and skills necessary to teach the activities taught in the physical education classroom at elementary school level with emphasis on the following activities: dance, basic tumbling, and fine motor skills development activities.
3 semester credits

PED 222 Professional Activities II
This course focuses on the development of the knowledge and skills necessary to teach the activities taught in the physical education classroom at the secondary school level with emphasis on the following activities: team sports, individual and dual sports, life-time activities, and aquatic activities.
3 semester credits

PED 235 Motor Development
The study of the motor skill development process as it pertains to the development and improvement of children’s motor skills.
2 semester credits

PED 260 ARC Lifeguarding
This course is designed by the American Red Cross to educate the student about the variety of aquatic emergencies. It will give the student an opportunity to participate in aquatic skills, practice saving skills, view and evaluate guarding techniques and read and report about the different areas of lifeguarding.
2 semester credits

PED 267 Human Sexuality
The study of the biological, social, and emotional aspects of human sexuality. Prerequisite: PED 159.
2 semester credits

PED 303 Secondary Methods: Physical Education
This course is designed to familiarize students with managerial, instructional, and institutional responsibilities of a middle school and/or secondary physical education teacher. Prerequisites: EDU 301, 320, and 391. Note: Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required for University of Mary students.
2 semester credits

PED 305 Elementary Physical Education Methods
The study of the methods utilized in teaching physical education at the elementary level. For Physical Education majors to be taken concurrently with PED 339 and for Elementary Education majors to be taken concurrently with EDU 300. Prerequisites: Physical Education majors must have completed all 100 and 200 level PED courses and Elementary Education majors must be enrolled in all Block I courses.
2 semester credits

PED 312 Secondary Methods: Physical Education
This course is designed to familiarize students with managerial, instructional, and institutional responsibilities of a middle school and/or secondary physical education teacher. This course is delivered by licensed teachers in middle schools and/or high schools in the Bismarck area. Concurrent registration with EDU 310 is required. Prerequisites: EDU 301, 320, and 391.
2 semester credits

PED 313 Adaptive Physical Education
The study of the philosophy, knowledge, teaching techniques, and implementation of a quality adapted physical education program for students with special needs in both inclusive and small group settings. Students will learn about a large variety of disabilities and conditions, and their impact on the child’s educational process. This course will challenge the student to think of children/people with disabilities in inclusive ways, and will incorporate a variety of teaching methods to achieve its goals (lecture, group work, individual work, play acting, hands on learning activities, disability simulation, designing and creating equipment, etc.).
2 semester credits

PED 326 Psychological and Sociological Aspects of Coaching
The study of psychological and sociological aspects that apply to the coaching of sports and the elementary and secondary levels. Prerequisites: Completion of all PED 100-200 level courses.
2 semester credits
PED 339 Elementary Physical Education Practicum (PED)
A supervised practical experience in the teaching of physical education classes at the elementary school level. Concurrent registration with PED 305 required for all physical education majors. Prerequisite: Completion of all 100 and 200 level EDU and PED courses.
1 semester credit

PED 343 Coaching Practicum
A supervised practical experience in coaching a particular sport that is of interest to the student. This course must be taken concurrently with PED 370. Prerequisite: Completion of 100 and 200 level courses required for coaching minor.
2 semester credits

PED 360 Biomechanics and Kinesiological Studies
This course explores the study of anatomical and mechanical aspects of human movement which apply to the development and improvement of efficient human movement. Prerequisite: BIO 207.
3 semester credits

PED 360L Biomechanics and Kinesiological Studies Lab
This lab course explores the study of anatomical and mechanical aspects of human movement which apply to the development and improvement of efficient human movement. Prerequisite: BIO 207.
1 semester credits

PED 370 Coaching Methods
The study of pedagogical aspects of coaching with emphasis on the theoretical aspects of coaching and the organization, theory, and techniques of coaching at the elementary and secondary school levels.
2 semester credits

PED 380 Water Safety Instructor
This course will train instructor candidates to teach the American Red Cross water safety, including the Basic Water Rescue course, six levels of the Learn to Swim Program and Parent and Child Aquatics.
2 semester credits

PED 401 Administration of Physical Education and Sports Programs
The study of principles and practices in the administration of sound physical education, health, and athletic programs. Emphasis is on staff development, facilities and equipment, administrative procedures, and legal implications that apply to physical education, health, and sports programs.
3 semester credits

Graduate Programs in Education

FACULTY: Ghorbani, Jonas (Dean), Lamb (Chair: Graduate & Distance Education Programs), Werner (Program Director: Graduate Education Programs).

Description of the Graduate Programs in Education

The University of Mary Graduate Program in Education offers a wide range of opportunities for the adult learner. Students may take courses towards educational credentials and endorsements, or may complete their Master’s or Doctoral degree in education. Master’s candidates have the option of completing a thesis or preparing a comprehensive portfolio as their capstone project. In order to meet the needs of adult learners, graduate classes are offered summers, weekends, and evenings.

Admission Procedures

An individual holding a Bachelor’s degree or higher from an accredited institution may be admitted to begin graduate study. An individual seeking a North Dakota credential or endorsement must hold a Bachelor’s degree in education from an accredited institution and must have the appropriate North Dakota licensure and years of experience, as well as the required coursework, in order to be recommended for North Dakota credentialing or endorsement by the Graduate Program in Education. In most cases, the requirements listed below must be met prior to admission for graduate study. In addition, a student must maintain an overall GPA of 3.00 in order to continue in graduate programs in education.

- An undergraduate GPA of 2.5 overall, or 2.75 during the last two undergraduate years, or 3.00 in the undergraduate major
- Current teacher education licensure (unless the individual is seeking licensure or enrolling in the M.Ed.: Curriculum Instruction, and Assessment track for reasons other than teacher licensure)
- Two letters of professional recommendation
- Appropriate experience

In addition to the above, a graduate student seeking Master’s candidate status must apply for and complete a qualifying conference after admission for University of Mary graduate study and
upon completion of up to six hours of coursework. At the qualifying conference, the student meets with a committee of graduate faculty members appointed by the Director of the Education Graduate Program. This conference has a threefold purpose: to decide whether the student will be admitted to the Master’s degree program, to develop a plan of study, and to determine whether any transfer credit will be accepted. A member of the qualifying conference committee is generally appointed the student’s advisor during the conference. A student may request a qualifying conference by contacting the secretary of the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences.

The Master of Education Degree Requirements (M.Ed.)

The Master’s degree must be completed within seven years of the completion of the earliest graduate course used in the course of study. Up to one-third of the total credits required for the course of study may be transferred from another accredited institution. To achieve the Master’s Degree, the student must complete courses within an emphasis area (listed following) and must successfully complete either a thesis or a comprehensive professional portfolio.

Thesis Option

The thesis option emphasizes original research. It represents a student’s capacity for detailed, in-depth research or advanced scholarship. A thesis must demonstrate a student’s ability to clearly define a worthwhile problem, to conduct a thorough investigation, to organize the findings, to draw defensible conclusions, and to give an oral presentation of the findings. After the student has been admitted to candidacy for the degree, a research proposal is written and the thesis committee is selected. These activities are completed within EDU 551: Critique and Design of Research. The research proposal must be approved by the Graduate Committee and the Vice President for Academic Affairs. Writing and presentation of the thesis totals at least five semester credits (EDU 700, Research Seminar I, 1 credit; EDU 701, Research Seminar II, 1 credit; and EDU 704, Research Presentation, 3 credits). EDU 704, Research Presentation, must be completed by the date established in EDU 551: Critique and Design of Research, or the student must register for continuing credit each semester until the thesis has been completed and the research presented.

Portfolio Option

The portfolio option requires the student to complete courses within an emphasis area (listed following) and to create an electronic portfolio demonstrating competence in the University of Mary’s graduate requirements, competence in the student’s emphasis area, and further demonstrating the graduate’s ability to assume a leadership role in the field of education. Creation and presentation of the graduate portfolio totals four hours of credit (EDU 705, Portfolio Preparation, 2 credits; and EDU 706, Portfolio Presentation, 2 credits).

Accreditation

The University of Mary is accredited by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, with its most recent notification of accreditation occurring in 2013. The Education program is approved by the state of North Dakota. Other memberships include the North Dakota Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (NDACTE), the Association of Independent Liberal Arts Colleges for Teacher Accreditation Status Education (AILACTE), the North Dakota Center for Leadership and Educational Administration Development (LEAD), the North Dakota Teacher Learning Center (TLC).

Information

For information concerning the Education Graduate Program, contact the Division of Education Administrative Assistant at 701-355-8058.

The graduate webpage may be accessed through the University of Mary website www.umary.edu.

Please note: The emphasis area courses in the following degree plans meet the North Dakota Endorsement or Credential requirements in all programs applicable.

II Master of Education

Reading Emphasis*

Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):

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EDU 700  Research Seminar I (1)
EDU 701  Research Seminar II (1)
EDU 704  Research Presentation (3)

Portfolio Option:
EDU 705  Portfolio Preparation (2)
EDU 706  Portfolio Presentation (2)

Emphasis Area Requirements (13 semester credits):
EDU 535  Foundations of Literacy (2)
EDU 536  Teaching Writing Across School Curriculum K-12 (3)
EDU 611  Reading Diagnosis and Correction (2)
EDU 617  Reading Clinic (2)
EDU 652  Teaching Reading in the Content Area (2)
EDU 566  School Curriculum K-12 (3)

Electives (2-4 semester credits):
Must be graduate level courses and should be selected from areas to enhance reading education.

Total: 32 semester credits

*If seeking the North Dakota Reading Credential, the candidate must meet the Department of Public Instruction qualifications for the reading specialist: elementary or secondary.

## Master of Education

### Elementary Administration*

**Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):**
- EDU 531  Ethics in Education and Human Performance (2)
- EDU 551  Critique and Design of Research (2)
  *(It is strongly suggested that EDU 551 be taken prior to EDU 565.)*
- EDU 565  Statistics (3)
- EDU 567  Diversity in Culture and Human Relations (2)
- EDU 608  Foundations in Education (2)

**Thesis Option:**
- EDU 700  Research Seminar I (1)
- EDU 701  Research Seminar II (1)
- EDU 704  Research Presentation (3)

### Portfolio Option:
- EDU 705  Portfolio Preparation (2)
- EDU 706  Portfolio Presentation (2)

### Emphasis Area Requirements (19 semester credits):
- EDU 545  School Administration (2)
- EDU 527  Management Theory and Personnel (3)
- EDU 566  School Curriculum K-12 (3)
- EDU 570  Differentiated Instruction (3)
- EDU 620  Integrating Technology in Education (2)
- EDU 632  School Law (2)
- EDU 634  School Finance (2)
- EDU 692  Internship: Elementary Administration (2)

Total: 34 - 35 semester credits

* Graduate credit carrying a letter grade of “B” or better earned through LEAD Center may be accepted as elective coursework for this degree. Completion of a Master of Education in Elementary Administration meets the requirements for the Level I Elementary Principal Credential. If seeking a North Dakota Elementary Administration credential, an individual must:
  - Hold a valid North Dakota teaching license based on a bachelor’s degree with a major (or other appropriate endorsement) in elementary education.
  - Have three years of successful teaching and/or administrative experience in elementary schools.
  - Have a Master’s degree.

## Master of Education

### Secondary Administration*

**Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):**
- EDU 531  Ethics in Education and Human Performance (2)
- EDU 551  Critique and Design of Research (2)
  *(It is strongly suggested that EDU 551 be taken prior to EDU 565.)*
- EDU 565  Statistics (3)
- EDU 567  Diversity in Culture and Human Relations (2)
- EDU 608  Foundations in Education (2)
**Thesis Option:**
- EDU 700 Research Seminar I (1)
- EDU 701 Research Seminar II (1)
- EDU 704 Research Presentation (3)

**Portfolio Option:**
- EDU 705 Portfolio Preparation (2)
- EDU 706 Portfolio Presentation (2)

**Emphasis Area Requirements (19 semester credits):**
- EDU 545 School Administration (2)
- EDU 527 Management Theory and Personnel (3)
- EDU 566 School Curriculum K-12 (3)
- EDU 570 Differentiated Instruction (3)
- EDU 620 Integrating Technology in Education (2)
- EDU 632 School Law (2)
- EDU 634 School Finance (2)
- EDU 692 Internship: Secondary Administration (2)

**Total: 34 - 35 semester credits**

*Graduate credit carrying a letter grade of “B” or better earned through LEAD Center may be accepted as elective coursework for this degree. Completion of a Master of Education in Secondary Administration meets the requirements for the Level I Secondary Principal Credential. If seeking a North Dakota Secondary Administration credential, an individual must:*

- Hold a valid North Dakota teaching license based on a bachelor’s degree with a major (or other appropriate endorsement) in elementary education.
- Have three years of successful teaching and/or administrative experience in secondary schools.
- Have a Master’s degree.

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**Master of Education**

**Autism Spectrum Disorder**

**Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):**
- EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance (2)
- EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research (2)
  *(It is strongly suggested that EDU 551 be taken prior to EDU 565.)*
- EDU 565 Statistics (3)
- EDU 567 Diversity in Culture and Human Relations (2)
- EDU 608 Foundations in Education (2)

**Emphasis Area Requirements (17 semester credits):**
- EDU 564 Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder (3)
- EDU 595 Behavior Management (3)
- EDU 660 Special Education Law (2)
- EDU 664 ASD Interventions Across the Lifespan (3)
- EDU 674 ASD Communication Strategies (3)
- EDU 684 Internship and Seminar (3)

**Total: 32-33 semester credits**

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**Master of Education**

**Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment**

**Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):**
- EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance (2)
- EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research (2)
  *(It is strongly suggested that EDU 551 be taken prior to EDU 565.)*
- EDU 565 Statistics (3)
- EDU 567 Diversity in Culture and Human Relations (2)
- EDU 608 Foundations in Education (2)

**Thesis Option:**
- EDU 700 Research Seminar I (1)
- EDU 701 Research Seminar II (1)
- EDU 704 Research Presentation (3)
Portfolio Option:
EDU 705  Portfolio Preparation (2)
EDU 706  Portfolio Presentation (2)

Emphasis Area Requirements (13 semester credits):
EDU 566  School Curriculum K-12 (3)
EDU 570  Differentiated Instruction (3)
EDU 620  Integrating Technology in Education (2)
EDU 637  Educational Assessment (3)
EDU 645  School and Family Relations (2)

Electives (3-4 semester credits):
Electives must be graduate level courses and should be selected from areas to enhance college teaching.

Total: 32 semester credits

Master of Education

Special Education Strategist

Core Courses (15-16 semester credits):
EDU 531  Ethics in Education and Human Performance (2)
EDU 551  Critique and Design of Research (2)
(It is strongly suggested that EDU 551 be taken prior to EDU 565.)
EDU 565  Statistics (3)
EDU 567  Diversity in Culture and Human Relations (2)
EDU 608  Foundations in Education (2)

Thesis Option:
EDU 700  Research Seminar I (1)
EDU 701  Research Seminar II (1)
EDU 704  Research Presentation (3)

Portfolio Option:
EDU 705  Portfolio Preparation (2)
EDU 706  Portfolio Presentation (2)

Emphasis Area Requirements (39–40 semester credits):
EDU 523  Introduction to Specific Learning Disabilities (2)
or
EDU 593  Introduction to Emotional Disorders (2)
or
EDU 507  Introduction to Mild Disabilities (3)
EDU 576  Advanced Methods and Materials Learning Disabilities (2)
EDU 588  Advanced Methods and Materials Intellectual Disabilities (3)
EDU 592  Special Education Transitions (3)
EDU 595  Behavior Management (3)
EDU 609  Internship: Intellectual Disabilities (2)
EDU 611  Reading Diagnosis and Correction (2)
EDU 617  Reading Clinic (2)
EDU 645  School and Family Relations (2)
EDU 656  Assessment of Exceptional Students (2)
EDU 657  Assessment of Exceptional Students II (2)
EDU 660  Special Education Law (2)
EDU 670  Education of Students with Emotional Disorders (2)
EDU 682  Advanced Practicum: Emotional Disorders, Intellectual Disabilities, and Learning Disabilities (2)
EDU 690  Internship: Emotional Disorders (2)
EDU 691  Internship: Learning Disabilities (2)
* EDU 505  Exceptional Child
(or undergraduate equivalent) is prerequisite to Emphasis Area Requirements
* If the candidate’s licensure is at the secondary level, Elementary Math Methods and Elementary Reading Methods are required for ND endorsement.

Total: 53 – 55 semester credits

North Dakota Reeducation Endorsement Plans

Endorsements are issued by the Education Standards and Practice Board (ESPB). Additional information may be obtained from the Education Standards and Practice Board, 2718 Gateway Avenue, Suite 308, Bismarck ND 58503 (701) 328-9641. A student seeking an endorsement should access the ESPB website for a list of required coursework. The student will list courses already taken and courses
that he/she intends to take on the form provided. This form must be approved by ESPB as part of obtaining each endorsement. Although education graduate faculty can assist students in planning, the student seeking an endorsement is typically a non-degree seeking student, and therefore does not have an official advisor in the Department of Education. Access the ESPB web site at www.state.nd.us/espb.

North Dakota Endorsements appropriate to University of Mary graduate coursework:

- Middle School
- Secondary
- Special Education

North Dakota Credential Plans
The Graduate Program in Education offers the coursework necessary to fulfill the following credentials issued by the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction:

- Superintendent/Principal
- Reading

Additional information may be obtained from the Department of Public Instruction, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Bismarck ND 58505-0080 (701) 328-2260. A student seeking a credential should access the DPI website www.dpi.state.nd.us for a list of required coursework. The student will list courses already taken and courses that he/she intends to take on the form provided.

This form must be approved by DPI as part of obtaining each credential. Although Education Graduate Faculty can assist students in planning, the student seeking a credential only is typically a non-degree seeking student, and therefore does not have an official advisor in the Department of Education. For additional information regarding courses that meet credential or endorsement requirements, access the Education pages of the University of Mary website: www.umary.edu.

Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Administration

The Doctorate of Education Degree Requirements (Ed, D,)

Students in the University of Mary’s Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Administration program are uniquely prepared to lead and impart 21st century education programs at both the pre K-12 and higher education. The only Ed.D, program of its kind between Fargo, ND and Bozeman, MT, Mary’s Doctorate of Education provides a rigorous, cutting-edge curriculum grounded in timeless values like service, respect for persons, and community. Designed to meet the dynamic and changing needs faced by educators today, the Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Administration program also supports completion in less than three years.

In addition to mastering the core competencies of the program, students in the Ed.D program are able to:

- Work toward the Doctoral degree in Education Leadership and Administration with a group of adult student peers, providing strong support, work teams, and long-lasting professional connections and friendships.
- Learn from world-class faculty who are also leaders in their specialty areas.
- Utilize state-of-the-art online learning technology to complete the degree no matter where one lives and works and two-week summer residencies.
- Have access to skilled academic advisors and career mentors throughout the program.

Graduate Education Course Descriptions

Master’s in Education Course Descriptions

EDU 505 Exceptional Child
Teachers in public schools have the responsibility to provide an education in the least restrictive environment for children who have been identified as having physical, emotional and/or academic disabilities. Using terminology specific to each area of exceptionality as defined in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, students examine prevalence, causes, medical and psychosocial interventions, and outlooks. Emphasis is on practical application of inclusionary strategies.

3 semester credits

EDU 506 Philosophy of Happiness in Education
This course critically investigates the philosophy of eudaimonia, which is the human quest for happiness throughout the ages, and various cultures, especially within the Catholic tradition and its educational practice. Arguments for and against various philosophical claims about paths to achieve human happiness are evaluated in light of ancient, medieval, modern and contemporary secular and religious thought. Students will identify and analyze the cultural expressions of the search for happiness evident in theology and the Catholic educational environment. Emphasis given to reading the classics and analyzing the claims made regarding education and the pursuit of truth and happiness in the Western tradition.

2 semester credits
EDU 507 Introduction to Mild Disabilities
Special education teachers need to practice strategies for teaching students with mild disabilities. This course will provide an introduction to the characteristics of students who are intellectually disabled, emotionally disturbed, learning disabled, or who otherwise need adaptations due to difficulties in learning. This course is designed so that the students learn special education terminology, laws, and practices.
3 semester credits

EDU 509 Writing for Professionals
Successful professionals need to write clear and effective proposals, reports, directives, and requests. Students learn how to re-search, manage, and clarify information; how to revise through multiple drafts to tailor writing to its intended audience; how to anticipate reader’s needs for information and manage reader’s attitudes; and how to balance conciseness with communication. They also study the results of recent research into how people read and how writers write most effectively. This focus enables student writers to manage the process of writing to achieve both clarity and desired results.
2 semester credits

EDU 510 Secondary Education
Clinical Practice: Licensure Track
This course is designed to familiarize adult learners with the managerial, instructional, and institutional responsibilities of a middle school and/or secondary teaching assignment. Research in current best teaching practice, general pedagogy, and teaching in a particular content area will be addressed. The course content is delivered by licensed teachers in the middle and/or secondary schools in Bismarck, Mandan, or surrounding area. This course meets the needs of students seeking North Dakota teacher licensure at the graduate level who are currently employed in schools.
1 semester credit

EDU 511 Student Teacher Assessment: Licensure Track
Graduate level teacher licensure candidates must have a satisfactory level of proficiency in a number of teaching skill areas prior to being placed in an applied internship. This course is applied to provide candidates with feedback and insight regarding their readiness for internship. The candidate must present Praxis I test scores no lower than the state mandated cut-off scores and a graduate plan of study (including transcript review) prior to placement in the school.
0 semester credit

EDU 525 Special Topics in Education
Students have the opportunity to explore special topics in the field of education. Pre-requisite: Admission to the Graduate Program and consent of advisor and instructor.
1-4 semester credits

EDU 527 Management Theory/Personnel
Administrators must know how to effectively manage resources in order to attain school objectives. The students study the theories of management and know how they relate to effective decision making. Discussion will focus on the study of research and data-based program evaluation, management and the use of information systems, planning, and education improvement processes. By concentrating efforts toward these areas, administrators will develop effective management skills.
3 semester credits

EDU 530 Philosophy and Foundations of Middle School
The heart of the middle school philosophy is interdisciplinary team organization. Interdisciplinary teams are faced with the problems of how to use the resources of time and space effectively. This course will describe the philosophy and foundations of middle school education. Emphasis will be on the use of teams to meet the physical, intellectual, social, and emotional needs of the young adolescent.
3 semester credits

EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance
Educators and human performance leaders must uphold community norms while at the same time demonstrating exemplary tolerance for differing ethical viewpoints. Students learn how to identify and analyze systems of values including their own, and how to structure meaningful ethical standards and practices in the community and larger society.
2 semester credits

EDU 535 Foundations of Literacy
Practitioners in the elementary and secondary schools make effective instructional decisions that are based upon exemplary research based teaching methods for reading and writing education. Students will examine and apply contemporary theory and pedagogical issues and techniques in literacy instruction to include comprehension, word knowledge, social/environmental, psycholinguistic factors in reading and writing development.
2 semester credits

EDU 536 Teaching writing Across the School Curriculum, K-12
The focus will be upon comprehensive writing instruction for learning across the curriculum at grade levels K-12. The current best practices in the teaching of writing to understand the role of writing instruction and assessment in promoting student learning and motivation will be studied. Graduate candidates will identify the interdependence of reading and writing development as similar recursive processes. The teaching of one process can affect the students’ expertise in the other process. Writers need to be readers for when they read, they have the opportunity to study the why, how, and what of the reading process. Candidates are expected to gain competency and growth through a variety of writing assignments during the course.
3 semester credits

EDU 542 Language Development and Disorders
Being able to effectively communicate with others is essential. Students study normal language development in children, both expressive and receptive. Students study the literature, observe and record language use, assess language using formal and informal assessment tools, and evaluate a child’s language scores with suggested norms to determine the discrepancy from acceptable performance.
3 semester credits

EDU 545 School Administration
The administrator’s role in the local educational agency is a multi-faceted leadership function. Students learn the prin-
EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research
Effective educators are able to synthesize current research and develop new knowledge through investigation. To develop their research skills, students study the components of the research process and the methods employed in conducting experimental and descriptive research with application to the field of education.
2 semester credits

EDU 561 Classroom Culture and Management
This course exposes graduate candidates to cultures within schools and the broader community that form the basis of social and behavioral practices while familiarizing them with theories and practices of classroom management and discipline. The course emphasizes research and application of proactive strategies designed to cultivate an atmosphere of respect for all within the K-12 classroom. Students will also focus on prevention of disruptive behaviors and resolution of conflict.
3 semester credits

EDU 564 Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder
This course provides an overview of characteristics, theory, and teaching approaches for individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). Emphasis will be upon definition, incidence and prevalence, classification systems, etiological and diagnostic issues, educational structure and environment, and family/guardian involvement regarding individuals with ASD.
3 semester credits

EDU 565 Statistics
Effective educators and administrators must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures. Students learn descriptive and inferential statistics utilized in educational research for the purpose of analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

EDU 566 School Curriculum K-12
This course explores the foundations, design, development, and implementation of curriculum in K-12 and other settings and examines administrators’, teachers’, and leaders’ role in curriculum decision-making, development, and implementation.
3 semester credits

EDU 567 Diversity in Culture and Human Relations
Educators and human performance professionals must be respectful of the needs of all People. This course examines ethnic, cultural, economic, gender and other types of diversity in the classroom. It fosters attitudes and strategies that meet the needs of diverse students, families, and communities. North Dakota Indian heritage, culture, education, and health issues will be emphasized.
2 semester credits

EDU 570 Differentiated Instruction
This course fosters the use of differentiated instruction. Differentiated Instruction is a teaching theory based on the premise that instructional approaches should vary and be adapted in relation to individual and diverse students in classrooms. Graduate candidates are encouraged to evaluate their own teaching strategies and to adopt an approach to teaching and learning that provides multiple options for taking in and making sense of ideas and information. Candidates will also be encouraged to make curricular and instructional decisions based upon student assessment data.
2 semester credits

EDU 573 Curriculum and Methods of Middle School Education
Curriculum and methods of a middle school are designed to meet the intellectual, physical, emotional, and social needs of the young adolescent. The course will explore components necessary for effective middle school curriculum. A number of interactive strategies including cooperative learning and integrated curriculum will be presented. The application of integrated curriculum and service learning will be modeled.
3 semester credits

EDU 576 Advanced Methods and Materials / Learning Disabilities
Teachers of children and youth with learning disabilities design programs for direct instruction and for collaboration and consultation services. To attain this skill, students develop a working knowledge of methods and materials for teaching students who have been identified with learning disabilities. Emphasis is on developing effective teaching strategies.
2 semester credits

EDU 578 Methods in Secondary Education: Licensure Track
This course is designed to familiarize adult learners with the managerial, instructional and institutional responsibilities of a middle school and/or secondary teaching assignment. Research in current best teaching practice, general pedagogy, and teaching in a particular content area will be addressed. This course meets the needs of students seeking North Dakota teacher licensure at the graduate level and who are not currently employed in schools.
2 semester credits

EDU 585 Organization and Administration of Early Childhood Education
Personnel who supervise and organize early childhood programs serve as leaders in governance. Students examine local, state and federal regulations governing the administration and management of preschools and day care centers. Methods of record keeping, personnel management, resource management, budgeting and government programs are explored. Parental and community support and involvement is also considered.
2 semester credits

EDU 588 Advanced Methods and Materials Intellectual Disabilities
Teachers serving students with moderate and severe disabilities must implement specialized teaching practices. This course explores those practices. Students will
learn about alternate curricula; how to teach students with physical, sensory, or other health impairments; and how to evaluate and provide for the long range needs of learners with intellectual disabilities. Practicing professionals will share their expertise with students. Students will participate in EDU 609 - Internship: Intellectual Disabilities concurrent with this course. 3 semester credits

EDU 592 Special Education Transitions
Special Education service providers must be knowledgeable of strategies and programs for persons with disabilities transitioning from the school setting to: a) employment, b) post-secondary training or education, or c) independent living. This course will focus on the critical issues facing persons with disabilities when transitioning from the school setting for full participation in adult society. It emphasizes empowering service providers with the tools and strategies needed to assist students throughout the transition process. Local travel required. 3 semester credits

EDU 595 Behavior Management
Skilled school personnel function on the premise that academic progress is achieved through effective management of children's behavior. Students demonstrate their knowledge of the theories underlying the appropriate practices of managing significant behavior in therapeutic settings. This course is designed with a practicum component to provide students with observation and application opportunities. Emphasis is upon functional behavior analysis and positive behavior support. 3 semester credits

EDU 606 History of Catholic Education
This course studies the history of Catholic education and defines the core principles which have developed through the intellectual, social, and political developments from the eve of the French Revolution (1789) to the Second Vatican Council (1962). Special emphasis is given to the distinctive character of secular and private religious education constructs and educational outcomes. Students will engage the historical development of modern thought in order to articulate the distinctive approach of Catholic Schools to students, families and the larger community and will examine the necessary components of effective family and community relations. 2 semester credits

EDU 608 Foundations in Education
This course examines the historical, legal, and philosophical foundations of American education and the current issues and trends influencing it. Students study the development of the field of education and the issues and trends currently affecting teaching and learning. 2 semester credits

EDU 611 Reading Diagnosis and Correction
Children with difficulties in reading and language arts make significant gains when their problems are properly diagnosed and the correct remediation procedures are prescribed. These gains are made when children are taught by clinicians who have developed skill in the selection and administration of formal and informal diagnostic procedures and in prescribing remediation strategies that address the children's needs. This course is designed to provide knowledge of theories and procedures of the remedial reading process and application of those theories and procedures in the reading clinic. (EDU 617 required concurrently). 2 semester credits

EDU 617 Reading Clinic
The remedial reading teacher is a specialist who has background knowledge of the reading process and has technical training in administration of diagnostic/prescriptive procedures. Student and reading teachers experience teaching and remediation strategies in a supervised practicum setting. The course is designed to provide training in formal test administration, scoring and interpretation within the framework of the case study report. (EDU 611 required concurrently). 2 semester credits

EDU 620 Integrating Technology in Education
Educators must have expertise in teaching strategies that effectively integrate current technology into the curriculum. Students are given the opportunity to examine and develop computer-based teaching strategies and techniques that will improve student learning. Emphasis is placed on the examination of computer-based instructional strategies, but students also examine computer software programs designed to assist educators with other professional responsibilities, including grading, database development, record keeping, and research. 2 semester credits

EDU 622 Supervision and Teaching of Language Arts
Educators design learning environments that develop communication skills in elementary school children. Students design instructional programs, based upon sound curricular theory as applied to current technological processes, that provide children the opportunity to develop their skills in reading, writing, speaking, listening and thinking. This focus gives teachers and administrators experience in making curricular decisions. 2 semester credits

EDU 624 Supervision and Teaching of Elementary Math
Effective educators provide opportunities for displaying logical/mathematical intelligence in classroom activities. Students examine strategies in the teaching, evaluation, and supervision of an elementary math program. This focus gives teachers and administrators experience in making curricular decisions. Emphasis is placed on the implementation of manipulative materials. 2 semester credits

EDU 625 Special Topics in Education
Students have the opportunity to explore special topics in the field of education. Pre-requisite: Admission to the Graduate Program and consent of advisor and instructor. 1-4 semester credits

EDU 626 Supervision and Teaching of Elementary Social Studies
Effective educators are practitioners of the social democratic process. Students examine current research and methodology in the teaching and supervision of an elementary social studies curriculum. This focus gives teachers and administrators experience in making curricular decisions. 2 semester credits
EDU 627 Current Research in Teaching Reading
Effective secondary educators must have knowledge about the current trends and best practices employed in teaching at the secondary level. Students work independently to synthesize current knowledge in the teaching of a discipline specific content area at the secondary level. Emphasis is placed on the research of teaching strategies and techniques that improve student learning.
2 semester credits

EDU 628 Supervision and Teaching of Elementary Science
Effective educators are practitioners of the scientific process. Students investigate current content of science curricula and develop the process skills necessary to plan, design, and supervise an effective elementary science curriculum. Emphasis is placed on laboratory experiences.
2 semester credits

EDU 629 Current Research in Assessment Strategies
This course examines the background and rationale for assessment in education from assessment of individual student outcomes to program-wide assessment. The primary focus is the systematic and school-wide use of assessment tools and data to evaluate the effectiveness of teaching and learning.
2 semester credits

EDU 631 Supervision of Student Teaching
Effective teacher educators provide a laboratory for teachers in training where their skills are guided, nurtured and enhanced. Professionally certified personnel develop the techniques, processes, and observation skills needed to be cooperating teachers. The focus of this course is to develop supervisory skills.
2 semester credits

EDU 632 School Law
School personnel must have knowledge of the complexity of legal precedents governing school and student relations, use of public funds, procedural due process, and curricular decisions. Students develop an understanding of the federal, state and local precedents affecting local educational agencies. This course is designed to involve students in the study of the factual and technical aspect of problem solving procedures involved in school law.
2 semester credits

EDU 634 School Finance
The quality of fiscally based decisions that impact the students who attend our schools is often dependent upon the knowledge and judgment of the school administrator who understands the relationship between revenues and the development and maintenance of programs designed to benefit students. Attainment of competence in school finance is a lifelong process that requires flexible and analytical thinking. This course is designed to provide students with an overview of the fundamental principles that govern school finance.
2 semester credits

EDU 636 School Plant
The school plant is an important component of a safe and healthy school climate. This course provides methods and procedures of developing, operating, and maintaining school facilities.
2 semester credits

EDU 637 Educational Assessment
Effective educators use ongoing assessment strategies to assure student learning. This course provides individualized research and instruction in assessment strategies ranging from informal feedback to standardized testing. Particular emphasis will be upon federal and local assessment mandates. Applied research and case study will be conducted within the graduate candidate's school setting.
3 semester credits

EDU 638 Secondary Education Internship: Licensure Track
This course is designed to provide adult learners with a secondary or middle school internship that meets the ESPB standard for student teaching at the graduate level.
3 semester credits

EDU 642 Public Relations
This course involves the study of the responsibility of school administrators, boards, and school personnel to cultivate a positive relationship with the community, staff, students, and the media to enhance the education of students. Ethical implications of policy initiatives will be explored. Emphasis is placed upon the leadership role necessary in effectively dealing with political issues, public relations programs, and appropriate role of the community in the education process. The course will highlight a positive, proactive approach to leadership that is necessary to create a positive educational image for the twenty-first century.
2 semester credits

EDU 645 School and Family Relations
The success of any special education program is the relationship with parents and community resources. The student explores the relationships of schools, communities and families. Family dynamics, conferencing with parents and developing networks with school and community resources are considered. Parent panels, community resource panels, and various other resources are used.
2 semester credits

EDU 652 Teaching Reading in the Content Area
Students in upper elementary, middle, and secondary schools use reading to access content. In order to develop students’ reading skills, each teacher must know how to teach reading within the content area. Graduate candidates will develop strategies to use reading to develop vocabulary, comprehension, and critical thinking in elementary, middle school, and secondary students in all school settings.
2 semester credits

EDU 656 Assessment of Exceptional Students
Teachers specializing in the areas of exceptionality assess students in order to provide the most appropriate programs for students with special needs. Based upon the premises of least restrictive environment and inclusive practice, students will establish beginning proficiency as consultants and practitioners of strategies related to universal design, response to intervention, and positive behavior support. Emphasis is on developing skill in informal assessment and meeting individual learners needs through accommodations and modifications.
2 semester credits
EDU 657 Assessment of Exceptional Students II
Special education teachers demonstrate competence in using assessments for identification of disabilities and monitoring of students’ progress. Teacher candidates practice choosing appropriate assessment instruments, administering of standardized and non-standardized instruments (including state mandated achievement tests and the alternative assessment process), interpreting results, and identifying eligibility/planning instruction based upon interpretations.
2 semester credits

EDU 660 Special Education Law
Special education and general education teachers, administrators, and related service personnel must know and apply educational practices required by law in order to effectively serve all students, including those with special needs. This course teaches the history, intent, educational practices and major court cases in special education law. Emphasis will be on the Individuals with Disabilities Education Acts and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
2 semester credits

EDU 664 ASD Interventions Across the Lifespan
Practitioners in the educational setting provide interventions for individuals with ASD. The students explore the interventions across the lifespan for individuals with ASD. Emphasis will be placed upon evidence-based practices through design, application and supports in the home, school, and other settings.
3 semester credits

EDU 670 Education of Students with Emotional Disorders
School personnel who work with children identified as seriously emotionally disturbed understand the unique educational, emotional and behavioral needs of this population. Students explore strategies and materials designed to meet the specific needs of emotionally disturbed children and youth in school and therapeutic settings. A practicum is included.
2 semester credits

EDU 674 ASD Communication Strategies
This course examines communication skill, devices, and collaborative techniques for individuals with ASD. The focus will be upon the role the professional plays in developing language and communication skills of individuals with ASD, research-based strategies which improve communication skills, and the role the professional plays in collaborating with multidisciplinary team. A brief overview of augmentative and alternative communication devices and environment arrangements will be addressed.
3 semester credits

EDU 682 Advanced Practicum: Emotional Disorders, Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities
Teachers of children with special learning needs must have technical and experience based skills to provide appropriate programs for those students. Graduate students develop advanced skills through review of current best practice literature and through tours and interviews at regional sites serving students with disabilities. The course design allows flexibility in scheduling and individualization in topical work to meet each graduate student’s particular interests and course of study.
2 semester credits

EDU 684 Internship and Seminar: ASD
Teachers will implement technical and experience-based skills to provide effective programs for students with ASD at practicum sites or other school environments. Graduate students add to the skills needed to serve students with ASD through synthesis of coursework including characteristics, interventions, communications, special education law, and behavior management of best practice readings and seminars. This course allows flexibility in scheduling and individualization in topical work to meet each students particular needs and interests.
3 semester credits

Internships
School personnel have developed skills in their areas of study that are augmented by field based experiences under the supervision of master teachers and administrators. Students practice their knowledge and skills at practicum sites or other school environments. Through the internship/practicum, students have practical experiences in their areas of emphasis as well as experiences such as site based decision making, personal relations, curricular planning, organization and time management, and student relations. Prerequisite: Admission to the Graduate program and completion of area of emphasis. 12 semester credits

EDU 609 Internship: Intellectual Disabilities
EDU 692 Internship: Elementary School Administration
EDU 693 Internship: Secondary School Administration
EDU 694 Internship: School Superintendent
EDU 695 Internship: Special Education Director
EDU 700 Research Seminar I
Research seminars guide students through thesis research and writing.
1 semester credit

EDU 701 Research Seminar II
Research seminars guide students through thesis research and writing.
1 semester credit

EDU 704 Research Presentation
Students present research to faculty and guests upon completion of their research and writing.
3 semester credits

EDU 705 Portfolio Preparation
Students are introduced to development of their electronic professional portfolios.
2 semester credits

EDU 706 Portfolio Presentation
Students present their electronic professional portfolios for approval and program completion.
2 semester credits

HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment
Graduate students register for EDU 799 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the graduate section of the catalog.
0 semester credits
Doctorate in Education Course Descriptions

EDU 801 School Community Relations
The purpose of School and Community Relations is to prepare educational leaders for communication processes with internal and external stakeholders. Educational leaders need an understanding of the culture of educational institutions within the local and larger community. This course examines the roles of school administrators, governing boards, faculty, and staff in relationship with students, parents, local and state governments in order to enhance the educational experiences of students and to benefit other community stakeholders.
3 semester credits

EDU 805 Administration & Organizational Behavior
Educational leaders must use effective administrative models as experienced in the theory displayed in the studies presented in the course. This course is a study and critique of selected theories and research in administration and organizational behavior including topics such as leadership, servant leadership, effective communication, motivational practices, morale building, building and maintaining responsible and productive professional relationships, management of conflict, and personality, values, and ethics. This course introduces students to key theories and models in Organizational Behavior (OB). Key theories and models are discussed and contrasted, and empirical support examined. Students will carry out in-depth and critical analyses of relevant literature published in top journals and research volumes in the field.
3 semester credits

EDU 808 Historical Foundations of Ed
This course, Foundations of American Education, encompasses a broad field of study that touches on a variety of academic disciplines and combinations of disciplines, such as history, philosophy, the social sciences, religion, economics, cultural studies, and gender studies. An Interpretive and critical examination of the history of education is necessary for educational leaders to understand the underpinning of current educational practices and make wise decisions for the future. This course explores educational questions from historical, philosophical and social perspectives and provides a foundation for educational practice that is guided by critical thinking, reflection, and principles grounded in the context of multiple outlooks.
3 semester credits

EDU 840 Systems and Finance
Knowledge and skills to effectively manage and direct finances and meet institutional mission is required for university instructors and K-12 leaders in positions of leadership. Candidates will examine historical and contemporary economic issues that have shaped and will continue to shape colleges and university systems today. This course will investigate influences on higher education and prepare instructors and emergent leaders to consider multiple perspectives in higher education.
3 semester credits

EDU 856 Leading Adult Learners
College instructors need an understanding of the characteristics and needs of adult learners. This course will review and evaluate theory and research that make adult education a distinctive field of philosophy and practice. Candidates will apply andragogical strategies to design curriculum and assessment that effectively meets the needs of adult learners.
3 semester credits

EDU 870 Leading Curriculum
Leading Curriculum is a course that will explore the major curriculum design models, interpretation of school district curricula, initiation of needs analysis, planning and implementation of frameworks for instruction, alignment of curriculum with anticipated outcomes, monitoring social and technological developments as they affect curriculum, and adjusting content as needs and conditions change.
3 semester credits

EDU 876 Supervision of Differentiated Instruction
Educational leaders must employ supervision and pedagogical strategies that meet the individual needs of their supervisees and students. This course examines theories of differentiation in learning and motivation and encourages candidates to develop a wide range of strategies for use in their roles as instructors, supervisors, and administrators.
3 semester credits

EDU 899 Continuing Enrollment
A student who has completed all coursework required by his/her degree plan and who has registered for the capstone course (either EDU 704–Thesis Presentation or EDU 706–Portfolio Presentation) and who does not complete the capstone project during the term in which he/she is registered must register for EDU 899–Continuing Enrollment for each subsequent term (fall, summer, spring) until the capstone project is successfully completed. If the student fails to register, he/she will be withdrawn from candidacy for the master’s degree in education.
1 semester credit

EDU 905 Assessment & Accountability
Educational leaders must understand the importance of data based decision making both instructional and programmatic. In this course, students will consider, analyze, and apply a variety of approaches of interpreting individual and group behavior based upon best-practice research. Student projects will be individualized to focus upon either Instructional assessment or program assessment and resultant data driven decision making.
3 semester credits

EDU 910 Issues & Trends in Education
Leading Curriculum is a course that will explore the major curriculum design models, interpretation of school district curricula, initiation of needs analysis, planning, and implementation of frameworks for instruction, alignment of curriculum with anticipated outcomes, monitoring social and technological developments as they affect curriculum, and adjusting content as needs and conditions change.
3 semester credits

EDU 915 Educational Ethics
Educational leaders must practice in ways that reflect commitment to values. This course inspires candidates to search for truth and provides a forum for discussion in the Catholic Intellectual tradition. Candidates will examine tradi-
tional as well as critical theory approach to moral and ethical reasoning. School based case study will provide opportunity for application.
3 semester credits

EDU 917 Research Methods & Data Analysis
Educational leaders must understand the process of scientific inquiry in order to critique and design educational research relevant to their fields of study. This course overviews quantitative research design, data-based inference, qualitative design, and data analysis in practice based research. Students are introduced to foundational theories in educational research. They are exposed to how these theories have been used to explain problems of practice in the K-12 sector and/or higher educational settings. Students then have an opportunity to explore the characteristics and possibilities of quantitative and qualitative approaches by applying the learning into data collection and analysis. The projects in the course allow students to create a draft doctoral problem statement (DPS), and analyze different theoretical frameworks to help create the foundation for their theoretical framework and complete a literature review for their proposed topic of study.
3 semester credits

EDU 920 Program Evaluation
Educational leaders must evaluate programs in order to serve the needs of society. This course is designed to train candidates to evaluate program effectiveness in meeting educational goals and objectives, utilize a variety of approaches to systematically identify and describe areas of strength to facilitate improvements, and describe findings from their evaluation of the merit of programs. Therefore, the purpose of this course is to provide an advanced graduate-level seminar on program evaluation. Conceptual foundations and practical guidelines are covered with a primary emphasis on information necessary to conduct an evaluation in real settings that span a variety of organizational environments where the religious, academic, and cultural needs of people in our society are being served in educational settings.
3 semester credits

EDU 927 Quantitative & Qualitative Research
Educational leaders must conduct quantitative and qualitative research in order to improve educational policy and practice. Candidates will apply principles and practices of quantitative research to case studies. In addition, candidates will apply principles and practices of qualitative research to case studies. By the end of the course, candidates will have created the outline of their theses using quantitative, qualitative or mixed methodology.
3 semester credits

EDU 945 Brain Based Research & Learning
Educational leaders must be aware of how people learn. In this course, candidates will synthesize research from the fields of education, cognition, and the neuroscience. Candidates will evaluate and apply strategies to enhance student learning including engagement, attention, meaning making, retention and generalization. Candidates will also explore specific areas of the brain and their functions.
3 semester credits

HUM 999 Doctoral Studies Assessment
Graduate students register for EDU 999 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the graduate section of the catalog.
0 semester credits
School of Health Sciences


Undergraduate Areas of Study

Majors:
Athletic Training, Communication Sciences and Disorders, Exercise Science, Medical Laboratory Science, Nursing, Radiologic Technology, Respiratory Therapy.

Minor
Wellness.

Graduate Areas of Study

Bioethics, Clinical Exercise Physiology, Kinesiology, Nursing, MSN/MBA Dual Degree Program, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Respiratory Therapy, Speech Pathology, Sport and Physical Education Administration

Interdisciplinary Courses Offered

HPS 206 Medical Terminology
This course introduces the student to the fundamentals of medical terminology. The course includes word structure of body parts and organs, body systems, basic medical and surgical terms and therapeutic interventions, diagnostic and medical abbreviations and symbols.
2 semester credits

HPS 310 Foundation in Health Promotion and Wellness
Foundations of Health Promotion and Wellness will define health promotion and wellness (HPW) and explore current issues of HPW in the context of a social-ecological model, advocacy, intervention programs, economic impact, and measurement of wellness.
3 semester credits

Major Areas of Study

Medical Laboratory Science Program

Program Advisor: Dr. David Ronderos

Medical Laboratory Science (MLS) is a four-year program leading to a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree. It consists of 128 semester credits, 96 of which are taken on campus and 37 of which are granted for courses taken during the clinical internship.

The campus preparation provides a basic curriculum in biology, chemistry, and mathematics. The student has a flexible schedule of required competence and science courses during the first three years at the University of Mary. Transfer students must earn a minimum of 32 semester credits on campus; 16 of these must be from the Math/Science Department (credit received for the clinical internship does not satisfy this requirement).

All students must complete a minimum of 12 semester credits of upper division Math/Science courses.

A clinical internship of 12 consecutive months is taken during the last year of preparation at UND School of Medicine or the Mayo School of Health Sciences with clinical training at one of their approved sites such as St. Alexius Medical Center, Bismarck; Trinity Medical Center, Minot; or at any other accredited school of MLS. Students cannot be guaranteed a specific location for their internship.

Upon graduation, the student is eligible to take the national examination for certification for MLS by the American Society of Clinical Pathologists.

Major in Medical Laboratory Science:
BIO 103/L, 106/L, 207/L, 208/L, 209/L or 309/L, 311/L, 312/L, 318/L, 319, 320; CHE 111, 112, 217, 310; MAT 103; MLS 417, 418, 419. Clinical Internship in Medical Laboratory Science 37 semester credits.

MLS Courses Offered:
MLS 417 UND Summer Intensive
MLS 418 Medical Laboratory Science Internship I
MLS 419 Medical Laboratory Science Internship II

Department of Athletic Training and Kinesiology

Faculty: Hall (Clinical Education Coordinator), Johnson Krug (Chair), J. Olson, Currie, Welch

Adjunct faculty include, but is not limited to professionals from the disciplines of athletic training, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nursing, exercise science, athletic administration, and family and orthopedic medicine.
The certified athletic trainer (ATC) is a qualified healthcare professional educated and experienced in the management of healthcare problems associated with physical activity. In cooperation with physicians and other allied health personnel, the ATC functions as an integral member of the healthcare team in secondary schools, colleges and universities, sports medicine clinics, professional sports programs, industrial settings, and other healthcare environments. The American Medical Association recognizes athletic training as an allied healthcare profession.

**Mission**

Our mission is to prepare students to become professionals who assist athletes of all ages and abilities to participate in recreational and competitive activities. The program strives to develop leaders in the athletic training profession or allied health professions who possess excellent communication and critical thinking skills. We encourage understanding and respect for social, physical, and cultural diversity.

**Athletic Training Program**

**Faculty:** Hall (Clinical Education Coordinator), Johnson Krug (Chair), Currie, Welch

The Athletic Training Program at the University of Mary is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Athletic Training Education Program (CAATE). More information on CAATE can be found at www.caate.net. By graduating from an accredited curriculum program, students become eligible candidates to sit for the Board of Certification (BOC) examination.

The athletic training student’s professional preparation is directed toward the development of specific competencies in the following domains: prevention, clinical evaluation and diagnosis, immediate care, treatment, rehabilitation, and reconditioning, organization and administration, and professional development; in the following content areas: evidence-based practice; prevention and health promotion; clinical examination and diagnosis; acute care of injury and illness; therapeutic interventions; psychosocial strategies and referral; healthcare administration; professional development and responsibility. Through a combination of formal classroom instruction and clinical experience, the athletic training student is prepared to apply a wide variety of specific healthcare skills and knowledge in each domain during assigned hours of supervised clinical experience.

The athletic training major is a three or four-year Bachelor of Science degree.

**Mission**

The mission of the University of Mary Athletic Training Program is to prepare students to become professionals who assist athletes of all ages and abilities to participate in recreational and competitive activities. The program strives to develop leaders in the athletic training profession or allied health professions who possess excellent communication and critical thinking skills. We encourage understanding and respect for social, physical, and cultural diversity.

**Outcomes and Goals**

The goal of the University of Mary Athletic Training Education Program is to develop athletic training students who will successfully meet the Board of Certification (BOC) standards for certification, consistent with the domains of the most current BOC Role Delineation Study.

**Criteria for Acceptance of Student’s Application**

1. Application materials are distributed to the student enrolled in ATH 121 and ATH 243. Minimum criteria for selection include: Applications for admission are submitted in September of the fall semester. All prerequisites are strictly enforced. Student-athletes at the University are considered for admittance into the professional level of the ATP with the same criteria as other prospective students.

2. Application materials due at this time include: a letter of application, application for athletic training admissions, three recommendation forms, proof of current Emergency Cardiac Care and First Aid certification, report of medical history and report of health evaluation, documentation of completed HBV series, a copy of student’s immunization certification, and a signed and dated copy of the Technical Standards for Admission to the Major.

3. The Athletic Training Program (ATP) Admissions Committee reviews all applications for completeness, and the applicant is informed of any deficiency. The applicant has the opportunity for immediate remediation of the deficiency to allow for continuation in the application process. Applicants with
completed application materials are notified of their provisional acceptance into the ATP. A non-remediated deficiency affects the applicant’s continuation in the admission process.

4. The applicant will be interviewed by the Athletic Training Admissions Committee during the fall semester when the student is enrolled in ATH 243. The admissions committee includes but is not limited to the athletic training program director, clinical education coordinator, and a minimum of one University faculty member, one preceptor, and one athletic training student.

Pre-Admission Courses:
ATH 151, 238, 243; BIO 103, 207, 208; PED 157, 159; HPS 206.

Required Professional Courses:
ATH 200, 244, 300, 305, 314, 316, 317, 319, 327, 328, 329, 353, 354, 400, 405, 441, 453, 454; EXS 336; PSY 201, 207; MAT 180.

Athletic Training Course Descriptions

ATH 121 Introduction to Athletic Training
An introductory class designed to help educate the freshman level student about the different career paths in Athletic Training. Students will have the opportunity to interact with professionals currently working in the field, research job/ higher education opportunities, become introduced to athletic training equipment, interact with current athletic training students, and learn the process of acceptance into the University of Mary Athletic Training program. Prerequisites: None. 1 semester credit

ATH 151 Introduction to Athletic Taping Techniques
An introductory course for athletic training and physical education students in elementary taping and wrapping techniques designed to meet specific athletic training educational competencies for the healthcare of the physically active. Content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, risk management, acute injury care, and pathology of injury. Prerequisites: None. 1 semester credit

ATH 200 Introduction to Clinical Education I
The rotation experience serves as the laboratory portion of Clinical Education (ATH 200). The student, under the direct supervision of the preceptor for the assigned sport rotation will assist with providing athletic training coverage at the University of Mary and contracted sites. 1 semester credit

ATH 238 Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries
The Prevention and Care of Athletic Injuries course will provide an overview of the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of athletic injuries. General principles to be covered in the course will be: physical conditioning; equipment fitting; recognition, assessment and management of various athletic injuries; rehabilitation of athletic injuries; basic nutrition; blood borne pathogens; skin disorders and other related medical conditions. Prerequisite: PED 157
2 semester credits

ATH 243 Introduction to Clinical Education
An introductory course to the field of athletic training designed to meet specific athletic training educational competencies. The course is designed for one hour of lecture and two hours of lab per week. Through a combination of formal classroom instruction, clinical observation and lab, the prospective athletic training student experiences and gains a better understanding of the clinical education aspect of athletic training and the specific healthcare skills and knowledge that will be developed within each of the domains of professional development and responsibilities and general medical conditions and disabilities. Students will be oriented to the application process and material for admittance into the upper-level professional athletic training education program as part of this course. Students enrolled in this course are required to complete clinical observation hours under the direct supervision of a certified athletic trainer through the course of the semester. Co-requisites: ATH 151, 238; BIO 207; PED 157
2 semester credits

ATH 244 Introduction to Clinical Education in Athletic Training II
The second of two clinical education courses designed to meet specific athletic training educational competencies for the healthcare of the physically active. The course expands on the knowledge gained in ATH 243 and introduces the domains of injury assessment, first aid and emergency care, pathology of injury and risk management and injury prevention. The lab portion of this course will focus on advanced taping techniques. The athletic training student will learn the theory and application of taping and wrapping techniques and use materials essential to the advancement of the student but were not covered in the ATH 151 course. Through a combination of formal classroom instruction and clinical observation, the prospective athletic training student experiences and gains a better understanding the profession of athletic training. Students enrolled in this course are required to complete clinical observation hours through the course of the semester. Prerequisites: Successful completion of ATH 151 and ATH 243 with a grade of “B” or better, BIO 207. Co-requisite: ATH 238, BIO 208, and PED 157.
3 semester credits

ATH 300 Clinical Education I
The athletic training student applies a wide variety of specific healthcare skills and knowledge during assigned hours of supervised clinical experience that occur through the course of the semester in the athletic training room and rotational setup with various university or area high school athletic teams’ practices and/or events. The National Athletic Trainers’ Association Education Council has identified athletic training educational competencies and clinical proficiencies for the healthcare of athletes and others involved in physical activity. This content area is a collection of knowledge, skills, and values that the entry-level certified athletic
trainer must possess for effective performance as an entry-level certified athletic trainer. Skill competency is obtained during the classroom and laboratory instruction. Skill proficiency is demonstrated during laboratory evaluation, and skill mastery is demonstrated when the skills are applied appropriately in the clinical setting with appropriate choices made and appropriate outcomes achieved. Skill competency is knowledge and skills to be mastered within a self-study guide to evaluate the athletic training student’s strengths and areas for improvement.

0 semester credits (Pass/Fail)

ATH 305 Clinical Education II
The athletic training student applies a wide variety of specific healthcare skills and knowledge during assigned hours of supervised clinical experience that occur through the course of the semester in the athletic training room and rotational setup with various university or area high school athletic teams’ practices and/or events. The National Athletic Trainers’ Association Education Council has identified athletic training educational competencies and clinical proficiencies for the healthcare of athletes and others involved in physical activity. This content area is a collection of knowledge, skills, and values that the entry-level certified athletic trainer must possess for effective performance as an entry-level certified athletic trainer. Skill competency is obtained during the classroom and laboratory instruction. Skill proficiency is demonstrated during laboratory evaluation, and skill mastery is demonstrated when the skills are applied appropriately in the clinical setting with appropriate choices made and appropriate outcomes achieved. Skill competency is knowledge and skills to be mastered within a self-study guide to evaluate the athletic training student’s strengths and areas for improvement.

0 semester credits (Pass/Fail)

ATH 314 Advanced Techniques in Athletic Training
A lecture/laboratory course for the prospective athletic training student in advanced techniques in athletic training. Content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, human anatomy and assessment of injury/illness, both of which are domains to meet athletic training educational competencies. Other general principles to be covered in this course will be: goniometry, manual muscle testing; and other related medical conditions. Prerequisites: Successful completion of ATH 243 with a grade of “B” or better; BIO 207. Co-requisites: ATH 238, 244, BIO 208
3 semester credits

ATH 316 Basic Pharmacology for Human Performance Sciences
An introductory course designed for health science majors, content area is a collection of knowledge, skills and values that entry-level students must possess in pharmacologic applications, precautions, and interactions of medications. Content to be covered would include, but is not limited to pharmacologic applications, drug classifications, awareness of the indications, contraindications, precautions, and interactions of medications and of the governing regulations relevant to the treatment of injuries to and illnesses of athletes and others involved in physical activity. This course will also cover storage, dispensing and tracking information of pharmaceutical products, use of the Physician Desk Reference, and activation of poison control services. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208. Enrollment limited to students who have been accepted into the departments of Human Performance Sciences and Education.
3 semester credits

ATH 317 Sports Nutrition for Health and Performance
A course designed for athletic training, exercise science, pre-physical therapy, and physical education students. Content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, nutritional aspects of injury and illness, risk management, pharmacological aspects of injury and illness, psychosocial intervention and referral, and weight management and body composition. Other general principles to be covered in this course will be: eating disorders, weight gain and weight loss, hydration, and performance enhancing supplements, all of which are common among physically active individuals. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208. Enrollment limited to students that have been accepted into the departments of Human Performance Sciences and Education.
3 semester credits

The following courses are limited to students enrolled in the professional level athletic training education program: ATH 300, 305, 319, 327, 328, 329, 353, 354, 400, 405, 441, 453, and 454.

ATH 319 Therapeutic Exercise in Athletic Training
A course in therapeutic exercise and rehabilitative techniques with content primarily addressing basic theories and principles of athletic injury rehabilitation including therapeutic exercise and the use of physical agents. Direct supervision of a certified athletic trainer through the course of the semester will provide a basis for the development of rehabilitation protocols. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ATH 238, 244, 314, 329 and 353 with a grade of a “B” or better.
3 semester credits

ATH 327 Evaluations I
A course in the evaluation of musculoskeletal injury and illness with content including, but not limited to, the concepts and techniques in evaluation of normal human movement and biomechanics, abnormal movement and biomechanics, specific evaluation techniques to determine the presence and cause of faulty movement which may predispose an individual to injury/illness and establish an athletic training diagnoses and describe movement disorders. In addition to the didactic content, the course provides laboratory skill acquisition and research experience in evidence based clinical practice. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ATH 314 with a grade of a “B” or better. Co-requisite: PED 360.
4 semester credits

ATH 328 Evaluations II
An advanced course in the evaluation and recognition concepts of musculoskeletal injury and illness with content including, but not limited to, the concepts and techniques in surgical intervention and treatment, abnormal movement and biomechanics of gait, specific evaluation, and treatment techniques for extremity joint accessory movement and cause of faulty movement which may predispose an individual to injury/illness.
2 semester credits
ATH 329 Therapeutic Modalities in Athletic Training
A course in the application of therapeutic modalities. Practical and relevant information about the use of therapeutic modalities for treatment of injuries and illnesses in the sports medicine setting, as well as planning, implementation, documentation, and evaluation of the efficacy of therapeutic modalities. In addition, the course provides laboratory and research experiences and practice in the use of therapeutic modalities during assigned clinical hours in the athletic training room setting under the direct supervision of a certified athletic trainer through the course of the semester. Prerequisites: Successful completion of ATH 314 with a grade of a “B” or better. 3 semester credits

ATH 353 General Medical Conditions in Athletic Training
This course covers assessment and evaluation of general medical conditions and disabilities including psychosocial intervention and referral and pathology of injury and illness. Prerequisites: Successful completion of ATH 244 and 314 with a grade of “B” or better. 3 semester credits

ATH 354 Healthcare Administration
This course covers healthcare administration. Content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, medical ethics and legal issues, emergency planning, professional development and responsibilities, and organization, administration, and management in the athletic training room and/or clinical setting. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ATH 353 with a grade of “B” or better. 3 semester credits

ATH 400 Clinical Education III
The athletic training student applies a wide variety of specific healthcare skills and knowledge during supervised clinical experience that occurs through the course of the semester in the athletic training room, and with various university or area high school athletic team practices and/or events. The National Athletic Trainers’ Association Education Council has identified athletic training educational competencies and clinical proficiencies for the healthcare of athletes and others involved in physical activity. This content area is a collection of knowledge, skills, and values that the entry-level certified athletic trainer must possess for effective performance as an entry-level certified athletic trainer. Skill competency is obtained during the classroom and laboratory instruction. Skill proficiency is demonstrated during laboratory evaluation, and skill mastery is demonstrated when the skills are applied appropriately in the clinical setting with appropriate choices made and appropriate outcomes achieved. Skill competency is knowledge and skills to be mastered with a self-study guide to evaluate the athletic training student’s strengths and areas for improvement. 1 semester credit (Pass/Fail)

ATH 441 Practicum in Athletic Training
This course will enhance the athletic training students’ knowledge of orthopedic and general medical aspects of athletic training. It involves direct observation, experimental learning, and case study under the direct supervision of the instructor as well as local and regional medical professionals in various settings. The student will be exposed to advanced evaluation and treatment skills in outpatient physical therapy/sports medicine clinics: orthopedic, family practice, and sports enhancement clinics. Prerequisites: ATH 319, 327, 329, 353, 354; Co-requisites: 453 or 454 1 semester credit

ATH 453 Athletic Training Senior Capstone I
An advanced course designed for students enrolled in the athletic training major, the emphasis of this course will be practical assessment and care of athletes in the athletic training environment in preparation for the BOC practical examination. Content to be covered will include, but is not limited to, acute care of injury and illness: assessment and evaluation of injury and illness: professional development: as well as orthopedic assessment. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ATH 354 with a grade of B or better 3 semester credits

ATH 454 Athletic Training Senior Capstone II
The final in a series of clinical education courses designed for students enrolled in the athletic training major. This second capstone course focuses on integration of knowledge and the culmination of concepts and theories regarding the practice of athletic training. Prerequisite: Successful completion of ATH 453 with a grade of “B” or better 3 semester credits

ATH 405 Introduction to Clinical Education III
The athletic training student applies a wide variety of specific healthcare skills and knowledge during assigned hours of supervised clinical experience that occurs through the course of the semester in the athletic training room, and with various University or area high school athletic team practices and/or
Master of Science
Program in Kinesiology

Faculty: Johnson Krug (Chair), J. Olson (Program Coordinator)

The Master of Science (MS) degree program in Kinesiology is offered as an online program; targeting professionals interested in sports and athletic enhancement and kinesiology related fields.

Mission
The University of Mary Master of Science degree program in Kinesiology exists to develop experts in the career path they choose who will be servant leaders for their constituents.

Distinctive Features
- Comprehensive curriculum founded in specialty standards.
- Servant leadership, evidence based practice and internship experiences.
- Small class size.
- Student centered learning environment.
- GRE not required.

Graduate Degree Requirements
To achieve the master’s degree, students must complete the program of study with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.

Satisfactory Academic Progress
The student must maintain a GPA of 3.0 during all semesters as a graduate student in the program. If this is not maintained, students are subject to warning or suspension as stated in the Graduate policy for Satisfactory Academic Progress found in the University Bulletin.

Application/Admission Requirements
Students complete the step by step application process online at the University of Mary website, under the Admissions tab:

http://umary.edu/forms/application/

Program Outcomes
- Achieve advanced levels of knowledge and skills in kinesiology and sports enhancement.
- Incorporate research methodology in kinesiology and sports enhancement.
- Develop skills in kinesiology and sports enhancement that benefit communities and society.

Pre-requisites for Master of Science
Program in Kinesiology
- Bachelor’s degree in Athletic Training, Exercise Science, Physical Education, or related field
- Undergraduate GPA 3.0 minimum

Kinesiology Program

Fall Semester
- EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance
- EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research
- EDU 560 Sports Compliance
or HPS 617 Human Performance Nutrition
- HPS 501 Foundations and Concepts in Human Performance

Spring Semester
- EDU 565 Statistics
- EDU 567 Diversity in Cultural and Human Relations
- HPS 505 Psychology of Human Performance
- KIN 600 Internship

Fall Semester
- KIN 635 Motor Learning
- KIN 670 Kinesiology
- KIN 700 Capstone Internship/Project
or HPS 703 Thesis

Spring Semester
- EDU 543 Coaching Today’s Athlete or
or HPS 603 Strength and Conditioning
- KIN 660 Biomechanics
- KIN 702 Capstone Project
or HPS 704 Thesis

Master of Science Program in Kinesiology Course Descriptions
Required EDU prefix course descriptions are listed below and under the Education Department listings.

EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance
Educators and human performance leaders must uphold community norms while at the same time demonstrating exemplary tolerance for differing ethical viewpoints. Students learn how to identify and analyze systems of values including their own, and how to structure meaningful ethical standards and practices in the community and larger society. 2 semester credits
EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research
Effective educators are able to synthesize current research and develop new knowledge through investigation. To develop their research skills, students study the components of the research process and the methods employed in conducting experimental and descriptive research with application to the field of education.
2 semester credits

EDU 543 Coaching Today’s Athlete
This course will enable students to discover new and additional perspectives in the professions of coaching. This course is designed to address the coach-athlete relationship, team cohesion, the various elements contributing to peak performance, arousal and anxiety, attentional focus, successful performance components, aggression and sportsmanship, and strategies for avoiding burnout. Students will perform an analysis of National Coaching Standards.
3 semester credits

EDU 560 Sports Compliance
The course examines the governing structure, rules, and legislative process within the NCAA Division I, II, and III and high school athletics associations. Students will classify and relate practices of institutional control, amateurism and recruiting, academic eligibility, financial aid, awards and benefits, playing and practice season and enforcement. Students will develop an understanding of the history of college athletics, high school athletics, gender issues in athletics, and the various roles athletics plays on campus and in society.
3 semester credits

EDU 565 Statistics
Effective educators and administrators must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures. Students learn descriptive and inferential statistics utilized in educational research for the purpose of analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

EDU 567 Diversity in Culture and Human Relations
Educators and human performance professionals must be respectful of the needs of all People. This course examines ethnic, cultural, economic, gender and other types of diversity in the classroom. It fosters attitudes and strategies that meet the needs of diverse students, families, and communities. North Dakota Indian heritage, culture, education, and health issues will be emphasized.
2 semester credits

EDU 501 Foundations and Concepts of Human Performance
This course will initiate the comprehensive analysis of human performance and how it is justified in students’ specific areas of expertise. Focus will be on integrating and combining ideas about human performance for application in future classes. Emphasis will be upon the study of improving productivity in organizations by designing and developing effective interventions that are results-oriented, comprehensive, systematic, and ethical.
3 semester credits

HPS 505 Psychology of Human Performance
This course enhances understanding of the relationship of athletic performance and human social psychology. Students will study the history of human performance psychology, the role of human performance psychology, and the different methods and principles used in the field of human performance psychology.
3 semester credits

HPS 603 Strength and Conditioning
This course is a comprehensive study of strength development. The students will develop programs for a variety of populations with different health issues. Students will compare and contrast strength and conditioning styles and techniques to ensure peak performance.
3 semester credits

HPS 617 Human Performance Nutrition
The course examines the effect of nutrition upon human performance. Students will compare and contrast nutritional aspects of injury and illness, risk management, psychosocial intervention and referral, weight management, and body composition. Students will create a nutritional plan for their area of study. Students will examine eating disorders, weight gain and weight loss, hydration, and performance enhancing supplements.
3 semester credits

HPS 703 and 704 Thesis
The capstone option for the Master’s in Human Performance from the University of Mary requires an oral defense of a completed thesis. The oral defense provides the opportunity for each graduate student to defend his or her research study findings and to receive constructive feedback. Students are expected to present the conclusions of the findings and recommendations on how these findings may impact their field.
6 semester credits

KIN 660 Internship
The course will require a minimum of 30 hours of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest.
1 semester credit

KIN 635 Motor Learning
This course is research based with practical application which will give the student a solid foundation in motor skills. The students will examine the function of the separate systems and cumulative systems that aid in the development and refinement of human motion.
3 semester credits

KIN 660 Biomechanics
The course is an advanced study of biomechanical concepts and their application to human movement and skill. The students will create hypotheses regarding the causes of particular motions and what result occurs.
3 semester credits

KIN 670 Kinesiology
Students will study human anatomy in order to categorize origins, insertions, and actions according to function. Students will analyze movements and skills in light of
different kinesiological theories and will synthesize skill applications based upon that analysis.

KIN 700 Capstone Internship
The course will require a minimum of 90 hours of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest.

KIN 702 Capstone Project
The capstone option for the Master’s Degree in Human Performance from the University of Mary requires the completion of a directed study. The purpose of the directed study is to provide each graduate student with the opportunity to interact with graduate faculty and other graduate students to better understand the procedures employed in conducting, critiquing, and applying research in his/her chosen field.

Master of Science Program in Sports and Physical Education Administration

Faculty: Johnson Krug

The Master of Science (MS) degree program in Sports and Physical Education Administration is offered as an online program; targeting professionals interested in becoming athletic and sports directors or enhancing their physical education degree to include administration.

Mission
The University of Mary MS program in Sports and Physical Education Administration exists to develop experts in administration skills in their career path and who will be servant leaders for their constituents.

Vision
The University of Mary MS program in Sports and Physical Education Administration will become the premier university program in development of leaders and experts in this region and beyond.

Distinctive Features
- Comprehensive curriculum founded in specialty standards.
- Servant leadership, evidence based practice and internship experiences.
- Small class size.
- Student centered learning environment.
- GRE not required.

Graduate Degree Requirements
To achieve the master’s degree, students must complete the program of study with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.

Satisfactory Academic Progress
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Program Outcomes
- Achieve advanced levels of knowledge and skills in Sports Administration and Physical Education Administration.
- Incorporate research methodology in administrative areas.
- Develop administrative skills that benefit communities and society.

Sports and Physical Education Administration Program
Pre-requisites for acceptance into the Sports and Physical Education Administration Program:
- Bachelor’s degree in Physical Education, Sport and Leisure Management or related field
- Undergraduate GPA 2.5 minimum

Required Courses
EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance
EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research
EDU 565 Statistics
EDU 567 Diversity in Cultural and Human Relations
EDU 600 Internship
EDU 602 Administration of Physical Education
EDU 603 Assessment and Planning in Physical Education and Sports
HPS 501 Foundations and Concepts in Human Performance
HPS 505 Psychology of Human Performance

Choose Two Courses:
EDU 527 Management Theory and Personnel
EDU 632 School Law
EDU 642 Public Relations (Elective)

Electives: Choose Two Courses:
EDU 543 Coaching Today’s Athlete
EDU 560 Sports Compliance
HPS 603 Strength and Conditioning
HPS 617 Human Performance Nutrition

Capstone Options
EDU 700 Research Seminar I
EDU 701 Research Seminar II
EDU 704 Research Presentation
or
EDU 705 Portfolio Preparation
EDU 706 Portfolio Presentation
or
KIN 700 Capstone Internship
KIN 702 Capstone Project

Please contact program chair regarding thesis option.

Master of Science Course Descriptions
Program in Sports and Physical Education Administration
EDU 527 Management Theory and Personnel
Administrators must know how to effectively manage resources in order to attain school objectives. The students study the theories of management and how they relate to effective decision making. Discussion will focus on the study of research and data-based program evaluation, management and the use of information systems, planning, and education improvement processes. By concentrating efforts toward these areas, administrators will develop effective management skills.
3 semester credits

EDU 531 Ethics in Education and Human Performance
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2 semester credits

EDU 600 Internship
The course will require a minimum of 30 hours of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest.
1 semester credit

EDU 602 Administration of Physical Education and Sports
The course involves the study of principles and practices in the administration of physical education, health, and
athletic programs. Students will create staff development and budget plans, will learn about management of facilities and equipment, will develop administrative procedures, and will understand legal implications.
3 semester credits

**EDU 603 Assessment and Planning in Physical Education and Sports**
This course includes developing, evaluating, integrating, and designing assessment programs within human performance geared toward physical education and athletics. The student will develop the skills to use, select and administer appropriate tests for measurement of physical performances; to interpret the measurement results; and to prescribe programs to meet the needs of the tested individuals. In addition, the student will learn classroom skills and will be able to construct effective objectives and assessments, and to evaluate the results.
3 semester credits

**EDU 632 School Law**
School personnel must have knowledge of the complexity of legal precedents governing school and student relations, use of public funds, procedural due process, and curricular decisions. Students develop an understanding of the federal, state and local precedents affecting local educational agencies. This course is designed to involve students in the study of the factual and technical aspect of problem solving procedures involved in school law.
2 semester credits

**EDU 642 Public Relations**

**EDU 700 Research Seminar I**
Research seminars guide students through thesis research and writing.
1 semester credit

**EDU 701 Research Seminar II**
Research seminars guide students through thesis research and writing.
1 semester credit

**EDU 704 Research Presentation**
Students present research to faculty and guests upon completion of their research and writing.
3 semester credits

**EDU 705 Portfolio Preparation**
Students are introduced to development of their electronic professional portfolios.
2 semester credits

**EDU 706 Portfolio Presentation**
Students present their electronic professional portfolios for approval and program completion.
2 semester credits

**HPS 501 Foundations and Concepts of Human Performance**
This course will initiate the comprehensive analysis of human performance and how it is justified in students’ specific areas of expertise. Focus will be on integrating and combining ideas about human performance for application in future classes. Emphasis will be upon the study of improving productivity in organizations by designing and developing effective interventions that are results-oriented, comprehensive, systematic, and ethical.
3 semester credits

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6 semester credits

**KIN 600 Internship**
The course will require a minimum of 30 hours of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest.
1 semester credit

**KIN 700 Capstone Internship**
The course will require a minimum of 90 hours of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest.
3 semester credits

**KIN 702 Capstone Project**
The capstone option for the Master’s Degree in Human Performance from the University of Mary requires the completion of a directed study. The purpose of the directed study is to provide each graduate student with the opportunity to interact with graduate faculty and other graduate students to better understand the procedures employed in conducting, critiquing, and applying research in his/her chosen field.
3 semester credits
Department of Exercise Physiology

Faculty: Dressler (Exercise Clinic Coordinator); Kobes (Fieldwork Director); Nustad (Program Director/Department Chair), Saghiv

The Exercise Science Program at the University of Mary is a four-year Bachelor of Science degree. The curriculum was endorsed by the American College of Sports Medicine from 2003-2010, and has currently achieved accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP; 1361 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33756 phone: 727-210-2350).

Graduation from an accredited program is a demonstration of high quality knowledge, skills, and abilities. The Exercise Science Program at the University of Mary has also earned membership in the National Strength and Conditioning Association – Education Recognition Program. This, too, is a distinction recognizing quality of the academic program.

The curriculum emphasizes a strong foundation in the sciences and promotes community involvement. The educational philosophy of the Exercise Science Program supports learning through experiences, interactions, and application of knowledge and skills. The Exercise Science Program also focuses on clinical competencies and aims to prepare graduates for higher education opportunities, entry level clinical roles in cardiac rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation, adult fitness, and for personal training and leadership roles in the fitness industry. The Department of Exercise Physiology extends the Benedictine values of living a healthy and holistic lifestyle.

Mission

The Department of Exercise Physiology exists to provide the people of this region with leaders in the areas of fitness and exercise testing, exercise prescription, exercise program development, and fitness instruction, meeting the fitness and exercise needs for people who are apparently healthy, at higher risk, or have known disease. The mission of the Department of Exercise Physiology is driven by the Rule of St. Benedict and aims to provide the region with services that promote the exercise component of a healthy, holistic lifestyle.

Outcome and Goals

Based on the missions of the University of Mary, the Division of Human Performance Sciences, and the Department of Exercise Physiology, graduates of the degree program in exercise science will have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to:

1. Assess and provide for the fitness and exercise needs of people who are apparently healthy, at higher risk, or with known disease
2. Perform as entry-level technicians in clinical cardiac rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation programs
3. Serve in leadership roles in the health fitness industry as personal trainers, coordinators and directors of fitness programs
4. Promote the component of exercise and fitness for a healthy lifestyle in a safe, legal, and ethical manner
5. Interpret, analyze, be resourceful, and think critically in a world of constant change and discovery
6. Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism including lifelong learning, community service, and the Benedictine values.
   a. Pursue higher education degrees in related areas including exercise physiology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, physician assistant, and other health occupation programs.
   b. Be eligible for application for the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) Certified Exercise Physiologist (EP-C) Certification

Exercise Science Program

Admission Requirements

Entrance into the University of Mary Exercise Science Program is selective. Students may declare a major in exercise science during their freshman year. However, acceptance to the professional Exercise Science Program requires an application process which typically occurs in the spring of the sophomore year. Students will be accepted during the spring semester to begin course work in the fall semester of the same calendar year.

Minimum criteria for selection include completion of pre-requisite course work with a cumulative 2.5 grade point average and a 2.75 grade point average in the prerequisite courses.

Students are encouraged to consider the Exercise Science Program as preparation for furthering their
education in a master’s degree program in exercise physiology, occupational therapy, doctorate in physical therapy, or other allied health/health disciplines.

**Major in Exercise Science:**

BIO 103, 207, 208; CHE 109 and 110, or 111 and 112; MAT 103, 180 or 204; ATH 238, 316, 317; PSY 201, 207, 406; PHY 203, 304; PED 157, 360; EXS 302, 305, 336, 400, 401, 402, 406, 420, 445, 452, 455, 465, 466, 467; HPS 206, NUR 319 or CEP 519, HUM 499.

**Exercise Science Course Descriptions**

**EXS 300 Research Fieldwork Experience (elective)**

This introductory course provides an opportunity to interact with leading investigators actively engaging in scholarly research activity within the Division of Human Performance Sciences or within the local or regional community. Students may be involved in data collection, data input, scheduling subjects for testing, data analysis and other forms of assistance. Prerequisite: Course facilitator approval. May be taken up to four times, i.e. 300.1, 300.2, 300.3, 300.4
1 semester credit

**EXS 302 Concepts of Strength and Conditioning**

This course includes study and application of proper weight lifting techniques for a variety of populations including the apparently healthy, children, elderly, cardiac and pulmonary patients, and athletes. Prerequisite: BIO 207 or PED 207
2 semester credits

**EXS 305 Leadership in the Fitness Industry**

This course aims to prepare students to become leaders in a community or corporate fitness setting. Students will learn current group fitness methods and trends, appropriate delivery of group fitness for diverse populations, strategies for changing health behaviors within a community, and best business practices in leadership, management, marketing and risk management as it relates to the fitness industry.
3 semester credits

**EXS 310 Foundations of Health Promotion and Wellness**

(Wellness Minor; Not required for EXS Major) Foundations of Health Promotion and Wellness will define health promotion and wellness (HPW) and explore current issues of HPW in the context of a social-ecological model, advocacy, intervention programs, economic impact, and measurement of wellness. Stress management and resilience will also be addressed.
3 semester credits

**EXS 336 Exercise Physiology**

The study and application of the principles of physiology of the human body influenced by exercise or a lack of exercise. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208, or 215
4 semester credits (includes lab)

**EXS 400 Strength and Conditioning/Community Fitness Practicum**

The strength and Conditioning/Community Fitness Practicum will focus on developing the knowledge, skills and abilities in the areas of athletic enhancement and community fitness. The students will complete 30 hours in observation experiences within the two designated fields of practice.
1 semester credit

**EXS 401 Clinical Practicum**

The Clinical Practicum will focus on developing the knowledge, skills and abilities in the areas of cardiac and pulmonary rehab. The students will complete 30 hours in observation experiences within the two designated fields of practice.
1 semester credit

**EXS 402 Senior Practicum**

The Senior Practicum will focus on developing the knowledge, skills and abilities in the areas of cardiac and pulmonary rehab, fitness assessment, exercise prescription, group exercise instruction and exercise programming for special populations. The students will complete 30 hours of observation and application experiences within the designated fields of practice.
1 semester credit

**EXS 406 Introduction to Electrocardiography**

This course focuses on foundational information of electrocardiography and ECG rhythm interpretation skills. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208
2 semester credits

**EXS 420 Exercise Prescription**

This course involves study, discussion, and hands-on service learning in developing appropriate exercise programs for a variety of populations including the apparently healthy as well as those at risk, with known disease, and other special population groups. Major components of the course include health risk assessment, exercise testing and prescription, and program development. Prerequisites: EXS 336
4 semester credits

**EXS 445 Exercise Science Internship**

The Exercise Science Internship requires a minimum of 240 hours (40 hours per credit) of field experience. The focus of the internship experience is to further develop clinical competencies, knowledge, skill and abilities, and prepare for professional practice in a designated area of interest falling in one of the following categories: cardiac rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation, athletic development programs, or community fitness programming. The clinical hours involved in the internship experience may be applied toward required hours of practical experience for application for the American College of Sports Medicine Health Fitness Instructor Certification or Exercise Specialist Certification. Prerequisite: EXS 443
6–12 semester credits

**EXS 452 Cardiopulmonary Rehabilitation**

The student will study, discuss, and experience hands-on application of current practices in cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation. Clinical laboratory includes observation at a clinical cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation sites. Prerequisites: EXS 406, 336
4 semester credits (includes lab)

**EXS 455 Advanced Exercise Physiology**

This advanced course involves detailed study of the metabolism of carbohydrates, fats, and proteins. Special attention is given to variations and alterations in the path-
ways as a result of certain disease processes and the effects of exercise. Prerequisite: EXS 336
2 semester credits

**EXS 465 Senior Seminar I**
Senior Seminar I is the first capstone course in the Program in Exercise Science, melding together the foundational studies, knowledge, skills, and abilities. The primary focus consists of planning for the capstone research project, including completion of forms required by the University of Mary Institutional Review Board. Students will also begin work on a professional portfolio and resume. Senior Seminar I is completed in the spring of the junior year. Prerequisite: Must have a declared major in Exercise Science and be in the junior year of studies.
1 semester credit

**EXS 466 Senior Seminar II**
Senior Seminar II is the second capstone course in the program in Exercise Science, bridging the foundational curricular experience with professional preparedness and/or higher education directives. Senior Seminar II involves completion of a capstone research project as well as directed preparation for the ACSM-EP-C Certification Exam. Students will continue to build on the development of a resume and professional portfolio. Senior Seminar II is completed in the fall of the senior year. Prerequisite: Must be accepted into the professional Exercise Science Program and completing studies for the senior year of the Exercise Science curriculum.
1 semester credit

**EXS 467 Senior Seminar III:**
Senior Seminar III is the final capstone course of Exercise Science, melding together foundational studies, knowledge, skills, and abilities. Key assignments include a capstone review of literature paper, and mock exam in preparation for the ACSM-EP-C certification. Students will also contribute to a market analysis class project and will present their completed research from Senior Seminar II in a public forum. Senior Seminar III is completed in the spring of the senior year. Prerequisite: Must be accepted into the professional Exercise Science Program and completing studies for the senior year of the Exercise Science curriculum.
2 semester credits

**HUM 499 Senior Competency Testing**
Senior competency testing is required of all University of Mary graduating seniors. University of Mary competencies levels of achievement are assessed. Scores are made available students as well as used for overall university assessment of competency achievement.
0 semester credits

**Wellness Minor**
The Wellness Minor exists to 1) broaden the knowledge, skills, and abilities of those interested in the healthcare and allied healthcare industries and 2) to engage students in the process of becoming stewards of their personal health and wellness and stewards of global population health and wellness.

Wellness, defined as a multi-dimensional sense of being, includes the physical, psychological, social, spiritual, emotional, financial and intellectual domains. A minor in wellness provides a concentration of study that prepares individuals to develop or to serve on work site wellness teams. Students with an additional bachelor’s degree in athletic training or exercise science may also find employment as a wellness program coordinator or wellness director. The wellness minor seeks to prepare students to be stewards of their personal well-being and provides a concentration of study for those preparing for graduate studies in physical therapy or occupational therapy.

**Required Courses:**
EXS 310, EXS 336, PSY 207, ATH 317 or SCI 224, THE 320 or 302 or 363.

Elective Courses, Students need 8 credits of additional electives chosen from the following courses: ATH 238; BUS 215, 362, 371, 381; EXS 302; PSY 307, 308, 406; PED 159, 267, 326; THE 326; THE 215 or 315.

**Master of Science Program in Clinical Exercise Physiology**

**Faculty:** Nustad (Department Chair), Saghiv (Program Director and Research Coordinator)

The Master of Science (MS) degree program in Clinical Exercise Physiology prepares competent and collaborative practitioners for the profession of exercise physiology. The MS degree Program in Clinical Exercise Physiology is delivered via a blended model (face-to-face classroom and distance online), designed such that students can work and/or live in another community while completing the degree. The program has a clinical emphasis in exercise prescription for special populations (i.e. cardiac, bariatric, diabetes, pulmonary, cancer, arthritis, etc.) and focuses on advanced study of exercise physiology. Career opportunities are available in areas of cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation, clinical exercise prescription, leadership in community and corporate fitness environments, strength and conditioning, and higher education.

**Mission**
The University of Mary MS degree program in Clinical Exercise Physiology exists to develop leaders in clinical exercise physiology and to serve the exercise health and fitness needs of people who are apparently healthy, at risk, or with well-known clinical disease or condition.
Vision
The University of Mary Master of Science degree program in Clinical Exercise Physiology envisions being a premier university program in development of clinical exercise physiology experts including values based practitioners and researchers in this region and beyond.

Distinctive Features
- Comprehensive curriculum founded in specialty standards.
- Servant leadership, evidence based practice and internship experiences.
- Small class size
- Student centered learning environment.
- GRE not required.

Graduate Degree Requirements
To achieve the master’s degree, students must complete the clinical exercise physiology program of study with a minimum of 3.0 GPA.

Satisfactory Academic Progress
The student must maintain a GPA of 3.0 during all of the semesters.

Application/Admission Requirement
Students complete the step by step application process online at the University of Mary website, under Academics, Master of Science Program in clinical Exercise Physiology.

Clinical Exercise Physiology Program Outcomes
Graduates of the Master of Science degree Program in Clinical Exercise Physiology will be able to serve competently in a variety of professional roles (career opportunities mentioned above). Specifically, graduates will:

- Achieve advanced levels of knowledge and skills in clinical exercise physiology
- Incorporate research methodology in exercise physiology
- Practice evidence-based clinical exercise physiology that benefits communities and society.
- Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism including lifelong learning and values-based practice.

Pre-requisites for MS Degree
Program in Clinical Exercise Physiology
Pre-requisites for Acceptance into the MS-Clinical Exercise Physiology Program
- Bachelor’s degree in Exercise Science or Bachelor’s degree in related field with the following pre-requisite courses:
  Anatomy & Physiology I & II (with labs), College Chemistry Series (with labs), Exercise Physiology, Lifespan/Developmental Psychology, Abnormal Psychology, College Math (algebra or higher),
- Undergraduate GPA 3.0 minimum;
- Completion of the online application process located on the program webpage.

Required Courses (course descriptions provided below): EDU 551, 565; CEP 506, 518, 520, 599, 621, 636, 637, 650, 699, 700, 701, 703, 704; HPS 505, 617.

Electives: (see course descriptions under HPS section in the bulletin):
HPS 603  Strength and Conditioning
HPS 617  Human Performance Nutrition

Curriculum/Requirements

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43 semester credits total

Course Descriptions
(Required EDU prefix course descriptions are listed below and under the Education Department listings.)

**EDU 551 Critique and Design of Research**
Effective educators are able to synthesize current research and develop new knowledge through investigation. To develop their research skills, students study the components of the research process and the methods employed in conducting experimental and descriptive research with application to the field of education.
2 semester credits

**EDU 565 Statistics**
Effective educators and administrators must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures. Students learn descriptive and inferential statistics utilized in educational research for the purpose of analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

**CEP 518 Pathophysiology**
This course will address the pathological conditions encountered in clinical practice across the life span. Emphasis is placed on regulatory and compensatory mechanisms as they relate to commonly occurring diseases.
3 semester credits

**CEP 506 ECG for Clinical Exercise Physiology**
This course involves development of electrocardiography (ECG/EKG) descriptive analysis skills and ECG interpretation in the context of clinical exercise physiology professional practice. Students will develop decision making skills based upon clinical scenarios, ECG descriptive analysis, and interpretation.
2 semester credits.

**CEP 520 Exercise Testing and Prescription**
This course involves the study and application of evidence based safe and effective exercise programming (prescription) for people who are apparently healthy, at risk, and with known disease. Health risk and fitness assessment knowledge and skills, clinical case assessment, and pharmaceutical knowledge are incorporated as essential information to prescribe exercise for people of different ages and special populations such as children, elderly, pregnancy, intellectual disability, and obesity.
2 semester credit

**CEP 599 Thesis Planning**
This course marks the beginning of thesis planning and preparation, including the identification of a research study topic with identification of the specific question(s). Students will complete training for conduction of safe research on human subjects, identify resources and primary variables of interest, and conduct a review of the literature for their research topic.
1 semester credit

**CEP 621 Exercise Prescription & Chronic Conditions**
This course involves continued study and application of evidence based safe and effective exercise programming (prescription) for people with chronic disease and special conditions. Clinical case assessment, problem based learning, and evidence in the research literature are emphasized with exercise prescription for people who have conditions and diseases such as cardiac, pulmonary, diabetes, cancer, osteoporosis, arthritis, HIV, stroke, spinal cord injury, non-specific low back pain, and cerebral palsy. This course includes building on assessment skills and clinic experience.
Pre-requisite: CEP 520.
2 semester credits

**CEP 636 Clinical Exercise Physiology I**
Students will engage in detailed study and application of principles of human physiology with special focus given to variations and alterations in metabolic pathways as a result of sedentary behavior and the effects of exercise. This course includes laboratory skills development and skills testing.
3 semester credits

**CEP 637 Clinical Exercise Physiology II**
Students will continue advanced study and application of principles of exercise physiology influenced by disease, acute and chronic conditions, and altered environments. This course is sequential to CEP 636 Clinical Exercise Physiology I, and includes lab skills and skills competency testing. Prerequisite: CEP 636
3 semester credits

**CEP 650 Biogenetics**
This course will address the genetic basis of the human body, existence, and function. It will provide a foundation of knowledge in genetics and microbiology, which will allow students to further their comprehension concerning the genetic components of life and disease.
2 semester credits

**CEP 699 Thesis Proposal**
This course is taken in sequence to Thesis Planning and involves creating the research design, writing the research proposal, gaining committee review and approval of the proposal, and submitting it for institutional review by the University of Mary Institutional Review Board and other review boards when appropriate. Pre-requisite: CEP 599.
1 semester credit
CEP 700 Internship I: Clinical Physiology
The internship experience will consist of a pre-arranged hands-on experience in the student’s chosen clinical area(s) of exercise physiology, including, but not limited to, cardiac rehabilitation, pulmonary rehabilitation, bariatric, cancer, diabetes, and/or arthritis. The Internship site must be approved by the program fieldwork coordinator.
3 semester credits

CEP 701 Internship II: Clinical
The internship II experience will consist of a pre-arranged hands-on experience in the student’s chosen clinical area(s) of exercise physiology, including, but not limited to, cardiac rehabilitation, Pulmonary rehabilitation, bariatric, cancer, diabetes, and/or arthritis. The Internship II site must be approved by the program fieldwork coordinator. It may be a continuation at the Internship I site or a different site.
3 semester credits

CEP 703 Thesis Dissertation & Defense I
Students will develop and form research ideas via discussion with faculty and exercise physiology program director prior to the beginning of this course. Students will come with thesis proposal submitted to the Institutional Review Board. Students will engage In data collection for their thesis following IRB approval.
3 semester credits

CEP 704 Thesis Dissertation & Defense II
This course is the final capstone course in the Clinical Exercise Physiology program. Students will complete the writing of their thesis paper, prepare manuscript(s) to submit for publication, and present their research as a public forum. A research paper will be prepared and submitted according to the guidelines in the Thesis Handbook. Prerequisite: HPE 703 Thesis Part I
3 semester credits

HPS 505 Psychology in Sport, Health, & Disease
This course will address the pathological conditions encountered in clinical practice across the life span. Emphasis is placed on regulatory and compensatory mechanisms as they relate to commonly occurring diseases. Prerequisites: BIO 207, 208
2 semester credits

HPS 617 Nutrition in Sports, Health, and Disease
The course examines the role of nutrition in sport performance, health, and disease. Students will compare and contrast nutritional aspects of injury and illness, risk management, psychosocial intervention and referral, weight management, and body composition. Students will examine nutritional needs of clinical populations as well as eating disorders, weight gain and weight loss, hydration, and performance enhancing supplements.
3 semester credits

Master of Science Program in Bioethics

Faculty: Rohr

Program Overview
The interdisciplinary Master of Science in Bioethics Degree offered in partnership with the National Catholic Bioethics Center (NCBC) has a total of 33 credits and can be completed in two years. In the first year, the student enrolls in the NCBC Certification Program in Health Care Ethics. Upon successful completion, the student may transcript up to 12 graduate credits through the University of Mary. The second year, completed within three semesters, begins directly after completion of the NCBC Certification in May and will include bioethics courses in faith and reason, law, health care, biomedical industries, medicine, and health policy. The degree program includes a practicum and capstone project.

Bioethics is a new field of study developed in the last third of the twentieth century in response to technological advances made in the areas of science, medicine and health care. It is the field of inquiry that addresses the ethical problems posed by advances made in several specific disciplines such as the life sciences, psychology, biomedical engineering and genetics. Advances such as organ transplants, stem cells, genetic engineering, and life-support machines increase our ability to influence the length and quality of life. Bioethics is broadly interdisciplinary and encourages collaboration of various stakeholders in the discourse that helps people make morally sound decisions, made within our Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine tradition, about responsible use of biomedical advances.

Career Outlook
The Master of Science in Bioethics Degree provides advanced training in bioethics for students and professionals who will encounter bioethical issues in the course of their primary careers. Health care workers, attorneys, those in life sciences, church leaders, chaplains, ethics committee members (policy analysis & development), educators, researchers, compliance officers (risk managers or institutional review board positions), grant writers, and public policy makers are likely to enroll in this program.

Dual Degree Programs of Study
The Master of Science in Bioethics Degree Program at the University of Mary is considering dual degree programs of study in catholic studies,
health care administration, and the life sciences. Undergraduate students have the opportunity to complete the Bachelors to Master’s degree in five years by enrolling in the NCBC Certification Program in Health Care Ethics during their senior year.

Program Mission
To prepare our students to provide leadership in the making of morally good and sound bioethical decisions through the integration of faith, reason, and science.

Program Vision
Informed by the Christian, Catholic and Benedictine tradition, the program in Bioethics prepares graduates to meet bioethical healthcare challenges with confidence, courage and clarity. Housed in the School of Health Sciences, the program seeks to advance the bioethical discourse in all areas of healthcare: education, clinical practice, and research. Our graduates are recognized leaders who serve the common good and every individual with mindfulness and compassion.

Program Outcomes
After completing the required curriculum in the bioethics program, graduates will be able to:
1. Integrate the philosophical and scientific underpinnings of faith and reason in ethical decision making
2. Integrate the philosophical underpinnings of faith and reason into a framework for ethical decision making
3. Apply the ethical decision making framework to a complex ethical situation in the areas of clinical practice, education and research including but not limited to the following topics:
   a. informed consent in research and treatment
   b. confidentiality and the health care provider-patient relationship
   c. cultural and religious diversity among patients and practitioners
   d. suffering, death and dying
   e. experimentation and new technologies in health care and science
   f. reproductive technologies
   g. access to and allocation of medical resources
   h. fraud and abuse
   i. intellectual property
   j. regulatory affairs
4. Develop a scholarly thesis or paper utilizing the faith and reason framework to critically analyze a complex ethical dilemma in health care.

Admission Requirements
Applications can be found at the University of Mary website www.umary.edu and are accepted online up to one year prior to the program start date. In addition to meeting the University of Mary’s admission requirements and being accepted, the following criteria must be met for enrollment into the M.S. in Bioethics program:

1. Successful completion of the National Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics evidenced by a certificate of completion from NCBC that must be received prior to the end of the student’s first semester at the University of Mary.
2. Must have a bachelor’s degree or have completed at least 90 credits toward a bachelor’s degree and have graduated with the Bachelor’s Degree by the end of the Health Care Ethics Certification Program
3. Cumulative GPA of 3.0 in the National Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics
4. Letter grade no lower than a “C” on any individual National Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics course

Master of Science in Bioethics Curriculum

■ Year One

**Semester One**
HCB 510 The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Services 2
HCB 520 Key Principles of Medical Ethics 2

**Semester Two**
HCB 530 Catholic Bioethics, the Dignity of the Person, and the Gift of Human Life 5
HCB 540 Case Studies and Applied Topics 3

■ Year Two

**Semester One**
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**Bioethics Course Descriptions**

**HCB 510 The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Services**
This course will study the content of the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, to help acquire an overview of critical topics in Catholic medical ethics. The formulations of the Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services will serve as a reference point for the content covered in subsequent courses and sections of the Catholic Certification Program in Health Care Ethics.
2 semester credits

**HCB 520 Key Principles of Medical Ethics**
This course will familiarize students with several of the most fundamental principles utilized in medical ethics and bioethical thinking.
2 semester credits

**HCB 530 Catholic Bioethics, the Dignity of the Person, and the Gift of Human Life**
This course will examine the major areas of modern bioethics and the key ethical concerns raised by these issues, studying a natural law and reasoned approach to discerning critical lines of ethical obligation. Students will examine areas where ethical ambiguity may still exist from the vantage point of Catholic teaching, such as embryo adoption, or Gamete Intrafallopian Transfer, and be able to articulate a reasoned position and coherent approach to dealing with such questions in the practical sphere.
5 semester credits

**HCB 540 Case Studies and Applied Topics**
This course will review and critically analyze case studies and applied topics in bioethics.
3 semester credits

**HCB 620 Bioethics: Faith and Reason**
This course covers the philosophical and theological underpinnings of bioethics and applies these principles to the topics of moral courage and moral relativism. Other theories such as situational ethics, consequentialism, and Kantian Fundamentalism will be addressed with regard to how they relate to Natural Law.
3 semester credits

**HCB 630 Law and Bioethics**
This course examines the philosophical, theological, historical and present day concepts of bioethics and their relationship to law within present-day reality. Students will discuss relevant legal issues from a federal and state viewpoint and relate them to the ways that courts, legislators, policy makers, and scholars approach bioethical issues.
4 semester credits

**HCB 640 Bioethics Seminar I**
This seminar course is designed to give students the opportunity to hear from experts in the fields of law and bioethics and to draw connections among faith, reason and law.
1 semester credit

**HCB 650 Health Care and Biomedical Industry Ethics**
This course explores the ethical dilemmas within the health care and biomedical industries. The principles of organizational ethics, professional ethics, and theories of justice as they relate to ethical decision making in the realm of health care and biomedical industries will be addressed. This course will further prepare students to address ethical issues in their place of employment as they deal with ethics compliance and risk management.
3 semester credits

**HCB 660 Medicine and Bioethics**
This course explores the philosophical, theological, and human physiological concepts of bioethics as they relate to clinical decision-making in medicine. Students will distinguish how microcosmic and macrocosmic ethical issues affect every-day practice in the realm of medicine.
3 semester credits

**HCB 670 Bioethics Seminar II**
This seminar course is designed to give students the opportunity to hear from experts in the fields of health care business and medicine in bioethics, to discuss current issues in these areas, and draw connections between business, medicine and bioethics.
1 semester credit

**HCB 720 Health Policy and Bioethics**
This course is an exploration of health policy and its development, emphasizing social justice and human rights, thus providing the moral and ethical basis of existing and potential policies. Concepts of distributive justice, competing goals, political, and ethical foundations will be analyzed in how they contribute and compete with each other in policy development.
3 semester credits

**HCB 790: Bioethics Practicum and Capstone Project**
This course allows students the opportunity to participate in a practical experience in ethical clinical decision making and to develop and disseminate an original scholarly paper utilizing compassion and moral courage. The practicum is an integration and synthesis of content from all previous foundational course work – Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services, ethics, law, business, biomedicine, health care, and health policy; applying scholarly methods of bioethical inquiry and composition in a theme related to their practicum experience. In this course, students will disseminate an original work that integrates skills of critical reasoning and analysis.
4 semester credits
Division of Nursing

Faculty: Bensen, Berger, Bruun, Buechler, Busch, Dunnigan, Gebhardt, Hair, Hutzenbiler, Johnson, Nolan, Reemts, Roth, Vollrath, Weigel.

Nursing Division Chair: Dr. Glenda Reemts

Mission

The Nursing Division prepares nurses to provide safe, quality, patient-centered healthcare to the people in the region and beyond without regard to race, religion, cultural background, or gender. By fostering a Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine learning environment, the Division supports the University mission to prepare leaders in the service of truth and to be competent in spirituality and ethics, communication, critical thinking, and global stewardship. Academic preparation and nursing practice opportunities in a variety of health-care settings along the continuum of care will prepare students to achieve competence in the areas of professionalism, environmental contexts, valuing, and scholarship.

Vision

The undergraduate nursing faculty maintains that the baccalaureate degree (BSN) is the essential entry level of education for professional nursing practice. The BSN degree prepares professional nurses in the generalist role. Concurrent with professional nursing standards and the mission, vision, and philosophy of the University of Mary, faculty believe that nursing practice is built on knowledge, theory, and research.

Facility believe graduate nursing education builds upon the knowledge and skills defined by the Baccalaureate Essentials document and prepares one for nursing practice at an advanced level. The faculty’s goal is that nurses of graduate programs acquire depth and breadth of advanced nursing knowledge for expert practice.

Graduates of the Nursing Division will be successful leaders, effective collaborators, and sophisticated consumers of research. These graduates will be socially accountable, culturally sensitive, and responsive to the changing healthcare environment.

The Division of Nursing offers a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree in nursing. The curriculum prepares the graduate to: (1) practice professional nursing in a variety of environmental and cultural settings, (2) become leaders in healthcare, and (3) pursue graduate study in nursing.

The division traces its beginnings to the St. Alexius Hospital School of Nursing founded in 1915. The sponsoring body, the Benedictine Sisters of Annunciation Monastery, recognized the necessity of baccalaureate education and began Mary College; a major in nursing was among its initial programs. The first nursing students received a baccalaureate degree from the college and graduated in 1964. In 1986 the graduate program was initiated and the name, Mary College, changed to the University of Mary.

Continuing the Benedictine tradition which formed its beginnings, the division offers a program holistic in nature and characterized by Benedictine values. The undergraduate nursing curriculum is based upon suggestions outlined by the Institute of Medicine and built upon the Quality and Safety for Nursing Education framework. With this preparation, the nurse can continue to learn both through experience and further academic study and meet the demands of the role of the nurse in contemporary society.

Through its Kappa Upsilon Chapter, the Division of Nursing has membership in Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society in nursing. Candidates for membership must demonstrate superior scholarly achievement, evidence of leadership, and marked potential for achievement in the field of nursing.

The baccalaureate and master’s programs are approved by the North Dakota Board of Nursing and accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education.

Successful completion of this program of study prepares the graduate to apply for licensure through the National Council of State Boards of Nursing to take the NCLEX-RN Exam.

Required courses:


Cooperating Clinical Agencies

Nursing students receive nursing practice experience in a variety of settings in addition to the classroom and laboratory. These settings include homes of clients, clinics, public health agencies, nursing homes, hospitals, special population agencies, schools, human service centers, community agencies, and childcare agencies.

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Required courses:

Curriculum Pathways

Required nursing courses may be completed following the traditional pathway or a completion pathway. Program objectives are the same in both pathways but the course content is organized differently to facilitate learning for different types of students.

The traditional pathway is designed for those who enter the Division of Nursing without formal nursing knowledge or skill. This is the pathway presented in this catalog.

The completion pathway is designed for persons who have formal nursing knowledge and skills and are licensed either as an LPN or RN. LPNs and RNs may choose to take courses in either the traditional or a completion pathway. The Completion Pathway for LPNs combines distance learning with limited on-site instruction. The RN Completion Pathway combines distance learning with accelerated coursework.

Admission Policy–Nursing Division

Application into the Division of Nursing begins during the fall semester of the sophomore year. Requirements for acceptance into the Division are:

- Completed Application form.
- Two completed recommendation and appraisal forms
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on U-Mary and transferred courses.
- Grade of “C” or higher in each of the following nursing prerequisite courses and official transcript for transferred credits:

  - ANT 171 Anthropology or Soc. Substitute
  - BIO 207 Anatomy & Physiology I
  - BIO 208 Anatomy & Physiology II
  - BIO 209 Microbiology
  - ENG 121 College Composition II
  - CHE 110 Intro to Org. & Biochemistry
  - MAT 180 Elementary Statistics
  - PSY 201 Intro to Psychology
  - PSY 207 Lifespan Psychology
  - NUR 216 Nutrition
  - *NUR 240 Introduction to Nursing as a Profession
    (current CNA license required)

- Enrollment in NUR 240 is restricted to students who have declared nursing as a major and hold a current CNA license. All other nursing courses are restricted to students who have been accepted into the Division of Nursing with the exception of NUR 216, NUR 317, and NUR 319.

- The total number of requisite courses which may be repeated is limited to two. The grade received during the student’s second attempt will be used in evaluation for admission. Repeated classes will also include those from which a student has withdrawn (W, WP, WF). Students who withdraw due to nonacademic reasons may request consideration for admission.

- American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers Certification © is required (two year certification). This must be obtained and in place at the start of the junior year.

- Criminal background checks.

- Signed disclosure form.

- Signed Professional Behavior contract

Documentation of health requirements as given below:

- Documentation of physical assessment, health history, current immunizations, and Hepatitis B Series must accompany the application to the division.

- TB testing and flu vaccine are required.

An individual with a disability is considered for admission based on his/her ability to meet the curriculum requirements. No otherwise qualified person shall be, solely by reason of a disability, excluded from participation in the program (American Disabilities Act of 1990). Students must verify that they meet the Physical & Mental Requirements to Provide Safe Patient Care for Students, Faculty, and Preceptors.

Applicants are considered primarily on the basis of academic achievement as evidenced by a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 by admission. This GPA must be maintained through the sophomore year to progress into the junior year. Preferential consideration is given to applicants who have taken all prerequisite coursework at the University of Mary, and have demonstrated participation in volunteer activities. Entry into the nursing major is competitive and class size is limited.
International Student Admissions to Nursing Programs

Who is required to take the TOEFL?

Applicants who were not born in the United States or Canada (excluding Quebec) will be required to take the TOEFL, regardless of U.S. citizenship status or time spent in the United States. Citizens born in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand will be considered on a case by case basis and will be required to submit documentation that the entire curriculum (high school and/or undergraduate/graduate) was presented in English. Acceptable forms of documentation include a letter from the high school or Embassy from the outside country that states “all curriculum was delivered and taught in English”.

What are the required TOEFL scores?

Documentation of TOEFL scores must be submitted along with the necessary application materials when the student is applying for admission to the Division of Nursing at the University of Mary prior to the application deadline. The following are the TOEFL requirements required for as part of the application process:

TOEFL® Score Requirements:

- TOEFL iBT® minimum of 80 and 26 in speaking
- TOEFL PBT® minimum of 550 total score and a score of 5.0 the TWE (Test of written English)
  - Students completing the TOEFL PBT must also complete the Test of Spoken English (TSE®) and receive a score of 50 or higher

Applicants to the Accelerated Nursing Program must attain the following TOEFL scores:

- TOEFL iBT® minimum of 100 total and 26 in speaking
- TOEFL PBT® minimum 600 total score and a score of 5.0 the TWE (Test of written English)
  - Students completing the TOEFL PBT must also complete the Test of Spoken English (TSE®) and receive a score of 50 or higher

TOEFL results must be sent directly from ETS—photocopies are not acceptable. Official results must be sent directly to:

University of Mary
Division of Nursing
5500 University Drive

Foreign Transcripts

All foreign transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate coursework must be translated by an official transcript evaluation service. Applicants to the University of Mary: Division of Nursing are required to provide a course by course evaluation which shows the course name, grade received using US grading scale, cumulative grade point average (GPA) and degree earned. The World Education Services (WES) at www.wes.org, Educational Credential Evaluators at www.ece.org, and International Education Research Foundation at www.ierf.org can be used for this service. The applicant is responsible for all charges incurred for these services.

Progression

Once admitted, the total number of nursing courses (NUR) which may be repeated is limited to one. Repeated classes will also include those from which a student has withdrawn (W, WP, WF). Students who withdraw due to nonacademic reasons may request consideration for continuing.

Nursing LPN to BSN

Infused with Christian, Catholic, Benedictine values, the LPN to BSN program at the University of Mary emphasizes the importance of service and community both in work and personal life. Recognizing the practicing nurse’s competency and help lesson scheduling conflicts, the LPN to BSN program at the University of Mary uses a blended learning format to eliminate the need for students to attend daily classes. Students are required to attend on-campus sessions for orientation, presentations, oral/written comprehensive exams, and limited clinical experiences. The remainder of the program, both theory and the majority of the clinical experiences, can often be fulfilled in a student’s home community.

Admission Policy LPN to BSN

Requirements for acceptance into the Nursing Division are:

- A current license in good standing as a certificate or associate degree LPN. Students must have had 1000 hours of direct patient care within the last two years OR have graduated in the last 6 months.
- Completed Application form.
- Two completed recommendation forms
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0
• Grade of “C” or higher in each of the following nursing prerequisite courses and official transcript for transferred credits. Classes older than 5 years will be evaluated on a case by case basis.

ANT 171 Sociology or Anthropology
BIO 207 Anatomy & Physiology I
BIO 208 Anatomy & Physiology II
BIO 209 Microbiology
CHE 110 Intro to Organic & Biochemistry
ENG 121 Composition II
MAT 180 Elementary Statistics
PSY 201 Intro to Psychology
PSY 207 Lifespan Psychology

• No nursing/nursing prerequisite course (above listed courses) may be repeated more than once. The grade received during the student’s second attempt will be used. The total number of nursing/nursing prerequisite courses which may be repeated is limited to two. Repeated classes will include those from which a student has withdrawn (W, WP, WF). Students who withdraw due to nonacademic reasons may request consideration for admission.

• American Heart Association Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers Certification © is required (two year certification).

• Criminal background check.

• Signed disclosure form.

• Signed Professional Behavior contract.

• A passing grade on a LPN Comprehensive Predictor Exam (scores are ranked for admission selection).

• Applicant must meet all deadlines set by the University of Mary and be in good standing with prior institutions.

• TOEFL requirement if applicable.

• Documentation of health requirements as given below:
  • Documentation of health history and current immunizations as required by the Division of Nursing must accompany the application to the division.

• TB testing is required.

• Annual flu vaccination required.

• An individual with a disability is considered for admission based on his/her ability to meet the curriculum requirements. No otherwise qualified person shall be, solely by reason of a disability, excluded from participation in the program (American Disabilities Act of 1990). Students must verify that they meet the Physical & Mental Requirements to Provide Safe Patient Care for Students, Faculty, and Preceptors

Curriculum/Requirements
Courses in the LPN to BSN Curriculum:

NUR 341 Intro to Professional Nursing (3 credits)
NUR 248 Health Assessment (4 credits)
NUR 343 Nursing Care of the Older Adult (3 credits)
NUR 319 Pathophysiology (4 credits)
NUR 215 Nutrition & Diet Therapy (3 credits)
NUR 317 Pharmacology (3 credits)
NUR 323 Concepts of IV Therapy (1-2 credits)
NUR 331 Maternal/Child Bridge (3 credits)
NUR 336 Ethics Law and Policy (3 credits)
NUR 335 Research & Evidence Based Practice (2 credits)
NUR 438 Interdisciplinary Care (1 credit)
NUR 446 Community Health Nursing (4 Credits)
NUR 441 Medical Surgical Nursing II (4 credits)
NUR 436 Nurse as Leader (3 credits)
NUR 423 NCLEX I (1 credit)
NUR 444 Mental Health Nursing (4 credits)
NUR 443 Critical Care Nursing (4 credits)
NUR 450 Role of the Professional Nurse (3 credits)
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Applicants are considered primarily on the basis of academic achievement as evidenced by a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75 on admission.

**Curriculum/Requirements**

To gain admission in the RN to BSN nursing program, you must hold an Associate of Arts or diploma in Nursing from an accredited institution of higher education and have a GPA of 2.75 or higher, with a GPA of 2.0 or higher in the nursing required courses.

**Graduation Required Courses**

- Grade of “C” or higher in each of the following graduation required courses:
  - ANT 171 Sociology or Anthropology
  - BIO 207 Anatomy & Physiology I
  - BIO 208 Anatomy & Physiology II
  - BIO 209 Microbiology
  - CHE 110 Intro to Organic & Biochemistry
  - ENG 121 Composition II
  - MAT 180 Elementary Statistics
  - PSY 201 Intro to Psychology
  - PSY 207 Lifespan Psychology
  - A theology course
  - An ethics course

**Courses in the RN to BSN Curriculum:**

- HUM 406 New Student Orientation (0 credits)
- NUR 348 Health Assessment for the RN to BSN Student
- NUR 352 Health Promotion for the Elderly (4 credits)
- NUR 437 The Professional Nurse (4 credits)
- NUR 336 Ethics Law and Policy (3 credits)
- NUR 368 Evidence Base Nursing Practice (3 credits) **Statistics prerequisite
NUR 462 Leadership and Management (4 credits)
NUR 402 Community as Partner (3 credits)
NUR 468 Global Nursing Issues (3 credits)
NUR 479 Professional Nursing II (Capstone) **Final Semester
Senior Competency Testing (0 credits)

124 Credits required for graduation

Progression
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Division of Nursing Course Descriptions

NUR 204 Calculating Medication Dosages
This course enhances the student’s ability to calculate medication dosages. A review of basic mathematical skills is included. The metric and apothecary systems and conversions between the two are addressed. The student reads labels, performs medication calculations and IV flow rates. This course is required for those who fail a medication calculations competency exam and highly recommended for those with a Math ACT < 21.
2 semester credits

NUR 215 Nutrition and Diet Therapy
Nutrition is studied from a perspective of its influence on health promotion and support. This includes Healthy People 2010 Goals/President’s New Freedom Initiative and the study of food and nutrients and their action as well as nutrient need changes through-out the life cycle. Assessment of dietary intake and the influence of culture, values, and economics will be integrated. The influence of diet therapy in the treatment of diseases and symptoms is incorporated.
3 semester credits

NUR 216 Nutrition
This course will focus on the study of nutrition and its impact on health. This knowledge is foundational to assess nutritional needs. Nutritional principles will be applied to promote and support health throughout the life span. Influences of culture, values, economics, and evidence based literature will be integrated into the assessment and plan for meeting dietary needs. This course will build on the liberal arts core.
2 semester credits

NUR 240 Introduction to Nursing as a Profession
This course introduces students to professional nursing roles and attributes. Standards of nursing care; therapeutic communication; and quality and safety concerns will be explored utilizing the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) framework. The University of Mary

competences and Division of Nursing philosophy, as well as the Benedictine values, will be explored and applied to nursing. Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) skills will be validated for safety and effectiveness.
3 semester credits

NUR 242 Nursing Fundamentals
This course introduces the student to the role of the professional nurse as provider of patient-centered care. There is an emphasis on knowledge, judgments, skills, and professional values within a framework of Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN). Topics include the nursing process; accident and injury prevention; communication skills including documentation; and nursing care interventions. Laboratory experiences provide the opportunity to learn, practice, document, and demonstrate nursing skills in a controlled environment.
6 semester credits

NUR 248 Health Assessment
Emphasis of this course is on holistic assessment of persons across the lifespan. Professional interviewing and psychomotor skills are used to obtain health histories and perform physical and mental status examinations that include documentation of findings and identification of functional health patterns as a basis for nursing diagnoses.
4 semester credits

NUR 317 Pharmacology
This course is an introduction to pharmacology. Its focus is on the fundamental principles of pharmacology and actions/interactions of selected drugs used throughout the life span. Legal, cultural, ethical, and economic aspects related to drug therapy will be discussed. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and explores professional and Benedictine values as they relate to pharmacology.
3 semester credits

NUR 319 Pathophysiology
This course builds on knowledge gained from anatomy, physiology and microbiology to provide the student the opportunity to examine health deviations and their impact on human functioning throughout the lifespan. This course focuses on factors that influence disease and the body’s mechanisms to compensate for pathophysiological changes. The effects of genetics/genomics and the environment on health and illness are explored.
4 semester credits

NUR 321 Advanced Nursing Skills
This course familiarizes the student to the concepts and principles necessary to perform select advanced nursing skills for the adult patient based on evidence-based knowledge and utilizing the framework of Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN). Students will demonstrate competence in the performance of nursing procedures in the laboratory setting while integrating legal/ethical considerations. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and implements professional and Benedictine values.
2 semester credits

NUR 323 Concepts of Intravenous Therapy
This course provides the LPN to BSN students the certification required by the North Dakota Board of Nursing to...
initiate and manage intravenous therapy. This course will provide the opportunity for the students to perform selected interventions including infection control, enteral therapies, and IV administration across the lifespan to promote healing and health. Standards of nursing and quality and safety concerns will be discussed utilizing the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) framework. The University of Mary competences and Division of Nursing philosophy as well as Benedictine Values, will be examined and applied to nursing. Practical skills will be instituted as per topical outline.

2 semester credits

NUR 328 Readings and Research in Nursing
This course provides in-depth study of an area not covered in the existing curriculum.
1-4 semester credits

NUR 331 Maternal/Child Bridge – LPN to BSN
This course is a Maternal Child Bridge course for the LPN to BSN student. Learners will study the high risk pregnancy, critical situations in labor, delivery, and postpartum care, the high risk infant, and the critically ill and the chronically ill child. Nursing practice will enable the learner to gain experience of these high risk patients. The nursing process, ethical principles, and Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) competencies provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of these high risk patients. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and implements professional and Benedictine Values.
1 semester credit

NUR 335 Research and Evidence Based Decision Making
This course is designed to provide the student with foundational principles of the research process. Emphasis is on examination of scientific merit and critique of research literature as a foundation for evidence-based decision making. Evidence-based literature and ethical dimensions of nursing research are explored to enhance the quality of patient care.
2 semester credits

NUR 336 Ethics, Law & Policy
This course explores ethical and legal issues in relation to the political, economic, social, cultural, and regulatory environments influencing the practice of nursing and healthcare in the local, national, and global community. Students will build upon the liberal arts core and implement professional and Benedictine Values during classroom and written activities.
3 semester credits

NUR 340 Medical Surgical Nursing I
This course focuses on nursing care of adults who have common health problems with predictable outcomes and chronic disease states that may have acute exacerbations. Nursing process, Quality and Safety Education for Nursing (QSEN) principles, the liberal arts core, and Benedictine values provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of the medical-surgical patient.
4 semester credits

NUR 341 Introduction to Professional Nursing
This course explores the role of the professional nurse as provider of patient-centered care. Standards of nursing care; professional value and judgments, therapeutic communication; and quality and safety concerns will be discussed utilizing the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) framework. The University of Mary competences and Division of Nursing philosophy, as well as Benedictine values, will be examined and applied to nursing. Professional writing will be introduced and applied in this course.
3 semester credits

NUR 342 Gerontologic Nursing
This course focuses on the health and nursing care of older adults with an emphasis on healthy aging and wellness. Students will develop respect and an appreciation for the older adult across the continuum of care. Ethical considerations in aging and the variations of health and wellness will be explored. Nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of the older adult patient.
3 semester credits

NUR 343 Nursing Care of the Older Adult
This course focuses on the health and nursing care of older adults with an emphasis on healthy aging and wellness. Students will develop respect and an appreciation for the older adult across the continuum of care. Ethical considerations in aging and the variations of health and wellness will be explored. Nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of the older adult patient.
3 semester credits

NUR 344 Pediatric Nursing
This course focuses on the nursing care of children from birth through adolescence. Education of the child and family regarding health promotion, disease prevention and safety issues are addressed. The effects of acute and chronic illness and the impact of genetics/genomics on growth and development are studied in selected care settings. The nursing process, ethical principles, and Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) competencies provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of children. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and implements professional and Benedictine values.
4 semester credits

NUR 346 Maternity Nursing and Women's Health Care
This course focuses on nursing care for the childbearing family. Topics related to women’s health will be explored. The course provides an introduction to the process of normal childbirth, women’s health, dynamics of the childbearing family, and identification and nursing care of high-risk antepartum, laboring, and postpartum patients. Nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of women and newborns. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and implements professional and Benedictine values.
4 semester credits

NUR 348 RN to BSN Health Assessment
This is a validation course for the RN to BSN student that demonstrates the integration of skilled observation, system-
NUR 352 Health Promotion for the Elderly
This course will address the theoretical and evidence based care of common geriatric health problems with a focus on co-morbidities. Emphasis will be placed on the pathophysiological cause of disease and the role of nutrition and pharmacology in health promotion and disease management. Various assessment tools and strategies for delivering evidence based care are examined and will provide the basis for nursing care designed to enhance quality of life for the older adult in both health and disease states. Ethical and Legal considerations, Quality and /Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) principles and national patient safety indicators will provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of the older adult patient. The student will perform a complete assessment on an older adult with co-morbidities and develop interventions to promote successful aging and quality of life. Prerequisite: Admission to RN to BSN program.
2 semester credits

NUR 360 Professional Nursing I
This course builds on professional nursing roles and inter/intradisciplinary health care. Quality and safety concerns utilizing the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses framework, professional nursing standards, and the Benedictine values will be explored and applied to nursing. Prerequisite: Admission to RN to BSN program.
3 semester credits

NUR 368 Evidence Based Nursing Practice
This course is designed to build upon the introductory concepts of evidence-based nursing practice from earlier courses and explores research as it relates to nursing theory, clinical nursing practice, and the broader arena of healthcare. Emphasis is placed on examination of scientific merit and critique of research literature as a foundation for evidence-based decision making. A focus is placed on identification of practice issues, appraisal and integration of evidence, evaluation of patient outcomes and sharing best practices that occurs within the inter/intra professional healthcare team to enhance the quality of patient care. Prerequisite: MAT 180, Admission to RN to BSN program.
3 semester credits

NUR 325, 425 Special offerings in Nursing
1-4 semester credits

NUR 402 Community as Partner
This course focuses on the partnership between nursing and the community in promoting health. It explores content areas basic to the practice of community health nursing and public health nursing; models of community assessment, data analysis, formulation of a health community nursing diagnosis; and planning, implementation, and evaluation of a community health promotion program. The diverse roles, strategies and interventions that community and public health nurses utilize to promote population health are analyzed. 3 semester credits

NUR 420 Nursing Leadership and Management
This course enables the student to pursue professional development and competence in the foundational skills in healthcare leadership and management. Content focuses on the art or aesthetics of value-oriented principles of servant leadership, care management, client orientation, coordination of care, outcome orientation, collaboration, delegation, and resource efficiency. Core elements of the care management process, current models, and multiple care manager roles will be explored. Prerequisite: Successful completion of all junior level courses.
4 semester credits

NUR 421 NCLEX Review
Focuses on test-taking strategies, written and computerized exams, and nursing curricular content review. Students master test-taking skills needed for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN Exam. Prerequisite: Successful completion of all senior first semester nursing courses.
1 semester credit

NUR 423 NCLEX Review I
This course focuses on nursing curricular content review with regard to the following categories: Management of Care; Safety and Infection Control; Health Promotion and Maintenance; and Psychosocial Integrity. Clinical decision test taking strategies and computerized practice exams are utilized. Students master content and test-taking skills needed for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN exam. In addition, the following concepts are utilized throughout the major patient needs categories and subcategories of the NCLEX test plan: Nursing Process; Caring; Communication and Documentation; and Teaching and Learning. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and utilizes professional and Benedictine values.
1 semester credit

NUR 424 NCLEX Review II
This course focuses on nursing curricular content review with regard to the following categories: Basic Care and Comfort; Pharmacological and Parental Therapies; Reduction of Risk Potential; and Physiological Adaptation. Clinical decision test taking strategies and computerized practice exams are utilized. Students master content and test-taking skills needed for successful completion of the NCLEX-RN exam. In addition, the following concepts are utilized throughout the major patient needs categories and subcategories of the NCLEX test plan: Nursing Process; Caring; Communication and Documentation; and Teaching and Learning. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and utilizes professional and Benedictine values.
1 semester credit

NUR 425I Trauma Care
This course will provide an overview of the ND emergency trauma system, role of diverse trauma team members, kinematics of trauma, and presentation of specific trauma-
related injuries. Students will develop beginning skills in:
1) assessment of actual and potential injuries (single and multiple system), 2) principles of early stabilization, and 3) prevention of further complications. Community education for injury prevention will be stressed. Pre or Co-requisites: Junior level course.
2 semester credits

NUR 428 Readings and Research in Nursing
This course provides for in-depth study of an area not covered in the existing curriculum.
1-4 semester credits

NUR 434 Professional Role Development
This course provides the opportunity to facilitate professional role development and student transition to professional nursing practice. A preceptorship provides an opportunity to refine leadership and management skills, to work collaboratively with healthcare professionals, to synthesize knowledge acquired in previous course work, and to gain self-confidence in problem-solving and decision-making. Prerequisite: Successful completion of all junior level nursing courses. (This course is delivered over five semesters in seminar format beginning second semester of the sophomore year.
3 semester credits

NUR 436 Nurse as Leader
This course enables the student to pursue development and competence of skills in the beginning role of healthcare leader and care manager. The purpose is to provide the nursing student with the basic concepts and theories needed for safe, effective, patient-centered care. Core elements of the care management process, leadership theories, and multiple care manager roles are explored. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and the student will implement professional and Benedictine values.
3 semester credits

NUR 437 The Professional Nurse
Framed by competencies from Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN), this course will offer Associate Degree and Diploma prepared nurses foundational content in evidence based practice, patient safety, quality improvement, informatics, interdisciplinarity and intradisciplinarity teamwork, and patient-centered care across the lifespan, including genetics and genomics. Role socialization, leadership and scholarly oral and written communication are emphasized. 4 semester credits

NUR 438 Interdisciplinary Care
This course will focus on the concept of inter/intra-disciplinary provision of care. Students will learn to function effectively within their discipline and inter-professional teams by fostering open communication, mutual respect, and shared decision making to achieve safe, quality patient care. This course builds upon the liberal arts core and utilizes professional and Benedictine values.
1 semester credit

NUR 441 Medical Surgical Nursing II
This course focuses on nursing care of the adult patient who experiences acute and/or progressive health problems. Nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nursing (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of medical-surgical patients in selected acute care settings.
4 semester credits

NUR 442K Internship: Summer
This course provides the opportunity for the student to apply nursing knowledge skills and abilities learned in the junior year nursing curriculum in provision of nursing care under the direct supervision of a clinical supervisor by the hiring agency.
2 semester credits

NUR 442L Internship: Summer
This course provides the opportunity for the student to apply nursing knowledge skills and abilities learned in the junior year nursing curriculum in provision of nursing care under the direct supervision of a clinical supervisor by the hiring agency.
1 semester credit

NUR 443 Critical Care Nursing
This course focuses on nursing care of adult patients experiencing acute, complex and potentially unstable illnesses. Students use high acuity nursing principles to prevent potential complications of and optimize recovery from serious illness. The nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nursing (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote and restore optimum health in the seriously ill patient.
4 semester credits

NUR 444 Mental Health Nursing
This course provides the student with knowledge, skills, and experiences related to mental health nursing as well as an opportunity to apply previously learned behavioral and scientific concepts to nursing practice. Nursing process and Quality and Safety Education for Nursing (QSEN) principles provide direction to promote, restore, and maintain the health of patients with mental health concerns. Concepts relate to ethical/legal, professional accountability, community, and Benedictine values will be applied to patient care issues. Past, present, and future trends in mental health nursing will be explored. Discussion of the roles of the interdisciplinary mental health team, with emphasis on the nursing role, will occur throughout the course.
4 semester credits

NUR 446 Community Health Nursing
This course will enable students to analyze nursing’s role as it relates to core competencies of community, public, and global health nursing. Principles of health promotion, disease prevention, and health restoration will be addressed utilizing the framework of Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN). Emphasis will be placed on the synthesis of concepts, theories, knowledge, and practice from intra/interprofessional sciences to determine the health status, needs, and assets of communities. Students will assess physical, social, and cultural environments to identify populations at risk to implement appropriate patient-centered and evidence-based nursing interventions.
4 semester credits
NUR 448 Preceptorship
This clinical preceptorship provides students with the opportunity to synthesize knowledge, concepts, and skills learned in previous courses and apply them to a practice setting. The course is designed to enhance competence and self-confidence in problem solving and decision making skills. Students provide patient-centered care in collaboration with a baccalaureate prepared registered nurse preceptor under the guidance of a faculty member. 2 semester credits

NUR 450 The Role of the Professional Nurse
This capstone course prepares the student for the professional nursing role and assists in the transition to nursing practice by providing students with the opportunity to synthesize knowledge, concepts, and skills learned in previous courses and apply them to a practice setting. It is designed to enhance competence and self-confidence in problem solving and decision making skills. The preceptorship component of this course allows students to provide patient-centered care in collaboration with a baccalaureate prepared registered nurse preceptor under the guidance of a faculty mentor. 3 semester credits

NUR 462 Leadership and Management
This course enables the student to enhance skills as a healthcare leader and care manager. The purpose is to provide the student with the concepts and theories needed for safe and quality effective patient-centered care based on care management processes, leadership theories, multiple care manager roles, and quality improvement processes. Emphasis is placed on the critical role of the nurse leader in promoting a collaborative, interdisciplinary approach to delivery of high quality care to a diverse population. This course builds upon the liberal arts core, professional nursing standards, and Benedictine Values. Prerequisite: Admission to RN to BSN program. Concurrent with NUR 336, NUR 368. 4 semester credits

NUR 468 Global Issues of Nursing
This course explores contemporary trends in healthcare delivery and professional nursing practice. National and international issues will be examined as they relate to changes in nursing practice and education. Emphasis is placed on identifying factors which have influenced nursing practice, including cultural diversity, informatics, genomics, government policy, and economics. This course builds upon the liberal arts core, professional nursing standards and Benedictine values. Prerequisite: Admission to RN to BSN program. 3 semester credits

NUR 479 Professional Nursing II
This capstone course enables the student to synthesize and integrate knowledge of nursing research, leadership and management, national patient safety resources, and evidence based practice to design, implement, and lead an evidence based project to improve client outcomes and provide quality and professional nursing care. The Institute of Medicine’s healthcare professional core competencies of providing patient-centered care, working in inter-professional teams, employing evidence based practice, applying quality improvement, and utilizing informatics will provide the over arching framework for this course. The student will develop an evidence based change project integrating quality improvement process and national patient safety resources. The University of Mary competences, Division of Nursing Philosophy, and Benedictine values will be explored and integrated into the evidence based project. Prerequisite: Admission to RN to BSN program. 3 semester credits

NUR 498 Nursing Guatemala: A Service Learning Experience
Cultural competence is a necessary skill for successful nursing practice. This 10-day excursion with the God’s Child Project in Antigua, Guatemala allows students to broaden their cultural perspective and appreciate lifestyles and socioeconomic levels very different from their own. In this service learning experience, students volunteer to build a house in Guatemala for a very poor family. They volunteer at a malnutrition center and are able to utilize their prior learning in caring for severely malnourished infants and children. Other volunteer options include volunteering at the Dreamer Center School, serving meals at a homeless shelter and traveling with social workers into mountain villages to observe needs assessments. Tours of hospitals and nursing homes may also be available. The opportunity will deepen student understanding of other cultures/lifestyles and the challenges others face in living a healthy life amidst poverty. 1 semester credit

Graduate Programs in Nursing
Graduate Faculty: Babb, Brookings, Clouse-Smith, Dietrich, Doerner, Dunnigan, Ferry, Fladeland, Gebhardt, Gerhardt, Hair, Herman, Horner, Howard, Johnson, Klein, Kolsrud, Lassiter, Leier, McDowall-Long, Madler, Morgan, Reemts (Nursing Division Chair), Rohr, Roller, Schlittenhardt, Thayer, Swanson.

Chair, Online & Distance Nursing Education: Dr. Billie Madler

Mission
The Nursing Division prepares nurses to provide safe, quality, patient-centered healthcare to the people in the region and beyond without regard to race, religion, cultural background, or gender. By fostering a Christian, Catholic, and Benedictine learning environment, the Division supports the University mission to prepare leaders in the service of truth and to be competent in spirituality and ethics, communication, critical thinking, and global stewardship. Academic preparation and nursing practice opportunities in a variety of health-care settings along the continuum of care will prepare students to achieve competence in the areas of professionalism, environmental contexts, valuing, and scholarship.
Accreditation Status

University of Mary nursing graduate program is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, One Dupont Circle, NW, Suite 530, Washington, DC 20036-1120, (202) 887-6791. The graduate pre-licensure program (i.e., Family Nurse Practitioner program) is approved by the North Dakota Board of Nursing.

Graduate Degree Requirements

The Master of Science in Nursing degree and/or the Doctorate of Nursing Practice degree must be conferred within seven years of completion of the earliest graduate course used in the course of study. Up to one-third of the total graduate credits required for the course of study may be transferred from another accredited institution. To achieve the master’s or doctorate degree, the student must complete the selected course of study.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

Graduate nursing students are expected to maintain: a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, completion of no less than 67% of attempted courses, achieve a grade of B- or higher in each course, pass all clinical or practical educational experiences, and pass all course and program competency exams. Should students fall below this expectation, they will be referred to the Nursing Academic Progression Committee for recommendation of action. Students may be dismissed from Graduate Nursing Programs if a letter grade lower than a B- is earned more than once for a repeated course or for more than one course in their program of study. Please refer to the Graduate Nursing Handbook for additional details.

Description of Graduate Nursing Degrees

The demand for nursing leaders prepared to meet the challenges of providing healthcare today is well established. At the University of Mary, graduate students have opportunities for varied learning experiences designed to develop expertise in advanced nursing practice, education, administration and informatics. The curriculum is intended to provide learning opportunities in high-quality clinical services, cutting edge education pedagogy, and leading nursing institutions.

The University of Mary nursing graduate demonstrates the University Mission to prepare servant leaders. We believe that students desiring to be leaders who are competent, autonomous practitioners, and ethical decision makers are best served by faculty who facilitate reflective thinking and critical inquiry vetted in information that is complimentary of current environmental contexts.

The University of Mary offers several programs culminating in a Master’s degree and one program culminating in a Doctorate degree.

Distinctive Features

- Choose a learning format and program schedule that best meets your lifestyle.
- Collaborative learning environment among a diverse peer group that is guided by faculty with practical lived experiences in content area.
- Comprehensive curriculum informed by nursing specialty standards.
- Servant leadership, evidence based practice and practica frame student experiences.
- The University of Mary philosophy of a student centered learning environment.
- GRE not required.

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN)

The University of Mary offers four programs of study options for the MSN degree: BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator, Diploma/ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator, BSN to MSN: Nurse Educator, and BSN to MSN: Nursing and Healthcare Informatics. The MSN/MBA- Healthcare Administration is available as a dual degree.

Program Formats

The Diploma/ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator, and the SN/MBA in Healthcare Administration dual degree are offered in two formats:

1. An on-site accelerated format in selected cities.

2. An online accelerated format.

Students participating in either format will be required to participate in practical experiences within clinical settings.

The Nurse Educator program is offered in one format:

1. An online accelerated format.

Students participating in this program will be required to participate in practical experiences within academic and/or healthcare settings.
The Nursing and Healthcare Informatics program is offered in one format:

(1) An online accelerated format.

Students participating in this program will be required to participate in practical experiences within healthcare settings.

Application/Admission Requirement

Individuals holding a nursing diploma or associate degree from an accredited institution are eligible to apply to the Diploma/ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator program of study. Persons with a bachelor degree in nursing from an accredited institution are eligible to apply to the BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator, MSN/MBA in Healthcare Administration dual degree, MSN: Nurse Educator, or MSN: Nursing and Healthcare Informatics program of study.

Requirements listed below must be met before admission to graduate nursing study:

- Evidence of current, unencumbered RN licensure
- Undergraduate GPA of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Completed graduate application
- Professional goals essay
- Official transcripts (including degree granting institution and transcripts of any graduate courses completed)
- Current resume
- Two letters of professional reference
- Evidence of required immunizations
- Background check through Certified Background® and Release of Information of Criminal Background Report

International Student Admissions to Nursing Programs

Who is required to take the TOEFL?

Applicants who were not born in the United States or Canada (excluding Quebec) will be required to take the TOEFL, regardless of U.S. citizenship status or time spent in the United States. Citizens born in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand will be considered on a case by case basis and will be required to submit documentation that the entire curriculum (high school and/or undergraduate/graduate) was presented in English. Acceptable forms of documentation include a letter from the high school or Embassy from the outside country that states “all curriculum was delivered and taught in English”.

What are the required TOEFL scores?

Documentation of TOEFL scores must be submitted along with the necessary application materials when the student is applying for admission to the Division of Nursing at the University of Mary prior to the application deadline. The following are the TOEFL requirements required for as part of the application process:

TOEFL® Score Requirements:

- TOEFL iBT® minimum of 80 and 26 in speaking
- TOEFL PBT® minimum of 550 total score and a score of 5.0 the TWE (Test of written English)
  - Students completing the TOEFL PBT must also complete the Test of Spoken English (TSE ®) and receive a score of 50 or higher

Applicants to the Accelerated Nursing Program must attain the following TOEFL scores:

- TOEFL iBT® minimum of 100 total and 26 in speaking
- TOEFL PBT ® minimum 600 total score and a score of 5.0 the TWE (Test of written English)
  - Students completing the TOEFL PBT must also complete the Test of Spoken English (TSE ®) and receive a score of 50 or higher

TOEFL results must be sent directly from ETS—photocopies are not acceptable. Official results must be sent directly to:

University of Mary
Division of Nursing
5500 University Drive

Foreign Transcripts

All foreign transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate coursework must be translated by an official transcript evaluation service. Applicants to the University of Mary: Division of Nursing are
required to provide a course by course evaluation which shows the course name, grade received using US grading scale, cumulative grade point average (GPA) and degree earned. The World Education Services (WSE) at www.wes.org, Educational Credential Evaluators at www.ece.org, and International Education Research Foundation at www.ierf.org can be used for this service. The applicant is responsible for all charges incurred for these services.

Additional admission requirements unique to each program are listed below.

Applicants for the Diploma/ADN to MSN: Nurse Administrator
- Signed Memorandum of Understanding
- Evidence of satisfactory completion of an undergraduate or graduate statistics course

BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator and MSN/MBA in Healthcare Administration Dual Degree
- Evidence of satisfactory completion of an undergraduate or graduate statistics course.

BSN to MSN: Nurse Educator
- Evidence of satisfactory completion of a graduate statistics course.

Individuals interested in pursuing graduate nursing education who have not decided on a program of interest must apply to University of Mary Graduate Studies as a non-degree seeking student. A non-degree seeking student is allowed to take up to nine (9) credits of nursing graduate core coursework prior to gaining acceptance to a program of study. However, students who take courses under the non-degree seeking status are not guaranteed placement into a degree program; must adhere to expected admissions criteria; and, are not eligible for federal financial aid.

Nurse Administrator Specialty

In today’s healthcare environment nurse leaders, both executive and managerial, need a broad background in nursing and business concepts. Emphasis of this content is placed within the context of advanced nursing practice in healthcare. The graduate program provides the student with the opportunity to identify and partner with a healthcare organization and nursing leader to participate in a clinical experience. The capstone seminar, a service project, is designed to guide students in the integration of nursing and management theory with a practical application.

BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator Program Outcomes
- Designs processes to achieve quality, cost-effective and ethical health outcomes
- Appreciates the complexity of human resource management in today’s healthcare
- Evaluates quality and safety measures
- Designs a plan of change using principles of servant leadership
- Collaborates with others to improve the quality of professional nursing practice and healthcare policy
- Utilizes evidence based practice for performance improvement
- Possesses requisite knowledge to pursue doctoral education
- Uses information technology to improve processes
- Demonstrates effective principles of change while providing client centered care

BSN to MSN: Nurse Administrator Courses

Orientation Course
- HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation

Core Courses
- NUR 510 Healthcare Across the Population
- NUR 551 Critique & Design of Nursing Research
- NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy
- NUR 601 Evidence Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
- NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
- NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing

Nurse Administrator Specialty Courses
- MGT 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
- MGT 505 Human Resource Management
- NUR 560 Applied Healthcare Economics, Finance and Budgeting
Diploma/ADN to MSN:
Nurse Administrator

This program of study is designed to allow nurses who have completed a diploma or associate degree and are licensed as a registered nurse to supplement their college education with two foundational courses in the first term of study. This program provides the student with the opportunity to identify and partner with a healthcare organization and nursing leader to participate in a clinical experience.

The capstone seminar, a service project, is designed to guide students in the integration of nursing and management theory with a practical application.

Diploma/ADN to MSN:
Nurse Administrator Program Outcomes

- Designs processes to achieve quality, cost-effective and ethical health outcomes
- Appreciates the complexity of human resource management in today’s healthcare
- Evaluate quality and safety measures
- Designs a plan of change using principles of servant leadership
- Collaborates with others to improve the quality of professional nursing practice and healthcare policy
- Utilizes evidence based practice for performance improvement
- Possesses requisite knowledge to pursue doctoral education
- Uses information technology to improve processes
- Demonstrates effective principles of change while providing client centered care

Diploma/ADN to MSN:
Nurse Administrator Courses

Graduation Requirements or Transfer Course Equivalents.

- Human Anatomy I & II
- Microbiology
- Sociology
- Psychology
- Composition II

Orientation Course

HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation

Bridge Courses

NUR 402 Community as Partner
NUR 437 The Professional Nurse

Core Courses

NUR 510 Healthcare Across the Population
NUR 551 Critique & Design of Nursing Research
NUR 601 Evidence-Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy

Specialty Courses

BUS 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
BUS 505 Human Resources Management
NUR 560 Applied Healthcare Economics, Finance and Budgeting
BUS 630 Current Issues in Healthcare Administration
NUR 696 Seminar and Service Project I
NUR 697 Seminar and Service Project II
HUM 799 06 Graduate Student Assessment Nursing

Total: 43 semester credits
Leadership Experience Hours = 500
MSN/MBA in Healthcare Administration Dual Degree

The University of Mary’s MSN/MBA: Healthcare Administration dual degree offers an outstanding opportunity for nursing leaders to earn both degrees in an integrated program that prepares nursing leaders with a unique blend of clinical and administrative skills, all grounded in the Benedictine values.

The MSN/MBA: Healthcare Administration program blends nursing and business coursework, imparting the skills necessary to analyze significant issues between clinical nursing practice and healthcare administration to offer effective conflict resolution and provide leadership for practical solutions.

MSN/MBA in Healthcare Administration Dual Degree Program Outcomes

• Integrate ethical practices and policies which appropriately address the unique healthcare laws and regulations healthcare organizations must follow
• Synthesize information through research and data analysis using best business and evidence based nursing practice to facilitate change toward high quality, cost effective and ethical nursing care delivery systems
• Collaborate with interdisciplinary teams, consumers, and other key stakeholders to effect needed change in healthcare delivery systems
• Utilize stewardship of human, fiscal, and organizational resources based on principles of finance, accounting, and economics
• Incorporate service and Benedictine values into nursing leadership practices
• Evaluate current domestic and global issues on healthcare and possible impacts to a changing healthcare industry
• Analyze significant issues between clinical nursing practice and healthcare administration to offer effective conflict resolution and provide leadership for practical solutions

Orientation Course
HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation

Core Courses
NUR 510 Healthcare Across the Population
NUR 551 Critique & Design of Nursing Research
NUR 601 Evidence-Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy
PHI 572 Ethics

Specialty Courses
BUS 502 Operations and Management
BUS 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
BUS 505 Human Resource Management
NUR 560 Applied Healthcare Economics, Finance and Budgeting
BUS 555 Managerial Finance
BUS 571 Executive Economic Analysis
BUS 605 Managerial Accounting
BUS 610 Marketing
BUS 630 Current Issues in Healthcare Administration
BUS 635 Law in the Managerial Environment
BUS 653 Healthcare Organizations and Finance
BUS 696 Seminar and Service Project I
BUS 698 MSN/MBA-HC Dual Degree Capstone Course

Program Assessment Course
HUM 799 06 Graduate Student Assessment Nursing

Total: 51 semester credits
Leadership Experience Hours = 500
BSN to MSN: Nurse Educator

The nurse educator program of study prepares nurses for leadership roles in practice and academic settings by emphasizing curricular design, teaching strategies, and assessment of learning measures.

Two practicum courses provide the student with the opportunity to identify and partner with one or both of the following:

- a nursing program and an experienced nurse educator to participate in direct classroom and nursing practice instruction
- a nurse educator within a healthcare organization to participate in continuing education and professional development of practicing nurses.

Nurse Educator Program Outcomes

- Demonstrates an expanded knowledge base of the art and science of nursing.
- Creates teaching environments, established by nursing standards, which incorporate the application of learning theories, implementation of varied teaching strategies, and use of diverse evaluation methods.
- Evaluates curricular design in regard to the student experience, the achievement of program outcomes, and the attainment of accreditation standards.
- Illustrates the nurse educator’s responsibility to foster professional competence, behavior, and role socialization of students in teaching/learning milieus.
- Understands the role of the nurse educator in student development of intra- and inter-professional communication skills to advance the delivery of safe patient care.
- Recognizes how political, institutional, societal, and economic forces influence the role of the nurse educator.
- Prioritizes the nurse educator’s role as a change agent and facilitator of innovation through the utilization of servant leadership principles and the Benedictine values.
- Articulates a commitment to the practice of lifelong learning to maintain competence as a nurse educator, cultivate nursing knowledge, and promote the scholarship of nursing.

Nurse Educator Course Requirements

Orientation Course
HUM 506  New Graduate Student Orientation

Core Courses
NUR 510  Healthcare Across the Population
NUR 551  Critique and Design of Research
NUR 601  Evidence Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
NUR 611  Influential Nursing Leadership
NUR 612  Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
NUR 648  Healthcare Law and Policy

Nurse Educator Specialty Courses
NUR 521  Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurse Educators
NUR 531  Principles of Pharmacology for Nurse Educators
NUR 566  Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Educators
NUR 580  Seminar in Nursing Education I
NUR 680  Seminar in Nursing Education II
NUR 699  Preparation for Thesis
NUR 700  Thesis
NUR 701  Thesis Continuation

Program Assessment Course
HUM 799 06 Graduate Student Assessment Nursing

Total: 42 semester credits
Educational Experience Hours = 500

MSN: Nursing and Healthcare Informatics Program

MBA Healthcare Informatics concentration (see Graduate Business Programs)

Nursing informatics is a specialized, data-driven field in which registered nurses aim to strengthen the quality of choices made by patients, nurses and other healthcare professionals through a combination of nursing science, computer science and information analysis. A master’s degree in nursing informatics is required to enter this field and to be eligible for national certification. These programs educate students in the collection, Interpretation and implementation of data relevant to nursing practice and research. Students need a strong
understanding of statistics and a variety of analytical methods. Registered nurses who are trained in informatics can go on to positions in healthcare which may include:

- Nursing informatics specialist
- Nursing informatics consultant
- Coordinator of nursing information systems
- Clinical informatics officer
- Project director for nursing information
- Nursing and Healthcare Informatics Program

Outcomes

- Discuss the influence of professional nursing standards, the code of ethics, principles of servant leadership, Benedictine values, nursing philosophy, and personal beliefs on the professional informatics nurse’s practice.
- Value the input of collaboration with the patient, family, healthcare team to improve quality and safety in patient outcomes when developing strategies, policies, or procedures for introducing, evaluating, or modifying information technology applied to nursing practice, administration, education, or research.
- Analyze and interpret patient, nursing, or information systems data to improve nursing services and to inform health policy and advocacy efforts.
- Translate nursing practice information and informatics technology between nurses, healthcare team members, administration, systems engineers, analysts, or designers.
- Develop or implement policies or practices to ensure the integrity, privacy, confidentiality, and security of patient information.
- Apply knowledge of computer science, information science, nursing, and informatics theory to nursing practice, education, administration, in collaboration with other health informatics specialists with focus on patient safety, patient outcomes and population health.
- Design, develop, select, test, implement, and evaluate new or modified informatics solutions, data structures, and decision-support mechanisms to support patients, health care professionals, and their information management and human-computer and human-technology interactions within health care contexts.

Nursing and Healthcare Informatics
Course Requirements

Orientation Course
HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation

Core MSN Courses
NUR 510 Healthcare Across the Population
NUR 551 Critique and Design of Nursing Research
NUR 601 Evidence Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy

Core Informatics Courses
NUR 590 Principles of Informatics in Healthcare Professions
NUR 594 Ethics and Informatics
NUR 660 The Human Technology Interface
NUR 667 Applied Clinical Informatics in Patient Centered Care

Nursing Informatics Courses
NUR 597 Professional Domains of Nursing Informatics
NUR 679 Seminar I (capstone course)
NUR 686 Nursing Informatics Seminar II (capstone course)

Program Assessment Course
HUM 799 06 Graduate Student Assessment - Nursing

Total: 38 semester credits
Clinical Hours = 360

Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP)

The University of Mary offers one program of study option for the DNP degree: Family Nurse Practitioner.

The Family Nurse Practitioner program is offered in one format.

(1) A blended online/on-site format.

Students are required to participate in a limited number of campus visits. Students will be required to participate in a variety of clinical experiences.
Application/Admission Requirement

Individuals holding a bachelor degree in nursing from an accredited institution are eligible to apply to the Family Nurse Practitioner programs of study. Requirements listed below must be met before admission to graduate nursing study:

- Evidence of current, unencumbered RN licensure
- Undergraduate GPA of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Completed graduate application (including application fee)
- Professional goals essay
- Official transcripts (including degree granting institution and transcripts of any graduate courses completed)
- Current resume
- Two letters of professional reference
- Evidence of required immunizations
- Background check through Certified Background® and Release of Information of Criminal Background Report
- Admissions interview
- Complete physical assessment demonstration
- Evidence of satisfactory completion of an undergraduate or graduate statistics course

BSN to DNP:

Family Nurse Practitioner

The University of Mary Family Nurse Practitioner (F.N.P.) program:

- Prepares graduates to assume positions of leadership and influence in primary care.
- Assists graduates to engage in the art and science of their profession, influence the function of individuals and organizations, generate ideas, promote change, disseminate knowledge, and clarify and defend personal and social values.
- Emphasizes knowledge and skills essential for the practice of primary care within a complex healthcare delivery system.
- Prepares graduates as servant leaders.

The University of Mary F.N.P. Program is designed using an on-site/online model. The on-site component consists of face-to-face time for several days at the start of each semester and also during the final week of the last semester prior to graduation. This on-site time together is referred to as “Institute”. The remaining classroom instruction occurs on-line. Faculty and students collaborate on student placement for clinical experiences. Often, these experiences may be completed in or near a student’s home community.

Successful completion of this program of study prepares the graduate to apply for their choice of family nurse practitioner national certification through either the American Nurses Credentialing Center or the American Association of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program.

Family Nurse Practitioner Program Outcomes

- Demonstrates competence in health promotion, disease prevention and illness management of individuals, families and communities.
- Utilizes servant leadership principles and expanded knowledge in health policy, advocacy, and healthcare quality to promote change in the delivery of care along the healthcare continuum
- Applies Benedictine values to foster a collaborative nurse practitioner-patient relationship that fosters respect, protection, and enhancement of spiritual integrity, human dignity, as well as cultural diversity to improve patient and population health outcomes.
- Acts as a leader in knowledge translation and application of evidence based practice from nursing and related fields through critical evaluation, synthesis, and integration of health information data and research findings.
- Influences, negotiates, and manages change among an inter-professional team for purposes of advancing healthcare quality among patients, populations, and systems.
- Practices reflectivity as an advanced practice nurse who is aware of and responsive to environmental contexts that shape healthcare decision making.

Family Nurse Practitioner Courses

A graduate statistics course must be successfully completed prior to beginning the F.N.P. program of study.
Orientation Course
HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation

Core Courses
NUR 510 Healthcare Across the Population
NUR 551 Critique & Design of Nursing Research
NUR 601 Evidence Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
NUR 648 Healthcare Law & Policy

Family Nurse Practitioner Specialty Courses
NUR 519 Advanced Pathophysiology
NUR 562 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice
NUR 567 Advanced Health Assessment
NUR 568 Common Health Problems of Maturing Adults
NUR 569 Family Theory
NUR 570 Primary Care of Women and Children
NUR 582 Human Responses, Clinical decision Making and Diagnostic testing
NUR 584 Health Promotion and Clinical Prevention
NUR 586 Clinical Anatomy
NUR 636 Acute and Emergent Health Problems
NUR 656 Seminar and Practicum
NUR 702 Comprehensive Examination
sNUR 810 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice I
NUR 820 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice II
INUR 835 DNP Clinical Project I
NUR 845 DNP Clinical Project II
NUR 850 Teaching and Learning in Nursing
NUR 910 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice III
NUR 920 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice IV
NUR 945 DNP Clinical Project III
NUR 945 DNP Clinical Project IV
HUM 799 06 Graduate Student Assessment-Nursing

Total: 86 semester credits
Clinical Hours = 1180

Graduate Nursing Course Descriptions (including MGT Courses)

BUS 502 Operations Management
This course emphasizes the importance of managing the activities involved in the process of converting or transforming resources into products or services. Topics include process planning, capacity planning, quality tools, and how the operations management area integrates with the other functional areas of the organization.
3 semester credits

BUS 504 Management and Organizational Behavior
Managers can be more effective leaders and decision makers by utilizing knowledge from the field of organizational behavior, which focuses on understanding human behavior at the individual and group level within the context of an organization. Concepts that influence behavior such as group dynamics, organization culture, motivation, power and politics, and conflict management are some of the specific areas covered in this course.
3 semester credits

BUS 505 Human Resource Management
This course will study the nature of human resource management, staffing the organization, developing human resources, compensating human resources and managing employee relations. The course emphasizes the need for HR professionals to effectively contribute to their organization as a strategic and knowledgeable business partner. Course competencies and outcomes focus on the importance of integrating HR knowledge with business essentials.
3 semester credits

BUS 555 Managerial Finance
Analyze the relationship of the financial manager, the manager’s organization, the financial markets, and the tax environment, as well as how to use time value of money valuation tools and risk and return valuation models. Focusing on the more technical or financial aspects of organizational life, the manager will be able to develop some measurable objectives by which to assess organizational goals. Prerequisites: MBA finance assessment or MGT 533
3 semester credits

BUS 571 Executive Economic Analysis
This course presents a wealth of real-world cutting-edge applications of advanced microeconomic theory. Concepts and constructs used to analyze “Old Economy” as well as “New Economy” markets include: price elasticity and the price consumption curve, consumer choice theory:
budget lines and indifference curves, production functions, isoquants, isocost lines, returns to scale, economies of scope, network effects and monopoly: static versus dynamic views. Prerequisites: MBA economics assessment or MGT 532
3 semester credits

**BUS 605 Managerial Accounting**
Analysis of financial data and use of the results to make wise business decisions. Enables managers to better control valuable resources and more accurately predict the cost of future business ventures. Prerequisites: MBA accounting assessment or MGT 534
3 semester credits

**BUS 610 Marketing**
Introduces students to the area of marketing management and analysis of the domain of marketing, including theories of how marketing managers make decisions, appeal to consumers, and develop unique marketing strategies. The managerial implications of these theoretical foundations will also be presented.
3 semester credits

**BUS 630 Current Issues in Healthcare Administration**
The field of healthcare is rapidly changing. Effective administrators and managers must stay abreast of current issues to proactively assess and prepare for the impact to their particular field within the industry. This course discusses and evaluates evolving issues and provides a venue for debate and analysis of potential impact.
3 semester credits

**BUS 635 Law in the Management Environment**
This course is intended to teach not just principles and rules of law but also the thinking involved in legal reasoning. The focus is on how the rules of law are applied to business situations.
3 semester credits

**BUS 639 Healthcare Organizations and Finance**
This course is designed to provide students with a practical understanding of healthcare financial issues, financial reporting and analysis. Financial management tools and methods used in budget preparation, evaluation of investment alternatives, financial forecasting and capital structures are covered with a focus on common practices in healthcare organizations.
3 semester credits

**NUR 402 Community as Partner**
This course focuses on the partnership between nursing and the community in promoting health. It explores content areas basic to the practice of community health nursing and public health nursing; models of community assessment, data analysis, formulation of a health community nursing diagnosis; and planning, implementation, and evaluation of a community health promotion program. The diverse roles, strategies and interventions that community and public health nurses utilize to promote population health are analyzed.
3 semester credits

**NUR 437 The Professional Nurse**
Framed by competencies from Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN), this course will offer Associate Degree and Diploma prepared nurses foundational content in evidence based practice, patient safety, quality Improvement, informatics, interdisciplinary and intradisciplinary teamwork, and patient-centered care across the lifespan including genetics and genomics. Role socialization, leadership and scholarly oral and written communication is emphasized.
4 semester credits

**NUR 510 Healthcare Across Populations**
Healthcare extends beyond traditional settings of care transactions. It includes not only hospitals and clinics but also, in a growing capacity, the world (i.e., communities, regions, and countries). Public health knowledge is grounded in principles of epidemiology and influenced by genetics and genomics. Utilizing principles of both, students will explore environmental health, ethical health disparities, and issues of social justice.
3 semester credits

**NUR 519 Advanced Pathophysiology**
Provides advanced understanding of the pathophysiologic mechanisms underlying human disease processes. The manifestations of pathophysiologic alterations will be analyzed as well as common diagnostic testing of pathologic processes. Prerequisite: Admission to FNP program of study.
4 semester credits

**NUR 521 Advanced Pathophysiology for Nurse Educators**
This course is designed to provide future nurse educators with a holistic and advanced understanding of basic physiologic concepts and pathophysiologic responses to alterations in function in persons across the life span. This course will explore knowledge necessary for practice in an advanced nursing role that includes the mechanism(s) related to the production of signs, symptoms, complications, treatments, and interventions of different disease states and specific health problems.
3 semester credits

**NUR 531 Principles of Pharmacology for Nurse Educators**
This course provides graduate nurse educator students with advanced knowledge to develop a greater understanding of pharmacology and its implications for nursing care. This advanced course builds upon and reinforces students’ understanding of the basic principles of pharmacology that include pharmacokinetics, pharmacodynamics, and pharmacotherapeutics. This course will guide nurse educator students to explore concept-based principles of pharmacology as they apply to various pathophysiological conditions. The use of evidence-based practice will provide a basis for determining safe and appropriate use of medications to promote human function.
3 semester credits

**NUR 536 The Professional Nurse**
Framed by competencies from Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN), this course will offer Associate Degree and Diploma prepared nurses foundational content in evidence based practice, patient safety, quality improvement, informatics, inter- and intra-disciplinary teamwork, and patient-centered care across the lifespan including genetics and genomics. Role socialization, leadership and scholarly oral and written communication is emphasized.
4 semester credits
NUR 551 Critique & Design of Nursing Research
Understanding and utilizing research findings are fundamental skills that are needed to advance the nursing profession. This course focuses on advanced scholarly activities that are utilized to conduct nursing research. The history of nursing research; steps that are utilized to conduct research; and differences between the utilization of quantitative and qualitative research methodologies are discussed. The modeling of servant leadership principles that includes the incorporation of research into one’s own practice; engaging in and encouraging activities to generate evidence; and promoting others to use research findings will be explored.
3 semester credits

NUR 560 Applied Healthcare Economics, Finance and Budgeting
Efforts to optimize delivery of high quality, safe and effective healthcare in a cost-effective fashion are the objective of nurse leaders. Factors affecting the financial health of an organization including economics, federal and state payment systems and regulations, and private insurance issues are investigated. Principles of healthcare financing, budgeting, cost/benefit analysis, and fiscal reporting will be explored. The course will culminate in development of a business plan that demonstrates responsible management of financial resources.
3 semester credits

NUR 562 Pharmacology for Advanced Practice
Focus includes the application of pharmacological agents (prescribed and over the counter) used to treat acute and chronic health problems of individuals of varying ages and cultural backgrounds within a variety of settings. Pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic principles and current research form the foundation for discussion of selected drug groups. Emphasis is given to indications, mechanisms of action, dosages, adverse side effects, cost containment and client education. Prerequisite: NUR 519. Co-requisite: NUR 568
4 semester credits

NUR 565 Statistics
Effective educators and administrators must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures utilized in conducting research. Students develop an understanding of descriptive and inferential statistics for the purpose of statistically analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

NUR 566 Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Educators
This course enables nurse educator students to build upon basic physical assessment skills to perform holistic comprehensive physical examinations of clients throughout the lifespan that include psychosocial, spiritual, developmental, occupational, and cultural components. Comprehensive health assessments to develop evidence-based plans of care will be developed for clients through the application of skills and techniques utilized in the collection of health assessment data. Nurse educator students will explore how to apply this advanced knowledge to learning environments through the development of a teaching plan related to a perceived need regarding health assessment.
3 semester credits

NUR 567 Advanced Health Assessment
Refine and strengthen advanced health assessment and clinical judgment skills providing foundation for planning therapeutic and healing interventions for well and ill persons. A problem-focused and comprehensive database is developed and communicated through written and oral methods. This includes complete functional, spiritual and family assessment, health history, physical examination and appropriate laboratory and diagnostic data. Cultural and developmental variations of the person are emphasized. Selected common abnormalities, disease states associated with the body system or body parts are examined holistically. 60 lab hours. Prerequisite: Admission to FNP program. Co-requisite: Current Healthcare CPR certification.
4 semester credits

NUR 568 Common Health Problems of Maturing Adults
Knowledge of comprehensive assessment, pathophysiology and pharmacology is integrated with principles of health promotion and management of common health problems. Models of collaborative practice within rural and urban settings are introduced. Evidenced-based practice protocols are examined and utilized in the primary care setting. 150 practice hours. Prerequisites: NUR 519, 567, ACLS certification. Co-requisite: NUR 562
8 semester credits

NUR 569 Family Theory
Examines relevant theories as the basis for the development of therapeutic, caring relationships with families. Specific attention is given to understanding the nature of family structures, considering different perspectives used in assessing families, using assessment tools and designing advanced nursing interventions. Co-requisite: NUR 570
2 semester credits

NUR 570 Primary Care of Women and Children
Participation in the management of common episodic and chronic conditions, which promote and support the health of women and children through advanced practice interventions. Current theory and research on social issues, which have an impact on individuals, families and communities, are incorporated into the course. 150 practice hours. Prerequisite: NUR 567, 568, PALS certification
6 semester credit

NUR 580 Seminar in Nursing Education I
This course is designed to introduce nurses for their roles as educators in academic and health care settings. The role of the nurse educator will be explored. Concepts for effective teaching that include theories of learning; teaching methods; assessment of learning in didactic and clinical settings; as well as curricular development and evaluation will be studied. The use of evidence-based literature will be used to guide educational practices and promote the scholarship of teaching. A practicum in an academic or educational health care setting, in collaboration with an expert nurse educator, will facilitate application of course content.
8 semester credits 90 educational experience hours
NUR 590 Principles of Informatics in Health Care Professions
As the world of technology continues to evolve, professionals must be well prepared to make significant contributions by harnessing appropriate and timely information. This course will provide the basic theoretical framework and knowledge base for information management within various settings. Exploration of the roles and competencies associated with informatics in a variety of environments and the associated functions of advocacy, informatics theories (using the concepts of data, information, knowledge, and wisdom), systems application, outcome management and evidence based practice application will be addressed.
3 semester credits

NUR 594 Ethics and Informatics
The adoption of new technological and communication advancements and use of decision making support tools reveal different moral dilemmas. The context for examining these moral issues or ethical dilemmas will become increasingly complex. This course will highlight familiar and new ethical concepts to consider when applied to informatics.
3 semester credits

NUR 597 Professional Domain of Nursing Informatics
The informatics nurse specialist can contribute to practice, education, industry, research, and government by providing a nursing perspective in the application of informatics as project manager, consultant, educator, researcher, product developer, decision support/outcomes manager, advocate/policy developer, clinical analysis/system specialist, and entrepreneur. This course will explore these various roles through the critical evaluation of current literature, current roles and future roles, professional values and standards, and review of evolving competencies of nursing informatics practice.
2 semester credits

NUR 601 Evidence-Based Practice and Strategic Healthcare Decision Making
The health of an organization, a population, or an individual relies heavily on strategic decision-making based on evidenced based findings yet individualized to the unique setting they are applied in. This course will engage students in principles of evidence based practice and knowledge translation. Topics focused on will include healthcare quality, patient safety, population health, and healthcare informatics/technologies. 50 clinical hours.
3 semester credits

NUR 611 Influential Nursing Leadership
Complexities of the current United States healthcare environment call for nurses to function within and often lead interdisciplinary teams in work toward improved care and outcomes. Developing accountability for advancing the field of nursing and designing strategies for continued professional growth while consistently making patient-centered, culturally sensitive and data driven decisions in the spirit of a professional environment is the focus of this course. Servant and transformational styles are the leadership philosophies targeted. 30 Clinical hours.
3 semester credits

NUR 612 Professional Roles in Advanced Nursing
This course provides a framework of professional standards that serve as the foundation to nursing education, practice and professionalism. The course will immerse students in the profession’s historical roots as well as current and future issues, roles, practice environments, and opportunities. Upon completion of the course, student will be prepared to role model behaviors that effectively advocate efforts to promote positive patient outcomes and advance the profession.
3 semester credits

NUR 636 Acute and Emergent Health Problems
Provides an expanded base for recognition and initiation of effective emergency care. Focus on rapid, systematic assessment, stabilization, and management/referral of acute, emergency, and trauma events. 150 practice hours.
Prerequisite: NUR 567, 568, current PALS, ACLS, and TNCC certifications
6 semester credits

NUR 648 Healthcare Law & Policy
Provides a legal analysis of healthcare from a broad perspective and incorporates a discussion and study of healthcare policy; explores the role that law plays in promoting the quality of healthcare, organizing the delivery of healthcare, methods used to control the cost of healthcare, promoting access to necessary healthcare, and protecting human rights of those who are provided healthcare.
3 semester credits

NUR 650 Seminar in Nursing Education
Provides an opportunity to synthesize knowledge of education. The student experiences teaching responsibilities under the guidance of a master teacher and faculty facilitator.
Co-requisite: Current Healthcare CPR certification.
3 semester credits

NUR 656 Seminar and Practicum
Clinical and professional forces critical to a successful transition into the advanced nursing practice role are the focus of this course. The interplay of legal, economic, political, regulatory, and ethical factors on this practice is analyzed. Servant leadership is explored and integrated into the student’s own philosophy and behavior. Scholarly writing is emphasized. The intensive practicum promotes synthesis of theoretical knowledge and practice skills acquired throughout the program. Diagnostic reasoning and healthcare management skills are refined. Collaborative practice opportunities occur in diverse community settings. 390 practice hours.
Prerequisites: NUR 567, 568, 570, 636, Current ACLS, TNCC, and PALS certifications
5 semester credits

NUR 660 Human Technology Interface
Anytime humans use technology, some type of hardware or software enables or supports the interaction. Poorly designed technology and communication systems can lead to errors, lower productivity, or even the removal of the system. Unfortunately, as more complex health information technology applications are integrated the problems can become even worse. Professionals tend to be very creative and can develop workarounds that allow circumvention of troublesome technology that unfortunately do not offer a long term solution. This course will address the human technology interface, explore human-technology interface problems, provide an
overview of the purpose of conducting workflow analysis and design, explore meaningful use, and cite measured of efficiency and effectiveness that can be applied to redesign workflow efforts and processes.

3 semester credits

NUR 667 Applied Clinical Informatics in Patient Centered Care

This course investigates the application of information technology and impact of these interactions between healthcare providers and patients. Primary focus will include ways in which patients are engaged and empowered by the use of informatics technology, application and development of clinical decision making tools, meaningful use, and the influence on patient outcomes and safety. Topics will include project management for the implementation of informatics technology, use of simulation, workflow analysis, and solution modeling.

3 semester credits

NUR 679 Nursing Informatics Seminar I

This course will explore project management concepts and skills related to the Implementation and evaluation of information systems. The focus of this course is to begin integrating all previous study and to identify the focus of students’ final capstone project. This seminar will provide an opportunity for the student to gain introductory informatics-related experiences in the healthcare setting through a minimum of 120 hours of clinical setting functioning under the supervision of an informatics professional.

3 semester credits

NUR 680 Seminar in Nursing Education II

This course focuses on the synthesis and integration of concepts, educational theories, and sound educational principles that are incorporated throughout the University of Mary graduate nurse educator program of study. Nurse educator students will refine their skills in assessing learning needs; evaluating curricula design; developing courses/programs of study; teaching and guiding learners; evaluating learning; and documenting outcomes of educational processes. The student will engage in practical experiences with an expert nurse educator who works in an academic setting or a clinical setting. Students will examine strategies to strengthen the commitment to lifelong learning, leadership, and scholarship to advance the discipline of nursing education.

8 semester credits/90 educational experience hours

NUR 686 Nursing Informatics Seminar II

This seminar will provide an opportunity for the student to gain advanced informatics-related experiences in the healthcare clinical setting through a minimum of 120 hours of practice functioning under the supervision of an informatics professional. Specific learning objectives will be developed based upon the clinical placement. Students will develop and implement an informatics capstone project in collaboration with a community partner to apply learned skills that address an informatics problem in the healthcare setting. Students will disseminate the final results and lessons learned as evidence of program completion. Students will be eligible to write the ANCC certification exam following this practicum course.

3 semester credits

NUR 696 Seminar and Service Project I

Students will initiate a capstone project within a healthcare organization as a member of a team. Working in consultation with a nursing leader a clinical practice question will be identified. The students will work together in teams to analyze the clinical practice problem, design specific clinical practice project recommendations and identify methods for measuring project outcomes. As a result of this course, the student will be prepared to implement and measure effectiveness of the clinical project in NUR 697 Seminar and Service Project II. 200 clinical hours. Prerequisites: NUR 551, 601, 611 and 560.

3 semester credits

NUR 697 Seminar and Service Project II

Students, working as a member of intra-professional and inter-professional teams, will execute project implementation and outcome measurement strategies for the clinical project initiated in NUR 695 Seminar and Service Project I. In this course students will achieve university and organizational Institutional Review Board approval to implement, and subsequently measure and disseminate findings of the clinical project. Pre-requisite: NUR 696

3 semester credits

NUR 698 MSN/MBA Dual Degree Capstone Course

Working as a member of intra-professional and inter-professional teams, students will conduct planning, implementation, and outcome measurement of a clinical project initiated in NUR 696 Seminar and Service Project I. Careful consideration of human and fiscal resources as well as potential barriers to continued success of the project will be assessed and recommendations for management of these issues will be included in the final project. In this course students will achieve university and organizational Institutional Review Board approval to implement, and subsequently measure and disseminate findings of the clinical project.

3 semester credits/200 clinical hours

NUR 699 Preparation for Thesis

Healthcare and higher education of health professionals is changing at an unprecedented rate. In nursing, it is imperative that nurse educators are prepared to design innovative curricula and teaching-learning strategies that will prepare students for the environment they will be entering. Adequate research is necessary to understand effective means to reach these goals. This course will facilitate the nurse educator students’ initial steps in the formulation of a research proposal. The course will culminate with a plan for conducting a scholarly Investigation.

1 semester credit

NUR 700 Thesis

Thesis advising guides students through thesis research and writing to produce a scholarly contribution to the nursing profession through a formal research study. This course will culminate with the completion of a thesis research proposal.

5 semester credits

NUR 701 Thesis Continuation

Thesis advising guides students through thesis research and writing to produce a scholarly contribution to the nursing profession through a formal research study. This course will culminate with the written and oral dissemination of a completed thesis.

2 semester credits
NUR 702 Comprehensive Examination
Demonstration of competency in didactic program content is evidenced by student’s satisfactory completion of this comprehensive written examination. Co-requisite: NUR 656. 0 semester credits

NUR 810 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice I
Innovative responses of nurse leaders to current healthcare issues are influenced by many factors. In this course students will explore how theoretical frameworks and health informatics guide decisions and contribute to the application of innovation in healthcare organizations. Co-requisite: NUR 835. 2 semester credits

NUR 820 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice II
Healthcare systems are often challenged with issues such as inefficiencies, fiscal pressures, siloed processes, and fragmented care. In this course the student will demonstrate how system thinking and interprofessionalism can positively impact the healthcare environment and the patient experience. Students will consider how sources of funding influence a health system. Co-requisite NUR 845. 2 semester credits

NUR 835 DNP Clinical Project I
This course is the first in a four part series of courses culminating in completion of an applied evidence based practice (EBP) project resulting in a systems change. During DNP Clinical Project I, the student will initiate collaboration with a healthcare organization or health related entity to identify a clinical practice problem by investigation of internal data and documentation of a needs assessment. Students will develop a PICO question, create a problem statement, and define the significance of the problem for the EBP project. 1 semester credit

NUR 845 DNP Clinical Project II
This course is the second in a four part series of courses culminating in completion of an applied evidence based practice (EBP) project resulting in a systems change. During DNP Clinical Project II, the student will continue collaboration with a healthcare organization or health related entity. Key project stakeholders will be identified. Students will complete a review of the literature, critically appraise research from the current body of knowledge relevant to their project topic, formulate recommendations for change considering the clinical context, and organize a project implementation and outcomes measurement plan. Both inter- and intra-professional exchanges will contribute to ongoing project development. 1 semester credit

NUR 850 Teaching and Learning in Nursing
With education as the cornerstone of nursing practice, the constantly evolving nursing discipline requires continued dissemination of evidence-based knowledge from expert clinicians. This course explores teaching and learning principles of nursing education. Students learn to apply these principles as they learn to design curricula; develop lesson plans; deliver presentations; and evaluate outcome assessments for teaching/earning experiences in classroom and practice settings. 2 semester credits

NUR 899 Continuing Enrollment
Registration in NUR 899 may be required by graduate students who are not otherwise enrolled in courses for an academic term, but who remain active in a program of study with intentions of completing the program of study for a graduate degree. The continued enrollment credit allows for extended work on the thesis or other capstone/culminating project or experience. 1-8 semester credits

NUR 910 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice III
Priorities of healthcare are quality and patient safety. Healthcare quality and patient safety initiatives at the national, regional, and organizational level are explored. Through study of knowledge translation, students will discover how nursing practice is informed and patient care is advanced. Co-requisite: NUR 935 DNP Clinical Project III. 2 semester credits

NUR 920 DNP Scholarship in Clinical Practice IV
Professional obligations of nurse leaders are multidimensional. This course challenges students in role transformation to consider social, economic, and political influences that shape health policy. Students also practice professional communication and scholarly dissemination. Finally, current and anticipated trends in healthcare and their associated challenges and opportunities for the profession of nursing are investigated. Co-requisite NUR 945 DNP Clinical Project IV. 2 semester credits

NUR 935 DNP Clinical Project III
This course is the third in a four part series of courses culminating in completion of applied evidence based practice (EBP) project resulting in a systems change. During DNP Clinical Project III, the student will continue collaboration with project stakeholders from a healthcare organization or health related entity. With IRB approval, students will carry out their project implementation plans. 1 semester credit

NUR 945 DNP Clinical Project IV
This is the final course in a four part series of courses culminating in completion of applied evidence based practice (EBP) project resulting in a systems change. During DNP Clinical Project IV, the student will continue collaboration with a healthcare organization or health related entity. Students will analyze data gathered from their projects, evaluate outcomes, and disseminate their conclusions. 1 semester credit

HUM 506 New Graduate Student Orientation
Upon the successful completion of this course, students will be introduced to the University of Mary mission, leadership, and organizational structure. Student will 1) gain experience with University and program specific policies, 2) practice navigating and operating Jenzabar eRacer and 3) be introduced to the Welder Library. 0 semester credits

HUM 799 06 Graduate Studies Assessment-Nursing
Graduate students register for HUM 799 06 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the graduate section of the catalog. 0 semester credits
Department of Occupational Therapy

FACULTY: Anderson, Briggs, Kitzenberg, Lawson, Newman, Olson, Sibla (Program Director), Schroeder, Varland (Academic Fieldwork Coordinator)

Program Overview

The Master of Science in Occupational Therapy degree is designed to prepare competent, caring, ethical, compassionate, and caring occupational therapists who serve the diverse healthcare needs of society in accordance with the Benedictine values. The professional curriculum consists of unique learning experiences and opportunities within a supportive healthcare community, including an optional service-learning experience. Students engage in learning through traditional educational strategies, as well as service learning and problem based learning experiences. A group research project which is mentored by an occupational therapy faculty member culminates with a platform and poster presentation, and a paper in manuscript form. Fieldwork experiences are completed at a large variety of diverse setting throughout the US. The experienced faculty represent numerous areas of practice. Their mission is to teach students to think critically, solve problems, and express themselves clearly. Upon completing a degree in OT at the University of Mary, graduates will have the skills and training necessary to practice in a variety of professional roles and settings, including to under-served and diverse populations.

The University of Mary offers two programs of study in the Occupational Therapy Program: Bachelor’s degree in University Studies to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and Master of Science in Occupational Therapy. The Bachelor’s degree in University Studies degree to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy degree is designed for incoming freshmen and students who transfer to the University prior to completing a bachelor’s degree. This program is located in Bismarck, North Dakota. The Master of Science in Occupational Therapy degree is for individuals who have completed a bachelor’s degree. This program is located in Bismarck, ND or Billings, MT. Lectures between the two locations are shared via videoconferencing in real time. All lab experiences and interactive educational experiences are provided on campus in Bismarck and Billings, with University of Mary Occupational Therapy faculty providing direct teaching and supervision.

Mission

The Occupational Therapy Program prepares its graduates to be competent occupational therapy practitioners to meet the occupational needs of individuals, groups and communities. Students will develop adept knowledge of humans as occupational beings, critical thinking abilities, commitment to lifelong learning and scholarship, and leadership abilities to effect change. Students are rooted in Christian, Catholic, Benedictine and professional occupational therapy values. These values provide a foundation for the formation and practice of professional skills, therapeutic use of self, respect for others, ethical decision making, and attitudes of service.

Outcomes

Upon completion of the professional occupational therapy education program at the University of Mary, the graduate will

Function autonomously in a variety of roles and practice settings to:

- Use clinical reasoning based on best evidence to solve problems independently
- Use the occupational therapy process in direct roles of assessment and intervention and in indirect roles such as supervisor, researcher, consultant, and educator
- Use effective communication with professionals and consumers via traditional methods and through use of technology to convey information essential for safe, effective service delivery.

Use servant leadership skills to:

- Make ethical decisions
- Effect change utilizing best practice
- Serve others as a means of demonstrating respect for the human mind, body, and spirit

Provide humane and competent occupational therapy services based on knowledge, skills, and attitudes that empower the graduate to:

- Meet the unique needs of individuals and populations, including those in under-served and rural areas and of diverse cultures and backgrounds
• Appreciate, understand and use meaningful occupation that binds mind, body and spirit
• Incorporate client-centered practice into the decision-making process
• Utilize therapeutic use of self while engaged in professional service delivery

Credentialed

Upon satisfactory completion of the University of Mary Occupational Therapy Curriculum, including Level II fieldwork, students are awarded the Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and are eligible to take the certification examination for the occupational therapist, administered by the National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy. Successful completion of this examination leads to certification as an occupational therapist and to the title “Occupational Therapist, Registered” (OTR).

Additionally, individual state regulations must be met for the OTR to practice. Most states require licensure in order to practice; however, licenses are usually based upon results of the NBCOT certification examination. When applying for state licensure, certification or registration, a criminal background check is typically completed. A felony conviction may affect a graduate’s ability to take the National Board for Certification examination or to attain state licensure.

Accreditation Status

The Occupational Therapy Program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education (ACOTE) of the American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA), located at 4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814-3449. AOTA’s phone number is (301) 652-AOTA and www.aotaonline.org.

University of Mary NBCOT Pass Rates

Pass rates for 2013 can be found at https://secure.nbcot.org/data/schoolstats.aspx

Entry Level Occupational Therapy Degree Programs of Study

Bismarck Campus

The University of Mary Occupational Therapy program offers three different options of completion of the entry level degree of a Master of Science in Occupational Therapy.

Combined Bachelor of University Studies Degree Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (4½ year option, or 5½ year option)

• The 4½ year option requires students to complete liberal arts coursework over summer semesters and includes 3 years of professional coursework and 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork experiences.
• The 5½ year option requires students to complete liberal arts coursework over a 2 year period and follows with 3 years of professional coursework and 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork experiences.

Bachelor’s Degree to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

• Designed for students who have a Bachelor’s degree other than in occupational therapy. This program takes 2½ years to complete and includes 2 years of professional coursework and 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork experiences.

Occupational Therapy Assistant to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

• Designed for students who have an associate’s degree in occupational therapy. The program takes 2½ to 3½ years to complete, which is determined based upon credits earned which transfer to the University of Mary. It includes 2 or 3 years of professional coursework and 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork experiences. Determining the length of the program is evaluated on an individual basis.

Billings Campus

Bachelor’s Degree to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

• Designed for students who have a Bachelor’s degree other than in occupational therapy. This program takes 2½ years to complete and includes 2 years of professional coursework and 24 weeks of Level II fieldwork experiences.
Admissions Requirements

The University of Mary Occupational Therapy Program is a member of the Occupational Therapy Centralized Application Service (OTCAS), available at www.otcas.org. Students should submit their applications to OTCAS and indicate the University of Mary is one of their choices. OTCAS will send the documentation to the Department of Occupational Therapy Admission Committee for consideration.

After receipt of application through OTCAS, the Admission Committee selects candidates eligible for the required personal interview. The final class is selected based on an objective point system based on cumulative GPA, GPA in pre-requisite courses, completion of volunteer hours, professional references, and the interview. The deadline for submission of the application to OTCAS is December of the year prior to the June/August start date. Interviews are conducted in mid-January. The following are the program admission requirements and minimum criteria for admission to the professional Occupational Therapy Program.

1. Pre-requisite course requirements
   - Composition (writing course - Composition II preferred)
   - Speech: Public Speaking
   - Fundamentals of Chemistry (with a lab)
   - *Anatomy & Physiology I (with a lab)
   - *Anatomy & Physiology II (with lab)
   - General Psychology
   - Lifespan Psychology
   - Medical Terminology
   - College Algebra (or higher)
   - Abnormal Psychology (only for students who are seeking Bachelor’s Degree to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy and Occupational Assistant to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy)

*Note: Anatomy & Physiology (with lab) may be separate courses

2. Applicants for the 4 ½ year or 5 ½ year option must have completed or be enrolled in 6 of 9 required pre-requisite courses by January 2016. Applicants, who have a bachelor’s degree or an OTA degree, must have completed 8 of 10 required pre-requisite courses by January 2016.

3. Community Service and Volunteer Hours:
   - All hours must be completed within the last three years.

Master of Science in Occupational Therapy (4 ½ year option, 5 ½ year option) & Bachelor’s Degree to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

- 20 hours volunteer service with an occupational therapist AND
- 20 hours community service (work hours are not accepted for community service hours)

Occupational Therapy Assistant to Master of Science in Occupational Therapy

- 15 hours of community service AND proof of completion of all Level II fieldwork experiences. Work hours will not be accepted for the community service hours

4. Three (3) letters of reference addressing moral and ethical behavior, academic abilities, and work ethic. One of these references must be completed by a previous or current work supervisor or from the OT supervising the volunteer hours. Reference letters can be submitted with the OTCAS.

5. A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and a minimum grade of “C” in all pre-requisite course work. Students may retake pre-requisite coursework one time.

6. International students need to provide a copy of the score sheet from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or the International English Language testing service (ILETS).

7. A criminal history may affect clinical and fieldwork experiences, national certification, state licensure/certification and/or employment. Convictions may disqualify the student from clinical and fieldwork experiences. Employers and fieldwork sites may also conduct a general criminal history background check. Students with criminal convictions should recognize that any such conviction may impede eventual licensure or employment, and that the University of Mary cannot predict the future decisions of professional agencies or employers.
Early Admission

A selected group of high school seniors may apply for early enrollment into the program. The number is determined on a yearly basis. Applicants for early enrollment must be outstanding in their own high school; having at least a composite score of 24 on the ACT or a GPA of 3.5. A member of the OT faculty interviews these students prior to their early acceptance. Students accepted for this program sign an agreement detailing specific requirements.

Future Plans for the OT Program

The profession of occupational therapy requires either a master’s level or doctoral level degree for an entry level occupational therapist. There is a national trend in occupational therapy educational programs to move toward the doctorate degree. In our desire to create not only competent occupational therapists, but leaders and change agents in the profession, the OT program has begun the process of developing a doctoral degree. It is the intention of the program to begin the doctoral degree in fall 2018, after successfully completing the steps necessary to receive accreditation from the Higher Learning Commission and the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education. Students will be required to have a bachelor’s degree prior to beginning the doctoral program. Students who begin their education in the fall of 2015 or later are strongly encouraged to complete a bachelor’s degree in preparation for this change.

Rolling Admissions

If the class number does not reach the desired class size, rolling admissions will go into effect. Students must meet all criteria previously outlined and participate in the formal interview process. Rolling admissions are considered until the first day of class in the fall. Applicants will be reviewed based on the time of submission of a completed application.

Occupational Therapy Course Descriptions

Pre-professional course

OTH 200: Introduction to OT Practice
An overview of the philosophy, history and development of the profession of OT; overview of the scope of practice; roles and tasks of the occupational therapist and occupational therapist assistant; traditional and emerging employment settings; family centered service, rural health, and diversity. 2 semester credits

Courses for students without a bachelor’s degree or OTA Degree

OTH 300: Introduction to the OT Process
This course explores the philosophy, history, development of the profession of occupational therapy. An in-depth look at activity analysis, including case application is presented. The scope of practice of occupational therapy, including roles and tasks, wellness and health maintenance are addressed. The Occupational Therapy Practice Framework, 2nd Ed, professional skills, diversity and client-centered practice are also covered.
3 semester credits

OTH 310: Occupational Therapy in the Promotion of Health and Wellness
This course provides an introduction to engagement in meaningful occupation to enhance health and well-being, including an overview of wellness theory, occupation-based models, and the integration of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework (AOTA) and the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health (ICF). Students will gain understanding of quality of life and its relationship to occupational engagement, life balance, health and wellness, incorporating occupational therapy evaluation and intervention.
3 semester credits

OTH 315: OT Issues I
This course provides an introductory study of major trends and issues that affect the delivery of occupational therapy services including but not limited to: diversity, ethics, servant leadership development, societal and professional changes and expectations, managed care, role delineation, collaboration with health service professionals, and service delivery systems. The relationship between theory, human health, and human occupation will be identified and the student will be introduced to professional documentation.
3 semester credits

OTH 321: Occupational Engagement: Theory & Models of Practice
An introduction to the study of conceptual foundations which underlie occupational therapy practice across the lifespan. Discussion will primarily focus on conceptual and practice models that guide occupational therapy with the occupation based models being of primary emphasis. Other topics will include background information related to theory, critical thinking, and a variety of grand theories that serve as a basis for occupation based models. An overview of potential assessment and approaches used with individuals or populations will accompany the discussion.
3 semester credits

OTH 322: Fundamentals of Occupational Engagement
The application of occupation to facilitate independent function. In-depth discussion of the occupational therapy process as it applies to individuals across the lifespan and in a variety of service settings. Direct application of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework, purposeful activity, use of activity/craft as a therapeutic media, the process of activity analysis and adaptation, and exposure to servant leadership. Students engage in activities which promote the use of groups...
in treatment and have opportunity to begin processing the outcomes of these activities. Students learn about the purpose and use of low level assistive technology devices. Cases are used to facilitate student understanding of topics addressed in the course.

3 semester credits

OTH 323: Fundamentals of Group Leadership in Occupational Therapy
Students develop leadership abilities through experiential participation in the group process. Emphasis is placed on exploring a variety of leadership skills necessary to provide effective interventions in a group setting.
1 semester credit

OTH 395, 495, 595: Directed Study in Occupational Therapy Practice
Opportunity for students to explore focused areas of occupational therapy practice with a faculty preceptor. Based on their interests, students propose a topic for study to faculty. When approved, students complete their project generally within a one semester time frame with direction from their preceptor.
1 – 4 semester credits

Course for students with a Bachelor’s Degree or OTA Degree

OTH 400: Fundamentals of Occupational Therapy
This course is designed to provide Track II occupational therapy students (those with an AA degree as an Occupational Therapy Assistant or with a Bachelor of Arts or Science degree in a related field) with the fundamental skills related to occupational therapy. Information provided in this course includes portions of all 300 level courses in the professional occupational therapy education program and offers the student opportunity to develop foundational skills required for progression in the OT curriculum. The areas will include: Occupation Based Practice (Nature of Occupation), Theory I (Models of Practice in Occupational Therapy), Evidence Based Practice, Fundamentals of OT Intervention and the OT Process, Human Health, and an Overview of Issues in Occupational Therapy including documentation, ethics, cultural competence, OT/OTA relationships, legislation affecting OT practice, and reimbursement systems.
3 semester credits

Courses for ALL students in the Professional OT Program (those with a bachelor’s degree or OTA degree and those without a bachelor’s degree)

OTH 407: Evidence Based Practice
This course is designed to prepare students with the knowledge, skills and, abilities necessary to make clinical judgments about the validity of research and to implement evidence-based clinical practice. This course will focus on the concepts of evidence-based practice with emphasis on forming answerable clinical questions, using effective literature search strategies, appraising the evidence, and choosing the best most appropriate evidence for a client. Based on presentation of case scenarios, students will formulate the key question(s), search medical and health related databases, appraise the evidence with a critical analysis and describe application of the evidence in a clinical context.
2 semester credits

OTH 409: Behavioral Neuroscience I
An introduction to the study of the central and peripheral nervous systems of the human body. Major topics addressed are neuroanatomy, neurophysiology, nervous system development, sensory systems, and motor systems. Laboratory experiences with testing and examination of functions associated with a healthy nervous system, acquired and developmental aberrations, and traumatic insult are included in the context of occupation and occupational therapy evaluation processes. Uses case stories for integration and application. This course uses web resources to enhance learning.
4 semester credits

OTH 415: OT Issues II
This course is a study of major trends and issues that impact the standards of occupational therapy practice and the delivery of occupational therapy services to persons in the early lifespan. These include, but are not limited to ethics, servant leadership development, occupational therapy management and marketing, supervision of personnel, collaboration with families and professionals, reimbursement and documentation, legislation, diversity, rural health, health promotion and wellness, and service delivery systems, models, and approaches. The course will cover topics and field experiences with emphasis on their relationship to occupation based practice for individuals and populations in early lifespan (infants, children, adolescents, young adults).
3 semester credits

OTH 418 Special Topics in OT: 1–elective
This course will provide students with focused training and exploration of current practice(s) or topic(s) in occupational therapy. Students will have the opportunity to integrate information from prior coursework and will challenge their clinical reasoning skills. The content of the course varies based upon practice demands, literature trends, emerging areas of practice, and focus areas identified by the American Occupational Therapy Association.
1 semester credit

OTH 419 Special Topics in OT: 2–elective
This course will provide students with focused training and exploration of current practice(s) or topic(s) in occupational therapy. Students will have the opportunity to integrate information from prior coursework and will challenge their clinical reasoning skills. The content of the course varies based upon practice demands, literature trends, emerging areas of practice, and focus areas identified by the American Occupational Therapy Association.
1 semester credit

OTH 420 Special Topics in OT: 3–elective
This course will provide students with focused training and exploration of current practice(s) or topic(s) in occupational therapy. Students will have the opportunity to integrate information from prior coursework and will challenge their clinical reasoning skills. The content of the course varies
based upon practice demands, literature trends, emerging areas of practice, and focus areas identified by the American Occupational Therapy Association.

1 semester credit

**OTH 423: Group Leadership in Occupational Therapy—Level I FW**

Students enhance leadership abilities by modeling skills for planning, implementing, and reviewing outcomes of service with groups or populations. Emphasis is placed on providing effective interventions in a group setting with individuals in the early lifespan.

1 semester credit

**OTH 424: Fieldwork with Individuals in the Early Lifespan: Level I**

Level I Fieldwork is infused with several elements of the Occupational Therapy curriculum to promote synthesis of learning (ACOTE 2006 STANDARDS: SECTION B: 10.11). Level I Fieldwork that is completed with specific segments of the lifespan is embedded into the occupational therapy curriculum in order to provide students the opportunity to discuss the impact of selecting occupations relevant to the client’s occupational performance. Students enrolled in this course gain practical application with individuals from birth to age 21.

1 semester credit

**OTH 430: Application of Assistive Technology**

Advanced Applications of Assistive Technology will provide students with knowledge and skills in assessment, funding, and use of specific, complex technology available for clients with disabilities and occupational therapist/educators. These devices can be used to develop or enhance the educational, work leisure or self-care skills of individuals across the lifespan who have disabilities. They can also enhance the students’ productivity through use of general information technologies (e.g., computers, telecommunications, and the internet) and to share information resources on disabilities, education, independent living, and health and wellness with the community.

3 semester credits

**OTH 431: OT Process and Developmental Conditions I: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the early lifespan with developmental conditions, such as genetic and chromosomal abnormalities, learning disabilities, intellectual disability, HIV/AIDS, and Infectious Conditions. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate normal development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process associated with children birth to five years of age, and with the above named and related developmental conditions.

4 semester credits

**OTH 432: OT Process and Developmental Conditions II: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the early lifespan with musculoskeletal and general medical conditions, such as Osteogenesis Imperfecta, Muscular Dystrophy, Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis, respiratory conditions, limb abnormalities, and childhood cancers. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate normal development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process associated with children five to 21 years of age, and with the above named and related developmental conditions.

3 semester credits

**OTH 435: OT Process through Case Application: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students synthesize knowledge and skills related to the occupational therapy process as it relates to persons in the early lifespan through case application. Knowledge gained in courses in the first semester of the pediatric component of the OT education program is applied through problem-based learning, including video and paper cases, and client interaction. Students focus on professional skills, clinical reasoning, documentation, and application of frames of references and models of practice to the occupational therapy process.

1 semester credit

**OTH 436: OT Process through Case Application & Comprehensive Examination: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students synthesize knowledge and skills related to the occupational therapy process as it relates to persons in the early lifespan through case application. Knowledge gained in courses in the first and second semester of the pediatric component of the OT education program is applied through problem-based learning, including video or paper cases and client interaction. Students focus on professional skills, clinical reasoning, and application of frames of references and models of practice to the occupational therapy process. The course culminates in a comprehensive examination, consisting of a written (multiple choice and essay) and laboratory section.

1 semester credit

**OTH 441: OT Process with Neurological Conditions I: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the early lifespan with neurological conditions, such as cerebral palsy, Autism Spectrum disorders, ADHD, DCD, feeding dysfunction, & nerve injuries. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review),
and outcomes. The course will integrate normal development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process associated with persons in the early lifespan with the above named and related developmental conditions, sensory processing disorders.

4 semester credits

**OTH 450: Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology I**

This is the first course of a two-part sequence in Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology. The course provides a detailed study of the science of human movement in the context of activity from biomechanical, neuromuscular and anatomical perspectives. Students will learn bony landmarks and the musculoskeletal system of the human body underlying occupational therapy assessment and intervention with a focus on the abdomen, back and shoulder. The course includes principles and methodology of posture, movement analysis, muscle strength testing, and joint range of motion testing. Students will learn muscle palpation, manual muscle testing, range of motion, and motion analysis. Models will be used to facilitate understanding musculoskeletal anatomy and assessment and its relationship to occupational performance. The use of case stories will introduce biomechanical principles associated with occupational performance.

4 semester credits

**OTH 451: Functional Anatomy & Kinesiology II**

This is the second course of a two-part sequence in Functional Anatomy and Kinesiology. The course provides a detailed study of the science of human movement in the context of activity from biomechanical, neuromuscular and anatomical perspectives. Students will learn bony landmarks and the musculoskeletal system of the human body underlying occupational therapy assessment and intervention, with a focus on the forearm, hand, head, neck and lower extremities. The course includes principles and methodology of body mechanics, movement analysis, muscle strength testing, and joint range of motion testing. Students will learn muscle palpation, manual muscle testing, range of motion, and motion analysis. Models will be used to facilitate understanding musculoskeletal anatomy and assessment and its relationship to occupational performance. The use of detailed activity analysis, case stories and problem-based learning will introduce clinical signs and symptoms associated with biomechanical disease and injury for integration into occupational performance. Students will demonstrate information literacy by recognizing the need for information and the ability to locate, evaluate, and effectively use necessary information as it relates to clients and occupational therapy.

4 semester credits

**OTH 452: OT Process for Psychological Conditions: Early Lifespan**

In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the early lifespan with psychological conditions, such as substance abuse, and mood, behavioral, anxiety, and eating disorders. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate normal development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process associated with persons in the early lifespan with the above named and related psychological conditions.

2 semester credits

**OTH 507: Concepts and Practice of Research**

Addresses methods employed in conducting quantitative and qualitative research and development of the research proposal. Includes critique of research studies including various methodologies and application to informed practice decision making. Prerequisite: Student must be enrolled in the professional occupational therapy education program.

1 semester credits

**OTH 508: Therapeutic Modalities and Essentials of Splinting**

Occupational therapist use physical agent modalities as an adjunct of therapy to enhance occupational performance. This course provides students with the theory and technical application of commonly used physical agent modalities as they relate to various clinical conditions throughout the lifespan. The course addresses the physical and biophysical changes that occur with the application of thermal or electrical agents. Students will use clinical reasoning to select and apply the appropriate agent to determine the body’s response for indicated pathological conditions. This course also emphasizes the principles of orthotics and upper extremity prosthetics in occupational therapy. Students employ critical thinking skills to design and fabricate splints or other orthotics to attain intervention goals for selected clinical conditions across the lifespan. This course serves as evidence for certification in physical agent modalities.

2 semester credits

**OTH 511: Seminar: Occupational Justice**

This course provides students with an opportunity for in-depth study of the principles of occupational justice which focuses on the human need for occupational involvement. Situations of occupational injustice, including occupational deprivation and occupational inequality are explored as well as the role of occupational therapy as advocate in occupational injustice.

1 semester credit

**OTH 515: OT Issues III**

Major trends and issues, which impact the standards of occupational therapy practice and the delivery of occupational therapy services to the adult and older adult are emphasized. These include current reimbursement and documentation pertinent to adults and elders, managed care, legislation, diversity, ethical practice, rural health, health promotion and wellness, and service delivery systems.

2 semester credits

**OTH 516: Administration and Leadership in OT**

Within this course administrative roles and responsibilities within occupational therapy, program development, and leadership development are covered. Students engage in detailed program development, including planning, developing a budget, marketing, and program assessment. Strategies for effective leadership are also examined and applied.

1 semester credit
OTH 517: Implementation of Research Methods in Occupational Therapy
In this course students implement the research methodology that was developed in their research proposal in OTH 507: Research Methods. Students will gather quantitative and/or qualitative data as outlined in the research proposal. Students will analyze the data and develop meaningful clinical conclusions from the analysis.
1 credit

OTH 523: Group Leadership in Occupational Therapy: Adults and Aging Adults
Students refine leadership abilities by synthesizing skills such as planning, implementing, and evaluating outcomes; introspective analysis of self as therapeutic agent; and the impact of interpersonal dynamics within the group process. Emphasis is placed on providing effective interventions in a group setting with individuals who are adults or aging adults.
1 semester credit

OTH 524: Fieldwork with Individuals in the Adults or Aging Adult Lifespan: Level I
Level I Fieldwork is infused with several elements of the Occupational Therapy curriculum to promote synthesis of learning (ACOTE 2006 STANDARDS.SECTION B: 10.11). Level I Fieldwork that is completed with specific segments of the lifespan is embedded into the occupational therapy curriculum in order to provide students the opportunity to discuss the impact of selecting occupations relevant to the client’s occupational performance. Students enrolled in this course gain practical application with individuals, adults, and older adults age 22 through senescence.
1 semester credit

OTH 535: OT Process through Case Application: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students synthesize knowledge and skills related to the occupational therapy process as it relates to adults through case application. Knowledge gained in courses in the first semester of graduate year of the OT education program is applied through problem-based learning, including video or paper cases and client interaction. Students focus on professional skills, clinical reasoning, documentation, and application of frames of reference and models of practice to the occupational therapy process.
1 semester credit

OTH 536: OT Process through Case Application and Comprehensive Evaluation: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students synthesize knowledge and skills related to the occupational therapy process as it relates to adults through case application. Knowledge gained in courses in the first and second semesters of graduate year of the OT education program is applied through problem-based learning, including video or paper cases and client interaction. Students focus on professional skills, clinical reasoning, documentation, and application of frames of reference and models of practice to the occupational therapy process. The course culminates in a comprehensive examination. The comprehensive examination consists of a written (multiple choice and essay) and a laboratory section.
1 semester credit

OTH 541: OT Process with Neurological Conditions I: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the adult lifespan with neurological conditions including Cerebrovascular accident, Spinal Cord Injury, Traumatic Brain Injury and others. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate concepts of neuroscience, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process.
3 semester credits

OTH 542: OT Process with Neurological Conditions II: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the adult and older adult lifespan with neurological conditions including Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease, Multiple Sclerosis, and others. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate concepts of neuroscience and the aging brain, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process.
4 semester credits

OTH 550: Therapeutic Use of Self
Students in this course address a unique aspect of service delivery. The focus of coursework is based on the holistic nature of health which is achieved by incorporating physical, mental, emotional and spiritual dimensions of each individual. Students build on their personal insight as a means of developing a value complex essential for delivery of future intervention with individuals, groups and/or populations. Opportunity exists for the student to engage in discussion, projects and field experience as a methodology to personally evaluate appropriate therapeutic use of self.
1 semester credit
OTH 561: OT Process with Orthopedic and Musculoskeletal Conditions: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the adult lifespan with orthopedic and musculoskeletal conditions such as, amputation, hip fractures, hip replacements, and back pain. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate normal adult development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process.
2 semester credits

OTH 562: OT Process with Medical Conditions: Adult Lifespan
In this course, students develop and integrate knowledge and skills related to the OT Process for persons in the adult lifespan with medical conditions such as, rheumatoid arthritis, fibromyalgia, cancer, and cardiac dysfunctions. Within the context of the Occupational Therapy Practice Framework and frames of reference guiding occupational therapy practice, students apply the occupational therapy process including evaluation (occupational profile, analysis of occupational performance), intervention (plan, implementation, and review), and outcomes. The course will integrate normal adult development, human health conditions, assessment tools, theories, models of practice, and frames of reference into the OT process.
3 semester credits

OTH 565: Statistics
Effective occupational therapists, teachers, and administrators must have a basic understanding of the application of statistical concepts and procedures utilized in conducting research. Students develop an understanding of descriptive and inferential statistics for the purpose of statistically analyzing and interpreting research findings.
3 semester credits

OTH 581: Community Based Fieldwork
Level I Fieldwork is infused with several elements of the Occupational Therapy curriculum to promote synthesis of learning. Level I Fieldwork that is completed with specific segments of the lifespan is embedded into the occupational therapy curriculum in order to provide students the opportunity to discuss the impact of selecting occupations relevant to the client’s occupational performance. Students enrolled in this course gain practical application with individuals, adults, and older adults age 22 through senescence in a community based setting.
1 semester credit

OTH 603: Cross Cultural Occupational Therapy (elective)
This course provides occupational therapy students an opportunity to participate in a short-term cross-cultural immersion service learning experience during which students will participate in and/or be exposed to aspects of work, family, social, educational, and healthcare systems in or outside of the United States. During the preparation, participation, and post-trip reflection, students will identify cultural differences, feelings, and challenges when interacting with a culture diverse from their own. Students will identify and implement strategies to effectively overcome cultural barriers and interact appropriately during a service-learning experience.
1 semester credit

OTH 615: Advanced OT Issues
This course is designed to help students integrate practice experience from Level II Fieldwork with theoretical knowledge learned during previous didactic coursework (theory, human occupation, human health). Students engage in learning opportunities designed to facilitate professional leadership necessary to effect change and to prepare for indirect service role functions.
1 semester credit

OTH 617: Dissemination of Occupational Therapy Research
In this course, students will disseminate their research, which was completed in OTH 507: Concepts of Research and OTH 517: Implementation of Research Methods. The research study concludes with a written article, which is suitable to submit for publication and a formal presentation for the university and professional communities. Students integrate and synthesize the results of the Master’s Directed Study to generate an article suitable to submit for publication in a scholarly journal appropriate to the topic of study. In addition, students create a professional presentation based on their research study for a scholarship colloquium for the university and professional communities.
1 semester credit

OTH 680: Fieldwork Seminar
This seminar is designed to prepare students for the transition from the academic setting to clinical fieldwork settings. Content includes, but is not limited to, development and synthesis of professional behaviors, self-assessment skills, strategies for success, and the supervisory process that will be encountered during the Level II fieldwork experiences. Policies and procedures for Level II fieldwork will be emphasized. Students will discuss various aspects of their Level I fieldwork and review OT’s role in the delivery of OT services for individuals in a variety of practice settings.
1 semester credit

OTH 682: Level II FW: Early Lifespan*
This 12 week fieldwork allows students to be actively involved in the process of transition from the student role to the role of entry level occupational therapy practitioner as it relates to individuals from birth to age 21 years. Students enrolled in Level II Fieldwork courses will have the opportunity to gain field experience in a variety of practice settings through the country, but primarily in North Dakota and contiguous rural states. Students will be expected to apply theoretical knowledge learned in the classroom to the practice environment with individuals and populations.
Prerequisite: Students must be enrolled in the professional occupational therapy education program and must have successfully completed occupational therapy and support coursework leading to eligibility for Level II Fieldwork.
8 semester credits
**OTH 683: Level II FW: Adulthood/Later Lifespan**

This 12 week fieldwork allows students to be actively involved in the process of transition from a student role to the role of entry level occupational therapy practitioner as it relates to individuals and populations in adulthood and gerontics. Students enrolled in Level II Fieldwork courses will have the opportunity to gain field experience in a variety of practice settings throughout the country, but primarily in North Dakota and contiguous rural states. Students will be expected to apply theoretical knowledge learned in the classroom to the practice environment with individuals and populations. Prerequisite: Students must be enrolled in the professional occupational therapy education program and must have successfully completed occupational therapy and support coursework leading to eligibility for Level II Fieldwork.

8 semester credits

**OTH 685: Graduate Seminar**

Students engage in special study and discussion through use of case method learning that integrates graduate competencies, Benedictine values, and experiential learning. Each student prepares a case story based on a real life experience with a service recipient that occurred while on required fieldwork. Focus is on analysis and synthesis of experiences as related to servant leadership and to emerging as a healthcare practitioner. Each student facilitates small group and large group peer discussions to engage in professional reasoning and outcome evaluation based on a case story and domains and processes of an occupational therapy framework.

1 semester credit

**Elective Courses: Students must take one course (2 credits)**

**OTH 461: Emerging Areas of Practice I**

This course provides a focused and in-depth exploration of two emerging areas of practice in occupational therapy service delivery. Students engage in focused study of theory and current evidence related to topics. Topics are determined by current trends in practice, student interest and faculty expertise and geographical practice considerations.

2 semester credits

**OTH 462: Emerging Areas of Practice II**

This course provides a focused and in-depth exploration of two emerging areas of practice in occupational therapy service delivery. Students engage in focused study of theory and current evidence related to topics. Topics are determined by current trends in practice, student interest and faculty expertise and geographical practice considerations.

2 semester credits

**OTH 563: Emerging Areas of Practice III: International Experience**

This course provides a focused and in-depth exploration of an emerging area of practice in occupational therapy service delivery. Students engage in providing general service as well as occupational therapy services to individuals who are under served through an international experience.

2 semester credits

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**Department of Physical Therapy**

**FACULTY:** Allen, Dockter (Department Chair), Eckert (Director of Clinical Education), Emmel (Assistant Coordinator of Clinical Education), Hogan, Lundeen, Parker (Director of Research), Roller, Schulte, Taylor.

**Program Overview**

The Doctor of Physical Therapy degree is designed to prepare competent, ethical, compassionate, and caring physical therapists who serve the diverse healthcare needs of society in accordance with the Benedictine values. All students are required to complete a bachelor’s degree prior to admission into the 32-month professional phase of the program. The professional curriculum consists of unique experiences provided within a supportive healthcare community including an optional service-learning experience in Guatemala as well as a future service learning experience in Peru. An individual or group research project, culminating with a presentation and paper in manuscript form, is required to complete the clinical inquiry portion of the curriculum. Full-time clinical education experiences are completed at a large variety of diverse settings throughout the US and are spaced throughout the educational program. There is also a full time clinical experience opportunity offered in Peru. Students also manage a pro bono clinic on campus and provide physical therapy services under faculty guidance in order to practice their skills and serve the needs of the people in the region. The experienced faculty, representing several specialty areas of practice, are assisted by adjunct faculty, including physical therapists, physicians, and other healthcare professionals.

**Concentration Option – Business and Physical Therapy**

Students in the final year of the University of Mary’s Doctor of Physical Therapy Program have the option of completing nine additional credits of coursework that will lead to a concentration in business. Students will complete online courses in an interprofessional format that will improve their business acumen to better meet the demands of modern healthcare practice.

**Graduate Outcomes**

Graduates of the Doctor of Physical Therapy curriculum will have the ability to perform as entry-level physical therapists in a variety of roles
and practice settings. Specifically, the intended outcomes are:

- Practice in a safe, legal and ethical manner.
- Practice autonomously and collaboratively and recognize when a problem or need is outside the scope of physical therapist practice.
- Effectively communicate in verbal, non-verbal, written and electronic formats with all stakeholders.
- Competently examine and manage patients/clients in diverse settings.
- Apply knowledge of diversity into practice, service, and scholarship.
- Educate others using a variety of teaching methods commensurate with learner characteristics.
- Apply evidence to the clinical decision-making process in the practice of PT that results in effective outcomes for patients and clients.
- Participate in the administration of the practice setting.
- Provide prevention and wellness programs appropriate to physical therapy.
- Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism including lifelong learning, advocacy and servant leadership.
- Demonstrate the ability to discover, integrate, and apply knowledge for the advancement of PT practice.

**Accreditation**

The Program in Physical Therapy at the University of Mary is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education (CAPTE), 1111 North Fairfax St. Alexandria, VA, 22314: 703-706-3245; email: accreditation@apta.org. website: http//www.capteonline.org. The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA) has accredited the University to offer the DPT.

**Graduate Outcomes**

Students in the University of Mary Program in Physical Therapy benefit from small class sizes and personal interaction with faculty. The average graduation over the past 3 years (2012-2014) was 99%. Upon completion of the program, students are prepared to take the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) administered through the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy (FSBPT).

The overall 3 year pass rate (2012-2014) was 99% and the average first time pass rate over the past 3 years (2012-2014) is 94.3% which is above the national average.

One hundred percent of graduates are employed as physical therapists in a variety of settings across the nation.

**Mission of the Program in Physical Therapy**

The mission of the University of Mary Department of Physical Therapy is to prepare competent, ethical, compassionate, and caring physical therapists who serve the diverse healthcare needs of society through the advancement of practice, advocacy, education, and service in accordance with the Benedictine values.

**Application and Admission**

The University of Mary is a member of the Physical Therapist Centralized Application Service (PTCAS), available at www.ptcas.org. Students should submit their application to PTCAS and indicate that the University of Mary is one of their choices. PTCAS will send the documentation to the Department of Physical Therapy Admissions Committee for consideration.

After receipt of application through PTCAS, the Admissions Committee selects candidates eligible for the required personal interview. The final class is selected on an objective point system based on prerequisite GPA, GRE scores, and interview. The deadline for submission of the application to PTCAS is December of the year prior to the August start date. Interviews are conducted throughout the fall and early spring. University of Mary does participate in the PTCAS Early Decision option.

The following are the program prerequisites and minimum criteria for admission to the Doctor of Physical Therapy professional program.

**Prerequisite Requirements**

- **Required Courses:** Two courses in biological sciences (Botany and Zoology not acceptable)
- **Acceptable Courses:** Cell, Embryology, General, Genetics, Histology, Immunology, Microbiology, Molecular
- **U-Mary Equivalent:** BIO 103 and BIO 209
• **Required Courses:** One course in anatomy with lab, one course in physiology with lab, or a two course sequence in anatomy and physiology  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Human Anatomy and Physiology I and Human Anatomy and Physiology II OR Human Anatomy and Human Physiology  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** BIO 207 and BIO 208

• **Required Courses:** Two courses in general chemistry with lab  
  **Acceptable Courses:** General, Biochemistry, Inorganic, Organic  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** CHEM 109 and 110  
  **or** CHEM 111 and CHEM 112

• **Required Courses:** Two courses in general physics with lab  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Physics I and II  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** PHY 203 and PHY 304

• **Required Courses:** Developmental or Lifespan Psychology  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Lifespan and Developmental Psychology  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** PSY 406

• **Required Courses:** Abnormal Psychology  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Abnormal Psychology  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** PSY 406

• **Required Courses:** Statistics*  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Business Statistics, Math Statistics, Psychology Statistics  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** MAT 180

• **Required Courses:** Medical Terminology**  
  **Acceptable Courses:** Course not required  
  **U-Mary Equivalent:** HPS 206 suggested

* Statistics is not included in the prerequisite course GPA calculation.  
** Students must demonstrate competence in medical terminology by either passing a medical terminology course prior to entering the program OR independently studying and then passing a medical terminology test in the first semester of the PT program.

**Recommended Courses**
If students plan on participating in the optional field experience in Guatemala, they are encouraged to take Beginning Spanish.

**Transfer Students**
Transfer students are welcome to apply. Advising of transfer students occurs through the Office of Admissions at 701-355-8235 or jweltz@umary.edu.

**Minimum Criteria for Admission**
The minimum criteria for admission to the doctoral program in physical therapy include:

**Minimum Academic Requirements**
• Seven prerequisite courses completed prior to application  
• Cumulative GPA of 2.75 on all undergraduate college work on a 4.0 scale  
• Cumulative GPA of 3.0 on all prerequisite courses and a minimum of a 2.0 on any course  
  – A candidate may retake any prerequisite course one time. The higher of the two grades will be used when calculating the prerequisite GPA.  
  – No more than two (2) retakes in the prerequisites will be considered.  
• Ninety-two (92) semester credits from an accredited college. No more than 64 of the 92 semester credits may be transferred from a two-year institution.  
  Official GRE Scores - PT program does not have a minimum GRE score at this time.  
• Completion of a bachelor ‘s degree by the time of admission into the professional program.

**Clinical Observation or Work Experience Requirement**
The candidate must complete 40 hours of observation, volunteer or paid experience with one or more licensed and practicing physical therapists. It is highly recommended that the hours occur in more than one area of clinical practice. The clinical experience hours must have taken place within two years of the application deadline. For each clinical experience, the student and the supervising physical therapist complete a Clinical Experience Form. These forms are available on the PTCAS website.
Letters of Recommendation
Applicants must have two letters of recommendation describing the applicant’s suitability for physical therapy.

Early Admission
A selected group of high school seniors may apply for early enrollment into the program. The number is determined on a yearly basis. Applicants for early enrollment must be outstanding in their own high schools; having at least a composite score of 24 on the ACT or a GPA of 3.5. A member of the PT faculty interviews these students prior to their early acceptance. Students accepted for this program sign an agreement detailing specific requirements.

Rolling Admissions
The Physical Therapy program does participate in rolling admissions in that qualified applicants may be sent an invitation to interview early in the fall as their application is received and reviewed by the admissions committee through PTCAS. Students must meet all criteria previously outlined and participate in the formal interview process. Applications are considered until the first day of class in the fall.

Evaluation and Grading
The program uses a variety of teaching methods including lectures and discussion, laboratory activities, service learning, student presentations and integrated clinical experiences. Competency and proficiency are determined by written, practical examinations, class presentations, and projects.

Students must meet the academic requirements of this program in compliance with the policies laid out in the Physical Therapy Student Handbook. The minimum cumulative GPA requirement is a 3.0 for the DPT program.

Graduation Requirements
The Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) degree is awarded upon successful completion of both the academic and clinical portions of the curriculum.

Feedback
The Physical Therapy Program values constructive feedback. Faculty and administration strive to respond to complaints and concerns in a timely and appropriate manner. A complaint is considered genuine when the individual voicing the concern submits it in writing with a signature, or speaks directly with the Physical Therapy Program Director or Dean of the School of Health Sciences.

The Physical Therapy Program Director, Dr. Mary Dockter, may be reached at (701)355-8045 or via email at mcdoc@umary.edu. The Dean of the School of Health Sciences, Dr. Joellen Roller, may be reached at (701)355-8189 or via email at rollerj@umary.edu.

Doctor of Physical Therapy Curriculum

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### Year One

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- **PTH 507** Physiology Foundations
- **PTH 601** Exercise Physiology
- **PTH 603** Neuromotor Physical Therapy
- **PTH 605** Cardiopulmonary Mgt. I
- **PTH 607** Lifespan I: Pediatric PT
- **PTH 609** Clinical Inquiry I

### Semester Credits
17

#### Spring Semester
- **PTH 620** ICE IV
- **PTH 622** Orthopedic Management II
- **PTH 628** Psychosocial Aspects
- **PTH 630** Neuromotor Physical Therapy II
- **PTH 634** Cardiopulmonary Mgt. II
- **PTH 636** Integumentary Management
- **PTH 642** Geriatric Management
- **PTH 660** SOLE I

### Semester Credits
18

#### May/June
- **PTH 731** Clinical Experience II (8 wks)
- **NUR 648** Healthcare Law and Policy

### Semester Credits
18

#### Year Two

#### Fall Semester
- **PTH 811** LAMP III Administration and Management
- **PTH 815** ICE V.1
- **PTH 825.1** Sports Medicine Elective
- **PTH 831** Clinical Experience III (10 wks)
- **PTH 835.1** Pediatric Elective
- **PTH 843** Clinical Inquiry III
- **PTH 845** Women’s Health Elective
- **PTH 855** Vestibular Elective II
- **PTH 859** Complex Case Management
- **PTH 860** SOLE III
- **BUS 505** Human Resource Management
- **BUS 653** Healthcare Organizations and Finance

### Semester Credits
16 or 17

### Spring Semester
- **PTH 812** LAMP IV Leadership and Professionalism
- **PTH 820** ICE V.2
- **PTH 832** Clinical Experience IV
- **PTH 853** Clinical Inquiry IV
- **PTH 860** Complex Case Management II
- **BUS 505** Human Resource Management
- **BUS 653** Healthcare Organizations and Finance

### Semester Credits
14

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125

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**Course Descriptions**

Business Courses for Concentration are listed with the Gary Tharaldson School of Business. This applies to Graduate Business Courses and the Nursing Division-Graduate Nursing Courses.

### First Year: First Semester

**PTH 505 Anatomy I**
This foundational science course is a detailed study of bony landmarks, the musculoskeletal system, and peripheral neural components of the head, back, abdomen and lower extremity, which will provide a basis for the understanding of the movement, assessment, and treatment of the human body. Anatomical study will include examination of the anterior, and posterior abdominal wall, the superficial and deep back muscles, lower extremities, and the head and neck.

4 semester credits

**PTH 507 Physiology Foundations**
The physiology of the neurological, musculoskeletal, cardio-pulmonary, and renal systems is the focus of this class. Oxygen and carbon dioxide transport in healthy and seden-tary/pathological subjects are presented in relationship to diffusion capacity, blood flow changes, work capacity, and training adaptations. Special attention is given to the response
of the heart during exercise and blood pressure changes. The pulmonary and renal regulation of total body acid – base will also be a focus of this course.

2 semester credits

**PTH 509 Kinesiology**
This course covers the study of joint and muscle function of the spine and lower extremities applying the principles of biomechanics and motion to both normal and pathological populations including posture and posture analysis. Students learn normal movement and then begin to identify pathological movement including recognition of the probable causes. Laboratory study includes palpation of surface anatomy, goniometry and manual muscle testing, application of biomechanical theory and muscle function to normal and pathological movement.

3 semester credits

**PTH 511 LAMP I**
This introductory course stresses trans-curricular components of Leadership, Administration, Management, and Practice (LAMP). Because this is a first-semester, first-year course, all elements are introduced to provide students the knowledge to integrate skills learned into the remainder of the curriculum. The components are covered under the major areas of communication (written and oral), professionalism and critical inquiry.

2 semester credit

**PTH 513 Systems Screening I**
Systems Screening is an overview of physiological systems, particularly as they relate to examination, assessment and treatment of the physical therapy patient or client. The course will begin with interviewing, taking a history, intake screening, and red flags which may indicate a systemic disorder. An examination of specific conditions will be introduced with a general examination of how the body responds to injuries and stressors, and the role of pharmacology in preventing, diagnosing, and treating pathological conditions. This introduction to systems screening will introduce an examination of how the body-responds to injury or stressors. Specific physiological systems in the body will then be examined, looking at the normal anatomy and physiology, examination and assessment of that system, recognizing common pathological conditions, understanding when physical therapy may affect the condition, and recognizing when a condition is outside the limits of physical therapy practice. Pharmacological agents used in the treatment of the conditions and how these agents may interact with physical therapy interventions will be reviewed. In Systems Screening I, the topics covered will be the fluid/lymphatic systems, genetics, immunopathology, cancer, hematology, endocrinology, reproduction, pancreas and diabetes, gastrointestinal, hepatic, integumentary, and urinary.

4 semester credits

**PTH 515 Essential Skills I**
This course provides an introduction to safety precautions and infection control as well as preparing the student for all skills needed in patient care activities including positioning transfers, mechanical lifts, wheelchair fitting and mobility ambulation with assistive devices, and patient education.

This course also covers assessment of architectural barriers and an introduction to orthotic devices.

2 semester credits

**PTH 519 ICE I**
Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic faculty and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time in community clinics to practice skills learned within the first semester of the curriculum. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program.

1 semester credit

### First Year: Second Semester

**PTH 506 Anatomy II**
This foundational science course is a continuation of Anatomy Fall. This course Is a detailed study of bony landmarks, musculoskeletal system, and peripheral neural components of the upper extremity, which will provide a basis for the understanding of the movement, assessment and treatment of the human body. The histological structure and development of the musculoskeletal, connective tissue, integumentary, vascular and respiratory systems will be examined.

2 semester credits

**PTH 508 Neuroscience**
This course is a detailed study of the central and peripheral nervous systems. The course will cover the basic gross anatomy, cell biology, physiology, development and support systems of the nervous system. Motor, sensory and autonomic systems will be covered, along with the effects of injury to these systems. The course will finish with the study of specific regions of the nervous system, examining their specific functions and the impairments seen after an injury.

3 semester credits

**PTH 510 Kinesiology II**
This course covers the study of the upper extremities applying the principles of biomechanics and motion to both normal and pathological populations including gait and gait analysis. Students learn normal movement and then begin to identify pathological movement including recognition of the probable causes. Laboratory study includes palpation of surface anatomy, goniometry and manual muscle testing, application of biomechanical theory and muscle function to normal and pathological movement.

3 semester credits

**PTH 512 Musculoskeletal Assessment I**
This course is an introduction to orthopedic evaluation skills in neuromusculoskeletal assessment. Emphasis is on basic evaluation techniques in orthopedic and manual physical therapy with an introduction to special test diagnostic accuracy and interpretation. If provides the foundation for selection of appropriate assessment and treatment planning in orthopedics. Students learn an algorithm approach to screening, examination, and evaluation which all involves a critical thinking process to establish an orthopedic impairment based physical therapy diagnosis.

4 semester credit

**PTH 514 Systems Screening II**
This course is a continuation of Systems Screening I. The cardiovascular, respiratory and musculoskeletal systems
in the body will then be examined, looking at the normal anatomy and physiology, examination and assessment of that system, recognizing common pathological conditions, understanding when physical therapy may affect the condition or be affected by the condition, and recognizing when a condition is outside the limits of physical therapy practice. Pharmacological agents used in the treatment of the conditions and how these agents may interact with physical therapy interventions will be reviewed.

2 semester credits

**PTH 516 Essential Skills II**
This course introduces the student to the theory and practice of therapeutic exercise including active and passive range of motion, proprioceptive neuromuscular facilitation, stretching, joint mobilization and strengthening and aerobic exercises.

3 semester credits

**PTH 520 ICE II**
Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic faculty and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time in community clinics to practice skills learned within the first and second semesters of the curriculum. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program.

1 semester credit

**First Year: May/June**

**PTH 521 LAMP II**
This course prepares students to be successful in their first clinical internship and covers topics such as regulatory and legal issues in healthcare specific to physical therapists including supervision rules, reimbursement, HIPAA, clinical education assessment and conflict resolution. In addition, students will prepare for their first clinical experience by completing necessary paperwork, immunizations, and background checks.

1 semester credit

**PTH 525 Systems Screening III**
This course is a continuation of Systems Screening II. The neurological, ear and eye systems in the body will then be examined, looking at the normal anatomy and physiology, examination and assessment of that system, recognizing common pathological conditions, understanding when physical therapy may affect the condition or be affected by the condition, and recognizing when a condition is outside the limits of physical therapy practice. Pharmacological agents used in the treatment of the conditions and how these agents may interact with physical therapy interventions will be reviewed.

2 semester credits

**PTH 527 Essential Skills III**
This course emphasizes the theory, indications, contraindications, clinical decision making, and the safe application of physical agents including heat, cold, hydrotherapy, electrotherapy, traction, compression, and soft tissue mobilization. Students will also have the opportunity to practice physical agents in a clinical setting.

4 semester credits

**First Year: July/August**

**PTH 531 Clinical Education I**
This first six week long, full-time clinical experience occurs in July-August after the 1st academic year and primarily occurs in the setting of acute, outpatient orthopedic, skilled nursing or rural sites in order to allow students the opportunity to master skills gained throughout the first year. By the end of the experience, and with the assistance of the clinical instructor, students will demonstrate the ability to perform and document a comprehensive examination; including development of a physical therapy diagnosis, prognosis, and plan of care and complete intervention. Included In the plan of care of the non-complex patient.

4 semester credits

**Second Year: Fall Semester**

**PTH 619 ICE III**
Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic faculty and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time in community clinics to practice skills learned within the first year and the first semester of the second year of the curriculum. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program.

1 semester credit

**PTH 621 Orthopedic Management I**
This course establishes an evidence based practice approach for patient/client management of acute/sub-acute and chronic disorders related to the spine, pelvis and temporomandibular joint (TMJ). This course also exposes the students to the Interdisciplinary management of orthopedic conditions through the perspective of area physicians and physical therapists. In addition, students are exposed to pathology that is unique to or more prevalent in women and /or men such as prenatal and postpartum care, prostate issues, pelvic floor dysfunction, and arthritic conditions. Laboratory study includes advanced evaluation and Intervention of therapeutic exercise and manual therapy including thrust and/or non-thrust techniques of the spine and TMJ.

4 semester credits

**PTH 627 Exercise Physiology**
The cardiovascular, cardiopulmonary, and energetic responses to graded exercise testing and prescription is the focus of this class. Special attention is given to the assessment of maximal aerobic work capacity and the concepts of energy efficiency during function.

1 semester credit

**PTH 629 Neuromotor Physical Therapy**
This course includes an introduction to and application of theories of motor control, motor learning, neuroplasticity, and normal and abnormal postural control. The relationship between motor control and neuroanatomy is explored. Students are introduced to the application of neurological examination techniques including the areas of cognition, attention, sensation, tone, balance, coordination and function. This course concludes with an introduction to intervention for the client with neurological Impairments where students learn to select, perform and synthesize contrived techniques, therapeutic exercise, motor learning and neuromuscular facilitation.

3 semester credits
**PTH 633 Cardiopulmonary Management I**
This course presents the central and peripheral cardiovascular system in a cellular through system format. Emphasis will be placed on the evaluation, screening, and diagnosis regarding impairment and function. Use of the pulmonary function tests, arterial blood gas analysis, oximetry, expired gas analysis, and electrocardiogram for baseline testing and subsequent monitoring is presented to include both test performance and clinical utilization. Focus is on recognition, interpretation, clinical utilization and application of examination data.
3 semester credits

**PTH 641 Lifespan I: Pediatric PT**
This course begins with an overview of typical fetal through school-age motor development, while highlighting how aberrations in development result in the pediatric diagnoses explored later in the course. An overview of other domains of development is provided. The student will gain insight into the supervision of physical therapist assistants and aides, ethical issues surrounding pediatric physical therapy practice, and pediatric service delivery models. Students gain the knowledge and skills in evaluation and management of common pediatric conditions in the final portion of the course. The lab component of this course allows the student hands-on experience and pediatric observation, assessment, and interaction.
4 semester credits

**PTH 643 Clinical Inquiry I**
The course presents the components of a plan for the student’s research topic, the Research Proposal. The students form a group and select a core physical therapy faculty member as their research chairperson. The students must complete a project that is in the research area of their selected chairperson. Under the direction of their chairperson, the students generate a written proposal in which they provide the background and justification for the topic, and a plan for data collection and analysis. The research proposal is also presented to peers and faculty as an oral presentation. Ethical considerations of authorship, the protection of subjects’ rights, and the institutional review process are also presented using a case-based approach.
1 semester credit

**Second Year: Spring Semester**

**PTH 620 ICE IV**
Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic faculty and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time gaining competency in basic skills sets associated with acute care management of patients in the hospital setting. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program within specialty areas of practice.
1 semester credit

**PTH 622 Orthopedic Management II**
This course establishes an evidence based practice approach for patient/client management of acute/sub-acute, chronic, and post-surgical disorders related to the intersegmental management and treatment of the Upper & Lower Extremity and its intersegmental association with the cervical thoracic junction and lumbopelvic region respectively. This course also exposes the students to the interdisciplinary management of orthopedic conditions through the perspective of area physicians and physical therapists. In addition, students are exposed to pathology that is unique to or more prevalent in women and/or men such as breast cancer, female athlete triad, and menopause. The course will emphasize advanced evaluation and interventions of therapeutic exercise, neuromuscular re-education, and manual therapy integrating thrust and/or non-thrust techniques of the spine and extremities.
4 semester credits

**PTH 628 Psychosocial Aspects**
This course addresses the psychological and psychosocial problems associated with chronic disease, traumatic injury and being in the “patient role.” It includes lectures, reading, discussion, and student presentations of his or her experience interviewing a person with a disability.
2 semester credits

**PTH 630 Neuromotor Physical Therapy II**
This course includes the concepts and principles in the examination, evaluation, and collaborative treatment of the adult patient with a neurological diagnosis. Students use case studies to learn to manage various neurological conditions and use simulated conditions to develop specific therapeutic techniques for use in treatment of such conditions. This course also covers the basics of evaluation and treatment of a vestibular pathology.
3 semester credits

**PTH 634 Cardiopulmonary Management II**
The course is divided into two major segments: Cardiac & Pulmonary Disease. Foundational cardiopulmonary physical therapy Intervention coupled with guidelines for delivery of care for selected conditions will be addressed. The majority of the training will occur outside of the classroom with healthcare professionals treating patients in a variety of clinical settings and involving a multidisciplinary approach.
2 semester credits

**PTH 636 Integumentary Management**
This course emphasizes the examination, evaluation, diagnosis, prognosis, plan of care, and intervention of types of wounds. This course also covers amputation/prosthetic examination and intervention. The student synthesizes the knowledge of the disease and healing process with rehabilitation management. The student is able to collaborate with various healthcare professionals to gain experiences working with patients with wounds and amputations.
2 semester credits

**PTH 642 Geriatric Management**
This course provides information on current issues that impact healthcare delivery for the older adult population. Theory of normal aging processes, sociocultural, environmental factors, psychosocial issues, and systemic changes are discussed in relation to health promotion, prevention and wellness, optimal daily function, and quality of life. Collaboration with other healthcare providers, the community, and family resources are addressed. The Benedictine values, particularly respect for person and hospitality are stressed as essential to the development of a therapeutic environment. A service learning component is included to offer the student
a “hands-on” opportunity to work with an elderly person while developing a relationship with and assisting the person to achieve a healthy lifestyle.

3 semester credits

**PTH 660 SOLE I**

This course focuses on contributions individuals make beyond their professional role. It will enable students to begin to internalize their role as a service-oriented citizen and healthcare professional. Students will explore the physical therapist’s role as a servant leader by actively engaging the APTA Core Values of altruism, compassion/caring, and social responsibility while providing culturally competent services. Beginning with a broad view of cultural competency and servant leadership, students will then narrow the scope to specifically discuss issues related to either the social-political issues in a foreign country; or local societal Issues affecting the people of our region specific to the student’s chosen servant leadership project. Students will then collaborate with an agency In order to develop a proposal for a service learning project locally, regionally, or internationally that will take place later in the curriculum. Outcomes will be achieved through Independent study and reading, group discussion, peer presentations, and self-reflection.

1 semester credit

**Second Year: May/June Session**

**NUR 648 Healthcare Law and Policy**

(see Nursing Division Courses)

**PTH 731 Clinical Experience II**

This 8 week full-time clinical experience provides students the opportunity to practice and gain further experience in content areas of orthopedics, neurological rehabilitation, pediatrics, manual therapy, cardiac rehabilitation, acute care inpatient, rural or burn/wound therapy. The student should be nearing entry-level at the conclusion of this internship.

6 semester credits

**Second Year: July/August Session**

**PTH 743 Clinical Inquiry II**

The course includes a case-based statistical analysis laboratory in which the student writes the hypotheses for the cases, performs the appropriate statistical analysis, and writes their conclusions in terms of applying the results to practice. Principles of research design are also studied in relationship to appropriate statistical analyses and application to clinical practice.

1 semester credit

**PTH 760 SOLE II**

After project approval in spring year 2, students engage in service with an organization locally or internationally, complete their assessments to determine outcomes and reflect on their role as a servant leader.

1 semester credit

**PTH 761 Diagnostic Imaging and Procedures**

This course is placed in the last semester of the didactic curriculum after all other course work is complete. The placement of this course gives students an opportunity to synthesize all information from previous coursework into complex clinical cases. It is designed to bridge the gap between the final didactic experience and the final clinical experiences.

1 semester credit

**PTH 765 Professional Development**

This course helps to prepare the student for licensure and successful completion of the National Physical Therapy Examination (NPTE) as well as the job search. Students will prepare for the as well as the job search. Students will prepare for the NPTE by participating in a 2 day test preparation course. They must also successfully pass both a written and lab comprehensive examination in order to pass this course as well as to continue on to their final two internships. Students will also learn about state licensure and the role of the FSBPT and career development including resume writing and Interviewing. Students will also develop goals and a professional development plan that includes elements of financial, spiritual and professional development and mentoring.

2 semester credits

**PTH 775 Differential Diagnosis**

In-depth online course designed for students to be able to develop a consistent way to screen for systemic diseases and conditions that mimic neuromusculoskeletal problems, subsequently adding to a graduate’s skill in becoming a direct access physical therapist.

1 semester credit

**PTH 825.1 Sports Medicine Elective**

This course covers advanced sports injury concepts with special emphasis involving traumatic injury examination with on field injury management. Knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to work in this specialized area of sports medicine include taping, bracing, injury prevention, spine injury, spinal immobilization, head injury assessment, sports equipment evaluation, integumentary management, biomechanical analysis, return to sports testing, and nutrition. The purpose of the elective is to provide the physical therapist student with an opportunity to develop beginning skill sets in sports physical therapy while advancing their competency in the management of both on and off-field athletic injuries.

1 semester credit

**PTH 835.1 Pediatric Elective**

This course will further prepare students for practice in pediatrics. Childhood onset/acquired movement disorders will be studied in greater depth to allow for knowledge translation of current evidence based practice specific to the areas of examination, evaluation. Students will work with individuals with common pediatric diagnoses under the guidance of a physical therapist. Intervention, and communication/coordination for individuals across the lifespan and throughout various practice settings within pediatrics. Students work directly with individuals with childhood onset/acquired movement disorders, and their families to develop a capstone study project related to the experience.

3 semester credits
**Third Year: Fall Semester**

**PTH 811 LAMP III Administration and Management**
In this course, students study the administrative and management role of the Physical Therapist in the healthcare system. Students examine various payment systems, management styles, human resource management, financial and risk management, and program development. Additional ethical, legal, and practice issues will also be discussed throughout the course. Emphasis will be placed on creating and managing a PT practice in multiple settings. 2 semester credits

**PTH 819 ICE V.1**
Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time in community clinics to practice skills learned within the first and second years of the curriculum. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program within specialty areas of practice. 1 semester credit

**PTH 825.2 Sports Medicine Elective**
This course covers advanced sports injury concepts with special emphasis involving traumatic injury examination with an on-field injury management. Knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to work in this specialized area of sports medicine include taping, bracing, injury prevention, spine injury, spinal immobilization, head injury assessment, sports equipment evaluation, intagumentary management, biomechanical analysis, return to sports testing, and nutrition. The purpose of the elective is to provide the physical therapist student with an opportunity to develop beginning skill sets in sports physical therapy while advancing their competency in the management of both on and off-field athletic injuries. 1 semester credit

**PTH 831 Clinical Experience III**
This final two 10 week clinical internships continue to progress the student to entry-level in the management of patients throughout the lifespan and throughout various patient care settings. The final two placements will complete the clinical education experience requirements. Students by the completion of four experiences are required to have had practice in four diverse settings, including at least one rotation in an acute, outpatient, and a neurologic setting. The neuro setting requirement can be met in the skilled nursing, neuro rehab or pediatrics setting. The student must be at entry level at the completion of these third and fourth Internships in order to graduate from the program. 2 semester credits

**PTH 835.2 Pediatric Elective**
This course is the second half of the pediatric elective. In this course, childhood onset and acquired movement disorders will be studied in greater depth to allow for knowledge translation and application of current evidence based practice specific to the areas of intervention, and communication/coordination for individuals across the lifespan and throughout various practice settings within pediatrics. Students work directly with individuals with childhood onset or acquired movement disorders and their families to develop a capstone case study project related to their experience working with a child, family and therapist during the first portion of this course. 1 semester credit

**PTH 843 Clinical Inquiry III**
Instruction on the writing and presenting of the dissertation and assistance is provided with the analysis and interpretation of the actual data collected by students. 1 semester credit

**PTH 845 Women’s Health Elective**
This course further prepares students for practice in women’s health. A variety of women’s health conditions will be studied in greater depth and students will practice examination and intervention techniques. Students will work with local experts in the region in order to gain hands-on lab experience and patient care skills. In addition, students will be exposed to other aspects of women’s health patient care management including marketing, reimbursement, and professional development. This elective is considered beyond entry-level; students will be introduced to pelvic floor examination and intervention. 2 semester credits

**PTH 855 Vestibular Elective 2**
This course further prepares students for practice in neurological rehabilitation, specifically in the area of vestibular pathology and other balance disorders. Students will build on their fundamental knowledge of vestibular rehabilitation by advancing knowledge into management of the complex BPPV patient, evaluation and treatment of the patient with central vertigo, unilateral and bilateral vestibular hypofunction deficits, and cervicogenic dizziness. Students will also advance their knowledge and skills of validated outcome measures and diagnostic testing with computerized dynamic posturography to better diagnose, manage, and differentially diagnose balance disorders. This course will allow for hands-on experiences with patients in a supervised clinical setting. 2 semester credits

**PTH 859 Complex Case Management**
This course is the first in a series of two problem based capstone courses for physical therapy management of patient cases. Using a Problem-Based learning format, special emphasis will be placed on screening for differential diagnosis, management of comorbidities, integration of other diagnostic information. Students will work in groups with a faculty mentor to develop an evidenced based management plan based on their interpretation of screening and examination. They will synthesize the information and develop a management plan, which includes all aspects of patient care. Students also present and discuss a case study from the first of their two terminal clinical education experiences. 2 semester credits

**PTH 860 SOLE III**
Following the completion of a local or international service project, students will summarize their experience and assess their effects on the people/organization who were served and on themselves professionally and personally. Students will present in written and oral formats. 1 semester credit
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**Third Year: Spring Semester**

**PTH 812 LAMP IV Leadership and Professionalism**

This course emphasizes the Leadership and Professionalism aspects of LAMP (leadership, administration, management, and professionalism.) Students explore and experience leadership and professionalism as they become more familiar with the broader health care environment and the controversial issues relating to the physical therapist profession and health and wellness. They will study how to become agents of change through knowledge of the cultural, economic, political and power structures in organizations and other social structures. Included topics are physical therapists as consultants and advocating for change via legislation, APTA House of Delegates, and changing public opinion.

2 semester credits

**PTH 820 ICE V .2**

Under the guidance and supervision of full-time academic faculty and clinical faculty who work within the community, students will spend time in community clinics to practice skills learned within the first and second years of the curriculum. This course allows students the opportunity to practice skills gained during the professional program within specialty areas of practice.

1 semester credit

**PTH 832 Clinical Experience IV**

This final two 10 week clinical internships continue to progress the student to entry-level in the management of patients throughout the lifespan and throughout various patient care settings. The final two placements will complete the clinical education experience required settings. Students by the completion of four experiences are required to have had practice in four diverse settings, including at least one rotation in an acute, outpatient, and a neurologic setting. The neuro setting requirement can be met in the skilled nursing, neuro rehab or pediatrics setting. The student must be at entry level at the completion of these third and fourth Internships in order to graduate from the program.

8 semester credits

**PTH 853 Clinical Inquiry IV**

Final writing, submission, and oral presentation of the dissertation. Students receive the guidance of their respective research chairs in the final preparation of dissertation.

1 semester credit

**PTH 860 Complex Case Management II**

This course is the second in a series of two problem based capstone courses for physical therapy management of patient cases. Using a Problem-Based learning format, special emphasis will be placed on screening for differential diagnosis, management of comorbidities, integration of other diagnostic information. Students will work in groups with a faculty mentor to develop an evidenced based management plan based on their interpretation of screening and examination. They will synthesize the information and develop a management plan, which includes all aspects of patient care. Students also present and discuss a case study from the first of their two terminal clinical education experiences. One of the PBI cases will be an interdisciplinary case with students from other disciplines.

2 semester credits

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**Radiologic Technology Program**

**Program Advisors:** Dr. Joellen Roller (Interim Coordinator), Richard Cleary, Roger Haug

Radiologic Technology offers a four-year program leading to a Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts degree.

The two years of campus preparation for the Bachelor of Science degree include courses in biology, chemistry, physics, mathematics, and psychology as well as courses to fulfill competence requirements. Following the campus preparation, the student applies for admission to a hospital school for an internship. The 24-month clinical internship may be taken at St. Alexius School of Radiologic Technology or Sanford Health Systems in Bismarck; Trinity Hospital School of Radiologic Technology, Minot; Rapid City Regional Hospital; Mayo School of Health-Related Sciences, Rochester, MN or at any other accredited school.

A total of 60 semester credits will be granted for courses taken during the internship. Upon completion of the internship, the student is eligible to take the AART Radiographer’s Registry Examination to become certified as a Registered Radiologic Technologist/Radiographer.

All students, including transfer students, must take at least 32 semester credits on campus; 16 of these are to be in math/science. Credit received for the clinical internship does not satisfy this requirement.

Students are responsible for providing transportation to and from all clinical internship assignments and for personal living expenses throughout the clinical internship, regardless of location.

**Sequence in Radiologic Technology - B.S. degree:**

BIO 101, 207, 208, 209; CHE 109; MAT 103; PHY 203, 304; PSY 201; RDT 201, 202, 300, 301, 302, 400

**RDT 201 Clinical Internship**
Radiologic Technology I

12 semester credits

**RDT 202 Clinical Internship**
Radiologic Technology II

12 semester credits

**RDT 300 Clinical Internship**
Radiologic Technology III

6 semester credits

**RDT 301 Clinical Internship**
Radiologic Technology IV

12 semester credits

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Department of Respiratory Therapy

Program Faculty: Christine Sperle (Department Chair), Jessica Arndt, Dr. Will Beachey, Dr. Elizabeth Hughes

The undergraduate respiratory therapy program consists of a two-year pre-professional phase (freshman and sophomore years) followed by two-years of professional preparation (junior and senior years) on the St. Alexius Medical Center campus. The Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Therapy (BSRT) degree is granted to students who successfully fulfill University of Mary Respiratory Therapy Program requirements. The Respiratory Therapy Program is fully accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC), 1248 Harwood Road Bedford, Texas 76021-4244, telephone (817) 283-2835.

Mission

To prepare students to become competent registered respiratory therapists who think critically; engage in evidence-based practice; function as expert resources to physicians and other healthcare professionals; assume leadership roles; and interact respectfuully and compassionately with others, regardless of cultural background, values, and lifestyles.

Respiratory Therapy Pre-Med Track

This option allows students to take all courses required for admission to most medical schools while completing requirements for the B.S. R.T. degree. After completing the degree, graduates may, at their option, apply for admission to medical school; if accepted, they may decide to work as a respiratory therapist before and during medical school. Regardless of medical school admission status, graduates have a marketable professional credential in healthcare.

Respiratory Therapy Program

The professional phase of the program is located at St. Alexius Medical Center in Bismarck (faculty offices, laboratory, classroom and clinical facilities), and is co-sponsored by the University of Mary and St. Alexius Medical Center. The curriculum consists of classroom, laboratory and clinical practicum courses, including over 1100 hours of supervised experience in direct patient interaction.

The program benefits from small classroom size and direct interaction with professors who are published authors of textbooks and scientific papers. Faculty student ratio is 1:4 in the classroom and laboratory and 1:1 in the clinical patient care setting. The program has received national recognition for excellence in graduate credentialing success, placing it in the top 10% of programs in the country in this category. Graduates consistently score above the mean in credentialing exams, and typically have employment commitments before graduation; the program has enjoyed a 100% graduate employment rate for many years. The program has a national reputation for the quality of its graduates. Program credentialing success and job placement can be compared with all other programs in the country at the web site for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care: www.coarc.com.

Admission

To qualify for admission consideration, students must complete all math/science pre-professional requirements with a minimum grade of “C” in each course and an overall math/science grade point average of 2.5 or higher. In addition, the overall University grade point average must be a minimum of 2.5. Students who successfully complete these pre-professional requirements are eligible to apply for admission to the professional Respiratory Therapy Program. Completion of pre-professional requirements does not guarantee admission to the professional program; separate application must be made to the Respiratory Therapy Department. Personal interviews, academic performance, and letters of reference are used in the admission process. For equally qualified applicants, admission preference will be given to eligible students completing their pre-professional work at University of Mary. The professional program application deadline is February 15 of the sophomore year for admission to the fall semester of the same year. Prospective applicants should make an appointment with the respiratory therapy department chair (701-530-7756; csperle@primecare.org) to tour the CHI/St. Alexius Health and to arrange a job shadow experience to learn more about the responsibilities and duties of
Respiratory therapists. Program application forms can be accessed online under the School of Health Sciences, Respiratory Therapy Program from the University of Mary web site.

**Rolling Admissions**

If the class number does not reach its maximum capacity by the application deadline, a rolling admissions policy will be followed. Students must meet all criteria previously outlined and participate in the formal interview process. Rolling admissions are considered until the first day of class in the fall. Applicants will be reviewed based on the time of submissions of a completed application.

**Credential/License**

Students who complete the accredited professional program and all degree requirements are eligible to take the credentialing examinations administered by the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) leading to the Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential. Licensure requirements in the state of North Dakota (and in all other states) are also met by successful completion of the NBRC examinations.

**The Profession**

Respiratory therapists are essential members of the modern healthcare team and work in collaboration with physicians and other health professionals in adult and newborn intensive care units, hospital emergency rooms, outpatient rehabilitation clinics, sleep-related breathing disorders clinics, and in the home. Program graduates are prepared to assess patients, develop a plan of care, implement therapy, evaluate its effectiveness and modify treatment as appropriate. Patients include critically or chronically ill individuals suffering from a variety of respiratory and cardiac problems. In addition to treatment, therapists perform various complex diagnostic and monitoring procedures to assist the physician in devising an appropriate care strategy. In the home, outpatient and community settings, respiratory therapists provide education to patients and families in the day-to-day self-management of chronic respiratory conditions such as asthma and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD); tobacco cessation is an important aspect of these educational efforts.

**Program Outcomes**

Upon graduation from the respiratory therapy program, students will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the physiological bases for all therapeutic interventions and diagnostic procedures in all areas of respiratory therapy practice
- Demonstrate proficiency in implementing all respiratory therapy treatment and diagnostic procedures
- Demonstrate proficiency in interpreting physical exam findings, cardiopulmonary monitoring data, laboratory data, and diagnostic imaging information
- Demonstrate problem solving and critical thinking skills as consultants to physicians and other healthcare personnel in developing cardiopulmonary care strategies
- Demonstrate proficiency in establishing an evidence base for best practice through research and the critique and interpretation of the professional scientific literature
- Demonstrate knowledge of the ethical obligations and responsibilities of healthcare professionals and institutions
- Demonstrate knowledge of the legal, social and economic environments in which the healthcare institutions function
- Demonstrate effective cross-cultural and interdisciplinary human interaction skills in the healthcare setting and the broader community
- Demonstrate knowledge of current issues and trends in healthcare, including public policy, access and reimbursement issues
- Demonstrate proficiency in oral and written communication
- Educate patients and the general public in matters of cardiopulmonary health and chronic disease management
- Demonstrate leadership abilities as a member of the healthcare team.

**Transfer Students**

Transfer students completing respiratory therapy program prerequisites at other regionally accredited colleges and universities are welcome to apply to the respiratory therapy program; professional courses in the respiratory therapy curriculum fulfill the University of Mary’s residency requirement for the baccalaureate degree. Transfer students must also meet the University
of Mary’s liberal arts graduation requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree. Academic advising for transfer students occurs through the Office of Admission at 701-355-8235 or jweltz@umary.edu.

Respiratory Therapy Essential Functional Requirements

In addition to admission criteria, qualified applicants are expected to meet essential functional requirements of the respiratory therapy profession. Students requesting reasonable accommodation to meet these requirements must inform the Program Director in writing of the need for such accommodations at the time of application. Essential functional requirements include cognitive, motor and behavioral abilities.

Respiratory therapy students must be able to: move quickly in confined spaces; sit and stand while maintaining balance; stand in-place for prolonged periods; reach above the shoulders and below the waist; twist, stoop, squat; climb stairs; walk rapidly (emergency situations); precisely manipulate small instruments and pieces of equipment; squeeze forcefully with hands; write with a pen; key information into a computer; lift and carry 30 pounds; have sufficient physical strength and mobility to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation; hear, see, feel with fingers, smell; distinguish colors; read, write and comprehend English; interpret written information; identify cause and effect relationships; add, subtract, multiply and divide; tell and measure time; orally communicate and interact with others; speak on the telephone; establish rapport with others (patients, coworkers); establish appropriate emotional and interpersonal boundaries; maintain effectiveness under stress and strong emotions.

Major in Respiratory Therapy:

ANT 171, BIO 207, 208, 209; CHE 109, 110 or CHE 111, 112; COM 110; ENG 121; MAT 103; NUR 317; PHY 203; PSY 201; RTH 301, 305, 307, 320, 335, 411, 416, 418, 420, 422, 426, 427, 428, 430, 436, 438, 441, 450 and 452

Major in Respiratory Therapy with Pre-Med Track: In addition to (or in place of) the course in the Respiratory Therapy major: BIO 103; CHE 111, 112 (to replace the CHE 109, 110 sequence), CHE 217, 318 (CHE 310 is recommended); PHY 304.

Students may choose from among several electives to complete requirements for the Bachelor of Science degree.

Respiratory Therapy Undergraduate Courses Descriptions

RTH 301 Introduction to Respiratory Care

An overview of the respiratory care profession and its function within the medical community and the healthcare team. Topics include medical terminology, history and development of the profession, an introduction to the healthcare system, legal aspects of healthcare, professional ethics, multi-cultural health communication and patient-therapist interaction. 3 semester credits

RTH 305 Basic Procedures

This course emphasizes the theory and practice of current respiratory care modalities including basic monitoring and testing techniques. Topics include infection control; aerosol and humidity therapy; medical gas therapy; cardiopulmonary pharmacology; physical assessment; volume expansion and bronchial hygiene therapy; airway management; and arterial blood gasses. 6 semester credits

RTH 307 Basic Procedures Laboratory

Laboratory practice in the basic respiratory care modalities, and the testing and monitoring procedures covered in RTH 201, 205, 335. Equipment assembly, disassembly, operation and troubleshooting are emphasized. Basic physical assessment skills and communication skills are also practiced. Clinical observation rotations are scheduled to help the student prepare for Clinical Practicum I. Skill proficiency tests are conducted to prepare students for clinical experience. 1 semester credit

RTH 320 Clinical Practicum I

Supervised clinical experience in the therapeutic modalities and procedures covered in RTH 205 and 207. Proficiency in each area is required to progress in the program. Meets 16 hours per week, 2 days per week. 3 semester credits

RTH 335 Clinical Cardiopulmonary Physiology

Concepts in pulmonary, cardiovascular and renal physiology, situated in a clinical context. Physiological mechanisms underlying the beneficial effects of treatment and the application of technology are explained. Compensatory mechanisms and the interdependent function of the cardiopulmonary and renal systems are covered. The course emphasizes the understanding of theory in the context of physiological data interpretation. Relevance to clinical practice is emphasized. Prerequisite: BIO 207-208 or equivalent. 6 semester credits

RTH 411 Respiratory Care in Alternate Sites

This course covers respiratory care in the outpatient, long-term care, and home-care settings. Patient populations addressed range from infants to elderly. Topics include discharge planning, psychosocial implications of chronic pulmonary disease, disease management, pulmonary rehabilitation, reimbursement issues, and patient education. Communication and physical assessment skills are emphasized. Prerequisite: RTH 335; 426; 427. 2 semester credits

RTH 416 Pediatric/Neonatal Respiratory Care

This course focuses on respiratory care practice unique to
pediatric and newborn populations. Topics covered include developmental anatomy and physiology, congenital anomalies and problems of prematurity that affect cardiopulmonary function, diagnosis, pathophysiology and treatment of cardio-pulmonary diseases, newborn intensive care, mechanical ventilation and physiologic monitoring. Unique aspects of neonatal mechanical ventilators are covered in a laboratory setting.
3 semester credits

RTH 418 Department Leadership
An overview of leadership focusing on the traits every leader should develop, and the impact leadership can have on your profession. Career development is also discussed, concentrating on job searching and interviewing skills. Prerequisites: successful completion of all previous RTH requirements. 2 semester credits

RTH 420 Professional Seminar
This course contains three components: (1) Identification of student learning needs and general review in preparation for comprehensive program and credentialing examinations; (2) complete and discuss sample credentialing exams; (3) medical ethical issues. Students will research areas of learning needs. Sample credentialing examinations and clinical simulation computer software are used for comprehensive review. Prerequisites: enrollment in the final semester of the Respiratory Therapy Program. 2 semester credits

RTH 422 Clinical Cardiopulmonary Assessment
This course emphasizes the integration of physical findings, the patient interview, the medical record, and diagnostic testing data in the assessment of cardiopulmonary status. Development of an assessment based respiratory care plan and its systematic evaluation is a major focus. Diagnostic testing areas include basic laboratory and electrocardiogram interpretation, advanced pulmonary function testing and chest x-ray interpretation. Case studies are used. 5 semester credits

RTH 426 Human Diseases I
A study of the diagnosis, treatment and management of cardiopulmonary disorders in the adult. Emphasis is placed on understanding the essential mechanisms of disordered function and the rationale for therapeutic intervention. Prerequisites: RTH 205; 207; 335; or instructor’s consent. 4 semester credits

RTH 427 Human Diseases II
A study of the pathophysiology, diagnosis, treatment and management of various diseases in the adult. Disorders covered include renal, genetic, endocrine, neurological, hematological, gastrointestinal, musculoskeletal, and liver diseases. Essential mechanisms of disordered physiological function and rationale for therapy are emphasized. Prerequisites: RTH 205; 207; 335; 426; or instructor’s consent. 2 semester credits

RTH 428 Respiratory Care Specialty
This clinical specialty course allows students to improve technical proficiency, increase professional competency, and enrich knowledge in areas of personal interest. Students submit written proposals outlining learning goals and objectives methods for achieving goals and the means for measuring their achievement. Proposals must meet faculty approval. The course involves a minimum of eight hours per day, five days per week (approximately 320 hours) over the last eight weeks of the senior year. Prerequisites: completion of all previous program clinical requirements. 8 semester credits

RTH 430 Clinical Practicum II
Supervised clinical experience in the therapeutic modalities and procedures cover in RTH 436 and 438 (adult critical care and pulmonary function). Proficiency in each area is required to progress in the program. Participation in the American Lung Association’s Asthma Camp is required. Meets in the summer session 40 hours per week for 6 weeks. Prerequisites: RTH 436; 438. 5 semester credits

RTH 436 Critical Respiratory Care
This course focuses on managing and monitoring mechanically assisted ventilation in the adult in the intensive care setting. Areas of discussion include: (1) physiological criteria for initiating mechanical ventilator assistance, (2) beneficial and adverse effects of mechanical ventilator assistance in various pathologies, (3) implementing, managing and physiologically monitoring mechanical ventilator assistance, and (4) general operating principles and capabilities of mechanical ventilators. Emphasis is placed on using physical assessment skills and various physiological monitoring data to guide the management of the critically ill patient. Prerequisites: RTH 335 or instructor’s consent. 5 semester credits

RTH 438 Ventilator/Critical Care Laboratory
Laboratory practice in the operation, testing, and troubleshooting of mechanical ventilators, noninvasive monitoring equipment, continuous positive airway pressure systems, hemodynamic monitoring equipment, and chest drainage systems. Skill proficiency tests are conducted to prepare students for critical care clinical experiences. Prerequisites: RTH 207 and concurrent enrollment in RTH 436. 1 semester credit

RTH 441 Clinical Practicum III
Supervised clinical experience in adult intensive care, pediatric intensive care, neonatal intensive care, hemodynamic monitoring, cardiology, pulmonary reconditioning, home respirator care and medical rounds with the program medical director are included. Meets 40 hours per week, 5 days per week for eight weeks. Prerequisites: RTH 436; 416; 429; 411. 8 semester credits

RTH 450 Research in Respiratory Care
The importance of research to the field of respiratory care and basic tools for implementing and critically evaluating research efforts. Areas covered include current research trends in respiratory care, sampling and research design, statistical tools, critical review of the literature, analysis and communication of research results. A research paper is part of the course requirement. Prerequisite: Enrollment in the final semester of the professional program. 2 semester credits

RTH 452 Health Promotion
This course examines the increasing redirection of healthcare resources from disease identification and treatment to disease prevention and health enhancement. The premise is that
healthcare professionals have a responsibility to influence people to make healthful lifestyle decisions, and to help build cultures supportive of healthful living. Students are introduced to strategies for promoting health both professionally and personally. Prerequisite: Enrollment in final semester of the professional program.
2 semester credits

Graduate Program
in Respiratory Therapy

FACULTY: Sperle (Director), Arndt, Beachey, Hughes

Program Overview

The Master of Science in Respiratory Therapy (MSRT) offers individuals with baccalaureate degrees in disciplines other than respiratory therapy the opportunity to complete the professional component of the respiratory therapy program for graduate credit and enter practice with advanced preparation. In addition to a baccalaureate degree, applicants must also meet the respiratory therapy program’s math and science prerequisites. The Master of Science curriculum encompasses the baccalaureate professional respiratory therapy curriculum, which consists of 70 credit hours, 37 hours of which are courses offered at the graduate level. Upon successful completion of the professional curriculum, graduates are eligible to sit for state licensing and national credentialing examinations offered by the National Board for Respiratory Care, leading to the Registered Respiratory Therapist (RRT) credential.

The Master of Science in Respiratory Therapy provides graduates with accelerated mobility into leadership roles, such as healthcare education coordinators, clinical instructors, clinical team leaders, assistant managers, or specialty therapists.

The program benefits from small classroom size and direct interaction with professors who are published authors of textbooks and scientific papers. Faculty student ratio is 1:4 in the classroom and laboratory and 1:1 in the clinical patient care setting. The program has received national recognition for excellence in graduate credentialing success, placing it in the top 10% of programs in the country in this category. Graduates consistently score well above the national mean in credentialing exams, and typically have employment commitments before graduation; the program has enjoyed a 100% graduate employment rate for many years. The program has a national reputation for the quality of its graduates. Program credentialing success and job placement can be compared with all other programs in the country at the web site for the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care: www.coarc.com.

Mission

The mission of the Respiratory Therapy program is to prepare students at the graduate level to become competent registered respiratory therapists who think critically; engage in evidence-based practice; function as expert resources to physicians and other healthcare professionals; assume research and leadership roles in academia and practice; and interact respectfully and compassionately with others, regardless of cultural background, values and lifestyles.

Outcomes

Upon completion of the Master of Science in Respiratory Therapy, graduates will be able to:

- Demonstrate knowledge of the physiological bases for all therapeutic interventions and diagnostic procedures in all areas of respiratory therapy practice
- Demonstrate proficiency in implementing all respiratory therapy treatment and diagnostic procedures
- Demonstrate proficiency in interpreting physical exam findings, cardiopulmonary monitoring data, laboratory data, and diagnostic imaging information
- Demonstrate problem solving and critical thinking skills as consultants to physicians and other healthcare personnel in developing cardiopulmonary care strategies
- Demonstrate proficiency in establishing an evidence base for best practice through research and the critique and interpretation of the professional scientific literature
- Demonstrate knowledge of the ethical obligations and responsibilities of healthcare professionals and institutions
- Demonstrate knowledge of the legal, social and economic environments in which healthcare institutions function
- Demonstrate effective cross-cultural human interaction skills in the healthcare setting and the broader community
- Demonstrate knowledge of current issues and trends in healthcare, including public policy, healthcare access and reimbursement issues
• Demonstrate proficiency in oral and written communication, including the preparation of a manuscript suitable for submission to a peer-reviewed scientific journal
• Educate patients and the general public in matters of cardiopulmonary health and chronic disease management
• Develop a healthcare related research proposal that meets requirements for institutional review board approval
• Demonstrate advanced knowledge in one of three specialization areas in respiratory therapy: (1) professional education; (2) hospital department administrative leadership; or (3) a clinical specialty practice area.

Accreditation Status
The Graduate Respiratory Therapy Program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC), 1248 Harwood Road Bedford, Texas 76021-4244, telephone (817) 283-2835.

Admissions Requirements
The application deadline is February 15 each year. Applicants for admission to the Professional Master of Science in Respiratory Therapy Program must meet the following minimum qualifying criteria:

1. Earned baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university with an overall college grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or higher
2. Admission to the University of Mary Graduate Studies
3. A 3.00 or higher GPA in the respiratory therapy program’s prerequisite pre-professional courses in math, biology, chemistry, physics, pharmacology, ethics, English (communication) and social sciences, with no individual course grade below a "C."
4. Three letters of reference from the applicant’s undergraduate professors or academic counselors who are in a position to judge the applicant’s written communication proficiency and ability to perform graduate level work.

Applicants must have successfully completed each of the following prerequisite courses with a grade of “C” or higher:

• General Inorganic Chemistry (two semesters)
• Microbiology
• College Algebra
• Ethics
• Introduction to Physics
• Human Anatomy and Physiology (two semesters)
• Pharmacology

Upon meeting preliminary qualifying criteria, applicants are eligible for a respiratory therapy admissions interview. Admissions decisions are based on academic GPA, references, and the interview score.

International Student Admissions to Respiratory Therapy Program

Who is required to take the TOEFL?
Applicants who were not born in the United States or Canada (excluding Quebec) will be required to take the TOEFL, regardless of U.S. citizenship status or time spent in the United States. Citizens born in the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, and New Zealand will be considered on a case by case basis and will be required to submit documentation that the entire curriculum (high school and/or undergraduate/graduate) was presented in English. Acceptable forms of documentation include a letter from the high school or Embassy from the outside country that states “all curriculum was delivered and taught in English”.

What are the required TOEFL scores?
Documentation of TOEFL scores must be submitted along with the necessary application materials when the student is applying for admission to the Graduate Respiratory Therapy Program at the University of Mary prior to the application deadline. The following are the TOEFL requirements required for as part of the application process:

TOEFL® Score Requirements:
• TOEFL iBT® minimum of 80 and 26 in speaking
• TOEFL PBT® minimum of 550 total score and a score of 5.0 the TWE (Test of written English)
  – Students completing the TOEFL PBT must also complete the Test of Spoken English (TSE ®) and receive a score of 50 or higher
TOEFL results must be sent directly from ETS—photocopies are not acceptable. Official results must be sent directly to:

University of Mary
Graduate Admissions
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504

Foreign Transcripts
All foreign transcripts for all undergraduate and graduate coursework must be translated by an official transcript evaluation service. Applicants to the University of Mary: Graduate Respiratory Therapy Program are required to provide a course by course evaluation which shows the course name, grade received using US grading scale, cumulative grade point average (GPA) and degree earned. The World Education Services (WSE) at www.wes.org, Educational Credential Evaluators at www.ece.org, and International Education Research Foundation at www.ierf.org can be used for this service. The applicant is responsible for all charges incurred for these services.

Rolling Admissions
If the class number does not reach its maximum capacity by the application deadline, a rolling admissions policy will be followed. Students must meet all criteria previously outlined and participate in the formal interview process. Rolling admissions are considered until the first day of class in the fall. Applicants will be reviewed based on the time of submissions of a completed application.

Graduate Course Descriptions

RTH 526 Human Diseases I
A study of the diagnosis, treatment and management of cardiopulmonary disorders in the adult. Emphasis is placed on understanding the essential mechanisms of disordered function and the rationale for therapeutic intervention.
4 semester credits

RTH 535 Clinical Cardiopulmonary Physiology
This course focuses on the application of cardiopulmonary and renal physiological concepts in the clinical setting. Physiological compensatory mechanisms and the interactive role of the cardiopulmonary and renal systems are covered. Emphasis is placed on using theoretical concepts to guide interpretation of physiological data (such as blood gases and calculations of various physiological indices) and to solve hypothetical clinical problems.
6 semester credits

RTH 536 Critical Respiratory Care
This course focuses primarily on managing and monitoring mechanically assisted ventilation in the adult in the intensive acute care setting. Areas of inquiry include: (1) determination of the need for mechanical ventilatory assistance, (2) beneficial and adverse effects of mechanical ventilatory assistance in various pathologies, (3) implementation, management, and the monitoring of mechanical ventilatory assistance, and (4) the general operating principles and capabilities of mechanical ventilators. Emphasis is placed on using physical assessment skills and various physiological monitoring data to guide the management of the critically ill patient.
5 semester credits

RTH 611 Respiratory Therapy In Alternate Sites
This course addresses respiratory therapy in non-acute care sites, including outpatient, long-term and home care settings. Areas covered include discharge planning, psychosocial implications of chronic cardiopulmonary disease, respiratory care plan development, patient education, disease management, pulmonary rehabilitation, and third party reimbursement issues. Guest lecturers contribute substantially to the course.
2 semester credits

RTH 616 Pediatric and Neonatal Respiratory Care
This course focuses on respiratory care practice unique to pediatric and newborn populations. Topics covered include developmental anatomy and physiology, congenital anomalies and problems of prematurity that affect cardiopulmonary function, diagnosis, pathophysiology and treatment of cardio-pulmonary diseases, newborn intensive care, mechanical ventilation and physiologic monitoring. Unique aspects of neonatal mechanical ventilators are covered in a laboratory setting.
3 semester credits

RTH 618 Departmental Leadership
An overview of leadership focusing on the traits every leader should develop, and the impact leadership can have on your profession. Career development is also discussed; concentrating on job searching, resume writing, and interviewing skills.
2 semester credits

RTH 622 Clinical Cardiopulmonary Assessment
This course emphasizes the integration of physical findings, the patient interview, the medical record, and diagnostic testing data in the assessment of cardiopulmonary status. Development of an assessment based respiratory care plan and its systematic evaluation is a major focus. Diagnostic testing areas include basic laboratory and electrocardiogram interpretation, advanced pulmonary function testing and chest x-ray interpretation. Case studies are used.
5 semester credits

RTH 628 Respiratory Care Specialty Capstone
Each student chooses one of three major specialty areas in which to concentrate for this spring capstone experience: (1) a patient care or diagnostic area; (2) an education focus, i.e. respiratory care classroom/lab/clinical teaching and testing; (3) a management focus, i.e. respiratory care departmental management and leadership experiences. The course is
completed over the last eight weeks of the final semester and includes practical experience. The research project identified in the prior semester (RTH 650) culminates in a written scientific paper suitable for submission to a peer-reviewed scientific journal.

8 semester credits

**RTH 650 Research in Respiratory Care**
This course focuses on the importance of research and evidence-based medicine in the field of respiratory therapy, and the basic knowledge needed to critically evaluate published research. Several reflection papers and a research proposal, complete with a literature review are course requirements. Students gain experience in identifying and developing appropriate research questions, developing research hypotheses, and writing a formal research proposal for approval by the Institutional Review Board. Work on the research project extends into the spring term as part of the student’s RTH 628 capstone experience.

2 semester credits

**RTH 652 Health Promotion and Disease Prevention**
This course offers an overview of various health related topics, including the illness-wellness continuum, the dimensions of health and the health promotion process. Students are introduced to strategies for incorporating health promotion into their professional and personal lives. Emphasis is placed on development of health promotion practices that can be incorporated into a community setting.

2 semester credits

**RTH 899 Continuing Enrollment**
A student who has completed all coursework required by his/her degree plan and who has registered for the capstone course and who does not complete the capstone project during the term in which he/she is registered must register for RTH 899—Continuing Enrollment for each subsequent term (fall, summer, spring) until the capstone project is successfully completed. If the student fails to register, he/she will be withdrawn from candidacy for the master of science degree in respiratory therapy.

1 semester credit

**HUM 799 Graduate Studies Assessment**
Graduate students register for RTH 999 the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the graduate section of the catalog.

0 semester credits

In addition to these courses, students must also successfully complete the following respiratory therapy courses (course descriptions appear in the undergraduate program section): RTH 301, 305, 307, 320, 411, 420, 427, 430, 438, 441.

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**Department of Speech-Language Pathology**

**Faculty:** Smith (Chair), Zeltinger

**Communication Sciences and Disorders Program**
The Communication Sciences and Disorders Program at the University of Mary is part of the School of Health Science’s Speech-Language Pathology Department and leads to a four-year Bachelor of Science degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders. Our program provides a pre-professional study for students interested in preparing for a career in Speech-Language Pathology.

The undergraduate curriculum provides knowledge in normal and disordered speech, language, swallowing and hearing processes. Assessment and intervention learning experiences are supported by current research and evidence based practice. Christian, Catholic, Benedictine and professional speech-language values are embedded in our program to establish ethical, respectful, caring and service oriented students.

**Speech Language Pathology Department Mission**
The mission of the Speech-Language Pathology Program is to foster the development of highly qualified, ethical and skilled speech language professionals to be servant leaders with strong academic ability and character fostered by Benedictine values that will support their individual growth and a passion for contributing to society and improving the lives of others.

**Speech Language Pathology Department Vision**
The vision of the Speech Language Department is to be a leader in Speech Pathology programs for providing outstanding undergraduate and graduate academic and clinical training. The University of Mary Speech Pathology program will positively impact the number of qualified speech language pathologists to increase service to the community, the state and beyond.

**Outcomes and Goals**
- Discuss basic human communication and swallowing processes.
- Examine and evaluate information in basic human communication differences and communication disorders.
• Apply current knowledge of the principles and methods of prevention, assessment, and intervention to individuals with communication disorders.

• Deliver practicum experiences designed to prepare students to deliver appropriate prevention, and intervention for individuals with communication disorders.

• Apply effective oral and written communication skills in all academic settings.

• Demonstrate moral, ethical, and respectful conduct as viewed through Benedictine values.

• Gain entry and be successful in a graduate program in speech-language pathology, audiology, or related field.

Program Admission
• A student may declare a major in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD) during their freshman year and are allowed to take 200 level CSD courses before being accepted into the program.

• Students apply to the CSD program during spring of their sophomore year. The admissions committee reviews all applicants based on the following criteria: GPA (minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA); personal statement reflecting an interest in communication sciences and disorders; completed application.

• The Communication Sciences and Disorders Program provides a pre-professional study for students interested in preparing for a career in Speech-Language Pathology. Graduate study is required for the professional practice as a Speech-Language Pathologist or Audiologist.

Major Degree Requirements
• 53 semester credits in Communication Sciences and Disorders (CSD)
  – Knowledge in normal and disordered speech, language, swallowing and hearing processes
  – Assessment and intervention learning experiences are supported by current research and evidence based practice

• 124 semester credits total

• Pre-requisites
  – BIO 207, 208 (need to take before Speech Anatomy and Physiology)

Major in Communication Sciences and Disorders Required Courses
  - BIO 207, 208; CHE 109 OR PHY 203; PSY 201, 207, 406; MAT 180; COM 110; ENG 121; EDU 295, 367; CSD 210, 220, 230, 310, 320, 330, 340, 350, 360, 370, 410, 420, 430, 440, 450, 460, 470, 480, 490.

Course Descriptions
CSD 210 Intro to Communication Disorders
This course provides an introduction to the concepts essential in understanding human communication, communication disorders and the fields of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. The causes, symptoms, diagnosis and therapy of speech, language, and hearing disorders are examined in individuals from birth through adult.
3 semester credits

CSD 220 Speech and Hearing Science
The goal of this course is to ensure students have a thorough understanding of the anatomy, physiology, and physical properties related to the production, perception, and interpretation of the speech and hearing systems. The principles and objectives acquired in this course will promote critical thinking and provide students with the foundation on which to build their knowledge base and clinical skills.
3 semester credits

CSD 230 Intro to Phonetics
Students are introduced to the characteristics of Standard American English speech sounds and the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) symbols to represent them, with the emphasis on ear training, and a description of place and manner of production of these sounds.
3 semester credits

CSD 310 Speech Anatomy & Physiology
This course provides an in-depth knowledge of the anatomy and physiology of the respiratory system, the larynx, the head and neck, and the ear, related to speech production, reception and swallowing processes. Prerequisites BIO 207, 208
3 semester credits

CSD 320 Language Development & Structure
This course explores the development of language from birth to adulthood is studied relative to the development of communication and speech. Prerequisites: CSD 210, 220, 230
3 semester credits

CSD 330 Intro to Audiology
This course explores hearing and hearing disorders for speech-language pathologists. Anatomy and physiology of the ear and pathologies of the auditory mechanism will be explored. Prerequisites: CSD 210, 220, 230, 310, 320
3 semester credits
CSD 340 Adult Communication Disorders
This course will provide study of the nature, evaluation and treatment of acquired communication and cognitive-linguistic disorders in adults caused by stroke, brain injury and neurological disease including motor speech disorders, dysphagia, voice, and cognitive linguistic disorders. Prerequisites: CSD 210, 220, 230, 310, 320
3 semester credits

CSD 350 Pediatric Language Disorders
This course provides an overview of the theoretical framework, nature, assessment and treatment of language disorders from birth to adolescence. Prerequisites: CSD 210, 220, 230, 310, 320
3 semester credits

CSD 360 SLP & Audiology
The neuroanatomy, neurophysiology and functions of the central and peripheral nervous systems will be examined as they relate to speech, language, and swallowing. Neurological disorders will be discussed throughout the life-span. Prerequisites: CSD, 220, 310; BIO 207, 208
3 semester credits

CSD 370 Articulation and Phonology
This course will examine the normal aspects of articulation and speech sound acquisition and give students a basic formation in causation, diagnosis and treatment of disorders of articulation and phonological disorders. Prerequisites: CSD 210, 220, 230, 310, 320
3 semester credits

CSD 410 Communication Disorders Seminar
This course is a three hour per week seminar for advanced study of topics in CSD. Topics will include any aspect of communication sciences and disorders. Prerequisites: CSD 340, 350
3 semester credits

CSD 420 Intro to AAC
This course explores foundational ideas and concepts regarding the assessment and intervention of assistive technology (AT) and augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) techniques for emerging communicators, school-age children and adults. Prerequisites: CSD 340, 350
3 semester credits

CSD 430 Aural Rehabilitation
This course explores the effects of hearing loss on speech perception, speech production and language development. Assessment, Intervention and counseling strategies are introduced. Prerequisites: CSD 220, 310, 330
3 semester credits

CSD 440 School Programs in Speech Pathology
This course examines school based service delivery, working collaboratively in a school setting, introduction to individualized education plans, assessment and intervention processes, and laws related to school age children. Prerequisites: All CSD 200 and 300 level courses
3 semester credits

CSD 450 Clinical Methods in Speech Pathology
This course includes the study of diagnosis and treatment of communication disorders in children and adults. Test construction, administration, scoring and interpretation. Development of treatment programs, ethics, EBP, and client clinician interactions. Clinical management and theoretical framework will be examined. Prerequisites: All CSD 200 and 300 level courses
3 semester credits

CSD 460 Senior Capstone
Students in this course will synthesize information in all communication sciences and disorders courses to culminate in a written research topic of personal interest. Students will be required to present their written research topic during a poster session. Prerequisites: CSD 220, 310, 330
3 semester credits

CSD 470 Intro to Sign Language
This is an introductory course in the study of American Sign Language. The content includes the basic receptive and expressive sign skills and sign vocabulary required to be able to communicate in ASL. Deaf culture will be explored. Prerequisites: CSD 220, 310, 330
3 semester credits

CSD 480 Clinical Practicum: Speech Pathology
This course is designed to introduce the knowledge and skills required for the diagnosis and treatment of a variety of communication disorders. Supervised clinical practicum experience including assessment and remediation of a variety of communication disorders will be completed under direction of a certified Speech Language Pathologist. Two to three hours of clinical/lab work and additional interaction with supervisors each week are required. Approximately 30 clock hours of clinical practicum experience will be accumulated. Students must maintain a 2.75 GPA in CSD courses to be eligible for practicum. Prerequisites: CSD 450
1 semester credit

CSD 490 Clinical Practicum in Audiology
This course provides instruction in hearing screening for undergraduate students in speech-language pathology. Required information regarding hearing screening equipment and methodology in a classroom setting will be completed prior to clinical experience offered in this course. Students must maintain a 2.75 GPA in CSD courses to be eligible for practicum. Prerequisites: CSD 450
1 semester credit
Harold Schafer Emerging Leaders Academy

Undergraduate Programs/
Academic Policies

Mission
To identify and develop servant leaders of moral courage.

Vision
The Emerging Leaders Academy will recruit and retain high performing candidates and the graduates of these programs will be highly sought after by employers because of their exemplary writing, speaking, critical thinking, and professional skills.

Program Description
The Emerging Leaders Academy is a leadership development program that is designed for highly-motivated, capable students who are interested in becoming future professional leaders. Students in the Gary Tharaldson School of Business, the School of Education and Behavioral Sciences, the School of Health Sciences and the School of Arts and Sciences will be introduced to the Academy during their freshman year. Interested students will then make application to The Emerging Leaders Academy that officially begins during the fall semester of the sophomore year and continues each semester through the end of the junior year. Select students will be chosen by each school for admission into the Senior Emerging Leaders Academy capstone experience.

As members of the Emerging Leaders Academy, students will develop higher level leadership skills through hands-on projects and experiences that network them with the region’s top leaders. Mentorships and internships enhance students’ professional development and open the door to future employment or graduate school recommendation. Each year, students who prove their passion and motivation for leadership will be selected to move forward in the program. Only a very select few students will enter the unique, individualized senior capstone experience where they will design a leadership experience that meets their individual professional and leadership needs.

Admission to the
Emerging Leaders Academy

All freshmen students will enroll in the introductory Emerging Leaders Academy class. Those choosing to further their leadership development will make formal application to the Emerging Leaders Academy that officially begins in the fall of their sophomore class. Each school has an application process for the Academy at the sophomore and junior level. Prospective students may also qualify for Emerging Leaders Academy early acceptance program if they have a 3.25 cumulative grade point average or a 24 ACT composite score and successfully complete an essay and interview. Early acceptance allows these students to enter the Emerging Leaders Academy as sophomores assuming successful progress during the freshman year. Transfer students may also enter the Emerging Leaders Academy upon enrollment at the University of Mary.
Academic Life

Calendar
The University of Mary operates on a 4-4-1 calendar which divides the academic year into fall and spring semesters of 16 weeks each and an optional Summer Term. During a semester, the student generally enrolls in a program of four courses, each carrying four semester credits. Such a program provides time for the student to pursue a subject in-depth. During Summer Term, the student may enroll in a liberal arts course, engage in independent study, travel, or complete specialty areas in the major. Summer sessions may also be part of the student’s educational life. Two four-week sessions provide opportunities for students to accelerate or enrich their degree programs.

Credit
Credit for academic work is based on a semester system. One semester credit is given for the satisfactory completion of 15 classroom periods of 50 minutes each. In laboratory work, field, or clinical experience, a block of two to five class hours is equated to a lecture period. An average of 16 credits is to be earned each semester if a student is to complete his or her work in eight semesters.

Audit
Students may, with the instructor’s consent, register for a course on an audit or non-credit basis. The instructor has no obligation to evaluate the performance of auditors nor will a grade be given to auditing students. Policies for auditing courses are on file in the Registrar’s Office.

Non-Classroom Opportunities for Credit
For enrichment or advancement, students may, with the advice of their academic advisor, pursue any of the following means of attaining academic credit outside the classroom setting:

Advanced Placement Examination
Students who receive a grade of three or higher on the Advanced Placement Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) receive appropriate university credit. Usually three semester hours of transfer credit are awarded for each examination. A grade of four or higher is needed on English and Biology tests.

College Level Examination Program
The College Level Examination Program (CLEP) has been established to enable students to earn college transfer credit by examination. In some divisions an essay is also required. For additional information, or to schedule an examination contact Career and Testing Services at 701-355-8050.

Challenge Examination
In academic areas for which CLEP tests are not available, a student may petition to challenge a course listed in the catalog. To do so, the student obtains the Request for Credit through Challenge form from the Office of the Registrar. The student is required to complete the request form and requests approval through the dean of the school responsible for the course. Once authorized, the student must submit the form to the director of student accounts and pay the challenge fee. The director of student accounts retains one copy of the form. The student must present the second copy of the request form to the authorizing dean or the supervising faculty member who will administer the test or evaluate the paper.

After the student has completed the test or the paper the instructor evaluates the paper or test, affixes the grade to the lower portion of the request form, signs the form, and submits the form to the Office of the Registrar. The registrar records the grade.

Directed Study
It is possible for sophomores, juniors, seniors, and older-than-average students who have the necessary prerequisites and meet accepted standards to pursue courses through directed study. A minimum grade point average of 2.0 is required for a student to be eligible for directed study. The 328-428 course numbers in each division are provided for in-depth study of a special interest and of areas not covered in the existing curriculum. Standard elective and required courses which are difficult for the student to access at regularly-scheduled times may also be available. A course for which a student has received a grade of “F” may not be repeated as a directed study. Tuition for a directed study is the same as that for a regular course.
A student wishing to pursue a course by directed study:

1. Confers with his/her advisor about the advisability of such pursuit
2. Obtains the Directed Study Form from the Office of the Registrar
3. Obtains the signature of his/her advisor indicating advisor approval of the directed study
4. Secures the sponsorship of an appropriate faculty member, visits with this faculty sponsor to outline course objectives, content, and requirements and to schedule meeting times and determine the final completion date.
5. Makes payment for the course in the Office of Student Accounts. Part-time students and students for whom this course constitutes an overload will pay additional tuition for this course.
6. Returns the completed Directed Study Form to the Office of the Registrar. To drop an independent study course, a student must complete a change in registration form (including necessary signatures) and submit it to the Office of the Registrar.

**College by Video Courses**

Students may further their academic program by enrolling in College by Video offerings. These courses are identified in the semester schedule with a “T” following the course number. Credits earned are considered University of Mary resident credits. Semester listings are available.

**Credit for Prior Learning**

Students with three or more years of work experience may receive credit for learning attained outside of the academic setting through the University’s Prior Learning Program. Details of this program are contained in the Special Programs section of this catalog.

**Transfer of Credit**

The Office of the Registrar evaluates transcripts and records transfer credits. The names of the transfer institutions accompany the courses and corresponding grades on the University of Mary transcript. Any preliminary reviews by other personnel are unofficial and not binding, and subject to change. Acceptance of transfer courses and the award of University transfer credit shall not express or imply that all transfer credit will be fully applicable toward degree requirements in particular programs of study at the University of Mary.

The University of Mary accepts credits earned at institutions accredited by agencies recognized by the US Department of Education for the level of credit awarded provided that such credits have been earned through university-level courses appropriate to the student’s degree program at the University of Mary. Credits from foreign or professional schools will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the Office of the Registrar in consultation with the Office of Academic Affairs and/or the Academic Dean responsible for the student’s declared program of study.

Students are not at liberty to selectively transfer courses. Transfer credit is only granted for courses in which a grade of “C-” or better was earned, except where an articulation agreement exists between the credit awarding institution and the University of Mary. Remedial or developmental courses are not considered college-level and do not transfer. No more than 64 semester credits may be transferred from a two-year institution.

The following are examples of exam-generated credits that may be considered for transfer. Other exam-generated credits may also be considered.

- Advanced Placement (AP)
- CLEP
- Prior Learning
- Challenged
- Discipline Specific

If a transfer student seeking a B.A., B.S., B.A.N., B.S.N., or B.U.S., comes to the University of Mary from an accredited college/university and or their transcript includes a minimum of 52 liberal arts credits, the University would accept their degree as meeting the University core. If their program did not include an ethics and theology, those two courses would be required. Students who have completed or been exempted from the liberal education requirements are not exempt from specific course requirements for their majors, even if those courses may be used to satisfy liberal education requirements at the University of Mary.

**Registration**

In preparation for early registration, a schedule of classes will be published with the time, place of meeting, and instructor for the course. The same schedule of classes can be found on the University
of Mary Web site by linking to the Campus Web. The University is not bound to offer any elective course for which there is insufficient registration and reserves the right to withdraw any course described in this catalog.

Opportunities are provided during each semester for students to register early for the following term. Early registration forms are approved and signed by the student’s advisor. The student may then register on-line or through the traditional method. Students should take note that financial holds or lack of prerequisites may block on-line registration. Incoming freshmen are encouraged to meet with an advisor for early registration on one of the days scheduled for this purpose prior to the beginning of the next academic term.

Transfer students and freshmen who do not attend the early spring registration may register by making an appointment with the Office of Admissions.

Registration is not complete or official until fees are paid or arrangements for payment are made in the Office of Student Accounts during fee payment week.

Students who are enrolled at the University of Mary but wish to take required courses elsewhere must seek prior approval for their applicability and acceptance as divisional requirements. Requests for approval are made through the respective chairperson and the registrar.

Changes of Schedule

Students who add or drop classes may need to repay some or all of the financial aid funds received. Classes must be added or dropped prior to the last day to add/drop classes for adjustments to be considered. Courses dropped after the add/drop date will be charged in full. Depending on a student’s program and number of credits enrolled in, adjustments to tuition &/or fees may/may not occur. Adjustments will be determined based on the documentation submitted by the Office of the Registrar. Students who add or drop classes must follow the official procedure as set forth by the Office of the Registrar. Failure to do so may result in the student responsible for paying all or part of the tuition/fees charged.

Once a student’s class schedule has been approved, changes are to be submitted on a drop/add form available in the Office of the Registrar. First-semester freshmen need the approval of their advisor. No courses may be added after the eighth instructional day of class without the approval of the instructor. A $50 per course late fee may be assessed if a course is added after the eighth instructional day. Courses will not be recorded on the academic record if the class is dropped by the eighth instructional day of the term. Students may withdraw from a class anytime during an academic session up to the Friday one week before final test week provided they follow the drop/add procedures. Since credit is not received, the student’s grade point average is not affected. A student who withdraws from a course before two weeks after mid-term will have the course recorded on the permanent transcript with a grade of “W” and will be charged for that course on a pro-rated basis.

A student who elects to withdraw from a course after this period will receive a grade of “WP” or “WF” as determined by the instructor.

Withdrawal from the University

Withdrawal from the University during the school year begins with an exit interview. Students wishing to withdraw should stop by the Student Success Center in the lower level of Welder Library to meet with an advisor. In addition to the conversation, the process involves procuring all necessary signatures, including Student Development, Financial Aid, the Registrar and Student Accounts. Students living on campus must check out with the Residence Director. To obtain a refund on tuition or other fees, students will follow the policy described under Refund Policy.

Deployment Policy

A student who is called to active military duty should promptly notify the Office of the Registrar (written or orally) of his or her military orders, including the departure date, to begin the withdrawal process.

If the student withdraws before 75 percent of the semester has elapsed, the student will receive a full refund of tuition and fees without credit or grades being posted. A grade of “W” will be recorded on the student’s transcript.

If the student withdraws after 75 percent of the semester has elapsed, the student will receive full credit with grades earned at the time of withdrawal. If a course relies on a final project and/or examination to determine satisfactory performance, no credit will be granted until all required work is completed.
Students taking online courses may continue to be enrolled in those classes if it is possible and Internet is accessible.

Students wanting to complete their courses via independent study may do so with the consent of the instructor(s).

Students living in residence halls and/or with a meal contract will be refunded all remaining room and board costs.

The University will comply with the HEROES Act of 2003 to ensure that service members who are receiving federal student aid are not adversely affected because of their military status.

Class Attendance
Policy for class attendance is determined by individual faculty members. The policy regarding absences may vary from instructor to instructor. It is the responsibility of the student to be familiar with the policy of each of their instructors. The student is responsible to contact the instructor as soon as it is possible to discuss possible arrangements for making up any course work that has been missed for cases involving school sanctioned absences, serious illness, hospitalization, or other serious circumstances.

A student is responsible for any work missed and may be dropped from a class because of excessive absences upon request of the instructor and the approval of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Final Examination
In the last week of the semester or term, final examinations are given at the times indicated on the published schedule. Students should arrange to complete exams during the published times. Students with three examinations on one day may request to take the last scheduled examination on another day. Such a request to reschedule must be presented to the instructor one week prior to the test day. The instructor will make arrangements for the student to be tested on another day.

Student Classification
Regular students are those who have been admitted with the expectation of becoming candidates for graduation. Special students are those who have been admitted for special programs in non-degree status. The classification of regular students is based on progress toward graduation as follows:

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Grades
Grades awarded at the University of Mary are A,B,C,D (with + or -), or F. Courses with a grade of “F” do not count toward graduation.

An incomplete (I) grade, given at the discretion of the instructor, if not changed within the first three weeks of the next academic session, converts to a grade of “F” unless an extension is granted in writing by the instructor.

For internships, practicums, performance ensembles, workshops, and activities courses, the option of pass/fail grading is available. All grades are recorded on the student’s official transcript.

When a course is repeated, both courses are entered on the transcript, but only the most recent course will be counted toward the degree and the grade point average.

A student earns honor points for each semester credit according to the value of the grade received. The grade point average is computed by dividing the honor points earned by the credit hours.

Final grades and points are assigned as follows:

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Grade Reports

At the close of each semester, May Term, and summer sessions, final grades are recorded on students’ permanent records. Students may view their final semester grade on their personal home page on the University of Mary web site.

Instructors inform students of their mid-semester grades as an indication of their progress. Mid-semester grades for deficiencies are distributed to the student’s advisor but do not appear on the student’s permanent transcript.

At mid-semester the instructor submits grades online, using the university’s learning management system (LMS). At the end of the semester or term the instructor submits grades online. Students and advisors access grades online. The Office of the Registrar records the grades.

Incompletes are to be removed within three weeks of the next term. If extenuating circumstances warrant it, the instructor, with the approval of the school dean, may grant an extension. If the incomplete is not removed, the grade reverts to a failure.

Grades will be made available to students via the http://my.umary.edu website by using their ID numbers and passwords. Grades will be mailed to parents upon receipt of request from the student. Such requests must be made in writing to the Office of the Registrar. Parents or legal guardians may also obtain their child’s educational records if they establish that the student is a financial dependent as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. An undergraduate student is considered “financially dependent” if either parent or your legal guardian claimed you as a dependent upon their most recent federal income tax return. The Office of the Registrar requires that the parent(s) or legal guardian provide a copy of the filed federal tax return before it releases the information.

Transcripts

Transcripts are certified copies of the student’s permanent record and show academic status at the time of issuance. Transcripts will be issued only if authorized in writing by the student and the student should be advised that 3-5 business days are needed for transcript transactions. Transcripts will be withheld if a student or graduate has not met financial obligations at the University.

Academic Honors

At the end of fall and spring semesters, undergraduate students are placed on the Academic Honor Roll if they achieve a term grade point average of 3.5 or above on a minimum of 12 semester credits (full-time status) with letter point grades. If the student is involved in any course that awards a pass/fail grade, honors distinction will be determined by completion of at least 12 semester credits (full-time status), a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on any courses with letter point grades and a grade of pass on any pass/fail courses. The undergraduate student must not have a grade of “I”, “WIP”, or “SC” in any course at the time Academic Honors are determined. If an undergraduate student completes any graduate course with a grade of “B-” or better during the same term, those hours will be counted toward full-time status. Graduate letter point grades will NOT be counted toward the undergraduate grade point average when determining academic honors.

Academic honors at commencement are awarded to graduates who have earned an undergraduate cumulative grade point average of 3.5-3.74 (Cum Laude), 3.75-3.89 (Magna Cum Laude), 3.9-4.0 (Summa Cum Laude).

For transfer students, grades from other colleges will be included when computing honors. Honors awarded at commencement will be based upon the grade point average of all coursework prior to the semester of graduation.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

To fulfill requirements for a degree, fulltime and part-time students must: (1) have a grade point average of 1.8 at the end of 29 earned semester credits and a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 thereafter and (2) complete a minimum of 67% of attempted semester credits. The grades W, F, I and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard.

To maintain satisfactory progress, a full-time student must have 24 career-earned semester credits annually as recorded at the University of Mary. Program requirements may be more stringent.

Progress for traditional undergraduate students will be monitored at the end of the fall semester and at the end of the spring semester. All graduate and distance education students’ progress will be monitored at the end of the fall semester, spring semester and summer semester.

In the case of a transfer applicant whose academic transcript indicates failure to maintain reasonable progress, the applicant may be granted a warning semester and academic progress will be reviewed after the first semester of attendance.
Progress toward a Degree

Students must demonstrate progress toward a degree by completing at least 67% of all attempted credits and maintaining minimum GPA requirements in accordance with the satisfactory academic progress policy. The grades W, F, I, and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard.

Students may take no more than 150% of the allowed credits toward any given degree. For example, a student enrolled in a bachelor’s degree program must obtain his or her first bachelor’s degree within 192 credits.

Academic Warning

Students whose academic progress does not reflect the standards set forth in this policy will be notified by letter that they have one additional semester to bring their standing within requirements while continuing their eligibility for extracurricular activities. As a student on warning, the student will be required to complete and maintain a degree success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the degree success plan. In the event that they are not able to achieve satisfactory academic progress by the end of the warning semester, the student may be suspended or may be moved to a continuing degree success plan status.

Academic Suspension

Students who have failed to maintain satisfactory progress or who have failed to achieve satisfactory progress after one warning semester will be suspended. A student who earns less than a 1.0 GPA for the first semester of enrollment may be suspended without serving a warning semester. Suspended students will not be eligible to register for coursework and will be terminated from active status. Their financial aid and athletic eligibility will be terminated. Students who have been suspended from the university must re-apply to the institution through the admissions department. If readmitted, they will be reenrolled under the university catalog in place at the time of readmission, which may require additional coursework or contain different policies than those in place at the time of their original enrollment. Students who are reinstated academically may still be on financial aid suspension based on the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy for Financial Assistance.

Students do not need to first be placed on warning status to be suspended. If it is determined that academic progress is so lacking that suspension is warranted, the student may be suspended directly.

Right to an Appeal

Students who have been academically suspended or placed on warning may appeal their status to:

Academic Standards & Admissions Committee
Attn: Asst. Vice President for Academic Affairs
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504

The appeal must be in writing and submitted within 14 calendar days of the student’s notification. Students may appeal due to mitigating circumstances such as illness of the student or immediate family member, death of an immediate family member, or other circumstances that may have resulted in sub-standard academic performance. The student must comply with all requests for documents pertaining to academic performance, i.e., copies of papers, test results, attendance records, etc. The Academic Standards and Admissions Committee considers and rules on the appeal. That ruling is final and binding.

A student’s status does not change while an appeal is under consideration. If a student was dismissed, he or she remains dismissed. If he or she is in academic warning, probation or suspension, the warning, probation or suspension stands. Approval of an academic probation or suspension appeal does not ensure reinstatement of eligibility for financial or extracurricular activity participation.

Academic Probation

Students who successfully appeal their suspension may be placed on academic probation. Students may remain on academic probation for no more than one semester. As a student on probation, the student will be required to complete and maintain a degree success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the degree success plan. In the event that the student is not able to achieve satisfactory academic progress by the end of the probationary semester, the student may be suspended or may be moved to a continuing degree success plan status.
Degree Success Plans

Students who do not meet standards of satisfactory academic progress must maintain a degree success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the degree success plan.

Academic Amnesty Policy

A University of Mary undergraduate student can take advantage of the “Academic Amnesty Policy” by petitioning the Academic Standards and Admissions Committee specifying the courses the student requests to be dropped. Only courses with grades of “D” and “F” may be dropped. Only courses taken ten semesters (excluding summer sessions) or more before the student’s application for readmission may be dropped. The petition for Academic Amnesty must be made within six months following the student’s readmission.

Current students who change their major from one division to another division and/or have unusual circumstances may also petition to have their “D” and “F” grades dropped. When the Committee approves a petition for Academic Amnesty, the original University of Mary grades will be shown on the transcript but a notation will be made and these grades will not be included in the calculation of grade point averages or the satisfaction of degree requirements.

This policy can be used only one time in the student’s academic career.

Academic Honor Code & Honor System

The University of Mary Academic Honor Code and Honor System is found at www.umary.edu/honor.

All student assignments are subject to screening for plagiarism through www.turnitin.com software.

Student Conduct in Instructional Settings and in Online Courses and Discussions

The instructor has disciplinary authority over classroom behavior and may dismiss or remove any student engaged in disruptive conduct. Disruptive conduct is defined as conduct which may include, but is not limited to, interfering with classroom procedures, the presentation of the instructor or other students, or another student’s right to pursue coursework.

Disruptive conduct may also be covered under other university policies that may apply. A written warning is not required as a prerequisite to disciplinary action for disruptive conduct in instructional settings.

In response to non-threatening disruptive conduct in an instructional setting, the instructor has disciplinary authority over classroom behavior and may dismiss or temporarily remove from the classroom any student engaged in disruptive conduct. Faculty members shall report the situation to their department head or dean.

In response to threatening conduct in an instructional setting, the faculty member is the sole judge of whether a student’s conduct is sufficiently disruptive to warrant dismissal from the classroom. A faculty member may adjourn the class and/or seek assistance, as the faculty member deems necessary. This assistance may include contacting campus security, the department head or chair, the dean, academic affairs, student development, human resources or law enforcement.

If, in consultation with the dean and/or academic affairs, the student’s conduct is sufficiently disruptive to warrant permanent dismissal from the classroom, the dean or academic affairs officer shall have the authority to drop, withdraw, or cancel the student’s registration for the course or full course schedule. The student has the right of redress as outlined in the Academic Appeals Process.

Academic Appeals Process

Appeals are petitions to change a decision rendered about an academic matter. Students may request an academic appeal for several reasons including a perceived violation of university policy, failure to follow published course policies, a lack of consistency within the student’s course section, or a dispute over the factual accuracy of graded work. The following are not reasons that qualify matters for academic appeal: a disagreement with published course policies, differences in classroom policies or grading schemes in different courses or between different sections of the same course, or a grade’s impact on a student’s academic progress, athletic eligibility, or eligibility for financial assistance or veteran’s benefits. A student’s status does not change while an appeal is under consideration. If a student was dismissed, he or she remains dismissed. If he or she is in academic probation or suspension, the probation or suspension stands. Students may
appeal decisions related to their academic performance (i.e., grades) in the following manner:

a. Within two weeks after a student experiences the problem, he/she should contact the instructor involved and discuss the situation. If still dissatisfied, the student should proceed to step b.

b. Provide the Department/Division Chair or Dean with a written statement that identifies the course and instructor, describe the problem, request specific actions, and give evidence to support the appeal within 30 days of the original appeal to the instructor. Students should include copies of all relevant documents: papers, tests, etc. The Department/Division Chair or Dean reviews the material and rules on the request. Should the Department/Division Chair or Dean be the instructor of record of the course under appeal, the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs will name an alternate to hear the appeal. A student may appeal the decision of the Department/Division Chair or Dean or assigned alternate under only specific circumstances, as outlined in step c.

c. Students may appeal the ruling of a Dean based on the discovery of new evidence previously unavailable or a significant irregularity in the procedural process which could affect the outcome of the finding by the Dean. The appeal must take place within 30 days of the decision by the Dean. Students appeal to the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs (AVPAA). General dissatisfaction with the decision of the Dean or assigned alternate is not sufficient grounds to appeal the decision to the AVPAA. In those cases, the student must provide the AVPAA with a written statement that identifies the course and instructor, describe the problem, describe the appeal to the Dean, describe the new evidence or the perceived irregularity, and provide evidence to support the appeal. Students should include copies of all relevant documents: papers, tests, etc. The Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs reviews the material and rules on the request. Should the AVPAA be the instructor of record of the course under appeal, the Vice President for Academic Affairs will name an alternate to hear the appeal. A student may appeal the decision of the AVPAA or assigned alternate under specific circumstances, as outlined in step d.

d. Students may appeal the decision of the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs if he or she believes there has been a significant irregularity in the procedural process or if new evidence comes to light that may change the outcome of the appeal. General dissatisfaction with the decision is not sufficient grounds to appeal the decision of the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Students may appeal the decision to the Vice President for Academic Affairs. To appeal the decision, the student must request from the Vice President for Academic Affairs a hearing by an impartial committee of three within 30 days of the decision by the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Appointed by the Vice President for Academic Affairs, this committee includes two students, one enrolled in the same division as the student who initiates the appeal and one from another school, and a faculty chairperson. The committee reviews the evidence, interviews, if necessary, those individuals involved, and recommends in writing a course of action to the Vice President for Academic Affairs. The Vice President for Academic Affairs considers the recommendation of the committee and rules on the appeal. That ruling is final and binding.

Exceptions

- Absent Faculty: In a case where the instructor is absent or is no longer employed by the college, the appeal shall begin directly with the Chair or Dean of the Division or School in which the course was taken.

- Additional preliminary levels of appeal: In some programs, students may have additional levels of appeal available to them prior to reaching the Dean. Additional preliminary levels of appeal appear on the course syllabi and may include other university officials such as a program director or level coordinator. Once an appeal reaches the level of Dean, all appeals must follow the sequence stated in this section.

Assessment

Assessment of student learning is an integral component of every academic program. Continuous assessment of learning is the foundation for program improvement. Participation in assessment activities is required at the course, program, and university levels for academic advising and for best
practices in teaching and learning. The assessment program is designed to help the student reflect on his/her progress toward meeting program outcomes as well as strengths and areas needing improvement within the university curriculum and environment.

Cancellation of Classes Due to Inclement Weather

During the winter months, classes and activities normally take place at the University of Mary despite snow, wind and cold temperatures. On those occasions when the conditions become severe enough to be dangerous, the university will cancel classes and other campus activities until the conditions improve. The length of the cancellation will be dependent upon recommendations from local officials monitoring the situation. It is possible the cancellation may be for morning classes, afternoon classes, evening classes or the entire day.

Announcements regarding cancellation will be broadcast on KFYR 550 AM radio and/or through the university’s emergency text-messaging system. Every effort will be made to make the announcements for a morning or all-day closure by 7:15 a.m. while an announcement regarding an afternoon closure should be forthcoming by 11:00 a.m. However, weather conditions during a storm can change quickly and students are advised to anticipate that announcements of cancellations may be made later in the day as well.
Reflective of our Benedictine heritage and sponsorship, the first goal of the student life program is to welcome each new student into membership in the Christian, Catholic and Benedictine learning community known as the University of Mary. As members of this community, students experience education in the Benedictine Wisdom Tradition where learning is understood to be a part of the process of developing one’s God-given gifts and potential for use in service to others. In this Benedictine philosophy of education, a high value is placed on learning that occurs outside the classroom. Consistent with this philosophy, the student life program actively creates learning opportunities in the residence halls, campus ministry, student activities, student organizations, and in student services.

Residence Life

The Residence Life community at the University of Mary is made up of more than 930 students. The location of the campus atop a bluff overlooking the Missouri River and the City of Bismarck provides a unique residential campus environment in a natural setting with beautiful views. Each residence hall is characterized by a strong sense of Benedictine community where residents enjoy the convenience of being within walking distance to classes and campus services. Each residence hall has a professional-level director who lives in and supervises the facility. There are also several student resident assistants who promote a variety of fun activities and who serve as peer resources for residents.

The university offers students a variety of residence hall options including traditional residence halls, suite-style and apartment-style facilities. The descriptions of each residence hall may be found on the University of Mary website. All students who wish to participate in the Residence Life program must apply. Applications are available from the Student Development Office located in Room 1209 of the Benedictine Center (701-355-8265).

Residency Requirement

The University of Mary requires freshmen and sophomores (students with fewer than 60 credits on the day classes begin) who are under the age of 21 to live on campus for the entire semester. Any exception to this policy must be approved in advance by the Vice President for Student Development.

Residence halls and on-campus apartments are closed during the Christmas vacation period.

Campus Ministry

The University of Mary encourages each student to pursue an active spiritual life and to participate in the spiritual community of one’s choosing. The University of Mary community, in keeping with its Catholic tradition, celebrates the Eucharistic Liturgy. Schedules and locations are posted around campus.

Campus Ministry serves the spiritual needs of the University of Mary community by offering retreats, studies in Sacred Scripture, prayer groups, volunteer opportunities, and social gatherings.

The ministry staff consists of a director, an assistant director, a chaplain, and student peer-ministers. The Campus Ministry Office, located in Clairmont Center next to Benet Chapel, is open to all.

Campus Ministry Team and Campus Ministry Volunteers

The Campus Ministry Team assists the Director of Campus Ministry in planning and offering spiritually-oriented activities for the students from all faith backgrounds. Team members assist with liturgical celebrations, music ministry, and retreats both on and off campus. In addition, team members serve as role models and promote active participation in spiritually-oriented activities. In addition to the positions on the team, students from all faith traditions are invited to volunteer as musicians, to assist with liturgies, and to help plan social events. Campus Ministry is located in the Clairmont Center, adjacent to Benet Chapel.

Student Handbook

The University of Mary Student Handbook is the university’s official source of information for students about student rights and responsibilities to the university community. The handbook includes important information about the university’s conduct standards for students, residence hall policies, and other policies that govern student life. It is also a valuable resource for students about the many services available for students at the university. Upon enrollment, each student is responsible to obtain a current copy of the student handbook and abide by the policies and regulations in it. The handbook is available in electronic form from the Student Life section of the university’s web site and
from the university’s portal site (my.umary.edu). Printed copies are available at the Student Development Office located in the Benedictine Center.

**Student Government**

Students have the opportunity to serve in leadership positions and actively participate in the decision-making process of the University through student government and membership on various committees and councils.

Each spring students elect the student body president, vice president and student senators to a one-year term. Students representing the first-year class are elected in the fall. Senators are elected from various representative districts to ensure broad representation. Through this system, each student is represented on the Student Senate through their academic division and by resident status, whether on-campus or off-campus. The Student Senate is a forum to consider issues important to students and participates in the University of Mary decision-making process as the voice of the student body. The student body president nominates students, with the approval of the Student Senate, to serve on various campus committees and councils.

**Student Organizations**

Over 30 student organizations exist at the University of Mary including professional organizations, service organizations, and special interest clubs. Each offers students the opportunity to meet new people, learn interpersonal skills, and develop leadership abilities. A complete listing of campus organizations is available from the “Student Life” section of the university’s web site and in the Student Handbook.

**Musical Groups**

All students attending the University of Mary are invited to participate in a musical activity, regardless of their major. The University sponsors a diversified number of performance ensembles where participation earns credit toward graduation. Instrumental and vocal ensembles perform at civic and University functions and several groups conduct annual tours throughout the region.

**Intercollegiate Athletics**

The University of Mary provides opportunities for participation in men’s football, soccer, cross country, basketball, wrestling, indoor track, baseball, and outdoor track. Opportunities for participation for women include soccer, volleyball, cross country, basketball, indoor track, softball, tennis and outdoor track.

The University of Mary is a member of the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA).

Students who participate in University athletics are expected to meet the same academic standards as all other students.

The NSIC and NCAA set eligibility and scholarship standards.

**Student Recreation and Wellness**

Student Recreation and Wellness offers a wide variety of fun options for students to incorporate physical activity, wellness and sport into their weekly routine. Located in the Leach Field House, programs include intramural sports to provide both men and women the opportunity to participate in competitive activities ranging from basketball, flag football, dodge ball, softball, and volleyball to table tennis, swimming and racquetball. Throughout the year, there are league seasons for several sports as well as a variety of short-term or one-day tournaments to provide everyone a chance to participate in their favorite sport. Students interested in wellness and fitness are able to participate in group fitness classes such as zumba and kickboxing or they may pursue their individual fitness goals by using the fitness center, indoor walking track, outdoor walking path or swimming pool at their own convenience. The Coordinator of Student Recreation and Wellness is assisted by a group of student employees known as the REC Crew. The McDowell Activity Center gym and pool along with the Leach Fieldhouse climbing wall, racquetball court, fitness place, track, volleyball courts, and basketball courts are available for student use during regularly-scheduled times.

**Student Newspaper**

Students interested in photography and journalism have an opportunity to contribute to the student newspaper, Summit.

**Convocations and Cultural Events**

University convocations give students an opportunity to learn about such areas as the arts, politics, and history through presentations by well-known experts in their fields. The University has hosted such groups as the Minnesota Opera and the New York Repertory Theatre.
The proximity of the University to the Bismarck and Mandan communities also provides opportunities for cultural experiences. The Bismarck-Mandan Symphony, the Bismarck-Mandan Civic Chorus, the Bismarck Art and Galleries Association, the North Dakota Heritage Center, and the Bismarck Civic Center are examples of various cultural resources found in the city.

**Student Volunteer Program**

The student volunteer program provides volunteer opportunities for students in all areas of study, and serves as a resource for faculty in developing service learning experiences. The program is based upon the Christian, Catholic and Benedictine tradition of service and encourages students to actively serve others, the University, the larger civic community, their church and their country.

**Campus Security**

In compliance with the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act or “Clery Act”, the University of Mary annually publishes a Campus Security Report. It is available to all enrolled students, prospective students, employees, and prospective employees of the University. The report includes a description of campus security procedures and it provides security and safety recommendations for members of the community. A three-year history of crime statistics at the University of Mary is also included in the report. An electronic version of the report is available at www.umary.edu/pdf/umary-securityreport.pdf. All University of Mary students are responsible for obtaining a copy of the report, to be familiar with its contents, and to follow the recommendations included in it regarding safety and security.
Student Services

Advising

One important aspect of student life is the opportunity for students and faculty to associate outside the formality of the classroom. Through the advising program, at least one person on the University of Mary staff is individually concerned with a student’s academic progress and personal growth. The advising program assists the student in realizing his or her educational goals and in developing his or her leadership qualities. During the first year, incoming freshmen and new full-time adult learners (23 years of age or older), who have been out of school for more than two years, participate in leadership seminars, which provide a structure for regular contact between students and specially-trained advisors and introduces students to the philosophy of servant leadership. Students are assigned major advisors at the end of the second semester of the freshman year. If a student changes majors, a new advisor from the appropriate discipline is assigned.

Advisors assist students to resolve concerns in both academic and personal areas. They formulate degree plans, help in course selection, provide information about University requirements and policies, and refer students to other, more specialized, resources.

First-Year Experience

Mindful that students who are new to the University go through a period of adjustment, the University of Mary’s First-Year Experience begins with orientation and offers special activities and learning opportunities throughout the year for first-year students.

Student Support Services

Student Support Services provides eligible students tutorial assistance, counseling, referral to other on-campus services and, when appropriate, to off-campus services.

In addition, personnel in this office arrange academic support systems for students who show potential for success but have special needs.

Services for Students with Disabilities

The University of Mary is committed to providing all students with disabilities equal access to all its programs and services in full compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the American’s with Disabilities Act (ADA) and other legal relevant mandates. Students with disabilities who have need of accommodations are responsible to apply to the office of Student Accessibility Services. Applications need not be in writing; however, application forms are available at Student Accessibility Services. As part of the application process, the student must provide documentation of his/her disability or diagnosis, which should also include a statement regarding the student’s functional limitations related to the accommodation(s) requested. All documentation must be current and must be provided by a qualified professional. Applications, documentation, and requests for accommodations should be submitted to the Director of Student Accessibility Services at least 60 days prior to the date needed. Applications for accommodations due to TEMPO- RARY disabilities resulting from unexpected accident, injury, illness, hospitalization, etc. should also be submitted to the same office.

Each year, Student Accessibility Services coordinates accommodations and services for 60 to 90 University of Mary students who have at least one significant functional limitation as a result of a disability or other condition. To meet student needs, a wide variety of accommodations are provided including accommodations for students who are differently able with regard to learning ability, physical ability, emotional ability, and diet to name a few.

For further information, please contact the Director of Student Accessibility Services in the Student Success Center at (701) 355-8264.

Student Success Center

The Student Success Center, located on the lower level of Welder Library, helps students to develop effective study skills. All enrolled students at the University of Mary are eligible for this service. Services include an assessment of learning style and effectiveness of the student’s current study habits and skills. Information is available on topics such as:

- Time management
- How to use your learning style to your advantage
- How to create an effective environment in which to study
• How to read a text book and retain what you read
• How to take effective notes
• How to study for exams (including essay, multiple choice and math/science exams)

Counseling Services
The Counseling Service Center provides free and confidential counseling to University of Mary students. The center is staffed by a professional counselor who provides individual counseling, support groups, crisis intervention, and information and referral to other campus and community services. Common concerns include adjustment issues, relationship concerns, family issues, depressed mood, anxiety, conflict resolution, and many others. Counseling Services is located in the Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership. Appointments may be scheduled at the Student Development Office or by calling 355-8145.

Career and Testing Services
The Career and Testing Services Center offers a wide range of services to meet the needs of “deciding” students as well as those nearing graduation. An updated list of full- and part-time professional and non-professional employment opportunities is available. Other events and services available through the center include:
• CLEP testing
• Job Fairs
• On-campus company recruitment
• Workshops on resume, cover letter, and job search preparation
• Career interest testing and career counseling
• Education credential files
• National testing for graduate and undergraduate school entrance, tests for nurses, teachers, doctors, engineers and credit earning for classes
• Job shadowing

Student Health Clinic
The Student Health Clinic is operated by Mid Dakota Clinic. A wide range of services are provided including complete physical exams for athletics, employment, travel, etc., diagnosis and treatment of illness and injury, pelvic exams, pap smears, pregnancy testing, testing for sexually transmitted diseases, immunizations and allergy injections.

On-site laboratory testing includes strep, mono, urine, hemoglobin and blood sugar. If further laboratory tests and x-rays are deemed necessary, expedited referral services are available within the Mid Dakota system.

Other healthcare services provided include printed health information, instruction and counseling about disease prevention, and risk-education. Health promotion includes stress reduction, weight management, smoking cessation, alcohol/drug education, and counseling regarding sexuality that is consistent with Catholic teaching. A courier service for prescriptions is available.

The Student Health Clinic is staffed by a nurse practitioner that is able to diagnose and treat common acute and chronic illnesses. The nurse practitioner may write prescriptions as deemed necessary.

Clinic hours are Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to noon. To make an appointment, call 355-8288. Appointments are encouraged; however, walk-ins are welcome.

Food Service
The University Hall Dining Center and the dining center located in the Benedictine Center for Servant Leadership serve meals. Students living in the residence halls are required to be on a board contract. Students residing in the apartments have the option of participating in the board contract. Cafeteria services are not available during Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter vacation periods.

University Bookstore and Mart
The University Bookstore and Mart provide students with the convenience of on-campus shopping. Books, school supplies, monogrammed items, postage stamps, and a limited number of personal supplies are available. All merchandise and books must be paid for at the time of purchase.
Tuition and Fees

Current Charges
Current charges and payment information can be viewed at www.my.umary.edu under the student tab. Charges include tuition, fees, room/board charges, misc. course fees, books and other educational-related charges.

Institutional Payment Plans
The University of Mary accepts cash, check, money order, and MasterCard, Visa, and Discover credit cards. Make your check payable to University of Mary. Please include your student ID on your check. The University of Mary also offers a convenient payment plan. If you have questions on the payment plan, please call the University of Mary Student Accounts Office at 701-355-8143 or Nelnet Business Solutions/NBS at 800-609-8056 or visit our website at my.umary.edu under Student Accounts.

Payment Policies
All charges assessed by the University (tuition, fees, room, board and other charges incurred) are due and payable during the assigned fee payment time each semester. It is the student’s responsibility to view their charges at www.my.umary.edu each semester and ensure that their balance is paid in full by the due date. Students who fail to meet this deadline will be assessed late payment fees and finance charges. Paper billing statements will not be mailed. Remittances are made payable to the University of Mary. If the account is not settled at the scheduled time, the student’s instructors may be notified and the student could be withdrawn from courses and not allowed to attend class until settlement is made with the Director of Student Accounts. The University reserves the right to withhold transcripts and diplomas until all financial obligations have been met or satisfactory arrangements have been made in writing with the Director of Student Accounts.

Tuition paid by each matriculated student covers the costs of instruction, library services and convocations. No additional fees are charged for these services. For some classes, there are course laboratory fees and program fees in addition to the regular tuition. Expenses for housing and transportation and charges for liability insurance related to student teaching, clinical experience, practical or internships are the responsibility of the student.

The University of Mary reserves the right to make changes to listed charges at the beginning of any term. All charges are payable in US currency.

Room and Board
All students living in University residence halls are required to purchase a food contract. Students living off-campus or in the student apartments are not required to purchase a food contract but may purchase meals if they so choose. Meals may not be charged. Applications for housing and meal plans may be requested from the Office of Student Development.

Refunds
Credit balance refunds will be mailed to students within 14 days of credit balances appearing on the student’s account.

Hold Policy
Untimely payment of an outstanding student account balance may result in a hold being placed on a student account and the subsequent withholding of transcripts, diplomas, class selection, and certification of graduation. Students are encouraged to contact the Office of Student Accounts to discuss any special circumstances surrounding an outstanding account balance.

Stop Payment/Replacement Check Policy
Students who wish to place a stop payment or request a replacement check for any reason on their student refund check, must wait 30 days from the actual date of issuance and will be charged a $35.00 stop payment fee for a check amount greater than $50.00. The fee will be automatically deducted from their replacement check, provided the original check has not been cashed. There are no exceptions or appeals for this fee.

The replacement check will not be re-issued until 14 calendar days after the university confirms the stop payment.

Charge Appeal Policy
Charge appeals are petitions to change or remove charges on a Student Account. To appeal a charge on your student account, a student must fill out the Request to Review/Appeal Charge Form that can be found at www.umary.edu on the Student Account page under Forms. Students may request a charge appeal for several reasons including a perceived violation of university policy,
an advising error, a late fee/finance charge that should not have been charged, or any other charge violation the student feels needs to be addressed. It should be noted that the University has published policies on tuition fees and refunds and charge appeal requests that simply disagree with the policy are not granted.

If a student is requesting an exception to the policy, they must visit with Financial Aid Services first to receive counseling concerning any implications a charge appeal may have to their financial aid eligibility.

If you are requesting an exception to the University policy, supporting documentation along with a copy of the policy section under appeal must be attached to the Request to Review/Appeal Charge Form. For example if an advising error was made please include a statement signed from your advisor confirming that such an error was made.

The Director of Student Accounts along with the Vice President of Financial Affairs will determine if proper University policies have been followed and make an adjustment based on their review. An email will be sent to the Student’s University of Mary email account regarding the decision.

**Bankruptcy Policy**

For those past students who have filed or have been granted bankruptcy under the US Federal Bankruptcy Laws and would like to enroll or re-enroll at the University of Mary, it is expected that their tuition either be paid upon registration; or, in the case of Financial Aid or Third Party Reimbursement, their method of payment be declared on the Intended Method of Payment Form found on the my.umary.edu website along with the appropriate documentation.

**Withdrawing from the University**

Students who withdraw or are expelled from the University of Mary prior to and including the sixty percent point (i.e. less than or equal to sixty percent) in the semester may be required to repay some or all of their financial aid received. Students who withdraw after the sixty percent point (i.e. greater than sixty percent) in the semester are considered to have earned all of their financial aid. Federal student aid will be returned according to the Federal Return of Funds Policy. The amount of aid and the charges incurred are determined on a daily pro-rata basis prior to and including the sixty percent completion point in the semester (i.e. less than or equal to sixty percent).

As an example, if you complete thirty percent of the semester and then withdraw, you will earn thirty percent of your aid and you will therefore be charged thirty percent of your tuition, fees, and other charges. If you completed sixty one percent of the semester and then withdraw, you will be considered to have earned all of your financial aid for the semester and will not have charges adjusted; therefore, a student is not eligible for a refund.

Students who have charges and aid adjusted upon withdrawal may be required to repay some of the aid already received. All unpaid account balances are the responsibility of the student to pay in full. It should be noted that the University reserves the right to withhold transcripts and students will not be allowed to re-enroll in classes until balances are made current. If a withdrawal results in a credit balance, the credit balance will be refunded to the student within 30 days of the date of the student’s notification of withdrawal. Any questions regarding the University of Mary’s adjustment policy of Federal Student Aid requirements can be directed to the Office of Financial Aid at 701-355-8142 or the Office of Student Accounts at 701-355-8143.

**Tuition Charges/Refunds Following Withdrawal**

Classes must be added or dropped prior to the last day to add/drop classes for adjustments to be considered. The last day to add/drop classes is defined as prior to 11:59 p.m. on Sunday of the start of the second week of each class. If a student is dropping a particular class or classes, the tuition and fees and/or internal scholarships (those given by the University of Mary) will be returned in full during the add/drop period with the exception of consumable charges (room and board). If the student is withdrawing from the University, these consumable charges will be prorated on a daily basis based on the date of withdrawal. Courses dropped after the add/drop date will be charged in full. Depending on a student’s program and number of credits enrolled in, adjustments to tuition and/or fees may/may not occur. Adjustments will be determined based on the documentation submitted by the Office of the Registrar. Students who add or drop classes must follow the official procedure as set forth by the Office of the Registrar. Failure to do so may result in the student owing all or part of the tuition/fees charged. Keep in mind that students who add or drop classes may need to repay some or all of the financial aid funds received.
Financial Assistance

Financial Aid is available for eligible students. It is the goal of the University of Mary to provide adequate financial assistance to all students who apply. The primary responsibility for financing a college education rests with the student and family. Assistance offered by colleges, the government, and other sources is viewed as supplemental to the efforts of the student and family. For any questions on the financial aid application process, please contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@umary.edu or at 701-358-8142.

Who May Apply

Students applying for financial assistance must:
1. Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
2. Be enrolled and accepted in a degree-granting program.
3. Be maintaining satisfactory progress toward completion of a course of study.
4. Not be in default or owe a repayment through the federal Student Financial Assistance Programs.

How to Apply

In order to determine eligibility for most types of financial assistance, a student must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A FAFSA application must be completed each year at www.fafsa.gov. Both the student and the dependent student’s parent will need a PIN, which can be applied for at www.pin.ed.gov. When completing the FAFSA, applicants must list the University of Mary as a college they plan to attend. Our school code is 002992. Prior to receiving an award letter and financial aid, a student must be accepted, enrolled, and pursuing a degree from the University of Mary.

To be considered for the maximum financial aid, the FAFSA should be processed on or before March 30 of each year.

How Is Eligibility Determined?

Financial aid eligibility is determined based on financial “need.” Financial “need” is determined by a federal formula which analyzes a family’s financial situation. Items such as income and assets, the number of dependents in the household, the number of family members currently in post-secondary education, and the cost of the educational program, as well as other factors, are used to determine a student’s eligibility for financial aid.

The “need” of the student is the difference between the cost of the institution being considered and the family’s ability to pay as determined by the federal formula for financial need. The total cost of school will include not only direct costs, such as tuition and fees, books, and room/board, but also indirect costs such as transportation (excluded in online programs,) supplies and miscellaneous living expenses. The University will build a realistic budget, or total “cost,” to reflect a student’s total cost of attending school.

Enrollment Status

Undergraduate Students
Fulltime 12 or more credits
Three-quarter time 9-11 credits
Half-time 6-8 credits
Less than half-time 5 or fewer credits

Graduate Students
Fulltime 9 or more credits
Three-quarter time 7-8 credits
Half-time 5-6 credits
Less than half-time 4 or fewer credits

Financial Aid Disbursements and Refunds

All of the financial aid that you accept, federal and non-federal, grants and loans, will be directly credited to your student account. The “disbursement date” for financial aid is the day that funds arrive at the University of Mary. For disbursements of loan funds, it generally takes the Financial Aid Office three days to complete the necessary steps before the funds are applied to your student account. Depending on your program of study, your financial aid will be disbursed either once per semester or over the course of the semester.

Financial aid refunds (excess aid) will not be made available to students until after final add/drop day in each semester, as noted on the University of Mary Calendar, and after all charges are paid in full each semester. The Student Accounts Office mails refund checks to students. Students are able to view their account online at any time at www.my.umary.edu.
Financial Aid Sources

Please contact the Financial Aid Office for information on any of the following programs. Students should explore as many options to apply for aid as possible.

Grant Programs

Federal Pell Grant: This is a grant awarded based on financial need as determined by the Department of Education. It does not have to be repaid.

Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant (FSEOG): This grant is awarded based on financial need. It does not have to be repaid. Students must be Pell eligible to receive this grant.

TEACH Grant: This grant provides up to $4,000 per academic year in grant assistance to undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate students who agree to serve for at least four years as full-time “highly qualified” teachers in high need fields in public and not for profit private elementary or secondary schools that serve students from low income families. Specific requirements and application steps apply. Please contact the Financial Aid Office for more information on eligibility.

Employment

Federal Work Study: This award must be earned by the student. Students must have unmet need to qualify for this award and must meet U.S. employment eligibility requirements.

Loan Programs

Federal Perkins Loan: This loan must be repaid. It is based on financial need. The interest rate is five percent (5%). No principal or interest payments are required as long as half-time enrollment status is maintained. Student will be required to complete loan entrance counseling and a Master Promissory Note.

Federal Nursing Loan: This loan must be repaid. It is based on financial need. The interest rate is five percent (5%). No principal or interest payments are required as long as half-time enrollment status is maintained. Students who are juniors or seniors and who are accepted to the Division of Nursing can apply. Students will be required to complete loan entrance counseling, a Master Promissory Note, and disclosure documents annually.

Federal Direct Subsidized Loan: This is a loan that must be repaid. It is based on financial need. Students must be enrolled at least on a half-time basis to qualify. The interest that accrues on this loan is paid by the government while the student is enrolled at least half-time. Students may be required to make interest payments during grace periods. A 6-month payment grace period is allowed after a student drops below half-time. Contact the Financial Aid Office to determine your interest rate. Loan entrance counseling will be required and students must sign a Master Promissory Note.

Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan: This loan must be repaid. Students must be enrolled at least on a half-time basis to qualify. The student is required to pay interest on this loan from the time of disbursement. Loan entrance counseling will be required and students must sign a Master Promissory Note. Contact the Financial Aid Office to determine your interest rate.

University of Mary Scholarships

All University of Mary scholarships are split between fall and spring semesters only. Students must be enrolled fulltime to qualify and must be maintaining academic progress. Scholarships are not awarded in accelerated adult learner programs, in certain programs of study, for graduate studies, or in summer. Most scholarships are renewable for up to a maximum of 8 semesters.

Sister Thomas Welder Leadership Scholarship: This merit scholarship is based on prior academic standing. It is awarded in fall and spring semesters only to fulltime traditional undergraduate students.

Honors Day Scholarships: Trustees Honor Scholarships, Presidential Honor Scholarships, and Benedictine Honor Scholarships are awarded based on competition day requirements. These scholarships are awarded in fall and spring semesters only to fulltime traditional undergraduate students.

Activity Scholarships: Scholarships are available for participation in activities on the University of Mary campus. They are awarded on an annual basis in fall and spring semesters to fulltime traditional undergraduate students.

Freedom Plan/Catholic Scholars: Awarded to incoming, first-time freshmen based on specific criteria. This is an on-campus room/board scholarship.
State/Local/Other Programs
North Dakota State Grant: The deadline to apply for the North Dakota State Grant is April 15. You must complete the FAFSA application before this date, and you must be enrolled as a full-time student. This is a need-based grant.

North Dakota Scholars Program: North Dakota’s best and brightest high school graduates receive a financial incentive to remain in North Dakota for college. To learn more about this opportunity, contact the North Dakota University System.

North Dakota Academic Scholarships OR North Dakota Career & Technical Education Scholarships:
• Rewards students for taking challenging coursework in high school in preparation for college.
• The scholarship value is up to $6000 ($750/semester) for students who qualify.
• To apply, complete the ACT or WorkKeys before Feb 12.
• Application is available on the ND Department of Public Instruction website.

North Dakota Indian Scholarship: This scholarship assists American Indian students in obtaining a college education. Apply through the North Dakota University System.

You should also research other funding sources, such as tribal scholarships or grants, vocational rehabilitation, outside scholarships or military benefits. The Financial Aid Office can assist you as you begin your search.

Other Payment Options
Parent PLUS Loan: This is a loan that parents borrow for their dependent student’s educational expenses. Parents must apply and qualify for this loan. The interest rate is 7.9% fixed and fees may apply. Repayment begins immediately upon disbursement.

Alternative Loan: Alternative education loans are private student loans that help supplement federal financing. These are private loans that students must apply for and qualify for based on the lender requirements. Federal funding sources should be pursued first.

Payment Plan: The University of Mary offers a convenient payment plan through Nelnet Business Solutions. A small enrollment fee will enroll you in the no-interest plan. For more Information contact the Office of Student Accounts.

Satisfactory Progress Policy for Financial Assistance
A complete copy of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Progress Policy can be requested in the Financial Aid Office.

In accordance with Federal regulations, to be eligible for Title IV aid, a student must make satisfactory degree progress. The receipt of financial aid and progress toward attaining a degree go hand in hand. Students must meet both quantitative and qualitative standards. All federal, state and institutional aid programs are covered by this policy.

Quantitative Standard:
• 1st year undergraduate (0-29 credits earned) must maintain a 1.8 cumulative GPA.
• 2nd year undergraduate and beyond (30+ credits earned) must maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA.
• Graduate students must maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA.
• Division requirements may be more stringent.

Qualitative Standard:
• All grade levels (undergraduate and graduate) must successfully complete at least 67% of all attempted credits. The grades W, WP, WF, F, I and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard.
• Obtain a 1st bachelor’s degree within 150% of the credits required to earn degree. Generally, 192 credits is the standard for most University of Mary undergraduate programs. Students seeking dual-degrees, second degrees or who have made major changes should contact the Financial Assistance Office to determine eligibility requirements.

Monitoring Progress
• Progress for all students will be monitored on a semester-by-semester basis.
• Assessment will be based on the student’s cumulative academic record, including all transfer semester credit hours accepted toward the student’s current degree,
incomplete grades, W, WF, WP, and SC grades.

- Continuous-enrolled students applying for financial aid for the first time must have maintained progress during the previous terms of enrollment regardless of prior post-secondary attendance.

- Students who have stopped-out of college for a period of twelve or more months may have the ability to maintain financial eligibility even though prior performance was substandard. Students in this situation should contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.

- Other special considerations for appeal may involve a student changing degrees/divisions, which may require additional credits.

- Federal regulations may require immediate suspension. A student does not need to first be placed in WARNING status to be suspended.

- Students are personally responsible for all charges incurred at the University of Mary while they are suspended from receiving financial aid.

- Students may only request an appeal once for any given circumstance.

- Academic amnesty has no bearing on standard of progress for financial aid.

- One WARNING period will be given prior to a student being suspended from financial aid due to substandard academic performance.

- If a student successfully appeals a suspension, one term (one semester) of PROBATION will be granted, giving the student an opportunity to prove academic success.

- Following one term of PROBATION, continued aid eligibility requires proven success (during the term of PROBATION), a comprehensive degree-success plan must be submitted, and the ability to reach the stated minimum requirements prior to degree completion must be attainable. Students in this status must maintain progress each term until they are in full compliance.

- Final determination of appeal approval or denial will rest with the Office of Financial Aid. The Office of Financial Aid will make the best determination for the student while complying with federal guidelines.

What Does WARNING Mean?
WARNING is the status assigned to a student who fails to make satisfactory academic progress. The student may continue to receive financial aid for one payment period (one semester). No appeal is required for this status. Students will be notified by letter.

What Does PROBATION Mean?
PROBATION is a status assigned to a student who fails to make satisfactory academic progress AND who has successfully appealed AND who has received official notification that aid eligibility has been reinstated. Students who are placed in probation status may receive financial aid for one payment period (one semester). Students will be notified by letter.

What Does ACADEMIC PLAN Mean?
After one term of PROBATION in which the student has proven their ability to succeed academically, and through additional requirements being met, students may request to be placed in ACADEMIC PLAN, which will be monitored after the end of each semester and students must prove their ability each term to remain in this status. If it is determined that the student is not following the degree-success plan set forth or not improving academically, the student will be suspended from aid.

What Does SUSPENSION Mean?
Students designated “SUSPENSION” are no longer eligible for federal, state or institutional financial aid. All charges incurred while under suspension will be the personal responsibility of the student to pay.

Right to Appeal
Students who have had their financial aid suspended due to unsatisfactory academic progress may appeal their standing to:

University of Mary
Office of Student Financial Aid
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504
Financial Aid and Institutional Charges — Changes in Enrollment

If a student adds or drops credits at any point in a semester, their financial aid and institutional charges may be affected. Please contact either Financial Aid at finaid@umary.edu or Student Accounts at staccts@umary.edu to determine if a change in enrollment will affect you.

Financial Aid and Institutional Charges — Withdrawing or Expelled Students

Return of Federal Title IV Financial Aid

If a student withdraws from school or is expelled, a calculation called Return of Title IV Aid must be completed. The amount of Title IV assistance earned is calculated based on the number of days completed in the enrollment period on a prorated basis. The percentage is then applied to the assistance received to determine how much aid a student has actually earned. If the student has received more aid than he/she earned, funds must be returned to the appropriate issuing agency. If a student has earned more aid than what they were disbursed, a possible “Post Withdrawal Disbursement” of aid can be made to help cover tuition, fees, and other charges. Returns to Title IV financial aid, will be done in the manner prescribed by law.

The Return of Title IV policy, which prorates eligibility based on attendance, applies not only to the federal financial aid programs but also to state and institutional aid. Adjustments to a student’s institutional charges for tuition, fees, room and board for a student who withdraws or is expelled, will mirror the same policy of proration.

A student who has received financial aid and who withdraws or is expelled may be required to repay some or the entire award funds received. Any institutional charges resulting from a student withdrawing from the university will be the responsibility of the student to pay in full.

Any questions regarding this policy can be directed to the Financial Aid Office at finaid@umary.edu.

Nondiscrimination

The University of Mary does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, marital status or public assistance, in accordance with applicable laws. The university will not tolerate any discrimination, and any such conduct is prohibited. The university also prohibits any form of discipline or retaliation for reporting incidents of discrimination. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policy:

Director of Human Resources
Benedictine Center, Room 411
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504

or

Director of Student Life
Benedictine Center, Room 1501
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504

or

Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs
Benedictine Center, Room 1206
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504
Graduate Academic Policies

Transfer Credits

Credits from other United States regionally accredited institutions of higher education and from international schools approved by the countries Ministry of Education must be approved for transfer to the University of Mary by the program director and the Registrar. All official transcripts must be received by the Registrar from the institutions granting credit for the transfer to be considered. Credits under consideration must have been earned within a seven (7) consecutive year time frame to be acknowledged as current for the program of study. Once approved, up to one-third of credits toward a program of study with a grade of “B” or better may be transferred as part of the graduate degree. Approved courses and accompanying credits are listed on the student’s program of study and University of Mary transcript record.

Grades

Grades awarded at the University of Mary are A, B, C, D (with + or -), or F. Grades below a C are considered failing at the graduate course level. All grades are recorded on the student’s official transcript. When a course is repeated, both course grades are entered on the transcript, but only the highest grade will be counted toward the degree and the grade point average. A course at the graduate level may be repeated one time.

A student earns honor points for each semester credit earned according to the value of the grade received for a graduate course. The grade point average is computed by dividing the honor points earned by the semester credits. The University of Mary grading scale, published on the back of the official transcript, to assign final grades and points is as follows:

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Graduate students may request an Incomplete for a course when unforeseen circumstances prevent them from completing a course at its scheduled time. Students must obtain written permission for an Incomplete from the course instructor and the course instructor must agree to provide continued academic guidance to the student. Incompletes must be completed within three (3) weeks following the published end date of the course or the “I” [Incomplete] grade will convert to a grade of “F” unless an extension (Passing Incomplete or “PI”) is granted in writing to the Registrar by the instructor. Students may be assigned no more than one incomplete grade per term. For internships, practica, and workshops, the option of pass/fail (P/F) grading is available upon approval of the department overseeing the program of study.

Extensions

The end date of a class may be extended for the entire course cohort for up to seven (7) calendar days by the instructor and under the discretion of the instructor providing the extension does not interfere with the University final grade due date at the end of the term. The instructor must notify each student’s advisor, the degree program director, Registrar, and, for online degree programs the Coordinator of Distance Education.

Grade Reports

At the close of each semester, final grades are recorded on students’ permanent records. Students may view their final semester grade on their personal home page on the University of Mary website, http://my.umary.edu by using their ID numbers and passwords.
Transcripts

Transcripts are certified copies of students’ permanent grade records and display academic status at the time of issuance. Transcripts are issued only if authorized in writing by the student. Three (3) to five (5) business days are needed for transcript transactions. Transcripts are withheld if a student or graduate has not met financial obligations at the University of Mary. Transcript Request Forms can be downloaded from the University of Mary website.

Directed Study Policy

When onsite and online options for study are not an option, a student may seek approval to complete a course through directed study. Minimum criteria for approval include that the student be in good academic standing. Students who fail a course may not repeat the same course as directed study. Start and end dates of an directed study at the graduate level must be written on the Directed Study form and the dates must coincide with the term dates.

The Directed Study form is submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The advisor must submit a drop form and the Directed Study form at the same time when a student is substituting a directed study for a seated class.

Satisfactory Academic Progress

To fulfill requirements for a degree, full-time and part-time students must: (1) have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and (2) complete a minimum of 67% of attempted semester credit hours. The grades W, F, I and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard.

A minimum grade of “C” is required for all courses in a graduate program of study, unless specified to be higher by a graduate program. An academic review is performed by the student’s advisor and program director following completion of at least the initial 6.0 graduate semester credits in the program of study. Students with good academic standing are considered “candidates” for the degree and their program of study is validated. Students who do not meet criteria for continuation in their program of study are notified of their academic standing in writing. Refer to departmental graduate programs for criteria regarding satisfactory academic progress, policies on grades, and evaluations of performance.

All graduate students’ progress will be monitored at the end of the fall semester, spring semester and summer semester.

Progress Toward a Degree

Students must demonstrate progress toward a degree by completing at least 67% of all attempted credits and maintaining minimum GPA requirements in accordance with the satisfactory academic progress policy. The grades W, F, I and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard. Students may take no more than 150% of the allowed credits toward any given graduate degree.

Academic Warning

Graduate students whose academic progress does not reflect the standards set forth in this policy will be notified by letter that they have one additional semester to bring their standing within requirements. As a student on warning, the student will be required to complete and maintain an success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the success plan. In the event that they are not able to achieve satisfactory academic progress by the end of the warning semester, the student may be suspended or may be moved to a continuing success plan status.

Academic Suspension

Graduate students who have failed to maintain satisfactory progress or who have failed to achieve satisfactory progress after one warning semester will be suspended. Suspended students will not be eligible to register for coursework and will be terminated from active status. Their financial aid will be terminated. Students who have been suspended from the university must re-apply to the institution through the admissions department. If readmitted, they will be reenrolled under the university catalog in place at the time of readmission, which may require additional coursework or contain different policies than those in place at the time of their original enrollment. Students who are reinstated academically may still be on financial aid suspension based on the Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy for Financial Assistance.

Students do not need to first be placed on warning status to be suspended. If it is deter-
mined that academic progress is so lacking that suspension is warranted, the student may be suspended directly.

**Right to an Academic Appeal**

Graduate students who have been academically suspended or placed on warning may appeal their status to:

Academic Standards & Admissions Committee  
Attn: Academic Affairs  
7500 University Drive  
Bismarck, ND 58504

The appeal must be in writing and submitted within 14 calendar days of the student’s notification. Students may appeal due to mitigating circumstances such as illness of the student or immediate family member, death of an immediate family member, or other circumstances that may have resulted in substandard academic performance. The student must comply with all requests for documents pertaining to academic performance, i.e., copies of papers, test results, attendance records, etc. The Academic Standards and Admissions Committee considers and rules on the appeal. That ruling is final and binding.

A student’s status does not change while an appeal is under consideration. If a student was dismissed, he or she remains dismissed. If he or she is in academic warning, probation or suspension, the warning, probation or suspension stands. Approval of an academic probation or suspension appeal does not ensure reinstatement of eligibility for financial aid.

**Academic Probation**

Graduate students who successfully appeal their suspension may be placed on academic probation. Students may remain on academic probation for no more than one semester. As a student on probation, the student will be required to complete and maintain an success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the success plan. In the event that the student is not able to achieve satisfactory academic progress by the end of the probationary semester, the student may be suspended or may be moved to a continuing success plan status.

**Academic Success Plans**

Graduate students who do not meet standards of satisfactory academic progress must maintain an success plan with a designated advisor and comply with all the terms and conditions set forth in the success plan.

**Channel for Communication**

When students have a grievance related to their learning experience at the University of Mary, they are to follow the channel of communication beginning with the individual mostly closely aligned to the grievance, if possible.

Instructor > Program Director > Dean >  
VP Academic Affairs

**Academic Standing**

Students whose academic progress does not reflect the standards set forth in this policy will be notified by letter that they have been placed on academic warning. Students who have failed to maintain satisfactory academic progress or who have failed to achieve satisfactory academic progress after one warning semester will be suspended. [Academic Affairs: 2009]. Students will not graduate unless the cumulative grade point average for courses in the graduate program of study is at least a 3.0. Students participating in a dual degree program must maintain an overall grade point average that meets the requirements of both graduate programs.

**Dismissal from Graduate Studies**

Students who fail to achieve satisfactory academic standing are dismissed from the Program of Study and ultimately the University because of poor scholarship [less than 3.0 cumulative grade point average for two consecutive terms or for three cumulative terms; less than a grade of “C” in one or more courses in a term.] Students also may be dismissed for misconduct. See most current University of Mary Student Handbook at www.umary.edu.

**Reinstatement**

A graduate student seeking readmission who was not in good academic standing at the time of leaving must apply to the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Conditions for reinstatement may be imposed upon returning students. Stipulations for reinstatement to University of Mary Graduate Studies may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Must wait out one term and reapply for graduate studies prior to the returning term;
a student may also be required to apply to the degree granting program of study

- Once re-enrolled, the student must repeat a course/s in which a grade less than a “C” was earned
- A minimum semester/term GPA of 3.0 must be achieved in the first semester of a reinstatement
- A minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 must be achieved by the end of the second term of reinstatement

A graduate student dismissed from a degree granting program of study for failing to satisfy degree requirements may petition the Program Director or Dean for conditional reinstatement. See additional information as provided by the specific degree granting program concerning fulfillment of degree requirements, dismissal and reinstatement.

Students who have withdrawn from the University for disciplinary reasons and who wish to be readmitted must apply to the Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs. Conditions for reinstatement may be imposed upon returning students.

**Academic Honor Code and Honor System**

The University of Mary Academic Honor Code and Honor System is found at www.umary.edu/honor.

All student assignments are subject to screening for plagiarism through www.turnitin.com software.

**Student Conduct in Instructional Settings and in Online Courses and Discussions**

The instructor has disciplinary authority over classroom behavior and may dismiss or remove any student engaged in disruptive conduct. Disruptive conduct is defined as conduct which may include, but is not limited to, interfering with classroom procedures, the presentation of the instructor or other students, or another student’s right to pursue coursework.

Disruptive conduct may also be covered under other university policies that may apply. A written warning is not required as a prerequisite to disciplinary action for disruptive conduct in instructional settings.

In response to non-threatening disruptive conduct in an instructional setting, the instructor has disciplinary authority over classroom behavior and may dismiss or temporarily remove from the classroom any student engaged in disruptive conduct. Faculty members shall report the situation to their department head or dean.

In response to threatening conduct in an instructional setting, the faculty member is the sole judge of whether a student’s conduct is sufficiently disruptive to warrant dismissal from the classroom. A faculty member may adjourn the class and/or seek assistance, as the faculty member deems necessary. This assistance may include contacting campus security, the department head or chair, the dean, academic affairs, student development, human resources or law enforcement.

If, in consultation with the dean and/or academic affairs, the student’s conduct is sufficiently disruptive to warrant permanent dismissal from the classroom, the dean or academic affairs officer shall have the authority to drop, withdraw, or cancel the student’s registration for the course or full course schedule. The student has the right of redress as outlined in the Academic Appeals Process.

**Deployment Policy**

A student who is called to active military duty should promptly notify the school’s Certifying Official. Written orders or a notice of activation that includes the departure date should be submitted as soon as possible.

If the student deploys before 75 percent of the course requirement(s) have been completed, the student may receive a full refund of tuition and fees. A grade of “W” will be recorded on the student’s transcript.

If the student deploys after 75 percent of the course requirement(s) have been completed, the student may receive full credit with the grades earned at the time of deployment. Or, the student may choose to withdraw and receive a W grade: no refund adjustments will be made.

Students taking online courses may continue to be enrolled in those classes without accommodation if classwork is possible during deployment and Internet is accessible. Students seeking accommodations due to deployment must receive instructor consent.

Students wanting to complete their courses via directed study may do so with the consent of the instructor(s).
Students living in residence halls and / or with a meal contract will receive a refund. The refund will be prorated based on the deployment date.

The University will comply with the HEROES Act of 2003 as amended to ensure that service members who are receiving federal student aid are not adversely affected because of their military status.

**Attendance**

The policy of class attendance is at the discretion of instructors who will explain their written policy during the first week of class. Students are responsible to be familiar with the policy of their instructors. In the case of unexcused absences, students are responsible for work assigned, quizzes, tests or announcements made while absent. For accelerated courses, opportunity to make-up work involving discussion with a peer cohort may not be possible. At the request of the instructor and with approval of the Vice President for Academic Affairs, students may be administratively dropped from classes due to excessive absences.

**Absence from Class**

When it is necessary for students to be absent from class it is the responsibility of students to contact the Instructor to discuss the reasons. Instructors have the authority to make the decision whether to excuse an absence or not. Students should be aware that the policy regarding excused absences may vary from instructor to instructor. It is the responsibility of students to be familiar with the policy of each of their instructors. In cases of serious illness, hospitalization, a death in a family or other serious circumstances where it is difficult for a student to contact instructors, the student may designate a responsible other (for example, spouse, family member, medical professional) to contact the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs for assistance. However, it remains the student’s responsibility to contact the instructor as soon as it is possible to discuss arrangements for making up course work that has been missed.

**Notice of Withdrawal from Graduate Studies**

Students officially withdraw from the University of Mary – Graduate Studies before the end of the semester or term by informing their academic advisor of the intention to withdraw and by completing a Notice of Withdrawal. The University of Mary Registrar enters a grade based on the academic calendar for adds/drops, withdraws (W), and withdraws passing/failing (W/P, W/F) for each course in which the student was registered. If a student drops out of the University without following the procedure described, a grade of “F” is recorded for each course at the end of the term. For information on tuition refunds, please refer to “Tuition and Fees: Aid and Refunds when a Student Withdraws.”

**Credit Load**

The following applies to enrollment in graduate courses for a semester/term:

- Less than half time: 4 or fewer semester credits
- ½ Time: 5-6 semester credits
- ¾ Time: 7-8 semester credits
- Full time: 9 or more semester credits

**Validation Credit**

Credit for a University of Mary graduate course must be earned within a seven (7) consecutive year time frame to be considered current for the graduate program of study toward a degree. University of Mary coursework taken more than seven years prior to completion of the graduate degree sought is considered outdated unless assessed to be current by the faculty within the program of study. Outdated coursework may be applied to the graduate degree if a student completes a revalidation process defined by the graduate program and approved by the School and University. Graduate work from another institution which is outdated more than 7 years may not be revalidated for a University of Mary graduate degree unless approved by the graduate program director. Work which was part of a completed prerequisite for a graduate degree program does not become obsolete. Students may revalidate no more than 6.0 semester credits of outdated University of Mary graduate course-work required for the graduate degree.

The revalidation process includes the following steps:

1. Students are required to submit a written request for revalidation of outdated graduate courses toward a program of study for a University of Mary graduate degree. The request includes,
• method for revalidation agreed upon by the instructor and student
• instructor’s assessment of the course (previous relevancy, current relevancy, student continued command of content based on the method for revalidation)
• action (approve/deny) with signatures of the instructor, graduate program director, dean, and the Director of Graduate Studies

2. Students must pay the validation fee as published in the most current University of Mary Tuition and Fee Schedule.

Dual Degree Plan: Same Academic Division

Graduate students may complete more than one degree within one academic division without having to complete additional semester credits beyond the requirements of each program, as core requirements may count in both degree programs of study.

Dual Degree Plan: Interdisciplinary Divisions

Graduate students may complete more than one degree within interdisciplinary academic divisions by completing the requirements for the additional degree program of study (for example Master of Science in Nursing: Nurse Administrator who also earns the Master of Business Administration in Healthcare).

Completion of the Graduate Program of Study

Students enrolled in master’s degree programs must complete one of the following capstones: Thesis, directed study, comprehensive examination, seminar or other culminating course, or a portfolio as required by the discipline. In some disciplines a combination may be required. Students enrolled in dual degrees programs must fulfill requirements for the capstone for each degree program or for each cognate/focus area of study if the dual degree is in the same academic discipline. Doctoral degree students are to refer to their respective academic discipline for specific requirements for the culminating scholarly activity. In all cases of scholarly activity involving human subjects, students must submit their intentions prior to implementation of such activity to the Institutional Review Board (IRB) for approval following first the approval of the academic advisor, instructor, or committee. See also the University of Mary General Policy for Human Subjects Review and required IRB forms and documents at www.umary.edu or contact the Office of Academic Affairs.

Continuing Enrollment

Students officially accepted into a graduate program of study but not enrolled for course credits in the final phase of program completion may be required to enroll in Continuing Enrollment in 1.0 semester credit increments for each term of the academic year. Continuing Enrollment semester credits do not count toward fulfillment of the program of study for the degree.

The Academic Advisor for the degree approves enrollment in Continuing Enrollment.

Gary Tharaldson School of Business

MGT 899: Continuing Enrollment: MBA, MPM, MS

School of Education and Behavioral Science

COU 899: Continuing Enrollment: MSC
EDU 899: Continuing Enrollment: MEd

School of Health Sciences

NUR 899: Continuing Enrollment: MSN
OTH 899: Continuing Enrollment: MSOT
PTH 899: Continuing Enrollment: DPT
RTH 899: Continuing Enrollment: MSRT

University and Program Assessment

Graduate students completing their tenure at the University of Mary participate in assessment to assist the university in planning for future students, in assuring academic quality, and in creating optimal learning environments.

At the University level, students may be asked to complete satisfaction surveys. In addition, faculty of graduate degree programs may require students to participate in program outcome assessment which, in addition to curriculum evaluation, may be used to benchmark with other institutions in higher education that have similar graduate degree programs. Finally, a graduate degree program may have competence-based evaluation as a component expectation for fulfillment of requirements for the degree.
A non-credit bearing course is required for Graduate Studies Assessment.

Course Description
HUM 799 or PTH 999 Graduate Studies Assessment
Graduate students register for HUM 799 at the Master’s Degree level and PTH 999 at the Doctoral Degree level the final term of their tenure in the program of study to meet the University and program assessment requirement as specified in the Graduate Catalog. 0 semester credits

Application for a Diploma
Graduate students apply for a diploma to the Registrar no later than the term prior to the expected date of graduation (e.g., December 1st for spring graduation; April 1st for fall graduation). Also, an advisor verification of eligibility for graduation is due one full semester prior to graduation. In order to be considered candidates for graduation, students must be in good standing with the degree granting program; must have earned 67% of credits attempted; must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in graduate course work; and, must have completed all assessment requirements for the University and the degree granting program.

Special Circumstance (SC) Policy
The Special Circumstance policy is to be used only under extreme circumstances that interrupt a student’s progress toward degree requirements. These are limited to death in the family or severe illness. Interruptions due to work do not warrant a grade of SC. All attempts should be made to give the student an incomplete grade before pursuing a grade of SC. The student, under the grade of SC, will have to retake the entire course within one year. Beyond one year, the SC grade will turn to an F. If the course is retaken within one year, the student will not be re-registered for the course, nor will they be charged again for the course. Beyond one year, the student must re-register and will be re-charged at the current tuition rate.

Graduate Financial Assistance
Financial aid is available for eligible graduate students. It is the goal of the University of Mary to provide adequate financial aid to all students who apply. For any questions on the financial aid application process or any funding programs or policy, please contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@umary.edu or at 701-355-8142.

Who May Apply
Students applying for financial aid must:
1) Be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen
2) Be enrolled and accepted in a degree-granting program
3) Be maintaining satisfactory progress towards completion of a course of study
4) Not be in default or owe a repayment through the federal Student Financial Assistance Programs.

How To Apply
In order to determine eligibility for most types of financial aid, a student must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). A FAFSA application must be completed each year at www.fafsa.gov. The student will need a PIN, which can be applied for at www.pin.ed.gov.

When completing the FAFSA, applicants must list the University of Mary as a college they plan to attend. Our school code is 002992. Prior to receiving an award letter and financial aid, a student must be accepted, enrolled and pursuing a degree from the University of Mary.

To be considered for the maximum financial aid, the FAFSA should be processed on or before March 30 of each year.

How Is Eligibility Determined?
Financial aid eligibility is determined based on financial “need.” Financial “need” is determined by a federal formula which analyzes a family’s financial situation. Items such as income and assets, the number of dependents in the household, the number of family members currently in post-secondary education, and the cost of the educational program, as well as other factors, are used to determine a student’s eligibility for financial assistance.

The “need” of the student is the difference between the cost of the institution being considered and the family’s ability to pay as determined by the federal formula for financial need. The total cost of school will include direct costs, such as tuition and fees, books, and room/board, and also indirect costs such as transportation (excluded in online programs), supplies and miscellaneous living expenses. The University will build a realistic budget, or total “cost”, to reflect a student’s total cost of attending school.
**Enrollment Status Graduate Students**

- **Fulltime**: 9 or more credits
- **Three-quarter time**: 7-8 credits
- **Half-time**: 5-6 credits
- **Less than half-time**: 4 or fewer credits

**Financial Aid Disbursements and Refunds**

All of the financial aid that you accept, federal and non-federal, grants and loans, will be directly credited to your student account. The “disbursement date” for financial aid is the day that funds arrive at the University of Mary. For disbursements of loan funds, it generally takes the Financial Aid Office three days to complete the necessary steps before the funds are applied to your student account. Depending on your program of study, your financial aid will be disbursed either once per semester or over the course of the semester.

Financial aid refunds (excess aid) will not be made available to students until after the final add/drop day in each semester, as noted on the University of Mary Academic Calendar, and after all charges are paid in full each semester. The Student Accounts Office mails refund checks to students. Students are able to view their account online at any time at [www.my.umary.edu](http://www.my.umary.edu).

**Financial Aid Sources**

Please contact the Financial Aid Office for information on any of the following programs. Students should explore as many options to apply for aid as possible.

**Grant Programs**

**TEACH Grant**: This grant provides up to $4,000 per academic year in grant aid to undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate students who agree to serve for at least four years as full-time “highly qualified” teachers in high need fields in public and not for profit private elementary or secondary schools that serve students from low income families. Specific requirements and application steps apply. Please contact the Financial Aid Office for more information on eligibility.

**Loan Programs**

**Federal Perkins Loan**: This loan must be repaid. It is based on financial need. The interest rate is five percent (5%). No principal or interest payments are required as long as half-time enrollment status is maintained. Students will be required to complete loan entrance counseling and a Master Promissory Note.

**Federal Nursing Loan**: This loan must be repaid. It is based on financial need. The interest rate is five percent (5%). No principal or interest payments are required as long as half-time enrollment status is maintained. Students will be required to complete loan entrance counseling, a Master Promissory Note, and disclosure documents annually.

**Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan**: This loan must be repaid. The interest rate is 6.8%. Students must be enrolled at least on a half-time basis to qualify. The student is required to pay interest on this loan from the time of disbursement. Loan entrance counseling will be required and students must sign a Master Promissory Note.

**State/Local/Other Programs**

**North Dakota Indian Scholarship**: This scholarship assists American Indian students in obtaining a college education. Apply through the North Dakota University System. You should also research other funding sources such as grants, vocational rehabilitation, outside scholarships or military benefits. The Financial Aid Office can assist you as you begin your search.

**Other Payment Options**

**Graduate PLUS Loan**: Students must apply and qualify for this loan. The interest rate is 7.9% fixed and fees may apply. Repayment begins immediately upon disbursement.

**Alternative Loan**: Alternative education loans are private student loans that help supplement federal financing. These are private loans that students must apply for and qualify for based on the lender requirements. Federal funding sources should be pursued first.

**Payment Plan**: The University of Mary offers a convenient payment plan through Nelnet Business Solutions. A small enrollment fee will enroll you in the no-interest plan. For more information contact the Office of Student Accounts.

**Satisfactory Progress Policy for Financial Assistance**

A complete copy of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Progress Policy can be requested in the Financial Aid Office.
In accordance with Federal regulations, to be eligible for Title IV aid, a student must make satisfactory degree progress. The receipt of financial aid and progress toward attaining a degree go hand in hand. Students must meet both quantitative and qualitative standards. All federal, state and institutional aid programs are covered by this policy.

**Quantitative Standard:**
- 1st year undergraduate (0-29 credits earned) must maintain a 1.8 cumulative GPA.
- 2nd year undergraduate and beyond (30+ credits earned) must maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA.
- Graduate students must maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA.
- Division requirements may be more stringent.

**Qualitative Standard:**
- All grade levels (undergraduate and graduate) must successfully complete at least 67% of all attempted credits. The grades W, WP, WF, F, I and SC are considered “attempted” and will be considered as unsuccessful completion when determining if a student has maintained this standard.
- Complete the graduate degree within 150% of program requirements.
- Graduate Program Division requirements may be more stringent.

**Monitoring Progress**
- Progress for all students will be monitored on a semester-by-semester basis.
- Assessment will be based on the student’s cumulative academic record, including all transfer semester credits hours accepted toward the student’s current degree, incomplete grades, W, WF, WP and SC grades.
- Continuous-enrolled students applying for financial aid for the first time must have maintained progress during the previous terms of enrollment regardless of prior post-secondary attendance.
- Students who have stopped-out of college for a period of twelve or more months may have the ability to maintain financial eligibility even though prior performance was substandard. Students in this situation should contact the Financial Aid Office for more information.
- Other special considerations for appeal may involve a student changing degrees/divisions, which may require additional credits.
- Federal regulations may require immediate suspension. A student does not need to first be placed in WARNING status to be suspended.
- Students are personally responsible for all charges incurred at the University of Mary while they are suspended from receiving financial aid.
- Students may only request an appeal once for any given circumstance.
- Academic amnesty has no bearing on standard of progress for financial aid.
- One WARNING period will be given prior to a student being suspended from financial aid due to substandard academic performance.
- If a student successfully appeals a suspension, one term (one semester) of PROBATION will be granted, giving the student an opportunity to prove academic success.
- Following one term of PROBATION, continued aid eligibility requires proven success (during the term of PROBATION), a comprehensive degree-success plan must be submitted, and the ability to reach the stated minimum requirements prior to degree completion must be attainable. Students in this status must maintain progress each term until they are in full compliance.
- Final determination of appeal approval or denial will rest with the Office of Financial Aid. The Office of Financial Aid will make the best determination for the student while complying with federal guidelines.

**What Does WARNING Mean?**
Status assigned to a student who fails to make satisfactory academic progress. The student may continue to receive financial aid for one payment
period (one semester). No appeal is required for this status. Students will be notified by letter.

**What Does PROBATION Mean?**

Status assigned to a student who fails to make satisfactory academic progress AND who has successfully appealed AND who has received official notification that aid eligibility has been reinstated. Students who are placed in probation status may receive financial aid for one payment period (one semester). Students will be notified by letter.

**What Does ACADEMIC PLAN Mean?**

After one term of PROBATION in which the student has proven their ability to succeed academically, and through additional requirements being met, students may request to be placed in ACADEMIC PLAN, which will allow for continued aid eligibility. Progress will be monitored after the end of each semester and students must prove their ability each term to remain in this status. If it is determined that the student is not following the degree-success plan set forth or not improving academically, the student will be suspended from aid.

**What Does SUSPENSION Mean?**

Students designated “SUSPENSION” are no longer eligible for federal, state or institutional financial aid. All charges incurred while under suspension will be the personal responsibility of the student to pay.

**Right to Appeal:** Students who have had their financial aid suspended due to unsatisfactory academic progress may appeal their standing to:

University of Mary
Office of Student Financial Aid
7500 University Drive
Bismarck, ND 58504.

**Financial Aid and Institutional Charges — Changes in Enrollment**

If a student adds or drops credits at any point in a semester, their financial aid and institutional charges may be affected. Please contact either Financial Aid at finaid@umary.edu or Student Accounts at staccts@umary.edu to determine if a change in enrollment will affect you.

**Financial Aid and Institutional Charges — Withdrawing or Expelled Students**

**Return of Federal Title IV Financial Aid**

If a student withdraws from school or is expelled, a calculation called Return of Title IV Aid must be completed. The amount of Title IV assistance earned is calculated based on the number of days completed in the enrollment period on a prorated basis. The percentage is then applied to the aid received to determine how much aid a student has actually earned. If the student has received more aid than he/she earned, funds must be returned to the appropriate issuing agency. If a student has earned more aid than what they were disbursed, a possible “Post Withdrawal Disbursement” of aid can be made to help cover tuition, fees, and other charges. Returns to Title IV financial aid will be done in the manner prescribed by law.

The Return of Title IV policy, which prorates eligibility based on attendance, applies not only to the federal financial aid programs but also to State and institutional aid. Adjustments to a student’s institutional charges for tuition, fees, room and board for a student who withdraws or is expelled, will mirror the same policy of proration. A student who has received financial aid and then withdraws or is expelled may be required to repay some or all of the award funds received.

Any institutional charges resulting from a student withdrawing from the university will be the responsibility of the student to pay in full.

Any questions regarding this policy can be directed to the Financial Aid Office at finaid@umary.edu.

**Nondiscrimination**

The University of Mary does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, marital status or public assistance in accordance with applicable laws. The university will not tolerate any discrimination, and any such conduct is prohibited. The university also prohibits any form of discipline or retaliation for reporting incidents of discrimination. The following persons have been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policy:

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